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The calendar says that the autumn season is here which is very evident with the painting of the trees with their green, yellow, orange, and red colors. Pumpkins are being gathered, corn mazes have sprung up and there is talk of haunted houses, so the year is saying it is FALL!

National conference took on a new look this year. It went virtual with many attending individually or in a group. It was great to see so many 1st timers attending. The national board thanks everyone that attended, and we hope that besides having fun visiting and seeing other FCE members, you learned something to take back to your club, study group, county, district, or state.

Several new officers were elected at the national conference, and they are as follows:

Judy Fullmer from Kansas – President-Elect
Jeanne Purich from Maryland – Secretary
Faye Spencer from Kansas – Program Coordinator
Linda Hanberry from Mississippi – Program Coordinator
Emily Gordon from Tennessee – Public Policy Coordinator
Kristin Walker from West Virginia – Public Policy Coordinator

Two new programs were adopted at the national conference – Family Choice Media and the Program award booklet with a brochure or display. The information for these 2 programs is attached to this edition of the fce FLASH. They will also be on the website www.nafce.org. One question that was raised if a display board was used with the program award booklet how do we get them to the national conference for it costs a lot to ship? Instead of the large display boards a couple of ideas have surfaced from discussion among your board. That is to use the legal-size hardboard folders or there are smaller size display boards. These can be transported to and from national conference in your suitcase.

National FCE and National Character Counts! Weeks are coming up shortly. FCE week is the second full week of October which will be October 10th to October 16th, 2021. CHARACTER COUNTS! Week is October 17th to October 23rd, 2021. What a great opportunity to promote FCE by planning a special time to celebrate both weeks.

Your newly organized national board is already starting work for the 2022 National Conference which will be held at the Monarch Hotel in Clackamas, Oregon (Portland) July 14th thru July 17th, 2022. Some of the information is on the website all ready. Check it out. Special events are being planned and great lessons are being written.

Here is a sneak preview of what was discussed at our last board meeting. It was discussed to hold a few mini zoom sessions for our FCE members giving an update of what is going on, answer some questions

that we have received at headquarters from members, a short lesson topic, maybe even a speaker. All of this is in the planning stage and as it comes together information will be shared with you.

As you are preparing to pay your membership dues for 2022 don't forget to add a donation for Pennies for Friendship which goes to help support our international organization ACWW, or the general fund of our organization (it costs approximately \$5000.00 a month to run the office),

A new fundraising program has been adopted which is:

Dimes for Donation

National FCE needs your help through your donations. One way is collecting "A Dime at a Time". Please collect your extra dimes from yourself, meetings, and all of the activities you may attend. Collect the dimes in your empty water bottle, turn them in to your bank, and send the donation money to National FCE Headquarters. In place of dimes, you can use silent money and just place it by the water bottle.

What a great idea to involve everyone. It can be done individually, as a group, club, state, etc.

The month of October is Homemade Cookie Month, World Smile Day, and Be Nice to Others.

If you have questions or suggestions for lessons, programs or other ideas please send them to the email listed below which is for our headquarters.

Happy Fall!!!!

Everyone Stay Safe and Healthy!

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