



# FLASH

The year 2020 has come! As the new year came in did you make your goals or resolutions? At the first meeting of my local FCE club our roll call response was to be a goal or resolution we wanted to accomplish in 2020. We decided that at each monthly meeting a goal checkup would be done to see how we were doing. At our February meeting we discussed what steps we had taken to reaching our goal. Most of us had made remarkable strides in working towards our goal. What a great way to handle things happening in our lives today by taking it a step at a time also.

National FCE conference is coming! Just like the song “She’ll be coming around the mountain” our conference is right around the corner. Programs and general sessions are being worked on and will be announced in the newsletter coming out either the end of February or 1<sup>st</sup> part of March.

The conference is being held at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas/Portland, Oregon July 23 thru 26, 2020. Information about room rates and how to make your reservations are on the website under the heading of 2020 National Conference. The conference registration form is also located there. Our group rate at the hotel is good for 3 days before and after conference, so what a great time to plan a family vacation or with a group of FCE friends. There are several places to visit and things to do which have been highlighted on our website also. **Check it out [www.nafce.org](http://www.nafce.org).**

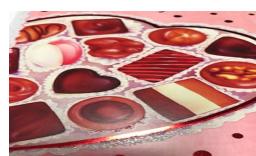
April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 is not only called T-day (the day that your income tax return is due) but also a very important date in FCE. Many of our programs and contests are due to headquarters by then also. Check out the FCE calendar on the website to see what you, your club, or state need to have completed by that date.

If you haven’t done so yet, please check out the ACWW newly revised website. What a wealth of information is on their website, [www.acww.org.uk](http://www.acww.org.uk), regarding all of the programs that our Pennies for Friendship and other gifts help to support. Any time that you, your local club, or state would like to donate please send it to the National treasurer and then it will be sent in as a group from National.

On Facebook I see several great projects being done by our National FCE members. I would really appreciate it if you would send an article to headquarters regarding these great projects so that we can feature some of them in our newsletter or on the flash. Everyone needs to be recognized for their volunteerism in their communities.

Keep in mind that each year on or around April 29<sup>th</sup> Women worldwide celebrate ACWW’s international network by joining together to Walk the World. Make your plans now to celebrate this day in some way in your community to raise awareness that we are part of an international organization that is working to raise the standard of living for rural women and their families.

Happy Valentine’s Day on February 14<sup>th</sup> to our FCE members who are like fancy chocolates. It’s what’s inside that makes them special.



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