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President's Corner

Time sure has a way of getting away from me. It seems like we just finished the 2018 conference and now it is time for all of us to make plans for the 2019 conference. I am excited to be your National President but do need to apologize that this newsletter is so late. I am going to combine a few seasons together and call this the Fall/Winter/Early Spring newsletter. I know that this has been a weird year for climate changes and hope that all our members are surviving whatever nature has been bringing their way, lots of snow, ice and floods. At one time this winter North Dakota was even colder than the North Pole and Antarctic. That was very cold!

The National Board and helpers presented an exciting 2018 conference. Each conference is full of learning, fellowship and fun. We were honored to have the ACWW World President, Ruth Shanks, with us at conference and what a wealth of knowledge she shared with us.

Annual Business Meeting highlights:

There was a change in the bylaws regarding the times that an officer can serve on the board and a bylaw was added regarding the Legacy Fund, plus it was authorized that the secretary and bylaw committee correct article and section designations, punctuation, etc.

There were no positions to be filled for this was the year that one public policy coordinator and one program coordinator positions were to be eliminated.

According to our bylaws in each term of the President a dues increase can be proposed. After much discussion about the large insurance bill covering non members which comes to approximately \$8.00 per FCE member a motion was submitted to postpone the vote on a dues increase until the 2019 business meeting. Your national board has done a great job of reducing costs, but the insurance for non members at each of our functions is the biggest cost to our organization. So please be thinking about this situation for it will be on the agenda at the 2019 business meeting.

Our National Focus remains on all aspects of Human Trafficking and Zero Hunger is being added. There will be more information at the 2019 Conference regarding the direction that we can go with the Zero Hunger.

What **excitement was in the air** when we received notice at Headquarters that a new club had been formed in Missouri. They have 5 members and who ever helped start this club should remember to fill out the form to receive their FCE Star Pin for signing up a new member. This form can be found on our website under the form's category plus it is included with this newsletter.

Just a reminder that our newsletter is only emailed to our members so if you know someone in your state, district, county, or local club that don't have email please run an extra copy and get it to them. We appreciate all of you that do this for those not having email or computers.

State Presidents we are asking for your help! Please make sure that an updated state officer list is sent to Headquarters as soon as possible. Also please enclose the date of your state conference. It is always interesting to know when the states hold their state conference. The form to fill out and send to headquarters is under forms on the website.

You will notice through out the newsletter that there are many references to our website. There is a wealth of information on our new website. Forms, upcoming events, and who to contact are just some of the things listed there. **A huge Thank You to Scott Teeple for designing our new website and making it user friendly and Judy Jones at Headquarters for helping Scott keeping it up to date.**

There is a lot of information and deadlines in this newsletter so read it thoroughly and mark it up so that you are aware of what has taken place or is coming up.

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Ardyce Snyder
National FCE President



2019 NATIONAL FCE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
"Celebrate your Journey with FCE"

Conference Dates:
July 18-22, 2019
Conference Tour Date:
July 18, 2019

Please print clearly: Membership # _____ This is my first National FCE Conference _____

Name _____ (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Initial) _____
Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____ E-mail _____

In case of emergency contact _____ Phone (____) _____

List any food allergies: _____ Vegan meals: _____
(Disclaimer: This information is for meal count only. YOU will be responsible to inform hotel staff of special needs)

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:

	Member	Non-member	Amount
Registration: By June 18, 2019	\$ 350	\$ 400	\$ _____
Registration after this date will not have meals guaranteed			
National Board	\$200		\$ _____
Conference Committee	\$100		\$ _____
Spouses - Meals Only	\$ 50/Dinner \$40/ Lunch		\$ _____
Dinner Day(s) _____			
Lunch Day(s) _____			

ONE-DAY CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: (Circle day attending, due by June 18, 2019)

Friday	\$ 125	\$ 150	\$ _____
Saturday	\$ 125	\$ 150	\$ _____
Sunday	\$ 125	\$ 150	\$ _____

SPECIAL EVENTS:

