Washington County Homemaker Newsletter

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The Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association is a volunteer organization that works to improve the quality of life for families and communities through leadership development, volunteer service, and education.

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Homemaker Council Meeting & Yard Sale Planning



There will be a Homemaker Council Meeting on May 16 at 10am at the Washington County Extension Office. All county officers, club presidents, and chairmen are invited to attend the meeting. We will also be discussing the upcoming June Yard Sale. If you are interested in helping, you are welcome to attend the meeting.



Thanks to Sue Clements and everyone who helped with the April Child Abuse Prevention Campaign! A few activities this year included:

- City & County Proclamations
- Pinwheels, banner, & ribbons downtown
- Informational packets to local churches & leaders
- Newspaper articles & radio tips
- Family resiliency brochures on Snappy Tomato pizza box deliveries

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Disabilities accommodated with prior notification.

Note from the President

Dear Homemakers!

'Tis the merry, merry month of May already! It is time to plant things, if it will just warm up a bit more.

Happy Mother's Day to all who have children, biological or otherwise! Or even care for children. They are all children of the heart, even if you did not physically bear them yourself.

As is noted elsewhere in this newsletter, we will be having a yard sale at the Extension Office on June 3. We hope to make enough money to support a worthy project to be determined at our June Annual Meeting. We will be discussing this at our council meeting on the 16th. If you have any ideas or want to help in any way, let one of us know.

I will see you in June, if not before.

Take care, Rita

Save the Date for the Lincoln Trail Area Annual Meeting & Cultural Arts Contest





Thought of the Month:

"Motherhood is the biggest gamble in the world. It is the glorious life force. It's huge and scary - it's an act of infinite optimism." -Gilda Radner

Roll Call:

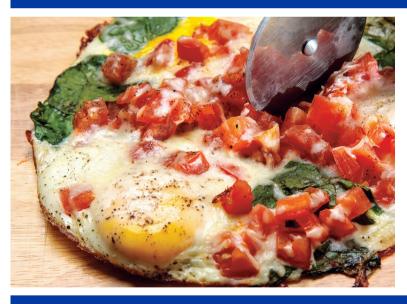
In May, we celebrate mothers. Share a favorite Mother's Day memory.

TIME: TBA

Book of the Month

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Rachardson (2019)

An inspiring tale of the power of Literature that casts librarians as heroes. Cussy Carter is a 19 year old with blue skin who lives in Eastern Kentucky. Delivering books on horseback as part of the Pack Horse Library Project, Cussy comes face to face with both the beautiful and horrifying facets of Appalachian life.



Cooking through the Calendar

Laura Milburn, SNAP-Ed Program Assistant, will hold monthly recipe demonstrations and tastings during 2023. Everyone is welcome to come! Past recipe demonstrations will remain available to watch at facebook.com/WashingtonCountyNutritionEducation.

May 25 - 4pm Washington County Public Library Easy Tortilla Breakfast Pizza



KEHA News & Notes

Quilts for Courageous Kids – The Center for

Courageous Kids in Scottsville is in need of 100 new twin size bed quilts. Needed size is 64 inches by 86 inches and can be homemade or store bought. Drop off at The Center for Courageous Kids, 1501 Burnley Rd., Scottsville, KY, or bring them to the KEHA State Meeting in Louisville where we will have a collection point. If you have questions, contact Joanie O'Bryan at jobryan@courageouskids.org or 270-618-2900.

2023 KEHA State Board Elections

Credentials have been received for all positions, and the nominating committee will review to confirm eligibility. The six positions to be elected in May 2023 are: First Vice President; Treasurer; Environment, Housing, and Energy Chair; Food, Nutrition, and Health Chair; Leadership Development Chair; and Marketing and Publicity Chair.

National Volunteer Outreach Network (NVON)

Conference – The 24th annual NVON Conference will be July 18-20, 2023, in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Any KEHA member is eligible to register and attend. Meeting details are available at https://www.nvon.org/nvon-conference/.

KEHA Tenure Recognition – The KEHA

Membership Tenure Milestone certificate can be used in place of the recognition pins that used to be ordered, as it has become difficult to locate a statewide vendor. Counties and areas may elect to work independently with vendors of their choice if they wish to have pins. FCS agents have access to the certificate template, which can be filled out and printed in color on ivory cardstock.

Mileage Reimbursement Form – The KEHA state board voted to increase the mileage reimbursement rate to \$0.50. The reimbursement form in the Manual Appendix, page 15, has been updated. A fillable PDF form has also been updated on the webpage.

