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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

The awards luncheon was cancelled
OHCE state meeting has been cancelled. It will not be rescheduled.

August 20-22 Oklahoma County Fair Board voted to cancel the county fair, except for livestock and horse shows.

August 27th Leader Lesson, "Economics of Long-Term Care" is cancelled

24 Sep 2020: Leader Lesson: Household Water Conservation and will be on Zoom meeting information. Register in advance for this meeting by clicking on this link:

[https://dasnr.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJckcuisqiljGN2bUCgdnFtWe-fmkdc80PDF](https://dasnr.zoom.us/j/7582822222)

Thought for The Day: Life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it. - Charles R Swindoll

DEADLINE FOR Sep 2020

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN



Well the spring like never before has turned into a very similar summer. OHCE has not been able to meet due to the Corona virus restrictions. The activities and meetings have been changing weekly. I want to say a big thank you to Lisa who is trying to keep things going without help. She is trying to stay up to date on the information, guidelines and restrictions all the while not being in the office for most of the week.

As you may have heard, the decision was made to cancel our annual Achievement Luncheon. Look in this newsletter to see the award winners.

A big thank you to all those who donated and assembled the VA bags.

I hope you are continuing to stay healthy. I look forward to when we can be together. Happy Summer!



2020 Memorial Service

Jan Beattie

Our annual Memorial Service to honor our deceased members will be held during our Holiday Luncheon. To date, I have only received notification of the deaths of six:

Laura Robinson from 3Es

Ray Ridlen, Oklahoma County Extension Horticulturist

Judith Irwin from Genealogy Group

Grace Otto from NW Seekers/Council Grove and

Sonja Frazier Wilson from Learn and Serve and Modern Homemakers

Mike Miller from Genealogy Group

If you have any photographs, special memories or anecdotes of any of the deceased, kindly let me know. *I am particularly in need of photos and information for Sonja Wilson.*

If your group has lost a member of which we are not aware, please let me know so they can be remembered during the service. I can be contacted by email at jankb80@sbcglobal.net or by phone (405) 513-4014. Thank you.

**Bits and Bytes OHCE Computer Group of Oklahoma County
or Computer Goup of OKC/ Bits and Bytes OHCE**

Richa Ross

The Bits & Bytes OHCE Group has been fortunate to continue their meetings. Due to the 2020 virus pandemic, the Extension Center received a mandatory shut down. The group ordinarily meets there on the 4th Monday afternoon each month from 1:00-3:00 in a classroom in the Conference Center.

The computer program "Zoom" has been used to bring the members virtually together from the comfort of sitting at home in front of their personal computers. Program handouts pertaining to the program demonstration to be presented are sent via email before the meeting. Bill James, one of six Regional Advisors from the Association of Personal Computer User Group (APCUG), is our instructor. He sets up the Zoom meetings by sending a link to participants about 30 minutes before the meeting, making sure everyone's audio is turned on. Then at 1:30 OHCE Genealogy Group President Pat Smith calls the meeting to order. A regular business meeting is conducted, including a flag salute recited together by the audience.

There have been (8--10) members signed in at each meeting and at least two visitors have joined in on different meetings. One special visitor was Judy Taylour, Chair of APCUG. Judy provides material for the monthly OHCE Bits and Bytes newsletter. She visited with the OHCE members to become better acquainted and promote the objectives of APCUG.



To: Everyone listed in APCUG's membership database

THANKS FOR FORWARDING THIS EMAIL TO YOUR MEMBERS

The below groups have opened their meetings to all APCUG-member groups. You will find a link to the list with meeting and contact information, by state, at <https://www.apcug2.org> -- TECHNOLOGY CURES FOR YOUR CABIN FEVER

If your group is listed on the website PDF, please check your information to make sure it is correct. Corrections? Additions? Send an email to jtaylour (at) apcug.org.

If you would like your group added to the list, please send an email to Judy with:

Name of your group

Time Zone

General Meeting: 1st Wednesday, 3rd Tuesday, etc.

Time of meeting

SIG meetings

Email address for the request to be added to your meeting email list.

OKLAHOMA

Computer Club of Oklahoma City

OHCE AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE 2019-2020

Due to the cancellation of the OHCE awards luncheon, the list of award winners is attached to this newsletter. Certificates and cash award checks will be mailed to winners and group treasurers. Congratulations to everyone!