FCL Benefit Dinner (dinner and entertainment) (Saturday, July 20, 2019)	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ _____
National FCE Board Alumni Breakfast (Saturday Morning) For National Board Alumni Members & Spouses	\$ 45	N/A	\$ _____
Total Enclosed	\$ _____		

Registration is non-refundable, but can be transferred.
Remember...Sleeping rooms must be reserved by June 14, 2019

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

Keynote Speakers
General Sessions
Annual Business Meeting
Workshops & FCL Leadership Training
Eligibility to Purchase FCE Tour

Events:
Thursday: Presentation of Presidents
Service Project-reception PM

Friday: Business Meeting
Spirit of FCE Luncheon
FCL Sessions & Workshops
Awards Dinner- FCL Presentations

Saturday: Workshop Sessions
Heart of FCE Luncheon
Workshop Sessions
FCL Benefit Dinner (Extra Cost)

Sunday: Memorial & Inspiration
Awards Luncheon & Installation Ceremony

MAIL TO:

National FCE Conference
73 Cavalier Blvd., Suite 106
Florence, KY 41042
Fax: 859-525-6496
E-mail: nafcehq@fuse.net

Check or credit card payment must accompany registration.

Make checks payable to: National FCE

Credit cards accepted: VISA, MasterCard, Discover (circle one)

Credit card number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Print name as it appears on card: _____

Signature: _____

Please make a copy of this registration form to save for your records

2019 NAFCE CONFERENCE

Have you ever attended a National FCE Conference? You should try it. And if you have attended a conference, you KNOW how much fun they are! The National FCE Conference is scheduled for July 18 – 21, 2019 at the Marriott St. Louis Airport Hotel in St Louis, Missouri.

These conferences are filled with fun, learning, laughing, inspiration, leadership – the list could go on and on! One my favorite things is meeting fellow FCE members from across the United States!

The 2019 conference theme is “Celebrate your journey with FCE”. Maybe some of you started your journey like this 60-year member, she was invited by her neighbors and was even able to take her young children to the meeting. Or did some of you start your journey with FCE like her young children going to the local meetings with your mom, grandmother, etc. How did you start your journey with FCE?

The conference registration form is included with this newsletter or can be found on our website. It needs to be sent in to headquarters with your payment by June 18, 2019.

As the details unfold for conference, they will be updated on our website www.nafce.org.

HOTEL REGISTRATION

All conference attendees must make their own room reservations. These reservations must be made by June 14, 2019 after that date attendees will be able to book rooms at the group room rate, but it will be subject to availability.

There is a link on our website to make your hotel reservations or you can contact them at 1-314-423-9700 and ask for our group name “**National Association Family and Community Education**” to get the group room rate of \$110.00 which is good from 7/14/19 to 7/22/19.

There is complimentary airport shuttle and if driving there will complimentary parking.

Hotel Shuttle Information

If you are arriving in Terminal 1, proceed to lower level baggage claim area and then to Exit 18.

If you are arriving in Terminal 2, proceed to lower level baggage claim area and then to Exit 15.

Hotel shuttles run every 20 minutes starting at the top of each hour continuously.

There will be 2 (\$10.00) discounted breakfast vouchers included with each room. Also, the rooms should have mini fridges.

With all there is to do in Exploring St Louis this would be a great time to make the 2019 conference a family vacation. See you all in St Louis, Missouri!

HEART OF FCE

Congratulations to each state winner in the 2018 Heart of FCE. Four of the state winners were at the National FCE Conference in Austin, Texas this past July. Their state president pinned them as the bio was read by the national board member. They each were presented a yellow rose prior to having a group photo taken.

What an honor to be nominated for this award! It all starts when a club chooses a nominee for the Heart of FCE Award. Then the individual's efforts, projects and results or other contributions are written on the nomination form.

Next step is to send the application to the county/parish where a winner is selected, and that application is forwarded on to either an area/district for selection forwarding that winner to the state. The state then chooses a winner and sends all forms and a photo on to national.

National recognizes each state winner with a specially designed pin that cannot be purchased. Another pin design can be purchased by states to present to their winner.

So, you see they are a winner four times > club, county/parish, area/district, and state. WOW!

