HAFCE State President's Report

Sally Bowman, President October 2015

It's been a very exciting and challenging year for me as your State President of HAFCE. The excitement is generated by all the results of your hard work and all the fabulous and meaningful community service projects you've been working so hard at. You all continue to amaze me with your enthusiasm and devotion to FCE and the love of your communities. The pride shows in all you do!

We continue to hold our Mid-Year Board & Vice-President's meetings via Polycom in March due to budget constraints. The Board also continues to meet monthly via Skype and it proves to be very effective. We save a lot of costly expenses. My warmest mahalo to Joan Chong, our Advisor, who always provides us with direction, ideas and ready to assist. Thank you Joan!

- At the National Conference in Missouri in July, Kats Enoki was awarded the National Spirit of FCL Award. She is truly deserving. It was my pleasure to accompany her and bring honor for Hawaii
- Florence "Flossie" Fergerstrom was named the Heart of FCE for Hawaii. A member of the Ho`ike Club, Hilo Council, Flossie has always shared her heart with FCE.
- In the First Timer's category, the following members will be awarded checks to help defray cost of registration. They are:
 - o Iris Fukunaga of Hui O Makani Club in Windward Oahu,
 - o LorMona Meredith of Imiola Club in Windward Oahu
 - Chaclyn Barut Nagata of Pukalani Club Maui.

Congratulations and welcome. We hope you have a great time.

And most of all I'd like to recognize all of you who daily do some great deed to make the islands we live in a better place to call home.

- Kudos to **Kauai**'s FCE project to share Hawaii's aloha by sewing 1,000 yarn leis to be given Special Olympic athletes in Okinawa. What a generous undertaking!
- **South & Windward Oahu** members having a special luncheon honoring Eunice Masumura's 100th birthday! The also do many great projects.
- Dress A Girl continuing to send dresses to 3rd world countries to help in keeping these young girls safe....600 so far this year!
- Hamakua Council being able to get six new members & assisting their community with a lot of good deeds.
- Maui continuing to provide scholarships to their high school students going on to college.
- Kauai making grad night a reality for many students who would not be able to attend due to the
 cost.
- Hui O Wahine Club doing a lot of volunteering & fundraising so they can turn the money over to needy causes.

I could go on forever with all of the wonderful things you all do but please know that you are all appreciated and thanked with all my heart. You are all the very reasons that FCE is such an outstanding organization.

Let's enjoy the convention and continue to do all the meaningful things you do!

HAFCE State Convention - Hilo, Hawaii October 2015

Vice President's Report by Martha Yamada

I want to thank the following Education Chairs for doing an excellent job collecting the reports:

- Dr. Dixie Dumaran for Health
- Elaine Sumida for Home & Community Environment
- Melinda Ishii for Leadership
- Denise Smith for International
- Lynn Nagata for Youth Education

Our National Projects included:

Books for Newborn and CHARACTER COUNTS

Our State Projects this past year included:

- Dress a Girl Around the World
- Fall Prevention
- Family Community Leadership

We received at total of 106 reports and 18,714 hours volunteered by FCE members. The education chairs will give more details. Thank you for the wonderful work you all do for our community, each other and taking care of yourself. Please continue to share the good work that all the clubs are doing until the end of the year to be included in our Annual Report.

Past Presidents Report

Hawaii FCE Annual Convention - October 16 - 18, 2015

Submitted by Milo Ferreira

This has been a very hectic year for me. I have become the care giver for my Mom who has had several strokes and now has a combination of Vascular Dementia and Alzheimer's.

I would like to start off by saying a great big Mahalo to Pat Kubo for getting the Directory and the list of anniversary members up to par. She has been a big help to me.

Now the historian's book comes to me and I need all help from all of you. Please send me any pictures and information on them that you wish to share. Snail mail or e-mail them to me.

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Thank you for your support.



Hawaii FCE State Convention October 16-18, 2015 Advisor's Report – Joan Chong

The mission of Hawaii FCE is living the "Aloha Spirit" to strengthen individuals, families and communities through Continuing Education, Developing Leadership and Community Action.

The Hawaii Association for Family and Community Education (Hawaii FCE) has been a strong voice in promoting a healthier and better life for individuals, families, and communities. FCE members take action on critical issues by utilizing the skills learned and tailoring the educational programs and projects to meet the needs of Hawaii's families and communities. Hawaii FCE provides:

- Continuing Education FCE members learn current information on family issues, health issues and other timely matters in a supportive environment and shared experience.
- Developing Leadership FCE provides training for emerging leaders and opportunities to practice techniques to develop confidence for leadership positions.
- Community Action FCE members conduct educational programs and projects that enhance family and community life. They also build partnerships within their communities.

