

LAKE CUMBERLAND AREA EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS
PRESIDENT'S REPORT
July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018

Lake Cumberland Area Extension Homemakers is comprised of ten counties, Wayne, McCreary, Pulaski, Casey, Cumberland, Clinton, Russell, Taylor, Green and Adair. Following are activities that were implemented or conducted as reported in/by the Homemakers in these countries during the 201-2018 Homemaker year:

Cultural Arts

- All counties participated in the Cultural Arts competition
- Traveled to Bernheim Forest and toured the garden of Nelson County Homemaker
- Created the TC Passport to encourage members to Explore Kentucky
- Held weekly sit & sew activities and once a month have a lesson and complete a donation quilt
- Traveled to Switzer Covered Bridge
- Attended sewing/quilting expos that offered classes and lessons
- Attended quilt shows
- Displayed donations quilts at local businesses and public venues

Environmental, Housing and Energy

- Continued support of the county recycling program
- Collected 6 gallons aluminum can tabs for local schools
- Maintained planting area, the Homemakers Mound, at Miller Park
- Donated 10 conversion kits to the a storm water awareness project – converted empty barrels into rain barrels

Family and Individual Development

- Hosted four blood drives - 115 units collected
- Sponsored two Master Clothing Volunteer to attend training
- Master Clothing Volunteers provided sewing educational programs
- Received KEHA grant for Quilts of Honor special interest group
- Donated 38 quilts to area veterans of the US Armed Services
- Assisted with Community Baby Shower

Food, Nutrition and Health

- Collected and distributed personal care items for new patients at the Cancer Center
- Transported groups to Lexington for Ovarian cancer screening
- Collected and distributed non-perishable foods for Green River Ministries
- 197 pillowcases have been sewn and donated to the Taylor Regional Hospital for use by surgical patients.
- Made and donated fleece blankets hospital
- Made visits to nursing home and helped residents with crafts
- Harvested corn to feed students in local schools

International

- Supported medical mission trip to Honduras by sewing and providing surgical caps, gowns and dresses
- Collected and donated 540 pairs of shoes to WaterStep to be used to provide safe water to some of the poorest countries and area impacted by disasters
- Donated \$150 to the KY Academy in Ghana
- Provided cookies to Somerset Community College for International Day
- Taught Asian cooking classes twice monthly

4-H

- Volunteers supported 4-H for All
- Donated funds for scholarship to attend camp
- Helped at county fairs

Leadership Development

- Awarded \$6,890 in academic scholarships
- Hosted trainings for county and club officers and chairs
- First Responders, fire fighters and 911 workers were honored with individual meals
- Donated 41,047 volunteer hours (8418 – Extension hours; 32,629 – Community Hours)
- Supported sign language class taught at Extension Office

Donated

- Donated quilt squares to the KEHA State Meeting
- Donated to Project Graduation for two local high schools
- School supplies for local
- Backpack program
- Families during Christmas
- Hosted an appreciation luncheon for the Extension Staff
- Monetary and material donations
 - Food Pantry
 - Youth Service Center to purchase gifts for children
 - Family Resource Center to purchase gifts for children
 - Homeless Shelter
 - Alzheimer center
 - Senior Citizens Center
 - Shelter or Abused Women
- Gifts to veterans in nursing homes
- Books in memory of Homemaker for children's library
- Quilts to Lake Cumberland Children's Advocacy Center and ARC Pregnancy Center

Fundraisers

- Hosted two soup luncheons
- Hosted Bazaars
- Hosted Bake Sales
- Organized a "drive-thru luncheon" for 500 people to raise funds for Relay for Life and Hope Lodge
- Silent auctions at county annual meetings