

GREEN RIVER AREA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

October 2016

The Green River Area consists of seven counties: Daviess, Hancock, Henderson, McLean, Ohio, Webster, and Union. We have one county without FCS Agents. Leadership training was presented in each county.

KEHA week in October was observed with articles in newspapers and proclamations from Judge Executive.

The World's Greatest Baby Shower and Expectant Mother's Night Out was held in the area with clubs providing desserts, making baskets of baby gifts and education classes. Daviess County donated baby items to Care Net Pregnancy Center.

Taste of Homemakers was successful with items donated to the food banks and socks to the Happy Feet Program. Each attendee received a recipe cookbook.

Henderson County helped with the annual Derby Tea. It is a Tea Party and fashion show. The Program this year was focused on Woman and Wellness. Donations this year were given to the local Brain Injury Camp. McLean County hosted a Ball at the Battle of Sacramento Civil War Reenactment, serving cookies and lemonade.

Area Annual day was hosted by Union County. Theme baskets raised over \$900.00 for Ovarian Cancer.

New club, Brown Bag Book Club, has a discussion of suggested books. From the KEHA book list 284 books have been read.

International month was celebrated with dinning out with different types of cuisines .

Funds have been raised for literacy programs with preschoolers getting a book to take home, scholarships, Relay for Life, Goodfellows, Angle Tree, backpack programs for schools, St.Anthony's, Thanksgiving Baskets , gifts for Rest Home residents, Help Office , Oasis Spouse Abuse Center, American Cancer Society, Boulware Mission, signed Christmas cards for Veterans, planted flowers and cleaned parks, St.Vincent de Paul , Christian Dental Center and Culinary Department at local high school. Each county has worked very hard on the Scholarship Funds as each has at least given one Scholarship for higher learning.

A Hancock County is buying a sewing machine for 4-H. Daviess County held a special sewing project for Camp Courageous of pillowcases making over 200 and 150 bandanas. Ohio County homemakers fed a Thanksgiving meal to all the employees at Tamerlane Industries who hire local handicapped employees. Over 200 meals were served. McLean County made clothing protectors or bibs for residents of a nursing home.

Some of the fund raisers have been: Daviess Co. Barn Quilt Notecards and Bookmarkers, Webster Co. cake walk at Harvest Days, Hancock Co. Quilt Show and July 4th Snow cones, Henderson Co. Cookbook and bake sale and Ohio Co. a Christmas Bazaar, Plant Sale, and Recycle Sale (rummage sale), McLean County works the fair.

The Area has been very busy but on the fun side they have taken county trips, county family nights, decorating the foyer at the Extension office and ladies day out. All report a Great Year!!

Marilyn Watson, Green River Area Past President