Dates to Remember

- May 9-11, 2023 KEHA State Meeting at the Crowne Plaza in Louisville.
- May 15 990N Deadline for 501(c)(3) organizations with fiscal year ending Dec. 31.
- June 17 Postmark deadline for NVON Conference registration at regular rates.
- July 18-20 NVON Conference in Parkersburg, WV



Dates to Remember

May 9-11 - KEHA State Meeting

May 11 - Monthly Food Distribution at Idle Hour Park - 8:30am

May 16 - Homemaker Council Meeting for club presidents, county officers, and chairmen WC Extension Office at 10am

May 18 - Ready to React event - see flyer

May 22 - Homemaker Area Bus Tour - see the included flyer for more information; the group will be limited to 50 people, so please register soon if you would like to go

June 3 - Homemaker Yard Sale Washington County Extension Office Please spread the word and start gathering items you would like to donate to the yard sale!

Monthly Lesson

May: Savoring the Eating Experience

It is easy to finish a meal and not remember what or how much was eaten. Taking care to focus on our senses as we eat can lead to a more satisfying experience. This lesson covers differences in mindless and mindful eating and tips for being more present when you eat. The lesson goal is to add mindful eating strategies into daily routine. This lesson was taught on April 27 at 10:30am in Washington County. Materials area available at the office.





FREE SENIOR CELEBRATION EVENT

THURSDAY, MAY 25 9AM-2PM PRITCHARD COMMUNITY CENTER

Wellness on Wheels, Hardin County Book Mobile, Vendors, Speakers, Live Entertainment & Music, Workshops, Exercise, Bingo, Lunch, Door Prizes, & More!

For more information, call LTADD at 270-769-2393. Call CKCATS for transportation at 270-692-2136 or 1-800-242-8225.

READY TO REACT

Emergency Preparedness Community Event

Washington County

Thursday, May 18th, 2023

3 PM - 7 PM, Washington County Extension Office 245 Corporate Dr., Springfield, KY

Ready to React is an emergency and disaster preparedness community event. The objective is to connect with local resources to prepare for emergency situations.

FREE INFLATABLES, FOOD TRUCKS & GIVEAWAYS

Meteorologist Matt Dixon will speak at 5:30pm!



Topics Include:

- EMS
- Fire Department
- Kentucky Fish and Wildlife
- Creating an Emergency Kit
- Insurance
- Fallen Power Lines
- Flooding
- Winter Prep
- Freezer and Food Pantry Essentials

For more Information:

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2020 Census Quilt

KEHA has produced a booklet about the 2020 Census Quilt that provides details on each quilt square. Using information and images from the booklet, we will feature a couple of quilt squares each month to learn more about our Kentucky counties.



Martin County

Creator: Sandy Moore

Pattern: Log Cabin

Description: Martin County is home to God's Promise Trail. The trail features an original log cabin and one room schoolhouse that was disassembled and reassembled on the trail. On Heritage Day, the old times are spoken of and a skit is performed. In the log cabin, a couple speaks of the old days. It was built in the early 1900s.



Mason County

Creator: Jeanette Tolle

Pattern: Embroidered

Description: The Mason County quilt square was quilted and designed by Jeanette Tolle. It features the courthouse, the Simon Kenton bridge, a trolley, and a river boat.

Understanding Trauma Series: Immediate Signs of Trauma

Trauma is our body's response when we experience an event that is physically lifethreatening or emotionally hurtful. Immediate signs of trauma that may occur within 3 months after the event include:

- feeling numb or like nothing is real
- problems focusing or feeling confused
- · easily startled or scared
- intense anger or sadness
- heart racing when thinking about the event
- trouble sleeping or having nightmares
- headaches and/or fatigue
- feeling worried or fearful
- digestive problems or upset stomach

Source: Paul Norrod, DrPH, RN, Extension specialist for Rural Health and Farm Safety

Scrumptious Strawberry Salad

Strawberries are low in calories and high in nutrients. One cup contains 55 calories. They are a great source of vitamin C and also contain vitamin A, iron, fiber, and folic acid.

Source: Plate It Up KY Proud, UK Cooperative Extension



Scrumptious Strawberry Salad

5 cups spinach
½ large cabbage head, chopped
1 cup golden raisins
1 cup halved red grapes
1 pint sliced strawberries
½ small red onion, sliced
½ cup toasted and chopped pecans (optional)

Combine all salad ingredients together in a large bowl. Prepare salad dressing by **mixing** all ingredients together in a jar, **cover**, and **shake** well to combine. **Pour** dressing over salad mixture and **toss** to combine.

Dressing ³/₄ cup plain non-fat Greek yogurt or plain regular yogurt **3 tablespoons** honey **6 tablespoons** apple cider vinegar

3 tablespoons olive oil 1/2 teaspoon Dijon mustard 1 teaspoon poppy seeds 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper

Yield: 8, 2-cup servings

Nutritional Analysis:

240 calories, 10g fat, 1g saturated fat, 0mg cholesterol, 340mg sodium, 33g carbohydrate, 4g fiber, 27g sugar, 6g added sugars, 5g protein

Chores Count, too!

Clean the house, wash the car, or mow the lawn with a push mower. Know that these activities count toward your goal of at least 150 minutes each week.

Source: UK FCS Big Blue Goals resources, week 8 activity tip