A short bio and photo of each state winner is on the web site: just click on "conference award winners" and then click on "2018 National FCE Award book". This award booklet is also on the flash drive that you received if you attended the national conference in Austin.

The deadline to send in your State Heart of FCE Winner for the 2019 National Conference is April 15, 2019. The form to use is located on the website under forms or on the USB that you received at the 2018 National Conference.

Peggy Martens and Martha Crawford
Heart of FCE Award Chairpersons

"Let us always meet each other with smile, for the smile is the beginning of love."
Mother Teresa

SPIRIT OF FCL

Barbara Perry, a Maryland FCE member was awarded the Spirit of FCL Award for 2018 at the National Conference held in Austin, Texas in July. Barbara attended the W. H. Kellogg Foundation FCL training in Chevy Chase, Maryland in 1989 or 1990. Following this training; she assisted Maryland in designing and hosting a two-day training program that was called "Who's in Charge?" Through the years she has participated in many leadership events which have given her a NAFCE Certified Trainer Badge.

Before 1979 there was no public library in Bethany Beach, DE. As years passed a mobile library visited the town, then a one room library opened several days a week. Time and dedication have now enhanced the town with a modern facility dedicated to community life and technology. Many volunteers provide talent and hours to maintain the high-quality facility and programs now provided daily. To help support the library, each summer there is a two-day cottage tour encompassing ten homes in the area... This involves over 500 volunteers to coordinate the event. Barbara has been a cottage coordinator for many years. Last year 1800 tickets were printed for the tour and over 2,000 were sold. Following expenses, the library received \$84,000.

Barbara states, "I had a challenge with a goal to meet. By friendly and sincere means I defined the methods to complete the task to those working on the team". Barbara was truly deserving of this hallmark award of the FCL program where members of a community take control of their lives and help to change the world for the better by using the leadership skills that were learned through the Family Community Leadership program. We are blessed to have Barbara Perry as a part of our FCE Family.

We all know of other FCE members like Barbara who are deserving of this award. The award application can be found on the website so help them apply, encourage them to apply, or surprise them with an award at the 2019 Conference.

The Family Community Leadership program was started in 1981 by a grant awarded by the Kellogg Foundation. A day of FCL training is offered each year at the National FCE Conference. The educational materials presented at the conference are available for purchase from National Headquarters.

ACWW NOTES

The **29th Triennial** is fast approaching. It will be held in Melbourne, Australia April 4 thru April 10, 2019. Hope everyone planning to go has their conference registration, tickets, passports, visa and motel all in place. What a wonderful opportunity to fellowship with members of ACWW from around the world.

Bonnie Teeple is running for the USA Area President. We wish her the best at Triennial where the results will be announced.

If you are planning to attend the Triennial would you please let Headquarters know so that we have an idea of how many and who are going to be in Melbourne, Australia.

Women Walk the World will be held on April 29, 2019.

Please start planning now to make this a great success.

Taking part is simple – no instructors or membership needed – it is inexpensive – no special equipment involved so is achievable – can be done anywhere, anytime which is easy – just need to get up and walk.

The walk can be an organized ramble through the countryside, a walk around a neighborhood, a walk in the fields to tend the animals, a stroll in a park or wherever you like. To keep things interesting, you could add in a tea party, a competition, run a raffle or auction with these proceeds going to ACWW – get creative. If the weather would not be agreeable on April 29th a group could meet at a fitness center or gym for a treadmill walk.

Your participation in Women Walk the World will help ACWW achieve its goal of connecting and supporting women worldwide.

Please send a report to headquarters after you have held your Women Walk the World event.

FCE HISTORY

Onward, Ever Onward, the official song of National FCE was written by Dorothy D Bullock, Atherton, Kentucky. A quartet from Ballinger, Texas introduced the song at the 1956 annual conference in San Antonio.

