

# *The Messenger*

NEWSLETTER OF THE EASTERN REGION FAMILY AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

## ***Greetings from your President***

by Cindy Mishtal, TAFCE Eastern Region President

Happy Spring FCE ladies and gents. My name is Cindy Mishtal, and I am honored to be your new Eastern Region President. I will do my best to fulfill the duties required for this position. So, if you have any questions, please let me know. I have been emailing the county presidents and I hope they have been forwarding the information to their clubs. If you have not received my emails and you are a county president, please contact me.

Well, do you think that spring is around the corner? I hope so, because my favorite thing to do in spring is attend camp. This year camp will be held in Crossville at the Clyde M. York 4H Training Center on Wednesday, May 24 through Friday, May 26. The theme is "Springing into Summer 2023." This year there will be a hat contest during our banquet. Find a hat, spruce it up, and join in the fun. Our mission focus is House of Hope in Crossville, TN. There is a list in your camp package of their need. We have an updated list of their needs that I have emailed to your county presidents.

There is a new cultural arts tag form that you will need to use. Also, we have added some new categories too. Here is our website: [fafce.tennessee.edu](http://fafce.tennessee.edu). Remember to enter your projects at your regions cultural arts event.



## ***What's New***

### **PRESIDENT'S NOTE**

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### **COUNTY NEWS**

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### **CULTURAL ARTS FORMS**

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### **SPRING CAMP**



## ***Greetings from your President cont.***

Mark your calendar for TAFCE State Conference Sunday, November 12 through Wednesday, November 15, 2023. Eastern Region will be hosting this year at the Marriott Meadow View Conference Resort in Kingsport. The theme is "Spread Your Wings with FCE.". Each county has a part in preparing for this conference. The chair of each committee will be contacting the county president for help, so please support them to the best of your ability.

Your Eastern Region Board has been working really hard to make these 2 event success.

Thank you all for everything you do for this side of Tennessee. Hope to see you soon.

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## **EASTERN REGION FCE OFFICERS 2023**

Cindy Mishtal	President
Ella Parker	VP of Public Policy
Leslie Sharp	VP of Programs
Marti Agler	Treasurer
Pat King	Secretary
Linda Kitchell	Action Chair
Barbara Nuckols	Cultural Arts
Jean Cross	Education
Sharon Clapp	Fashion Review
Pat King	Communications
Joyce Ernst	Past President Advisor



## ***Notes from the Bean Counter***

by Marti Agler, TAFCE Eastern Region Treasurer

Weather is warmer, flowers are blooming, birds are making babies, and we all know what those signs mean: the time for Eastern Region Spring Camp at the historic Alvin York 4-H Camp is near! What a great lineup of classes and activities the committee has put together! There is definitely something for every member to learn and enjoy. Please encourage some of your newer members to attend the class on TRAFCE Programs. That class will be a fun method to become educated on the best way to participate in all the programs available to members, clubs, and councils.

Remember your registrations for Camp and your chosen classes are due to me by May 8, the camp staff will not be able to accommodate you if we don't report your attendance by that date. Also, note that your payment is nonrefundable but can be transferred to another member. Be sure you bring to camp the funds for your chosen fee paid classes, those are paid directly to the instructors for reimbursement of the supplies purchased.

As soon as you finish camp, you will need to turn your focus on your entries for Cultural Arts and Fashion Revue. Remember that both programs have revised lists for 2023, exciting new categories will allow for even more creativity on the part of our members!

Thank you to all those members who sent a response to the Eastern Region Needs Survey conducted for the Regional Board by our Eastern Region Agent/Advisors. It is only when members tell us what they want their FCE to be that we can plan events and activities that please. Your responses, comments, and requests serve as our guide.

## ***Notes from the Bean Counter***

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I hope you treasurers have added a column to your County Membership List to include the year the member joined. We are beginning the collection of that information to allow us to honor members who have been FCE'ers for various periods of time. After all, being a member of a FCE club for 10, 15, or 25 years is a commitment that deserves recognition.

See everyone at camp!  
Marti

## **UPDATES FROM FASHION REVIEW CHAIR**

BY SHARON CLAPP

Members of TAFCE: Please look over the new list of items for the Fashion Revue. Try an apron or casual, maybe children's casual or better wear, etc.

Wardrobe accessory can be easier if you choose to knit or crochet a scarf, hat, etc. Encourage one another to participate this year.

Follow the guidelines and fill out the personal data sheet (Print). If you have any problems filling it out, please ask for help (agent or officers in clubs or me). The agent should have the Judging Scoresheet or your county president.

Let's have a greater showing!





## ***NEWS FROM THE COUNTIES***

### **BLOUNT, MCMINN AND MONROE COUNTY FCE**



Several counties visited Sweetwater Valley Farms.