Hawaii FCE members work collaboratively with other organizations and businesses to deliver educational programs to address healthy living, personal and home safety, environmental stewardship, finances, and leadership development to enhance and strengthen the life skills people need to improve their quality of life in Hawaii. I applaud the efforts of Hawaii FCE members who dedicate their time, talents, and energy in making a difference for Hawaii's families! These volunteers committed at least 17,000 volunteers hours in 2013 and according to the Independent Sector's Value of Volunteer Time at \$22.16 per hour; it is a contribution of more than \$376,720.00 towards a better Hawaii! I'm sure these devoted volunteers have matched or surpassed this figure in 2014. Awesome!

Updates:

• Kelvin Sewake is the new Interim Associate Dean and Director for Cooperative Extension Service (effective 09/08/2015).

HAFCE State Convention – Hilo, Hawaii October 2015 Health Education Report by Dixie Dumaran

2015 State Project: Fall Prevention

Reports received from January 1 – October 1, 2015: 14

Leadership (1) Education (10) Action (3)

Council	Description of Program		
Hilo – Hui O	Rest, Rejuvenate, Refresh, Relax & Restore. Pampered members with good		
Wahine	food, wine, bonding, exercise.		
Windward	Acid reflux heartburn and GERD – sign/symptoms, causes & treatment		
Hilo	Lunch with Friends. Local restaurant in Puna to talk story with members		
Windward	Exercise for balance, Fall Prevention. Guest speaker from rehab services		
Windward	Transforming live thru Blue Zone project. Improve lives toward healthier and		
	happier existence by following 9 "pillars"		
Maui	Enhanced fitness workshop. Office of Aging offered exercises		
Honokaa	Meditation/Girls Day Dolls. Relieve stress		
Hilo	Health and Beauty, Benefits of Tea Tea as beauty enhaners		
S. Oahu –	Spring Fling. Chair exercises, homemade food, crafts		
Happy Hens			
Windward	Reduce Salt in your diet. Hidden salts, healthy alternatives		
Windward	Sugar Shockers. False ads, read labels, reporting to authorities		
Windward	What are Carbohydrates? Good and bad.		
Hilo	Blue Zone Project. Guest speaker		
Windward	Hands on CPR. Basic AED. Guest lecturer		

Home Community and Environment Education Chair Report Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015

Position: Home/Community/Environment

Name: Elaine Sumida

Date: October 3, 2015

Number of reports submitted: 60

For the 2015 reporting year, 60 reports were submitted. They reflected activities at the club and council level in all three areas of action, leadership, and education. Statewide FCE carried out an outstanding program in Home/Community/Environment with projects and activities in an array of topics such as: recycling, tie dying, cooking projects, promoting FCE, securing funds and donations, Fire Ants, assisting the community in various ways, soil, quilting, and making blankets. Each one truly embodied the "Aloha Spirit" as we gave generously of our time and donations to individuals, families, and the community.

Thank you councils for the many reports submitted for 2015.

International Education Chair Report Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015

Aloha! I am really excited to report on the International programs and projects that the FCE clubs and councils have been involved with this past year. Thank you to the councils who submitted their reports!

Hamakua Council – Members partner with the Hamakua Lions Club to regularly clean up and decorate the Katsu Goto Memorial.

Hilo Council – Two clubs within Hilo Council made dresses and coordinated community activities for the Dress a Girl Around the World project.

Hui O'Wahine Club – The club collected plastic shoe boxes, stuffed animals, and hand towels to be sent to children overseas for the Operation Christmas Child project.

Hui O'Wahine Club – As a community service project, the club worked with the Hawaii Japanese Center for 26 days to help present a handcrafted form exhibit. The members recruited volunteers, manned the gift shop, set up lecture rooms, registered people for classes, collected donations and evaluation sheets, and helped price donations for sale.

Kauai Council – Members and friends made 1,300 yarn leis to be presented to participants in the upcoming Special Olympics competition on Okinawa.

Kauai Council – Provided support to the Kauai Museum for Japanese Cultural Day Celebration. FCE members helped by providing meals for purchase and demonstrating cultural crafts to attendees. They also helped the museum staff with set up and clean up.

Maui Council – Maui's International Day featured a speaker from the Maui News who talked about journalism and writing history. Members shared family albums.

