

# Kansas Association for Family & Community Education



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71st Annual KAFCE Conference

October 2-4, 2023 in Hays, Kansas

Hilton Garden Inn and Convention  
Center

## " FCE . . . Caught Up in the New Frontier"

Conference Location:

**Hilton Garden Inn and Convention Center**  
**221 W 43rd St Hays, KS 67601**  
**For Reservations Call: 785-727-7721,**  
**or 1-800-760-7718**

Location: on I-70 from either direction take Exit 159. Go north 0.4 miles through the round-a-bout, then left on either 43rd Street or 45th Street. Located just west of Walmart.

***There is a special conference rate of \$128.00 plus applicable tax if reservations made by September 21st. Please mention KAFCE Conference when making reservations.***

Conference rooms hold 1 - 4 people; all rooms are smoke free, and are equipped with microwave, HI-Def TV, mini-refrigerator, coffeemaker, iron, ironing board, and alarm clock. Amenities include an indoor pool, fitness center, room service, and an on-site, full-service restaurant and bar open every day from 6:00 AM to 11:00 PM.

*Except for the tours and Monday evening winery event, all activities will take place at the convention center.*

### **Conference Purpose:**

To promote Kansas Association for Family and Community Education (KAFCE) programs, broaden Kansans' perspectives, celebrate awards and achievements, receive leadership directions, and much more. To conduct the annual KAFCE business meeting, including elections. To enjoy meeting other members from across the state of Kansas.

Registration must be postmarked by September 1, 2023 in order to receive Early Bird conference rate as listed on the conference registration form. Make CHECK OR MONEY ORDER payable to

*KAFCE State Conference* and mail to:  
Edith McClain  
408 1st Street  
Gaylord, KS 67638  
(785-697-2754)

Confirmation will be sent via e-mail. Please write your e-mail address legibly on the registration form.

### **Late Registration/Cancellation Refunds:**

Registrations postmarked after September 1, 2023 will pay the regular rate.

No refund after September 11th except for major medical emergency or immediate family member death. However, after September 11th registration can be transferred to another attendee.

**Meals:** Includes Tuesday banquet and Wednesday luncheon. Monday evening events include snacks; Tuesday breakfast & lunch, and Wednesday breakfast are on your own.

**Displays:** FCE groups or individuals must reserve space by September 15th to set up an informational display, special projects or educational lessons.

Reserve a space by contacting:

Janie Lowry (785-543-7709) or  
email: janielowry20@yahoo.com

### **Conference Questions:**

Edith McClain  
(785-697-2754)  
email: emcclain@ruraltel.net

### **Conference Registration & Confirmation:**

# 2023 KAFCE CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

## Conference Schedule in a Nutshell

### Monday, October 2, 2023

**Conference Registration:** 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

#### **Make & Takes:**

2:00 - 2:45 pm. "Wine Cork Crafts" (\$5.00)

3:00 - 3:45 pm. "Cinnamon Stick Trees" (\$5.00)

#### **Monday Tours:**

1:00-4:00 pm. Merci Boxcar, transportation provided

1:00-4:00 pm. Discover Hays' Limestone Art

#### **Special Event:**

5:00-6:30 pm. Resurrection Winery (\$10.00 fee)

Transportation available; KAFCE evening mixer

### Tuesday, October 3, 2023

**Conference Registration:** 9:00 am. to 1:00 pm.

**Prizes by the Yard, Marketing Table,**

**and Displays:** set up and open all day

#### **Makes and Takes:**

9:00-9:50 am. "Clothesline Covered Coasters" (\$5.00)

10:00-10:50 am. "Painted Rocks" (\$8.00)

11:00-11:50 am. "Wine Cork Crafts" (\$5.00)

#### **Tuesday Morning Tours & Events:**

9:00-10:15 am. Ellis County Historical Churches

9:15-11:30 am. Sternberg Museum of Natural History  
(\$10.00 admission fee, transportation provided)