### **MEIGS COUNTY**

Happy Spring Everyone! We began our year planning new projects and are excited to be involved this year. In February we made a visit to the Sweetwater Valley Farm where we were shown their process of robotic milking. We learned all about their farming procedures and even viewed some of their cows at their leisure. It was a fascinating experience and afterwards we tested some of their farm fresh cheese. It was very educational and lots of fun!

We visited the Decatur Wellness and Rehabilitation Center where we made Easter Bonnets and hats for some of their residents. It was a lot of fun and smiles were shared all around. We are also making fidget quilts to help the Alzheimer patients.

We will be having our Spring Rally, April 19th, with our Ten Mile Club in Ten Mile. We will have a speaker from Coordinated Charities in Athens. Looking forward to sharing with our sister club. Everyone have a happy spring!

Pat King, President



Here are the rules, categories, and new forms for Cultural Arts. You should be preparing your projects for your upcoming county cultural arts events.

Barbara Nuckols, Cultural Arts

**TAFCE CULTURE ARTS EXHIBIT**  
**Categories and Rules**

	Category Description	Comments
1.	Basketry	
2.	Beadwork	Jewelry, Clothing, Any Other
3.	Ceramics	
4.	Chairs & Stools	Woven or Caned
5.	Crochet: Thread	
6.	Crochet: Yarn	
7.	Cross Stitch: Counted	Not Machine Cross Stitch
8.	Cross Stitch: Other	Not Machine Cross Stitch
9.	Decorative Painting	Tole, China Painting, Textile Painting, Stenciling, Any Other
10.	Diamond Painting/Art	Beads or Tiles
11.	Dolls	Any Type (No Kits)
12.	Embroidery: Hand	All Type including Brazilian, Ribbon, Crewel-all hand work
13.	Embroidery: Machine	All, including Machine Cross Stitch
14.	Fine Arts Painting: Acrylics	
15.	Fine Arts Painting: Drawings & Charcoal	
16.	Fine Arts Painting: Pastels	
17.	Fine Arts Painting: Oil	
18.	Fine Arts Painting: Watercolor	
19.	Floral Design	Any material
20.	Handcrafted Toy	Any Material
21.	Hand Stitching	Hardanger, Cutwork, Smocking, Applique
22.	Holiday Decoration: Christmas	Christmas only
23.	Holiday Decoration: Non-Christmas	Any other than Christmas
24.	Jewelry: Non-Beaded	
25.	Knitting: Hand	
26.	Needlepoint	Any Type Canvas
27.	Paper Crafts	
28.	Photograph: Black & White - Person	Individuals, two or more
29.	Photography: Black & White - Place	Landscape, Scenery
30.	Photography: Black & White - All Other	
31.	Photography: Color - Person	Individuals, Groups
32.	Photography: Color - Place	Landscapes, Scenery
33.	Photography: Color - All Other	
34.	Pottery	
35.	Quilts: Applique & Cathedral Window	All work of member
36.	Quilts: Baby & Lap	All work of member
37.	Quilts: Embroidered – Hand	All work of member
38.	Quilts: Hand-Pieced & Hand Quilted	All work of member
39.	Quilts: Machine-Pieced & Hand Quilted	All work of member
40.	Quilts: Machine Pieced & Machine Quilted	All work of member
41.	Quilts: Hand or Machine Pieced & Professionally Quilted	All work of members EXCEPT quilting may be done by another FCE member or non-member, paid or free
42.	Quilt: Pillow	All work of member

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**TAFCE CULTURE ARTS EXHIBIT**  
Categories and Rules

43.	Quilt: Wall Hanging	All work of member
44.	Quilt: Other	All work of member: includes clothing, pot holders, place mats, and rag-time quilts
45.	Repurposing	Recycling material to create something new
46.	Rug Making	Any Type
47.	Sculpture	Any Medium
48.	Stained Glass	
49.	Tatting	
50.	Weaving: Hand	
51.	Weaving: Loom	
52.	Woodworking	All wood working

