

Hello Everyone,

This summer I had the opportunity to attend the National FCE Conference in Portland, OR. Past President, Cathy Oaks, and Vice-President for Programs, Kay Baker, also attended with me. We attended FCL Training, heard many good speakers, and ate lots of good food.

Tennessee received 7 awards from National FCE. One of the awards was for the CHARACTER COUNTS! Art & Essay Contest. Emily Brewer from Lawrenceburg was not only the Tennessee state winner, but was the national winner also. Emily will receive a \$50 savings bond from TAFCE and a \$500 savings bond from NAFCE.

At our August meeting the State Board received a letter of resignation from State Treasurer, Charlotte Moser. Because of some serious health problems, Charlotte's doctor advised her to resign. Jane Fisher was voted in to finish Charlotte's term as treasurer.

Our prayers are with Charlotte and we are grateful to Jane for filling in.

Western Region is in the final stages of preparation for our annual state FCE Conference, which is to be held in Jackson. Lisa Smartt will be the keynote speaker. There will be other entertainment as well as tours, workshops and learning sessions. Plan to have your group's picture made by our state photographer for only \$5 per copy.

I hope to see you in Jackson, November 8-11.

Delois Ledford
TAFCE President