



# Oklahoma Outreach

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## 77 Years in 77 Counties

### 77<sup>th</sup> Annual OHCE State Meeting July 8,9,10, 2012

#### *The Challenge Is On*

As we come together for our 77<sup>th</sup> OHCE State meeting, the challenge is to have 100 % of our 77 counties recognized as present at the state meeting. So reach out and share a ride with your neighboring counties.

Sunday, July 8, we will board the bus at 5:15 and head to Cattlemen’s Cafe for a comedy murder mystery dinner. As the murder mystery plays out audience members will get clues, act as judges in various contests, or volunteer for audience participation. Dress in “Island attire” to help create the mood. There is a space limit of 120 attendees for this fun and delicious event. Reservations to the dinner will be first come first serve bases. So send in your registration in early.

Monday starts off with “First Timers Welcome” and a “Hostess Orientation”, if you agreed to be a serve as hostess in the workshops please plan to attend. The Business Meeting and election of new officers will fill the morning schedule. See our nominating chairman, Javonna Earsom’s article to learn more about the nominees. Monday lunch will feature guest speaker, John Hurd. He has just returned from another mission trip and will share photos and stories from his water well projects. The Friendship Banquet will bring some toe tapping, hand clapping and smiles to your heart as the “Broken Vessel Quartet” from Lexington, Oklahoma bring songs from new album coming out soon.

Tuesday’s activities will begin in the morning, by honoring those who have prepared winning Program Areas Reports on projects carried out this past year. Recognition of the 50 + year members and groups, and Life Story will be read. Tuesday lunch will bring us a presentation by Dr. Chuck Jackson, a motivational speaker. He will take a humorous "walk down memory lane" to investigate how the American way of life has changed in the recent past.

**~Remember to bring your own tote bag for all of those workshop goodies and wear a jacket or sweater for the cool conference center.~**

**Please** bring your baskets or items for the Ambassador’s Silent Auction to Salons M&N as early as **7:30AM** on Monday, July 9. The auction will be **Monday 8:30 AM until 3:00PM**, open only during breaks and before meetings. Bidders can pick up items they have won after **5:00** Monday afternoon. Proceeds are donated to CE-FCS Ambassador Grant Programs for OHCE and FCS/4-H projects.

#### Workshop times are:

##### **Monday**

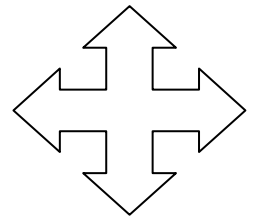
**Session I: 1:30-2:45 pm**

**Session II: 3:00-4:15 pm**

##### **Tuesday**

**Session III: 1:30-2:45 pm**

See workshop topics inside.



**Business Meeting: Monday, July 9 9:30AM**

**Monday Luncheon: John Hurd, “Providing Water Wells In Other Lands”**

**Friendship Banquet: Broken Vessel Men’s Quartet**

**Vespers: Brief, Sincere End of Day Devotion Presentation**

**Tuesday Morning Awards Ceremonies**

**Tuesday Luncheon: Dr.Chuck Jackson,motivational speaker**

### ***How did your group or county commemorate OHCE Week this year?***

*Reporting deadline is June 1, 2012.*

Consult your State Membership Goals for details.

**Mail reports to:**

**State Awards Chair, Marie Jones.**

**Reminder to County Treasurers**

If you have Nickels for Leadership, Water for All Donations, Pennies for Friendship Donations, please be reminded these need to be sent to the State Treasurer as soon as possible.

Remember to send completed treasurers and member forms for 2012 members.

2012 memberships are received until July 1, 2012. Regarding new members July 2 to November 1, you may collect county and local dues, if that is a requirement to participate in your county's activities.

**You Can be a Hostess with the M o s t e s t!**

Did you know one of the BEST ways to be sure that you are in your preferred workshop? It is become a hostess!

OR it would be most helpful if you volunteer for wherever you are needed and allow us to place you.

Be sure and also check the box for "willing to serve as hostess" on the registration form before you send it in.