Effective: January 2023

1. All first and second place winners from each region may be exhibited. Two entries per category. No substitution.
2. An Individual may enter **only one item per category regardless of multiple club, county, or region membership.**
3. Articles must be entirely the work of the TAFCE member EXCEPT for Category #42.
4. The art or craft must have been completed during the past year (since last competition).
5. No doll kits or pre-printed ("cheater") quilts will be accepted.
6. All frameable items must be framed.
7. Each member is responsible for arranging transportation for exhibits to and from the County, Region, and State Conference sites.
8. Each member is responsible for providing their own materials required to exhibit articles at the County, Region and State Conference sites. If items are best displayed hung, please provide a means of hanging. **Tape and nails cannot be used on walls.**
9. Entries will be exhibited by categories.
10. Once an item is entered in a specific category at the county level, **no one** is authorized to change the category number at Region or State Level.
11. The judges have the option of disqualifying any item that does not fit the category.
12. A "Viewer's Choice" award by popular vote will be presented.
13. A list of region winners must be sent to State Chair as soon as chosen. **You must use the Region Reporting Form found on the TAFCE.org website. All information is required.**
14. The Tennessee Association for Family and Community Education (TAFCE), its officers or members, or the University of Tennessee Extension staff will not be responsible for any lost, misplaced or damaged items. We do not anticipate any misfortunes, but this disclaimer must be clearly understood by all exhibitors.
15. All exhibitors must be TAFCE members in good standing.

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**County Reporting Form**  
**Cultural Arts Winners**  
 Entry Form Region \_\_\_\_\_ Year: 20 \_\_\_\_\_

List your 1st and 2nd place winners only

	1st Place	2nd Place
<b>46. Rug Making</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		
<b>47. Sculpture</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		
<b>48. Stained Glass</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		
<b>49. Tatting</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		
<b>50. Weaving: Hand</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		

**County Reporting Form**

**Cultural Arts Winners**

Entry Form Region \_\_\_\_\_ Year: 20 \_\_\_\_\_

List your 1st and 2nd place winners only

	1st Place	2nd Place
<b>51. Weaving: Loom</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		
<b>52. Woodworking</b>		
Name		
Address		
City, State & Zip		
Phone		
Email		
Brief Description		
County		

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**See your County Agent for full FCE Spring Camp packet.**

FCE Spring Camp 2023- Clyde York  
Camp- Crossville, TN

**Springing into  
Summer 2023**



## *Springing Into Summer 2023*

Camp Dates- Wednesday May 24th- Friday May 26th 2023

3-Day Camp- May 24th- 26th

1- Day Camp- May 25th

**Registration Deadline- May 8th**

**Registration for Eastern Region Spring Camp, Clyde M. York 4-H Center, May 24-26, 2023**  
Please Print All Information for Clarity

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, St, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Food Allergies \_\_\_\_\_  
 First Time Camper?      Yes      No      50 Year Member      New      Former

I am Registering for: (Circle Choice and Enter the Correct Amount)

Camp Charge for Cedar Lodge	3 Days/2 Nights/All Meals	\$195.00/per person	\$ _____
	Extra Night (Tuesday)	\$36.00/per person	_____
Camp Charge for Cabin	3 Days/2 Nights/All Meals	\$165.00/per person	_____
Camp Charge for One Day w/ Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner		\$45.00/per person	_____
Full Camp Registration Fee		\$10.00/per person	_____
<b>OR</b>			
One Day Registration Fee		\$5.00/per person	_____

Total Due with Registration (Add All Choices) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mail this Registration Form along with your check payable to: "TAFCE Eastern Region" by May 08, 2023 to:

Marti Agler, Treasurer	Need Help?	
TAFCE Eastern Region	Home	865 428 1472
1300 Poplar Court	Mobile	757 570 5884
Sevierville, TN 37862	E-mail	<a href="mailto:martiava@att.net">martiava@att.net</a>

**Camp Payments are NOT Refundable but CAN be Transferred to another member**

**Detach and SEND the TOP portion, SAVE this BOTTOM portion as your receipt for:**  
**TAFCE Eastern Region Spring Camp, May 24-26, 2023**  
**Clyde M. York 4-H Center, 62 4-H Center Drive, Crossville, TN 38572**

Check-in Begins

Camp Charge for Cedar Lodge	3 Days/2 Nights/All Meals	7AM CST	\$195.00	\$ _____
	Extra Night (Tuesday)	4PM CST	\$36.00	_____
Camp Charge for Cabin	3 Days/2 Nights/All Meals	7AM CST	\$165.00	_____
Camp Charge for One Day w/ Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner		7AM CST	\$45.00	_____
Full Camp Registration Fee			\$10.00	_____
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Total Due with Registration (Add All Choices) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Your Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Dates to Remember

April 20-21	FCL training in Lebanon, TN
May 15	Day of the Family
May 24-26	FCE Spring Conference in Crossville, TN
June 1	CVU's due to Ella Parker
June 1	50 Year Member application due
July 1	Best of the Best due to Ella Parker
July 1	FCL due to Ella Parker
July 1	Creative Writing due to Jean Cross



TAFCE Mission Statement:  
To strengthen the home and community by improving the quality of life of individuals and families through continuing education, leadership development, and community service.

All dates, forms, contacts and information can be found on the TAFCE Website.