EDUCATION: 1st Place: Genealogy
2nd Place: Learn Create and Share
3rd Place: Bits and Bytes
4th Place: NW Seekers/Council Grove

COMMUNITY SERVICE: 1st Place: Modern Homemakers
2nd Place: 3 E's
3rd Place: Genealogy
4th Place: Cardinal

COUNTY FAIR: 1st Place: Learn Create and Share
2nd Place: 3 E's
3rd Place: Las Amigas/Will Rogers
4th Place: Modern Homemakers

COUNTY PARTICIPATION: 1ST Place: Las Amigas/Will Rogers
2nd Place: Cardinal
3rd Place: Bits and Bytes
4th Place: NW Seekers/Council Grove

MEMBERSHIP: 1st Place: Genealogy
2nd Place: 3 E's
3rd Place: Learn Create and Share

SECRETARY BOOKS:

Red Award: Cardinal

Blue Award: Bits and Bytes, Genealogy, Las Amigas/Will Rogers, Modern Homemakers, NW Seekers/Council Grove, 3 E's, Learn Create and Share

OVERALL OHCE GROUP: Learn Create and Share

MEMBER/GROUP AWARDS IN 5 YEAR INCREMENTS:

5 YEARS (2014)

Lynda Arnold Cardinal
Sarah Robinson Cardinal
Emily Hedinger Genealogy

10 YEARS (2009)

Edie Parmeter Modern Homemakers
Michelle Manning NW Seekers/Council Grove
Robert Smith Genealogy
Kathryn Wells Soldier Creek

15 YEARS (2004)

Vicky Sharp NW Seekers/Council Grove

25 YEARS (1994)

Mary Hamilton 3 E's

40 YEARS (1979)

Janie Whitecotton NW Seekers/Council Grove

50 YEARS (1969)

Elaine McClellan Cardinal

GROUPS:

MEMBER OF THE YEAR:

Mary Watson Modern Homemakers

25 YEARS (1994)

Genealogy

45 YEARS (1974)

NW Seekers/Council Grove

NEW MEMBERS:

Learn Create and Share: Denise Armstrong
3 E's:
Carol Fulton
Carolyn Rymer

Genealogy:

Bonnie Bennett
Karen Blagg
JoAnn Dudley
Dale Gibson

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR:

Jan Bohannon Learn Create and Share

HEART OF OHCE:

Libby Hays Genealogy

OHCE INFORMATION

OHCE DONATES VA BAGS

OHCE Genealogy members, Libby Hays, Molly Monaghan and Jo Ann Banse met at the Extension Center on July 1st to pack bags of personal items that were delivered to the VA Medical Center that afternoon. Thank you to the following groups for their donations: Genealogy, Learn Create and Share, 3 E's, Soldier Creek, and Cardinal.

Since the patients receive so many items at Christmas, it was suggested by VA employee, Melissa Overfield, that instead of donating the stockings, we give personal items around the 4th of July, when the patients don't receive much, and such an important day to recognize their service to this country.



Unsolicited Seeds from China

Many of you have likely seen news reports of people receiving seeds from China that they did not order. In fact, over the weekend ODAFF received reports of Oklahomans receiving seeds in the mail from China. The seeds are sent in packages usually stating that the contents are jewelry. PLEASE be aware that unsolicited seeds could be invasive, introduce diseases to local plants, or be harmful to livestock.

If you receive unsolicited seeds from another country:

- 1) **DO NOT** plant them and if they are in sealed packaging don't open the sealed package.
- 2) This is known as agricultural smuggling. Report it to USDA and maintain the seeds and packaging until USDA instructs you what to do with the packages and seeds. They may be needed as evidence. The USDA Antismuggling Hotline is 800-877-3835 and their email is SITC.Mail@aphis.usda.gov. USDA will make every attempt to protect the confidentiality of any information sources during an investigation within the extent of the law.
- 3) For Oklahoma Dept. of Agriculture's records, please send us an email explaining your location and any additional information about the package to Morgan.vance@ag.ok.gov and Kenny.naylor@ag.ok.gov.
- 4) For additional information, contact ODAFF by calling Kaci Hubbell at 405-522-5971 or Joe Rackley at 405-205-2709.

NOTE: If you receive packets of seeds in the mail, please **DO NOT** throw them away. Bring them to the Extension Center and the Department of Agriculture will pick them up. They are investigating where they originated.

CONDOLENCES

Condolences to Genealogy member, Patty Whitecotton and NW Seekers/Council Grove members Janie Whitecotton and Connie Graham on the loss of their father and husband, Harley Whitecotton, who passed away July 1st.

Condolences to Genealogy member, Norma Miller on the loss of her husband, Mike Miller, also a Genealogy member.

OHCE Annual Dues and Enrollment Forms

County treasurer, Paul Cunningham has requested that OHCE group dues be mailed to him no later than Friday, October 23rd. Please mail checks payable to Oklahoma County OHCE. Paul's address is: 4057 NW 61st ST, OKC, OK 73112-1402. If there are any changes to members' enrollment forms such as phone numbers or addresses, please send those corrections, too.



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