



TAFCE Connection

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*TAFCE PRESIDENT
GLORIA FISHER*



In the last few months, I have been able to attend activities and meetings in each region. I love meeting members and listening as they tell about their love for FCE and what they do to help others.

It always strikes me proud to see what each of you have accomplished in your clubs, counties and regions. I admire skills that are learned and/or shared that become entries in cultural arts and fashion review which are displayed in local fairs and at county meetings. There will be some special items in competition at the state level this conference. The judges will have to make some tough decisions.

Other conference activities include interesting and fun craft classes, educational session, speakers, tours and more. Come show your “Saddle Up” attitude and western attire at the Cowgirl Banquet.

The hotel, Franklin Marriott Cool Springs chosen to house the 2022 Conference is beautiful and very accommodating to the needs for us. I hope you can come

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DATES TO REMEMBER

**Remember these are “State” deadlines,
NOT Region or County.**

Oct 1	Credential for all voting delegates to State Treasurer
Oct 1	TAFCE Conference Registration Due to State Treasurer
Oct 3	Fashion Revue and Cultural Arts Regional Winners Due to State Educational Chair
Oct 9-15	National FCE Week
Nov 1	TAFCE and NAFCE Membership Dues to State Treasurer
Nov 13-16	TAFCE State Conference Cool Spring Marriott, Franklin

Newsletter Deadlines

January Newsletter—January 10

Send Newsletter articles via email to the
Educational Chair Crystal Holt



PAST PRESIDENT ADVISOR
Wanda Briddelle

WESTERN REGION EDUCATIONAL CHAIR
Esther Button

COLLECTOR'S EDITION

Changes are being made as to how many Creative Writing Books will be available each year.



In addition to winner's copies there will be 6 printed. With this in mind you are encouraged to pre-order a copy.

(If you are not coming to TAFCE conference in November please have someone pick up and pay for your copy)

I will need orders by October 31st: (Include below Information in your email at time of order)

Name _____

County _____

Number of copies _____

Pick up Person _____

Secretary
Regina McCathern

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the State Conference. If you don't have a roommate yet, check with the other 2 Regions, to see if someone needs a roommate. 2022 has been a fun year. I can't wait to see what 2023 has in store for us all. Be Blessed

I hope that all is well. Once again it is that time of year we are all getting ready for our upcoming State Conference. I get excited this time of year, knowing that all of you have been preparing and perfecting your items in the category/area you love. I would like to say thank you to those of you that have a talent to craft for being willing to share it with others, and making it possible for others to learn. We love to see our members spreading their wings to newer heights and trying new things. No matter what it may be; cooking, sewing, computer, reading, writing, health, wellness, etc. It is always great to see our members willing to teach or to learn a new skill.

The objective here is that we are learning something new in life and we all have something new to share with others through our Cultural Arts competition.

I would love for every one that has won 1st or 2nd place to work on getting their Cultural Arts items to the State Conference. If you are attending yourself please try to help others that are not attending the State Conference, get theirs entered also. There are a couple of ways we can get our items to the State Conference. You can send your items with friends in your Region or County that plan on attending or you can send items with an Extension FCS Agent. Please set forth an effort to get your's or another member's items to the State so that we all see the great talents coming from each member in each region of our organization.

Ps. Please visit the TAFCE Website for any questions about Cultural Arts. You can view past newsletters to read my articles for the most recent updates in Cultural Arts. To see those newsletters please look under Members, scroll down, click Newsletters, Current Issues & Archives. My most recent ins and outs of Cultural Arts will be listed in the 2022 Summer Addition on page 3. Remember you can always go back and look at the past newsletters in Archives as well to catch up on any and all changes throughout our organization.

Thank you and I hope to see you all at the 2022 State Conference at the Franklin Cool Spring Marriott. Stop by, say "Hi", and see all the wonderful items displayed in the Cultural Arts competition.

Saddle Up with FCE

Hope you are polishing your saddle and coordinating your Cowgirl Prom outfit ready to attend the 40th Annual TAFCE Conference, November 13-16.

Please note a correction on page 19, Cowboy Up Suicide Prevention should be numbers 1. and 16. time on Tuesday should be 3-3:45. The sign up information is correct on page 21.

Early registration will help assure that you get the Creative Craft, Education Session, or Tour that you really want. Note where to send each. **Final Deadline is October 1st.**

Emily Gordon; 2022 Conference Coordinator



Please visit and join our FCE Facebook pages.

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EASTERN REGION PRESIDENT
Joyce Ernst



Eastern Region is diligently working on 2023 Annual State Conference. We have added a co-chair, to the Conference Chairman, Leslie Sharp. She will be working closely with our Conference Chair, Caroline Bales. We have a contract with

Meadow View Hotel by Marriott in Kingsport. 2023 TAFCE State Conference 2023 will be November 12- 15. Mark your calendars to save the date.