10:30-11:30 am. Medical Evolutions, Denise Marcum

#### **Tuesday Lunch: On your own**

**KAFCE Annual Business Meeting:** 1:00-4:00 pm.

Welcome by Hays Convention and Visitors Bureau

#### **KAFCE Banquet and Awards Recognition:**

6:00 pm. Guest Speaker: LewAnn Schneider

2022 State Educational Program Winners

Heart of KAFCE Winner

Past State President Recognition

Essay and Artwork Contest Winner

First Time Conference Scholarship Winners

### Wednesday, October 4, 2023

#### **Special Interest Sessions:**

8:00 - 8:55 Jeff Ochampaugh

9:00 - 9:55 Mary Baird Tetwiler

10:00 - 10:55 Angela Bates, Nicodemus

#### **KAFCE Luncheon:** 11:45 am.

Guest Speaker, Bonnie Brewer

Officer Recognition

Officer Installation

Invitation to 2024 Conference

## Conference Schedule Descriptions

### **Conference Registration:**

Monday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. AND Tuesday from 9:00 to 1:00 pm. Conference attendees pick up name tags, event tickets, and hostess bags.

**Prizes by the Yard:** Each FCE group is asked to contribute at least one item or basket (\$20.00 value) for the drawing. Tickets may be purchased Tuesday during the conference for \$1.00 or \$10.00 for a "yard" of tickets. Drawings for the items will take place Tuesday evening after the banquet. All proceeds go to the KAFCE scholarship fund, Clovia 4-H House, and Smurthwaite Scholarship House at KS U.

### **Make and Takes:** (Monday)

#1. Wine Cork Crafts: 2:00-2:45 pm. (Cost - \$5.00)

#2. Cinnamon Stick Trees: 3:00-3:45 pm. (Cost - \$5.00)

### **Make and Takes:** (Tuesday)

#1. Clothesline Coasters: 9:00-9:50 am. (Cost - \$5.00)

#2. Painted Rocks from the Sunflower Shed:

10:00 -10:50 am. (Cost - \$8.00)

#3. Wine Cork Crafts: 11:00-11:50 am. (Cost - \$5.00)

**Conference Tours:** Attendees can travel on their own at any time; however, Hays CVB will provide transportation for the tours. The 16 passenger buses will leave at an appointed time for each tour.

### **Monday Tours:**

#1. Merci Boxcar: 2:00-4:00 pm. Hays Veterans

Memorial Park, 1305 Canterbury, Hays, KS

Bus will leave for the tour site at 2:00 pm.

This boxcar is one of 49 cars presented to the United States (and the only one in Kansas) filled with thank you gifts from the French people following WWII.

#2. Discover Hays' Limestone Art: 1:00-4:00 pm.

A walking tour of downtown Hays, or follow the map provided at the registration table to see ALL of Hays' native Pete Felten's limestone masterpieces.

#3. Resurrection Vineyard/KAFCE Evening Mixer:

5:00-6:30 pm., 1464 Hopewell Rd, Hays, Kansas

Transportation provided, CVB bus leaves at 4:45 pm.

(Cost - \$10.00 fee includes wine tasting & snacks)

Agritourism brings consumers home! We will visit a 5th generation farm and dairy barn turned - farm winery.

Dress is casual for this rustic setting, and snacks will be served to add to the fun!

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## Tuesday Events:

### #1. Ellis County Historical Churches Tour:

9:00 to 10:15 am. Bus will leave at 9:00 am.

The early Volga German settlers in Ellis County held strong religious and family beliefs. They dedicated labor and materials to build their churches in the early 1900's. Outstanding Gothic styles with stonework, hand-carvings, & beautiful stained glass windows; each church is unique and interesting in its own way.

### #2: Sternburg Museum Tour: 9:15-11:30 am.

(\$10.00 admission fee) 3000 Sternburg Drive, Hays  
Bus will leave for the museum at 9:15 am.

Sternberg Museum ranks among the best of natural history museums with real specimens from the Great Plains. The museum's collections include the finest assemblies of Pteranodon material complemented by excellent groupings of modern biological materials, remarkable mammals, reptiles, & plants.