Concerned you won't know what to do once you sign up? A hostess orientation will take place at the Arrangements Committee Counter on the morning of Monday, July 9.

Questions? Call Gayla Mosteller 405-769-3855

**ATTENTION AMBASSADOR'S SILENT AUCTION DONORS**

**Each COUNTY is being asked to bring one (1) basket or nice items for the Ambassadors Silent Auction. In lieu of an item, the county may make a donation and bring it that day. A donation basket will be available.**

**Write down the value of the item in the place provided on the form.**

**Starting bids will be 30% of the value, i.e. \$40=\$12 (30%) Bid sheets need to be prepared ahead of time.**

**Send one completed form for each item to Donna Jung by July 6th.**

**Send to:**

**Donna Jung, FCS Educator  
Canadian County Extension,  
P O Box 519  
El Reno, OK 73036**

**FAX form: 405-262-2267**

**Or Email: donna.stangl@okstate.edu AND  
Securely attach another copy of this same form to your items. Bring to the Silent Auction Room #M-N on Monday July 9.**

**CE-FCS Ambassadors requests donations for the 2012 Silent Auction at the OHCE State Meeting on Monday, July 9. A fund raiser supporting grants for OHCE and FCS/4-H projects! If are unable to attend but want to donate, contact your county FCS Extension Educator.**

Complete the form below to provide information on each donated item. **Having this form attached to each item PRIOR TO ARRIVAL, will speed up the process of receiving donations** and get people on their way to the day's events! The value is tax deductible! PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE.

Item for Auction \_\_\_\_\_ Value of Basket/Item \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's County/ OHCE Group \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please send one completed form to Donna Jung before July 5, 2012 Attach a duplicate form to item or basket.

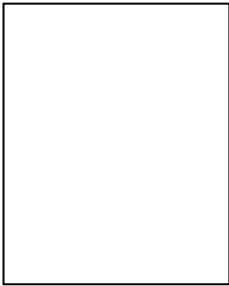
### ***Nominating Committee Report***

The nominating committee presents the following slate of nominees for election at the annual business meeting, July 9, during the 2012 OHCE State Meeting.



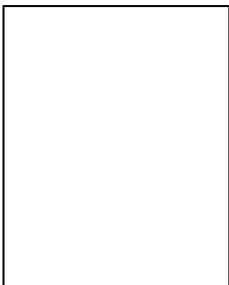
Nominee for President  
Pam Vaughan  
Comanche County, SW District

Pam has been an OHCE member for 30 years during which time she has held various offices, serving on the state board as Secretary, Chaplain, Vice-President for Program, SW District Representative and President-elect. Pam received her degree in accounting and business finance from Cameron University and is employed as a staff accountant. When she isn't cheering on her grandchildren you can find her watching OU sports.



Nominee for Secretary  
Javonna Earsom,  
Murray County, SE District.

Javonna has been an OHCE member for 32 years. She has served as State Chaplain, SE District Representative, Treasurer, President, Nominating Committee Chair, Young Family Chair and Literacy Chair and is currently serving as county president and local group treasurer. Javonna enjoys spending time with her grandchildren and refinishing old furniture.



Nominee for Treasurer  
Dee Porter  
Payne County, NE District.

Dee has served on the state nominating committee, is the current county OHCE treasurer and past Chaplain.

She is a past National Vice-president of Delta Zeta Sorority, Lady Elks President and Treasurer, Stillwater Elks Secretary and Treasurer and Altrusa President, Treasurer and Secretary. Dee was the Administrative Assistant to Dr. Linda Harriman at OSU.

**KINDNESS IS.....  
LOVE WITH ITS' WORK  
CLOTHES ON**



Nominee for  
Leadership Development  
Chairman  
Sue Rendel  
Ottawa County, NE District

Sue is the current OHCE Treasurer; she has served as President, Editor, Reports & Awards Chair., and various other committees. On the county and local level she has held all offices throughout her 43 years of membership. In Miami she is Chairman of the E-911 Trust Authority Board, and Chairman of the Emergency Medical Board. She is also part-time church office secretary, Sunday school teacher, nursery attendant, and is on the kitchen committee.