Leslie Sharp, Vice President of Programs, presented an extremely successful Spring mini-conference in Greenville. Our theme was “A Sprinkle of Old: A Drizzle of New”. Thrifty crafts and informational classes were taught. We presented two \$500.00 4-H Scholarships and three Environmental Awards. Our Holston Home for Children project was a collection of over 500 Items donated by our counties at the Greenville Center and \$50.00 in cash. Fall Conference this year will be held at the Keith Memorial, United Methodist Church in Athens on September 19th at which Cultural Arts and Fashion Review winners will be determined. The theme will be “Rock On FCE”.

Our annual regional Leadership Day will be held on November 30th at the Sullivan County Extension Office. This year’s Leadership Day will focus on Leadership Training for all our County Council members. Teamwork has been a strong focus for Eastern Region counties for 2022. We increased our CVU hours from last year by over 250%.

Eastern Region continues to work diligently to provide activities and promote the success of TAFCE. We are looking forward to seeing everyone for the November 13-16 State Conference.

CENTRAL REGION PRESIDENT
Mary Alice Weber



Our Central Region Leadership Retreat was held May 24-26 at UT Southern, with 112 in attendance. The classes received rave reviews—several of the classes are being offered at the TAFCE conference due to their popularity. The food was excellent and the entertainment, a movie, “The Lost City” was hilarious! We had a fabulous time making new friends and renewing friendships in Pulaski!

Following the theme “Gratitude for FCE, our Central Region Annual Meeting was September 8, with 230+ in attendance. FCE members wrote approximately 500 thank you cards to be shared with healthcare workers in the Murfreesboro community. Gloria Fisher, TAFCE President was our keynote speaker, and we were able to reinstate a Fashion Show this year. Cernovia Burns, Wilson County, was the Central Region Heart of FCE winner; Sharon Jessop, Williamson County, was the Central Region Best of the Best winner; and Shelly Barnes, Wilson County, won the first ever Central Region FCS Agent Appreciation Award. Peggy Richmond was elected Central Region President; Wendy Drumm secretary; and Pam Sites VP for Public Policy, serving in 2023-2024.

Yee Haw! Emily Gordon, our 2022 TAFCE Conference chairperson, and her conference committee chairpersons have been diligently working on the upcoming TAFCE Conference! If you’re hankerin’ for a good time, register now (due October 1) and come Saddle Up with FCE! at the 2022 TAFCE Conference at the Franklin-Marriott-Cool Springs, November 13 - 16! Be sure to pack your cowgirl hat and boots, or even a tutu, for the Cowgirl Prom on Tuesday night!

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VP for Programs
Pamela F. Sites

I am looking forward to the TAFCE State Conference and hope to see all of you there.

I wish to thank everyone who volunteered to run for the open positions on the state board (President-elect, VP of Program, and Secretary). I look forward to working with them.

The TAFCE State Project report on Q.U.I.L.T. was a winner at the NAFCE Conference. Congratulations to the facilitators of the project and those who participated.

We have seven new 50-Year members. Come to the state conference banquet to find out who they are.

Since this is my last year as Vice President of Programs, I would like to thank every one for their support, advice and encouragement. I could not do it without you. Thank you!

See you at Conference,

Pamela Sites

CENTRAL REGION EDUCATIONAL CHAIR
Crystal Holt



Conference is right around the corner and I am so excited to see everyone. My husband and I are looking forward to photographing all the wonderful cultural arts and fashion revue entries. This year has been a great year and I just wanted to say how proud I am to be apart of this wonderful organization. Keep up the great work and remember I am always here if you have any Communications/IT questions. Don't forget to reach out to members if they are still not able to get out. We want to remind them they we still care and that they are still important to us.



New Logos

We are so pleased to have our new logos. At this point, it is just to be used on state-wide documents, newsletters, promotional items, etc. As soon as the board determines the guidelines for its usage, and it is under copyright protection, instructions and suggestions on how county and regional clubs and groups can use it will be communicated.



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Vice President for Public Policy
Patricia Davison



I would like to congratulate each of these ladies for finishing their 30 hours of Family Community Leadership Training. We had a wonderful time getting to know each other and during the training classes bouncing ideas off each other, as well as learning from our nine instructors.

A Graduation Ceremony will be part of the Opening Session. Attend the Conference and support these wonderful ladies! Our 2021 FCL Graduates will be: From CENTRAL REGION:

Jennifer Thompson (Grundy Co.), Debbie Jennings (Wilson Co.), Eileen Abbey (Marshall Co.), Jean Smith (Rutherford Co.) EASTERN REGION: Gloria Fisher (Cumberland Co.), Marti Agler (Serier Co.), Darla Baird (Campbell Co.), Karen Brockhoff (Campbell Co.), Leslye Beria (McMinn Co.) WESTERN REGION: Debby Johnson (Montgomery Co.), Teresa Vinson (Obion Co.), Phillis Little (Obion Co.), Zena H. Swendiman (Dickson Co.) and Amy Wall (Obion Co.).