### #3: Medical Evolutions: 10:30 - 11:30 am.

Presented at Hilton Convention Center.

Denise Marcum will follow the trail medical practices and procedures have taken as space age discoveries take medicine forward into a new frontier.

## Keynote Speakers:

Tuesday Evening Banquet: 6:00 pm.: **Dr. LewAnn Schneider, DVM** will share stories, including videos, from her life as a USDA field veterinarian working with all creatures great and small!

## Wednesday Morning Special Sessions:

8:00-9:00 am.: **Jeff Ochampaugh, President of Agrilead, Inc.** will share about new developments in seed care products, and expand upon the significant and impactful work Kansas agricultural innovators have been doing within our country and world. Jeff is a Rooks County native, KSU graduate, 35-year veteran of the crop protection industry.

9:00-10:00 am.: **Mari Baird Tetwiler**, is a native of northwest Kansas. She earned a Master's degree in education from KSU, taught K-12 gifted students, and was instrumental in implementing creative problem solving programs in Kansas schools. Besides writing her first book, Mari has founded a "Girls Seminar", where young girls can connect with and learn firsthand about career paths from women leaders across different career fields.

## Keynote Speakers, con't:

10:00-11:00 am.: Nicodemus, a small town in Graham County in NW Kansas, is the only remaining western town established by African Americans who, as freed slaves, were homesteading following the Civil War. **Angela Bates, executive director of the Nicodemus Historical Society** will share some of the highlights of the history of Nicodemus and update us on the recent documentary she directed, "Children of the Promised Land".

Wednesday Luncheon Speaker: Imagine traveling west with your family, hoping to make a new start, only to have your life turned completely upside down when your wagon is attacked by renegade Indians. **Bonnie Brewer** will recount the story of the family members who survived the ordeal and how their lives were changed from that point on. Bonnie is a native of Sabetha, and is a Family & Consumer Science Agent for Butler County Extension.



# 2023 KAFCE CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM

Kansas FCE State Conference -- October 2-4, 2023

Hilton Garden Inn, Hays, KS



Print NAME (for name tag) \_\_\_\_\_ FCE ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail to receive confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Area (Circle One) NE NW SC SE SW County \_\_\_\_\_ FCE Name \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation (Mark all that apply): KAFCE Member \_\_\_\_\_ County Council President \_\_\_\_\_ FCS Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

State Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ Past State President \_\_\_\_\_ First KAFCE Conference \_\_\_\_\_

I will donate to Prizes by the Yard \_\_\_\_\_ I am willing to be a Hostess \_\_\_\_\_ Non-member \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Registration Fees:</b>	<b>Early Bird Rate</b>	<b>Regular Rate</b>	<b>Totals:</b>
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**Member**

Full Conference (includes banquet/luncheon)	\$85.00	\$100.00	_____
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Tuesday only (includes banquet)	\$50.00	\$ 70.00	_____
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Wednesday only (includes luncheon)	\$50.00	\$ 70.00	_____
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**Non-Member**

Full Conference (includes banquet/luncheon)	\$90.00	\$110.00	_____
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Tuesday only (includes banquet)	\$65.00	\$ 85.00	_____
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Wednesday only (includes luncheon)	\$65.00	\$ 85.00	_____
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**Conference Fees for Tours/Make & Takes:**

Resurrection Winery Tour	Monday evening	\$ 10.00	_____
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Wine Cork Crafts (circle choice)	Monday or Tuesday	\$ 5.00	_____
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Cinnamon Stick Trees Make & Take	Monday afternoon	\$ 5.00	_____
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Clothesline Coasters Make & Take	Tuesday morning	\$ 5.00	_____
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Painted Rocks Make & Take	Tuesday morning	\$ 8.00	_____
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Sternberg Museum Tour	Tuesday morning	\$ 10.00	_____
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**Total Amount Due:** \_\_\_\_\_

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 Mail money & registration form to Edith McClain, 408 1st Street, Gaylord, KS 67638