

Boyd County Homemakers have celebrations and activities for the 75<sup>th</sup> KEHA birthday. Dr. Todd visited the Boyd County office and the Boyd County Homemaker President Nancy Broughton, presented him with a 75<sup>th</sup> KEHA basket. They are planning a birthday party on March 27, 2008 and are developing a cookbook to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> year. They were represented at the county, area, and state meetings this year. They have a goal of educating the public about being an organ donor; this was implanted at their county council meeting in August, 2007. This was a program developed from the homemakers attending KEHA state meeting where Amelia Brown was the speaker. Boyd County Homemakers voted to educate and support this goal. They have been active in the Boyd County Diversity Program and have recruited Hispanic women to join clubs; they have been active in 4-H youth development programs: reality store, speech demonstrations, dollars and sense and the county fair.

Pike County Homemakers are continuing programs that are beneficial to our communities. These include turbans for cancer patients, gowns for the advocacy center and collecting books for the Literacy project. They are beginning a new program to remember and honor our veterans. We are also planning to work with hospice care. In April we hosted the Hillbilly Days Quilt Show, and had our Welcome Spring. Activities are planned to raise funds for ovarian cancer screening and the March of Dimes, a committee was formed to work on A Girls Day Out - program to inform homemakers about women's health issues. We are hosting Homemaking In The Mountains at the Breaks Park this year we have many visitors. Several homemakers work with the Habitat Women's Build, and our Area President Brenda Kilgore and her daughter Cynthia Howard handmade a quilt to raise funds for the Cancer Relay for Life using ribbons with the colors of different cancers.

Floyd County had a Home and Garden Show at the Convention Center, they shared things they had made, and gave out information on homemakers. Corsages were made for the ladies at the nursing home. A pickle party was held for Floyd County Homemakers as part of their leadership training, (Give Them the Pickle). Baby blankets were made for the family court. We collected beanie babies last year and took to state meeting. We made Christmas ornaments and decorated Jenny Wiley lodge and theater. We also had a Christmas dinner for homemakers and sold ornaments.

Greenup Homemakers held their 69<sup>th</sup> county annual meeting April 2007 and recognized the many leaders that make the organization strong and viable. The Spring Fling parade of classes with about 60 participates followed this activity. Classes ranged from tatting to cake decorating and quilting. In July homemakers assisted the Greenbo Day Camp and taught about 100 youths crafts at the 3-day event. In August, leaders supported the County Fair by entering exhibits and serving as superintendents and assistants. County leaders attended The Leadership Tool Box (Give Them The Pickle) and the county chairman and officer training. Sept. was a busy month for the Greenup County Homemakers & the Master Volunteers in clothing construction hosting the first "Come Sew With Us-Sewing Smorgasbord" at Greenbo Lake State Resort Park. Numerous sewing classes were conducted including making pillowcases, luggage, purses, tatting, aprons, quilting and other techniques. The fall was very busy with homemakers planning for the Open House and festival of trees at Greenbo Lake State Park. Homemakers decorated about 18 trees and various locations throughout the lodge. About 800 visited the open house event. Greenup County has 14 clubs and about 275 members. They have studied lessons on the apron; spice up your life, your family history, planning for a lifetime of living, cooking with sweeteners, giving life to old pastimes. The homemakers were one of the spongers for the "Dining with Diabetes" sessions; we are also participating in the Active Aging Physical activity sessions held in the fall and spring. Fifteen homemakers and the Family and Consumer Sciences agent will attend the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of KEHA in Frankfort on Feb. 20. The Greenup County Homemakers are looking forward to hosting the Northeast Area Homemakers Annual Meeting Oct. 2008. The featured speaker will be EllynAnn Geisel author of The Apron Book.

Martin County held several sewing and recycling workshops.

Johnson County has sponsored 4-H scholarships, done community beautification and clean-ups. We had clubs doing nursing home projects and lap quilts. We also had another successful Big Sandy Quilt, Art and Antique show. We also hosted The Northeast Area Annual Meeting this year on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2007. We will also present The Taste of Kentucky food show again in Nov. Each year we strive to learn better ways to improve our health doing things like Steps to Better Health and Health screenings. Our accomplishments for 2007 are 4-H camp scholarships – sends children to camp that could not afford to go otherwise, memorial scholarships in honor of homemakers who passed away, state VSU program, provide funding for international day, helping 4-H with apple-dipping during apple day, participated in County Museum Tree Auction, helped with Leadership Toolbox and officer training, held our 26<sup>th</sup> annual Holiday Happenings Craft and Antique show with 48 vendors participating, we gave 5 Holiday Happenings mini grants to participating clubs to improve their community, participated in Oscar Center workshops we are also participating in the Agri-tourism loop tour.

Magoffin County has moved into our beautiful new building in Jan. 08 we are still getting organized and trying to find our “space.” It’s really great and the kitchens are great. Our membership is down from last year but on the way back we now have 73 members and one new club. We had a tasting bee for our annual fundraiser for scholarship and raised about \$800; five hundred is designated for one recipient. We have plans for a Ladies Tea, the proceeds to go to the ovarian cancer research; we hope to make this an annual event; have made and hung 6 quilt blocks for the quilt trail we have one more ready to go and 4 more are in the works. We had a 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary luncheon in Nov. several more of our senior members attended. Several members and their spouses had dinner at Jenny Wiley and then went to the Christmas program at The MAC. We have plans to go to Shaker Town in June and several will be going to Frankfort for KEHA recognition day. We will be having International Day with Johnson County later this month. One of our members has an exchange student from Finland. Julie will be telling us about her country that day.

Lawrence County Homemakers sponsored a Holiday Bazaar with the Lawrence County Extension Special Projects Committee to help with the new extension office equipment and the high school student scholarship award. During “Opening Day” for the new homemaker program year, the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of extension homemakers was recognized. We offered area and county histories and photos from the past. One member created a membership brochure for distribution. The county homemakers’ council also held their annual holiday program in Dec. As part of our efforts to reach young people with extension homemaker programs, we have a teen club at the high school. Individual club members and clubs sponsored 16 young homemakers, we have 110 members.

Northeast Area President’s Report for 2008  
Brenda Kilgore, President