If you are a graduate of the FCL Training, would you please send me an email at pdavisonfce@yahoo.com and let me know that you have graduated, taught either 1 or 2 sessions and if you remember the date for graduating and teaching that would be very helpful also. I am working on compiling a list so that I will have everyone who would be able to be an instructor for our FCL Program.



FCL August 2022 Class Seated (Left to Right) Jean Smith, Zena Swendiman, Eileen Abby, Leslye Beria and Amy Wall. Standing (Left to Right) Jennifer Thompson, Debbie Johnson, Teresa Vinson, Gloria Fisher, Phillis Little and Debby Johnson

CVU HOURS

CVU's, CVU's, CVU's !!!!!!! They are a vital part of what we do !! **PLEASE – PLEASE – PLEASE KEEP TRACK.** When you work on your projects for FCE, cultural arts, fashion review, talking on the phone to other FCE members about FCE, checking on a friend, running errands, getting items to make food for an activity at church or a sick friend, praying for someone on the phone or in person, visiting a sick friend – you get the idea – **WRITE DOWN YOUR HOURS AND REMIND FELLOW FCE MEMBERS TO WRITE THEM DOWN.** You will be surprised at just how many hours you do give of yourself to FCE. PLEASE fill out your hours and submit them to your club, who will submit them to the county, who will submit them to your region. Go to <https://tafce.tennessee.edu/> - For Members – Awards and Recognition – CUV's for the forms you need. Finally, the region will submit them to the TAFCE Vice President of Public Policy.

You will be surprised at the Banquet with all the hours turned in, number of people that you have reached and with the number of members turning in these hours.

2022 TAFCE BEST OF THE BEST

Who will it be?? Do you know someone who contributes a little something extra to every activity? Or goes above and beyond? You need to Nominate them for the Best of the Best Award in 2023. To find out more visit <https://tafce.tennessee.edu/> For Members – Awards and Recognition – Best of the Best to find out more.

The 2022 Best of the Best Nominations were: Eastern Region, Caroline Bales, Carter County; Central Region, Sharon Jessop, Williamson County; and Western Region, Betty Blackwell, Montgomery, County. The 2022 Regional winners' portfolios in were sent to UT's Selection Committee. The State 2022 winner will be announced at the 40th Annual TAFCE Conference in Cool Springs. Attend the Conference and support these wonderful ladies!

SADDLE UP with FCE!!! Franklin Marriott, Cool Springs!



TAFCE Fundraiser

TAFCE is hosting a fundraiser this year. We will be selling shirts with our new logo on them so that our members can show it off in their local community. We would love to gain more interest in the organization and we are hoping with our members wearing this shirt around it will spark some conversations so we can gain new membership. If you would like to place an order please contact Crystal Holt or Pamela Albaro.



Screen Print	Size	Price	Embroidered	Size	Price
Short Sleeve Tshirt	Small -		Polo	Small-	
	XLarge	\$16.00		Xlarge	\$23.00
	2XL	\$17.00		2XL	\$24.00
	3XL	\$18.00		3XL	\$25.00
	4XL	\$19.00		4XL	\$26.00
	5XL	\$20.00		5XL	\$27.00
Long Sleeve Tshirt	Small-Xlarge	\$18.00	Hoodied SweatShirt	Small-	
	2XL	\$19.00		Xlarge	\$27.00
	3XL	\$20.00		2XL	\$28.00
	4XL	\$21.00		3XL	\$29.00
	5XL	\$22.00		4XL	\$30.00
				5XL	\$31.00
Hooded SweatShirt	Small-Xlarge	\$27.00	Non-Hooded SweatShirt	Small-	
	2XL	\$28.00		Xlarge	\$20.00
	3XL	\$29.00		2XL	\$21.00
	4XL	\$30.00		3XL	\$22.00
	5XL	\$31.00		4XL	\$23.00
				5XL	\$24.00
Non-Hooded SweatShirt	Small-Xlarge	\$20.00	Zippered Hooded Jacket	Small-	
	2XL	\$21.00		Xlarge	\$30.00
	3XL	\$22.00		2XL	\$31.00
	4XL	\$23.00		3XL	\$32.00
	5XL	\$24.00		4XL	\$33.00
				5XL	\$34.00
Polo	Small-Xlarge	\$23.00			
	2XL	\$24.00			
	3XL	\$25.00			
	4XL	\$26.00			
	5XL	\$27.00			
Zippered Hooded Jacket	Small-Xlarge	\$30.00			
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	3XL	\$32.00			
	4XL	\$33.00			
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