NEWS FLASH RECEIVED FROM ACWW

Dear National Association for Family and Community Education,

I write on behalf of ACWW to thank you for the donation of \$2664.11, received on the 5th of February. This has been divided as specified, except that we have put your “Water for All” donations into the WE Fund: Sustainable Water, Sanitation and Energy. This fund covers projects which aim to improve access to water, water conservation and security, and access to sanitation facilities. I’ve done this because the water for all campaign ended in 2015, so this is the most appropriate place for your funds to go. Also, we cannot allocate donations towards a specific country (you specified a certain amount to go to India), so that \$734.09 has also gone in the WE Fund: Sustainable Water, Sanitation and Energy. You can see more about the sort of projects you’re helping to fund on our website at <https://www.acww.org.uk/projects.html>

Your donations have been allocated as follows:

Pennies for Friendship: \$1157.86

WE Fund: Water: \$1170.20

Women Walk the World (Pennies for Friendship): \$200

Projects Fund: \$136.00

Donations such as these are what enable ACWW to continue our work in empowering women worldwide to make positive and sustainable progress in their communities and indeed, the world.

Thank you very much for your continued support for ACWW and our very best wishes for the future.

Kind Regards

Sydney Salter

Central Office Team for ACWW

FCE Needs YOU!

NOMINATIONS ARE BEING ACCEPTED

National FCE has an opportunity for you to have a rewarding experience by serving on the NAFCE Board. Position open for qualified candidates for the 2019 elections are:

Vice President for Program
Public Policy Coordinator 2
Program Coordinator 2
Treasurer

Qualification for each of these positions can be found in Article V of the National Bylaws on the website www.nafce.org or by contacting a member of the nominating committee.

Nominations for these positions need to be mailed to Headquarters with a postmark 60 days before the first day of conference or May 18th, 2019. Forms can be requested from a member of the committee or if you were an attendee at the 2018 conference, they are on the flash drive that you received.

If you are interested, or if you know someone that might be interested, please notify the nominating committee:

Martha Crawford, Chairperson; Scott Teeple from Oregon, Margaret Polen from Arizona, and Cathy McKown from Nebraska. Their contact information can be found on the website.

Serving on the National Board is an opportunity for personal growth, serving an organization you believe in and forming lifetime friendship. We ask in return for your commitment of time, effort and loyalty.

The Nominating Committee looks forward to receiving nominations from qualified individuals in each State. Join the board and help us move **FCE FORWARD**.

USE OF FCE LOGO

Just a reminder that if your club, county, district or state are planning to use the FCE logo on any of your local material you need to get permission by filling out the License Agreement for Use of Trade/Service Marks form that can be found on our website under forms. This form needs to be sent to headquarters so that it can be signed by the current National President.

DEADLINES

April 15, 2019 is not only the tax deadline, it is the deadline for our programs and recognitions. Heart of FCE, Spirit of FCL, Open Category Brochure Contest, Outstanding Unit Award, Superior Unit Award, Community Service Award, and the 2019 Essay and Artwork regarding Trustworthiness (these are sent in from the State) are all due to Headquarters by the April 15, 2019. Also please send in your volunteer hours and programs by this deadline also. Just a reminder that we are not doing the program award books this year it is in the process of being revamped.

ALUMNI FUNDRAISER

The National FCE Board Alumni fundraiser at the 2019 Conference will be doing a silent auction of donated quilted items. This fundraiser is open to everyone that would like to donate a quilted item. Proceeds from this fundraiser goes to the First Timer Scholarships. These scholarships can be applied for by anyone who has never attended a National Conference.

It is VERY important that the applicant follow the rules and guidelines as they are spelled out. Anything that is partial or left out will not be judged. The form can be found on the website under the Alumni tab plus it is included in this newsletter.

This is a great scholarship to apply for anyone attending their first national conference as you can see from the comments of the first timers at our 2018 Conference.

It was a time to meet members from other states and hear what they are doing in their own states. For a first-time attendee, there was so much to learn. I learned about ACWW and hearing from the World President, Ruth Shanks, gave me a greater appreciation for our membership in such a worthy organization.

I found the FCL lessons and Hearth Fire series being educational and hope to teach them on the local and county levels.

ZERO HUNGER CHALLENGE

The Zero Hunger Challenge was launched by the Former United Nations General Secretary Ban Ki Moon in 2012; who envisioned a world where no person is hungry. ACWW signed up to the Zero Hunger Challenge in June 2015 and pledged to work to eliminate hunger in our lifetimes.