The District Representatives elected at their respective districts include Mary Bacon NE District, Claremore in Rogers county, Debbie Mote, NW District, Morrison in Noble County, Carolynn Pittman, SE District, Roff in Pontotoc County, and Debra Stevenson, SW District, Lawton in Comanche County.

Nominating Committee: Javonna Earsom,Chr., Donna Jones, Diane Snethen, Aletha Craig

### ***Cultural Enrichment Committee***

*Connie LaGrow, Chairman*

A special thank you to Sandy Pogue and Betty Rutledge for their help in getting Cultural Enrichment programs for three of the district OHCE meetings this spring. Sandy was responsible for the SE and SW Districts. Her workshops were about preserving family history for future generations. Three speakers presented ideas for preserving stories, memorabilia and pictures so the history of families can be passed down from generation to generation. Betty invited Log Cabin Quilts from Leonard to show a method of quilt appliquéing for the NE District. Maxine Paulsen and Connie LaGrow presented at NW District showing a video on the art of Norwegian Hardanger embroidery. Maxine's fine work was displayed. Catalogs were shared to find the proper tools

and patterns to accomplish the craft. This workshop will be presented at the State Meeting.

Thank you from the committee for your attendance in our workshops. WATCH for us at the state meeting in July.

At the OEAFCs Awards Program in April, Sandy Pogue presented three \$500 Norma Brumbaugh scholarships. Those recipients were Lindsey Miner of Noble County, Tracy Lane, Tulsa County and Lynn A. Null, Jackson County.

At the State Spring Board Meeting there was re-evaluation of the OHCE annual 4-H \$1,000 scholarship. 4-H has released the scholarship, allowing OHCE to change the award to honor an undergraduate student enrolled in OSU College of Human Sciences. The stipulation that the student is a relative of an OHCE member continues.

### **Leadership Development Committee**

*Leslye Owen, SE Committee Member*

What can be expected from your State Leadership Development Committee at your 2012 State Meeting? We are developing a workshop that will hopefully ease your scary parts about leadership. Why are you scared? Are you motivated but too scared to stand up? What has Your group been doing that you didn't know was a leadership project? Is there another word for leadership? What we will come up with as one group? We are going to discuss LDCE grants, the purpose of nickels for leadership. This two part workshop is just what you need to make sure we can ease the 'pain' of leadership. We will leave time for Q&A. ALL local and county leadership chairs are encouraged to attend. If you are reading this, you plan to attend also. We look forward to seeing everyone.

### **A Message from your President-Elect**

*Pam Vaughan*

The time is getting near – OHCE State Meeting! It is around the corner! I hope all of you are planning on attending our 77<sup>th</sup> edition. Your Vice-President for Program, Gayla Mosteller, has made some frightful plans for Sunday evening - I hope everyone will be as excited as I am! At the end of this meeting I will become your State President. It is, at times, an overwhelming task, but with the support of a great state board (thank you all!) and members from around the 77 counties, I hope to be able to fill the shoes of Sue Gilliam and all the other past presidents. You know me – I love fun and I am looking forward to a FUN two years! See you in July!

### **Northwest District Meeting**

*Mary Deken, District Representative*

The NW District Annual Meeting was held March 16, 2012 at the Central Christian Church in Enid hosted by Alfalfa, Grant, Garfield, and Woodward Counties. "Find Your Pot of Gold Through OHCE" was the theme. Decorations reflected St. Patrick's Day. The host counties made each guest a fabric flower pin. Over 200 ladies and gentlemen attended the meeting from 16 counties. Great Job Ladies.

We received a welcome from State Representative, the Honorable Mike Jackson, District 40 and official greetings from Oklahoma State University, via Dee Cooper of Enid, NW District Director for OSU's Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service.

Also during the Business meeting Debbie Mote from Noble County was elected as the new 2013-2014 NW District Representative.

We had some great Workshops including those of our State Officers and their Representatives. We also received some very valuable evaluations both pros and cons. In spite of some "Murphy's" it was a good meeting. Mark your calendars to attend the 2013 NW District Meeting Friday, March 22 at the First Christian Church in Perry, located in Noble County. Host counties will be Kay, Logan, and Noble Counties. Look forward to seeing you then.

