

LICKING RIVER AREA

PRESIDENTS REPORT

2018-2019

The Licking River Area Homemakers with our motto to "grow by doing" has been a very busy 10 county area, we have tried several area wide projects. Some of these area projects are as follows:

1. Started with a officer training and committee chair training at a one day workshop. This has helped us to promote homemakers membership and make committee chairs more involved in the organization. Because of this many county officers and committee chairs were trained by area officers. For the first time in many years 9 out of 10 counties turned in Program of Work Reports, so our reports to State Chairs were accurate reports of work done.

2. At the beginning of the program year we gave each county \$100.00 grant to use to promote or start a project that was needed in their county which would grow their investment.

One club with 10 clubs gave each club \$10.00 with the challenge to make that \$10.00 grow to help with a needed club project like cancer caps, Christmas needy children, held kids fair, hygiene products for a middle school, school supplies this county increased their \$100.00 to \$6186.00.

Three counties invested their \$100.00 into quilts which they sold tickets on, one county made \$1286.00 dollars for their high school band uniforms, another made \$1858.00 for 4-H camp scholarships, and another gave \$985.00 to their county Sports League.

Another county bought food and sold food to election poll workers made \$500.00 for Ovarian Cancer Fund.

Another county started a project to landscape a new community center and with matching funds from others in their county spent \$1200.00 for a beautification program.

One county bought 2 goats to send to Guam Heifer Project, so they could use them to make products to sell to feed the hungry.

Another county used their \$100.00 to honor veterans with a program and a meal.

The list goes on and on the best we can figure as an area we turned \$1000.00 into over \$10,000 for the communities in the Licking River Area, we were growing by doing.

3. Our newest project as an area is our Kindness Project which each county is working on ways to encourage people in their communities to show acts of kindness and to make these acts into volunteer projects to help others. The interest is great, projects are going on in every county, even the theme for our annual meeting was Sprinkle Kindness. I can't wait to see where this project leads.

4. We have asked every member in our area to get one new member, so our membership will continue to grow. We did have 4 out of 12 counties in the final drawing of the membership contest which lasted 3 years.

We had many projects and activities in the Licking River Area which many other areas carry out, all are important, but I am just emphasizing some big ones.

Licking River Area is growing we are helping other counties in our area with their projects, we work together very well.

We are a very strong, hardworking group of individuals who love homemakers enough to make our projects successful and our organization grow.

WE TRULY ARE "GROWING BY DOING"!!!!!!

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