Our ACWW USA Area President, Jo Almond chose as her Campaign these past 3 years the Zero Hunger Challenge. She challenged everyone to take a small water bottle, small covered plastic container or sandwich size zippered Ziploc and fill it with dimes or soft money and bring the amount that had been saved to their state conference, or national conference. Half of these funds would be sent to ACWW and the other half to a feed the hungry program in your locality.

This challenge has been adopted by the National FCE and your State FCE organizations with half of the funds going to ACWW and the other half to a place that helps feed the hungry. If you were to fill a small water bottle with dimes it will hold \$47.00. If everyone were to do this, what a great amount this would be to share with ACWW and our community hungry programs.

So, check your pockets every day for any dimes or soft money to help bring Hunger to an end by filling a little water bottle, small container, or sandwich size Ziploc to the brim and bring it to the 2019 National Conference.

PLANNING FOR 2019 CONFERENCE

Your National Public Policy Coordinators are well on their way to preparing interesting FCL programs for the 2019 Conference. One of the new programs will be, Teaching Techniques, "Are you Driving, Miss Daisy?" The second program will be, Communication titled, "Communicating in the 21st Century". From the early reports it sounds as though these will be very educational and a little bit fun. I hear rumors of other great programs, but I don't want to let all the secrets out this early.

Connie Larrington, V.P Public Policy

NEW HEARTH FIRES

The National Program Coordinators are busy putting together 2 new Hearth Fires. Have you been eyeing some of the new gadgets that are out there to help prepare your meals with then you won't want to miss this Hearth Fire about Instant Pots, Air Fryers or VitaClay Pots?

Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) plays a part in our organization and for all of us to understand this correlation a Hearth Fire is being prepared for the 2019 National Conference.

Betty Schalk, V. P. Program

Scam phone calls JUST HANG UP!!

Phone calls claiming fraudulent usage of your social security number are not from the social security administration. **Hang up.**

If you get have caller id and get their phone number you can report the call to the social security office they have a form on their website that you can fill out.

Also the IRS does not call you asking for payment. Any one that demands you buy a gift card as payment is not legitimate. Do not pay hang up.

“NATIONAL FCE BOARD ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP”

For

FIRST TIME ATTENDEES TO NATIONAL FCE CONFERENCE

“REGISTRATION COST ONLY”

Sponsored by the National FCE Board Alumni

1. National FCE dues must be on file at National FCE Headquarters by April 15.
2. National FCE Conference registration form and all applicable fees must be paid by check or listed credit card information. Winners will be notified before conference and their method of payment will be returned to them. Those applicants who are not winners will have their conference registration form and method of payment sent on to Headquarters by May 30.

3. This scholarship application form must be filled out according to the following instructions:

Name _____ Region _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Years of membership _____ Membership number _____

On ONE separate sheet, tell us about the following:

- a. List your FCE involvement and accomplishments in the last 5 years (local, county, district, and state).
- b. What focus or issues of FCE are important to you and WHY? (i.e. Health, Home and Community Environment, International, Leadership, Youth Education, ACWW, FCL, CHARACTER COUNTS!, Community Service, Hearth Fire literatures, Membership).
- c. If you are selected, how will you share what you have learned or gained with your county, district, and state?

Send the following postmarked by June 8.

- This Scholarship application form completed
- The attached ONE separate page of information
- Completed Conference Registration form and method of payment

Mail to: National FCE Headquarters

73 Cavalier Blvd., Suite 106

Florence, KY 41042

Fax: 859-525-6496

Applications postmarked after June 8, will not be judged.

Reach for the Stars!

STAR PIN

I signed up a new member:

Name of New Member _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip Code _____

Date Joined _____

My Name is _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip Code _____

Membership ID Number _____

Please send my FCE Star Pin

Receive a free gold FCE Star pin every time you recruit a new FCE member.

Complete this form and send to National FCE Headquarters, 73 Cavalier Blvd., Suite 106, Florence, KY 41042-5178.

Once the new member information has been verified a star pin will be mailed to you.

You may also fax this information to headquarters at 859-525-6496 or you can email the info to nafcehq@fuse.net.