### **Southwest District Meeting**

*Shirley Burns, District Representative*

Greetings from Southwest District!

Our 2012 Southwest District meeting was held in Altus, OK, at the First United Methodist Church on March 30. We had a great turnout of 285 registered participants and a wonderful array of lessons to take back to our members who did not attend.

We elected a new District Representative, Debra Stevenson and know that her leadership skills will be wonderful as evidenced in her past performance.

Welcome Debra!

Lunch was served by Kline's of Perry, OK and was enjoyed by everyone.

The 2013 Southwest District Meeting Planning Committee has already begun. The Meeting will be on March 29 in Weatherford, so start your plans now to meet at the First Church of Christ for an inspiring meeting. Caddo and Washita Counties will be hostesses.

Let us all plan to attend the State Meeting in July and have another educational and social good time!

See you there!

### **Northeast District Meeting**

*Anita Springer, District Representative*

The 2012 OHCE Northeast District Meeting, hosted by Creek and Lincoln counties, was held on March 20, 2012 at Sapulpa High School. We had 406 members registered with an attendance of 309 members. The weather was bad and I'm sure that kept many members away.

In addition to the committee, state lesson and district lesson presentations, we had 17 fun workshops for the membership. We elected a new NE District Representative who is Mary Bacon.

Host counties for next year's meeting are McIntosh, Muskogee and Wagoner counties.

This was my last meeting at NE District Rep. and I want to thank Sue Gilliam, State President, Pam Vaughn,

President Elect and all of the committees for their help in the last two years.

### **Southeast District Meeting**

*Billie Baker, District Representative*

The OHCE Southeast District Meeting was held Tuesday, March 6, 2012, at the First United Methodist Church, Ada, OK... The theme was "**Flying High with OHCE**" with Hughes, Murray, Pontotoc, Pottawatomie and Seminole serving as hostesses. Three workshop sessions were attended by 197 OHCE Members and guests.

The Chickasaw Nation opened the Historic McSwain Theater, downtown Ada Monday night to show "Pearl", a true story of Pearl Carter Scott, set in the 1920's in Marlow, OK, about Wiley Post teaching a young 12 year old Chickasaw girl to "fly" her own plane.

Carolynn Pittman was elected OHCE Southeast District Representative for 2013-2014

The past two years as OHCE Southeast District Representative has been a wonderful experience for me and I look forward to serving Oklahoma Home and Community Education in the future



**Life is like riding a bicycle to keep your balance you must keep moving.**

**~ Albert Einstein**

### **HISTORY ROOM DISPLAY**

2012 STATE CONFERENCE would like to feature our years from August 2, 1944 when **Oklahoma Home Demonstration Council** voted to join the **National Home Demonstration Council** to July 16, 2000 when OHCE returned to govern its' own state organization. Do you have reports, photos, and pertinent documents to share that record our 55 year history participating as part of the national organization? Please plan to bring these with you.

We will use a Flip Pal portable scanner and can scan any National Delegation pictures in the History Room. You may of course donate those pictures for historical purposes. A grid will be made for identifying the delegates in the pictures. Plan to find time during State Conference to participate in this. Remember, wonderful treasures of this organization's history that would be wonderful for the State OHCE Historian to be able to archive. Board members are you listening? ~

*Freda Cunningham, State Historian*  
*fredac@sbcglobal.net 405-722-0719*

### **Home of the Brave Quilts Reporting**

*Terrie DeShazo, OHCE Coordinator*  
*405-794-1426 Email: atadmor@sbcglobal.net*

There are so many methods to accomplish honoring our fallen heroes by making and forwarding for presentation Home of the Brave Quilts. (See Fall 2011 Outreach) Many of you have responded. Patty Ennen, Oklahoma HOTB Quilts Coordinator has asked me to remind you to report the status of your quilts to me, Terrie DeShazo, in order for the OHCE State Board to have a record of OHCE's participation. Include the name(s) of the fallen you are honoring, if known and report:

- \* Quilts you have completed but not sent to Patty for her preparation to present to families. Includes those you made for a specific name.
- \* Top kits received from Patty you plan to complete or plan to return incomplete.
- \* Quilts you have made and presented but never contacted her for presentation materials.
- \* Report the quilts you are making for a recipient family as yet unknown to you.

