



ISSUE 6

Wilson County FCE Connections

June 2025

Electing New Officers

This Month:

It's that time of year! Wilson County Officer elections are NEXT County Council Meeting. Which positions are up for grabs?

- **President-Elect:** The president-elect is a one-year term (2026) designed to give the officer time to learn the role. You'll work closely with the current president and Extension Agent to learn the ins-and-outs of Wilson County FCE so you'll be ready for your two-year term (Jan. 2027-Dec. 2028) as President. You MUST be willing and able to attend all board and county council meetings, county events such as the Luncheon and Picnic, and regional events such as Information Day and Annual Meeting. The County President is also expected to attend and serve with a vote at the annual State Conference.
- **Secretary:** Secretaries are our historians! It is such an important job to keep record of business meetings. The secretary will take the minutes of each meeting and help set the agenda for future meetings. They will provide and read the minutes from the previous meeting at each business meeting. The County Secretary is also the Chairperson of the Bylaw Committee and serves with a vote on the board. Similar to the president, the County Secretary MUST be available to attend every board and county council meeting.

- 4th, Craft Club
 - 9am
 - Q Barn
- 4th, Chair Volleyball
 - 1pm
 - Q Barn
- 10th, State Conference
Craft/Service Project
 - 9am
 - Education Bldg.
- 19th, Juneteenth,
Extension Office
Closed

TWO members of each club, NOT including members on the Board, should be in attendance to vote at the next county council meeting - July 31st.

Nomination forms are DUE to VP Trudy Papuchis, Chairperson of the Nomination Committee, by June 18th!

Wilson County nomination forms can be found on page 96 in the Wilson County Planner. A hard copy of the planner is with your club president and secretary. A PDF copy is located on the Wilson County FCE - Members Only Facebook group, under the "Files" tab. You may also come by the Extension Office for a copy.

DUES

Please bring your county dues to the July County Council meeting
Make checks payable to "Wilson Co. FCE"

Thank you for submitting your CVU hours!

WE WORKED OVER 20,000 HOURS AND REACHED OVER 11 MILLION PEOPLE, FOCUSING ON WILSON CO., THROUGH ALL YOUR HARD WORK!

Don't forget to pick up your Leader Lesson from the Extension Office!

MAKE SURE TO CALL DIANE AT THE FRONT OFFICE TO SCHEDULE A TIME!

615-444-9584

M-F 8:00AM-4:30PM

We had an amazing time at the Central Region Leadership Retreat!!



Wilson Co. had over 20 members attend the Central region retreat this year. Our two baskets up for auction brought in a total of \$105. This helped bring the total donated over \$1000 for future retreat scholarships!

CONGRATS TO ALL OUR CREATIVE WRITING WINNERS!!



Poetry 1st place: Marcia Woods
Short Stories 1st place: Genevieve Kilga
Short Stories 2nd place: Nancy Bush
Featured Article 1st place: Tiffany Goldhamer
Featured Article 2nd place: Jacquie Ott
Misc. 1st place: Wanda Briddelle



We ♥ our Volunteers

Come sign up to volunteer at our Wilson Co. TN State Fair!

For more information please contact Frances Baker (615) 310-1249 or Wanda Briddelle (615) 218-4763

Other ways to Volunteer:

2025 State FCE Conference:

- Hostesses Needed - see Frances Baker
- Hospitality Ambassadors Needed - see Regina McCathern

Fiddlers Grove:

- Volunteers are always needed
- Contact Rhonda Birdwell (615) 547-6111

2025 Sewing Expo:

- *This event needs a Chairperson!*
- Please sign up to be an Expo Center Ambassador to ensure we get a free booth.
- Visit sewingexpo.com/Volunteer and click "Click here to sign up to be an Ambassador"
- Contact Tiffany Goldhamer if you have any questions

In Memoriam:

Raymond Burns



April 13, 1951 -
May 13, 2025
Tuckers Club

Christmas Craft Bazaar



October 25th 8am-3pm
E/W and Education buildings

Applications are available
for booths at our new
Christmas Craft Bazaar.

Contact
Regina McCathern or
Jill Pulley

From God's Hands

Don't forget about the box in the entryway of the Extension office to collect nonperishable food items. Paper goods, diapers and sanitary napkins are also greatly appreciated. This food pantry is run by Raymond and Bebe Burns.

If you are in need or would like to donate perishables, please contact Bebe Burns
615-509-2012



STATE CONFERENCE TEAM SHOP

All clubs need to be working
on items for the gift shop



Jewelry

Bookmarks

Crochet

Cards

Accessories

Wreaths

Knit

Most items priced between
\$1.00 and \$10.00

Handcrafted
5-8 "one-of-a-kind" items

Service Project June 10th, 9am Education Bldg.

I found a *Quilted Heart*

Please bring your own sewing machine and basic sewing supplies. If you need a machine, contact Carolyn Binkley 615-804-157
cbinkley0@gmail.com



TAFCE Conference Welcome bag gifts

Bring completed pouches
We will be adding the
keychain hardware



June FCE Meetings Agent Visit

Hi, everyone! Penny and I are really looking forward to seeing you all in June! Here's what to look forward to:

- FCE Survey - I want to hear from you about your experiences in FCE. What is working? What isn't? What can I do better? How will FCE move forward?
- Verify your contact information. Despite best efforts, I still have incorrect contact information that makes it hard to share information. I'd like that to change.
- We will be sharing important news, updates, and ideas - and I want your opinions!

Please bring a pen or pencil. I can't wait to see you!



Local Events Near You!

- June 7th, Spring Craft Show, Breeden's Orchard, 631 Beckwith Rd., Mt. Juliet
- June 10th, Fair Board Meeting, Made in TN building, Fairgrounds
- June 13th-14th, Redneck Rumble, Wilson Co. Fairgrounds
- June 14th, The Milligan Bicycle Ride, Watertown
- June 26th, Mt. Juliet Market Night, Charlie Daniels Park, Mt. Juliet
- July 4th, Independence Day Extravaganza, Starstruck Farm, 10471 Hwy 109
- July 4th, Stars and Stripes and Squirt Gun Parade, Watertown Square
- July 4th, Celebrate Mt. Juliet, Circle P Ranch, 563 E. Main St., Mt. Juliet
- July 19th, Showin' off for Shelby Car Show, Fiddlers Grove, Fairgrounds
- July 22nd, Fair Board Meeting, Made in TN Bldg., Fairgrounds

Looking Ahead

July:

- 2nd - Craft Club & Chair Volleyball, Veterans Building
- 4th - Independence Day, Extension Office Closed
- 17th - Board meeting,
- 21st- 24th - NAFCE Conference
- 31st - Membership dues **DUE** to Sandra Poston
- 31st - County Council & Chair Volleyball, East-West Building

August:

- 9th&10th - Intake at Wilson Co. TN State Fair, Expo Bldg.
- 14th-23rd - Wilson Co. TN State Fair, Wilson Co. Fairgrounds
- 15th - Central Region meeting registration due to Regional Treasurer Barbara Brackett

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University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture and county governments cooperating.
UT Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment.