

Lincoln County Family and Community Education (fce) Clubs October, 2014, Council Meeting

The Lincoln County fce Council met at 9:45 a.m. October 14, 2014. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Nancy Rutledge. The Club Creed was read by Margaret Ellis; Bonnie Pond led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present repeated John 3:16 for the devotional.

The minutes from the July, 2014, meeting were approved as mailed. Carolyn Slayton gave the treasurer's report; the council has \$2, 280.15 in available funds.

Roll call was as follows: Boonshill fce Club – 2, Dellrose Hotrock fce Club – 3, Flintville fce Club – 2, McBurg fce Club – 3, Mimosa fce Club – 1, and Molino fce Club – 3, for a total of 14 fce Club members present at the council meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

2014 Cultural Arts – Bonnie Pond gave a brief report on Cultural Arts. We had a very low turnout. It was recommended that local clubs discuss this to see if there is anything that can be done to increase participation next year. It was also suggested that we have workshops to make items that would correspond with the Cultural Art category list.

fce Club Membership – The floor was opened for discussion on ideas to attract new fce Club members. Belinda Lance put together a flyer that was handed out at the fair. It covered a lot of the fce Clubs' activities. The flyers will be available at the UT Extension Lincoln County Office for handing out to potential members. It was also suggested that the fce Clubs put more articles in *The Elk Valley Times* and/or *Your Community Shopper*, which is delivered in the Taft and Ardmore areas.

33rd Annual TAFCE Conference – This year's conference will be held at the Marriott in Chattanooga on November 2 – 5. If anyone is interested in attending the annual event, please contact Shea Austin at UT Extension Lincoln County for more information.

NEW BUSINESS

Civil Rights Letters – Letters from Dr. Tim Cross, Dean of UT Extension, were passed out to a representative of each local club. These letters simply ask each club president to verify that their club is in compliance with the UT Extension's non-discrimination policy. Each club president should sign their letter and return it to Shea Austin at UT Extension Lincoln County as soon as possible.

By-Laws: A motion was made and carried that the current TAFCE Lincoln County Council By-Laws be approved as written. A copy of the council's by-laws can be found in the fce Handbook.

Annual Member Verification & Release Form – Forms have been sent to club presidents requesting that each club member verify their contact information and give permission for it to be printed in the 2015 fce Yearbook. The forms also ask club members to give permission for their picture to be published on UT Extension Lincoln County's website to promote fce Club events and activities and to choose whether they would like to receive fce Club information by mail, e-mail or by both methods.

“Host of Christmas Past” – A motion was made and carried that the fce Clubs sell Southwestern Stew, cornbread muffins, cookies, brownies or fudge and drinks at the *Host of Christmas Past* celebration on the square in Fayetteville on November 8. A copy of the worker schedule is enclosed. Several ladies signed up to help during the council meeting. If you can volunteer to work one of the shifts that has not been filled, please call UT Extension Lincoln County at 433-1582.

NOTE: Each fce Club will be responsible for providing the following items for the *“Host of Christmas Past”*:

- One dozen cornbread muffins – Do not bring cornbread squares; muffins must be packaged.
- Three gallons of Southwestern Stew - Do not bring frozen stew as there is no way to defrost it and do not vary the recipe as all of the stew needs to be the same. (A copy of the recipe is enclosed.)
- Two dozen pieces of fudge, brownies and/or cookies – Please label and package.
- One 12-pack of water
- One 12-pack of soft drinks

All items will need to be on the square between 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. The fce Clubs’ booth will be set up in the same location as last year, the corner by The Tigress.

Belinda Lance is going to provide a rack to display the capes that have been made for sale. The prices for the capes will be as follows: large - \$10 / medium - \$8 / small - \$5.

fce Christmas Luncheon – The Annual fce Christmas Luncheon will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, located at 101 Mulberry Avenue in Fayetteville, on Friday, December 5, at 11 o’clock. Angie’s Catering will provide lunch; the cost will be \$7.50 per person. Please send your money to Carolyn Slayton by Friday, November 28. Carolyn’s address is 10 Cunningham Hollow Rd; Fayetteville, TN 37334. Each club is being asked to provide a holiday centerpiece for one table. Anyone that would like to participate in the annual ornament exchange should bring an ornament that costs \$5 or less. Volunteers will be needed to help set up and decorate for the event and in taking down and cleaning up following it; a sign-up sheet is enclosed.

Bank of Lincoln County Christmas Tree Ornaments –The McBurg fce Club is in charge of making the ornaments for this year’s tree. Other clubs will be notified if they need help completing them. The tree will be decorated after the Christmas Luncheon on December 5. A sign-up sheet is enclosed if you would like to help with the holiday decorating at the bank.

50 Year Members – If there are any members that need to be recognized as 50 Year members, please let Shea know as soon as possible so that the paperwork can be submitted.

Publicity – Any fce Clubs that wish to submit articles and photos for publication can do so by using the following online addresses:

- The Lincoln County newspaper, *The Elk Valley Times*: EVTnews@lcs.net or EVTpub@lcs.net
- The Ardmore Shopper, *Your Community Shopper*: news@yourcommunityshopper.com

Send photos to Eydie Foster, efoster7@tennessee.edu, if your club holds a workshop or does a community service project and they can be added to the Lincoln County fce Clubs’ photo gallery on the UT Extension Lincoln County website. So far, the Flintville and Dellrose Hotrock fce Clubs have pictures posted. This is an easy, free way to publicize what Lincoln County fce Clubs do. Photo gallery link: <https://extension.tennessee.edu/Lincoln/Pages/FCE/FCE-Slide-Shows.aspx>.

Award Presentation - Before adjourning, Bonnie Pond and Shea Austin presented outgoing fce Council President, Nancy Rutledge, with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Lincoln County fce Clubs to express their thanks to her for serving two terms as fce Council President, and for all of the time, effort and hard work she put into doing such a wonderful job.

January fce Council Meeting – The next council meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. on January 13, 2015, in the Ralph Hastings Building auditorium.

With no further business pending, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Ellison

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SOUTHWESTERN STEW RECIPE

Ingredients

- 1 lb. hamburger meat
- ½ package McCormick's Mild Chili Mix
- 2 cans mixed vegetables (without potatoes)
- 1 can red kidney beans
- 1 can corn
- 1 can chunky tomato sauce for chili

Directions

Brown hamburger meat; add chili mix; let meat mixture set for 10 – 15 minutes. Add remaining ingredients. Heat, serve and enjoy!