Don't hesitate to call and ask questions.

# Oklahoma Home and Community Education

## 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting July 8, 9, 10, 2012

~~~~~At a Glance~~~~~

Clarion Convention Center Interstate 40 and South Meridian, Oklahoma City, OK

### Sunday Afternoon, July 8, 2012

3:00-4:00 p.m. Pre-Conference Board Mtg. Salon O  
(*Current State Board members only*)

4:00 p.m. Registration Opens Great Hall

5:00-8:30 Mystery Theatre and Dinner  
Cattlemen's Cafe

Sunday Evening Package, \$45.00,  
includes transportation, dinner and entertainment.

### Monday, July 9, 2012

*Complimentary Continental Breakfast for  
Magnuson Hotel Guests only- Opens at 6:00 am*

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Registration Great Hall

8:00 a.m. Promotional Sales Great Hall

8:00 History Room Set-Up & Viewing Salon E

7:30-8:30 Items Accepted for Silent Auction  
Salon M & N

8:30-3:00 p.m. Ambassadors Silent Auction  
Salon M & N

(*Only open before meetings and during breaks*)

5:00 p.m. Ambassador Silent Auction Items Released

8:15-9:00 First Timers Welcome & Orientation  
Salon F&G

Informative tips to make your first State Meeting  
meaningful.

8:15-9:00 Voting Delegates Session  
Imperial Ballroom

State President, Sue Gilliam & other officers will be  
updating and sharing information with the County  
Presidents and Secretaries. All Extension FCS Educators  
are encouraged to attend.

9:30-12:00 OHCE Business Meeting  
Imperial Ballroom

All members, delegates, officers attend, includes officer  
installation.

12:00 – 1:15 Luncheon - \$17.00

Majestic Ballroom John Hurd, Speaker "Water  
Wells" (*Must purchase meal ticket to attend this event*)

1:30-2:45 Learning Sessions I

5:00 p.m. Release of Silent Auction Items  
Salons M&N

6:00 p.m. Friendship Banquet - \$26.00  
Majestic Ballroom

(*Must purchase meal ticket to attend this event*)

- Entertainment: Broken Vessel Quartet
- State Member Awards Presentations

Vespers ~ Imperial Ballroom

*15 minutes after close of Friendship Banquet*

### Tuesday, July 10, 2012

*Complimentary Continental Breakfast for  
Magnuson Hotel Guests Only- Opens at 6:00 am*

8:00 a.m. Registration Great Hall

Member Award Winner Photos Salon F

State Board/ Group Photos Salon F

OHCE Promotional Sales Great Hall  
(*Open before meetings and during breaks*)

8:30 – 11:45 Award Ceremonies  
Imperial Ballroom

- Most Outstanding Projects for 2011
- Past-Presidents Presentation
  
- County & Local Group Awards
- Recognition of 50+ Years Members and Groups
- Life Story Essays

12:00 – 1:15 Luncheon - \$17.00 Majestic Ballroom  
(*Must purchase lunch ticket to attend this event*)

Speaker: Dr. Chuck Jackson, Motivational Humorist

1:30 – 2:45 p.m. Learning Sessions III

3:00 Post-Conference State Board Meeting Salon O  
(*All Current and New Board Members*)

## 2012 STATE MEETING WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

### Learning Session I - Monday, July 9 1:30 PM to 2:45 PM

- ☒ **Hardanger 101** A form of white work embroidery on an even weave fabric dates back to Persia and ancient Asia, the stitches truly form heirloom embroidery. Come and see how this quality handwork is made using Klosters, satin, button hole and dove's eye stitches. Instructor, Maxine Paulson will show award winning pieces she has created. Cultural Enrichment Committee workshop.
- ☒ **Trash To Treasures** Sharing ideas for making Ladies Accessories to Home Décor. Using old items and making them new ones. Take home many ideas and a small gift from this workshop. Presented by the Resource Management Committee
- ☒ **STATE LEADER LESSON**  
**Seven Principles of Healthy Housing** Dr. Gina Peek, OSU Housing Specialist, brings these concepts to light in her informative workshop. All County Presidents NOTE: *An appointed representative from your county will need to attend this lesson and pick up the handout materials of this workshop that are produced for your county.*
- ☒ **Quilts for Our Soldiers** Shirley Burns will share the tradition behind Quilts of Valor and Home of the Brave Quilts. She will display some of the quilts she has made and give information on completing and delivering the quilts.
- ☒ **Drive By Fruiting** Drive by Fruiting is a way to help improve the health and well-being of needy senior citizens and shut-ins in your area by sharing good nutrition with them. It consists of selecting one or more recipients and delivering them once a month a sack with an apple, an orange, a banana, tomato and potato. Come hear the innovative ideas you can use to help get this project started in your area. When Eyvonna Lemmons heard about this program last summer she decided to be a catalyst in the OHCE group in Love County, There are some surprising resources your may not have thought of.
- ☒ **Soap Making** – Learn the process of cold soap making. Charlotte Hayer will cover everything from safety procedures and simple equipment, to cutting, curing, and marketing your soap. Laughing Rabbit Soap Co.
- ☒ **Extension Educators**  
County Educators update on the latest information relevant to OCES/FCS work. All County Educators should plan to attend.

### Learning Session II - Monday, July 9 3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

- ☒ **Extension Educators** ..... continued  
County Educators update on the latest information relevant to OCES/FCS work. All County Educators should plan to attend.
- ☒ **Soap Making (repeat)** Learn the process of cold soap making. Charlotte will cover everything from safety procedures and simple equipment, to cutting, curing, and marketing your soap. Laughing Rabbit Soap Co.
- ☒ **Quilts for Our Soldiers (repeat)** Shirley Burns will share the tradition behind Quilts of Valor and Home of the Brave Quilts. She will display some of the quilts she has made and give information on completing and delivering the quilts.
- ☒ **Trash To Treasures (repeat)** Sharing ideas for making Ladies Accessories to Home Décor. Using old items and making them new ones. Take home many ideas and a small gift from this workshop. Presented by the Resource Management Committee.

- ☒ **Come join us for the introduction of our new OHCE State Project.....**  
**"Raising Young Readers"** Dr. Deana Hildebrand will be our guest speaker at the workshop introducing our new state project at our State Meeting. Dr Hildebrand has produced a wonderful literacy tool for Oklahoma young readers. She would like to teach you how to use it to the fullest advantage. We ask that each county have someone attend so you are represented. We are excited about this first year of this project and we know as in the past your counties will join up to make this another successful state project.
- ☒ **When East Can Meet West: Food, Health and Exercise**  
**Lisa Taylor, Jefferson County FCS, Educator** will explore the cuisine of far eastern lands that is packed with flavors and nutrients. You will also experience the benefits of several exercise forms including Tai Chi.
- ☒ **STATE LEADER LESSON**  
**Internet Safety for all Ages** Presented by OSU's Dewayne Hunter, Becky Walker, and Dr. Laura Hubbs-Tait (Session II or Session III) . All County Presidents NOTE: *An appointed representative from your county will need to attend this lesson and pick up the handout materials of this workshop that are produced for your county.*

**Learning Session III -Tuesday July 10  
1:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.**

- ☒ **Drive By Fruiting (repeat of Session I)** Drive by Fruiting is a way to help improve the health and well-being of needy senior citizens and shut-ins in your area by sharing good nutrition with them. It consists of selecting one or more recipients and delivering them once a month a sack with an apple, an orange, a banana, tomato and potato. Come hear the innovative ideas you can use to help get this project started in your area. When Eyvonna Lemmons heard about this program last summer she decided to be a catalyst in the OHCE group in Love County, There are some surprising resources your may not have thought of.
- ☒ **Leadership Development**  
This workshop will ease your mind about Leadership Development and its State Goals. Discussion will include LDCE grants, the purpose of nickels for leadership and group projects or activities that could be considered leadership. Learn what is important in making a report for Leadership Development.
- ☒ **Membership- OHCE's Flower Garden**  
Learn how to make your OHCE garden grow by the planting seeds, cultivating and reaping the rewards. Gain new members and retaining current members.
- ☒ **Consumer Queen** Do you love a bargain? Getting items for free? Learn form the Consumer Queen's mum how to stretch your shopping dollars and the latest on extreme coupon shopping.
- ☒ **Returning Soldiers, There is Help** Cynde Collins-Clark from Veterans Families United  
Over 2,200 Oklahoma National Guard soldiers have returned home from deployment. But many will be facing a new battle PTST. Post Traumatic Stress isn't the only issue. Experiencing trouble sleeping, marital or financial problems and re-adjustment to civilian life are shared or additional situations. Learn about the Veterans Family United volunteer programs and the help you may be able to provide.
- ☒ **Put Together A Project Report** Have a question or several on how to make a winning report? This workshop will cover guidelines for report local and county projects for state awards. Suggestions for making reports easy and seamless will be given. All beginners to report making are encouraged to attend.
- ☒ **Testing Private Well and Faucet Water** The ins and outs of testing your well and faucet water. Articles that can help you have safer water. Be cautious bad water can be deadly to you and your family.
- ☒ **What is Leadership Development and Citizen Enrichment?** This workshop will ease your mind about Leadership Development and its' State Goals. Discussion will include group projects and activities that are ways to develop leadership. Learn what is important in making a report for Leadership Development



## **OHCE STATE PRESIDENT'S Message**

Sue Gilliam, State President 2010-2012

*Winter is over and the weather is like spring and summer combined...*

Thank You to Dr. Atilas, Recia Garcia, Gloria King, Lani Vasconcellos and Brenda Milller for their help these past two years during my OHCE Presidency. It is a great honor and privilege to be your OHCE State President.

I enjoyed going to all the District Meetings in March. The Districts elected District Representatives for their 2012-14 terms. Congratulations to these ladies:

SE District: Carolyn Pittman, SW District: Debra Stevenson  
NE District: Mary Bacon, NW District: Debbie Mote

I invited the new District representative to the April 20<sup>th</sup> meeting to learn about their duties. They will be able to get a running start for their district meetings in 2013,

There was 52 members that came on April 20<sup>th</sup> to judge the committee reports which were turned in by all the counties. Thanks to Dr. Atilas and the District Advisors for all their help during the judging of the reports.

All members are invited to the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual OHCE Meeting will be held July 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> 2012 at the Magnuson Hotel and Convention Center located on Meridian & I-40 in Oklahoma City

Elections will be held. All County Presidents and Secretaries are to be seated in their districts chairs during the Business meeting. The presidents are also invited to the voting session before the Business Meeting on Monday morning.

Hope to see all of you at the Business meeting.

***Thanks for all you do for OHCE!!!***

***Sue***

### ***Membership Committee***

Darline Ruyle, Chairman (405) 275-6195

We had great workshops at all the 2012 District Meetings. Finding out what to say and have the opportunity to speak to people about OHCE. Come and participate in our State Meeting workshop. We will work on how to help those new members to grow and blossom. Helping our groups flourish.

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### ***STATE MEETING 2012 MARKS THE BEGINNING OF A NEW OHCE STATE PROJECT!***

**Come join us for the introduction of our new State Project..... "Raising Young Readers"**

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***State Project 2012-2013 committee members are: Connie Brandstetter, NE District; Connie LaGrow, NW District; Carolyn Pittman, SE District, Terrie DeShazo and Debra Stevenson, SW District, Acting Co-Chairs***

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**Awards and Reports**

Marie Jones, Chairman 918-759-2354

***Congratulations to your District OHCE Award Winners:***

Young Member: NE: Katelynn Whittmore, NW: Amber Adams, SE: Angela Martin, SW: Mati Juarez

Rookie Member: NE: Delois George NW: Dianna Perkins SE: Frances Whinery SW: Roy Bennett

OHCE Member: NE: Karen Robbins, NW: Genevera Powell SE: Ann Waters Stevenson SW: Lowayne Piercey

Heart of OHCE NE: Charlotte Nave NW: Arleta Pulliam SE: Carolynn Pittman SW: Julie McKinney

Each of these winners will be honored at the Friendship Banquet during the State meeting.  
Great job on reporting your program area 2011 projects, the judging is complete.  
Your report winners will be announced at the State meeting. Keep up the good work.  
START NOW for next year's reports: plan project, take pictures, gather news articles, and check the guidelines and State Goals.

***Appreciation Received REGARDING THE OKLAHOMA CEMETERY DIRECTORY PROJECT***

Recently, Robert Smith received written appreciation for additions and corrections of about 700 changes in the cemetery section of the Government's national mapping source at USGS/GNIS. When he started there were only about 2200 cemetery locations and now they have 2900 all due to his efforts and careful calculations. This is due to the wonderful driving directions that were given in the Cemetery Index books. The newly revised Oklahoma Cemetery Regional Directory is available through inter-library loan from your public library through the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. Several order forms are available at [www.ohcegenealogy.com](http://www.ohcegenealogy.com).

On Saturday, March 31 OETA gave recognition to Oklahoma Home Demonstration Clubs during a 7:00 pm documentary for Women's History Month. Did any of you see it or record it? Tracy Lane, Tulsa CES Educator had given Freda Cunningham, State OHCE Historian a heads up and she was able to watch but not record it.

**Healthy Living Committee**

Marcy Hurd (580) 234-8886

Have you marked your calendar for the State Meeting? I hope to see you there. I will be giving an extended lesson on making "Water Safe for All". Find out how water is treated to make it safe. As prices increase so does the EPS's cost of the Clean Water, Drinking Water Infrastructure Analysis with an anticipated significant funding gap by 2019. It is your responsibility to watch and act on this issue.

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Thank you is not enough to say from the **Military/Family Support Committee**. Military Personal and their families for all you have done for them during the past five years.  
We hope that you will continue the great work by sending packages and support. We still have troops away from our nation and they need our support.  
It is with a sad heart that this project has come to a close but it can now be found under the Family Issues Committee for reporting. So keep up the great work. ~ Debra Stevenson, Chairman 2005-2011  
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**MAKE YOUR ROOM RESERVATIONS SOON**

*Magnuson Hotel (formerly Clarion Hotel) and Clarion Convention Center located at I-40 and Meridian Ave in west OKC.*

Adequate accommodations are available at the hotel for all attending OHCE State Meeting at a special rate of **\$78.00 plus tax for up to four to a room. Mention you are attending the OHCE Meeting when you call for reservations. Check in time is after 3 P.M on July 8. The hotel will extend this \$78.00 rate through Tuesday night July 10 for those wishing to stay over an additional night. Shopping at the new OKC Outlet Mall, anyone?**

Hotel rooms are equipped with a coffee maker, hair dryer, iron, ironing board.

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**2012 STATE MEETING OKLAHOMA HOME AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION JULY 8-10, 2012**

**Return registration by JUNE 29, 2012 to:**

**OHCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE, AGRICULTURE CONFERENCES OSU STUDENT UNION ROOM 430  
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**FIRST TIMER Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ I WOULD BE WILLING TO SERVE AS HOSTESS YES\_\_\_NO\_\_\_**

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| SUNDAY EVENT (transportation, dinner, theatre)@\$45.00 |                 | \$ _____ |
| MONDAY LUNCHEON @\$17.00                               | \$ _____        |          |
| FRIENDSHIP BANQUET @ 26.00                             | \$ _____        |          |
| TUESDAY LUNCHEON @\$17.00                              | \$ _____        |          |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED</b>                           | <b>\$ _____</b> |          |

No one will be admitted to a meal function without a paid ticket, NO exceptions.  
When registering for meals, please notify Ag-Conference if you have special menu or dietary considerations.  
**Registration is required to attend any portion of the conference. No refunds after 5:00 PM, July 5, 2012**



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