South Oahu/Windward Oahu – Participated in the Malawi Project by collecting and donating used prescription vials to send to the African nation of Malawi. They will be used in place of scraps of paper and old envelopes that are currently used to hold patient's medications.

South Oahu – Members visited a bonsai garden – a mix of Japanese and Chinese cultures. They learned how to care for bonsai plants and trees and watched a demonstration on how to trim and shape a tree.

Windward Oahu – Each club in WWO council selected a foreign country to learn about. The members did a presentation on the each of the country's foods and facts. Everyone got to share the food, learned interesting things about each country, and got to practice their presentation skills.

Aloha,

Denise Smith

International Education Chair

Leadership

Education Chair Report

Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015 By Melinda Ishii

2015 State Project: (if you have a state project in your area)

I was very pleased with the eleven reports I received. I appreciate you taking the time to send them in. I look forward to receiving more reports because I know that you have wonderful projects that show off your leadership skills. Now we need to know about them. The more information you give me on your reports the better. In some cases the project sounded wonderful, but the information was sketchy.

(11) Reports from: January 1 - October 1, 2015

(7) Leadership (2) Education (2) Action

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Council	Description of Program	
Hilo Council	11/12 Hilo Council Meeting	
	Update Directory, assign tasks for upcoming events/programs.	
Hilo Council	4/6 Hilo Council Meeting	
	Prep agenda, secure facility, report on last quarter's activities, distribute	
	convention packets and quality gift tickets.	
Hilo Council	2/28 "Friendship Tea/Annual Membership Drive"	
	Annual event. Planning, assignments, guest speaker, location, date, time,	
	prizes, table decorations set-up and clean-up.	
Hilo Council	6/27 Annual Rummage Sale	
	Raise funds for council activities, develop leadership, coordinate between	
	clubs, acquire facility, set date and time, set assignments, set-up and break-	
	down, donate left overs to Women's Club ofHilo. Sale made \$1,504.75.	
Hilo Hoolulu	3/31 Imiloa Astronomy	
Club	Checked out facility for possible Christmas party location	
Hilo Ho'ike	11/21 Installation of OfficersILuncheon	
Club	Date, time and place, guest speaker, Lei for speaker, distribute 2015	
	calendar, conduct meeting and installation, phone tree reminder.	
Hilo Ho'ike	2118 Monthly Meeting	
Club	Date, time and place, speaker, lei and gift card for speaker, phone tree	
	reminder.	
Hilo Puna	1/8 Installation of Officers/Luncheon	
Wahine Club	Installation, end of year reports, 2015 convention Education workshop	
	assignment, other activity assignments.	
Kauai	Quarterly Council Newsletter	
	Keeps members apprised of council activities and events, connects with	
	members via e-mail or regular mail, encourages members to contribute	
	articles, photos, etc for newsletter,	
Maui Council	3/14 Fraud Prevention/Reporting Refresher	
	Educated members on fraud schemes, prevention, and awareness	
Maui Council	8/8 Fun Day	
	Annual, Each club (4) does a presentation. Select project, prep and execute.'	

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YOUTH EDUCATION Report by Lynn Nagata

2015 CHARACTER COUNTS ESSAY WINNERS FOR RESPONSIBILITY:

- ▶1ST Place Marissa Tasaki, Maui
- ▶ 2nd Place Joshua Tsugawa, Windward Oahu
- 3rd Place Nicolle Claire Patengga, Maui 2016 State Project:
 - CHARACTER COUNTS! Essay and Artwork project for Fourth Graders
 - Next year's pillar is FAIRNESS and character is Squeak Mouse.
 - Hawaii State Winner to National by April 15, 2016.

Message: 2016 Character Counts! Essay: Councils, please hand out forms to the schools in December/January and have essays returned to you by the end of January. 2016. SBAC testing (formerly Hawaii State Assessment) preparation will intensify in February and on. Receiving the essays back in January will give you enough time to select your winner and mail to me by March 1, 2016. The judges will be able to select our State Winners and you can recognize your Council's State Winner in April, 2016. Please email me photos of your winner receiving State "cash gift", if possible. I want to publicize in the ECHO (another piece for students' to keep).

Pertaining to your Council's Youth Education projects:

*It takes a village to raise a child and when FeE collaborates with other organizations to bring quality projects to our youth, learning opportunities abound! Let's continue to empower our members to be learners, educators, and leaders.

Total of 10 Youth Education reports from:

Council	Description of Programs	
Windward	(2) Children and Youth Day at the State Capital,	Foster Garden's
Oahu	MidSummer Night's Gleam	I
l'vlaui	(2) Character Countsl, 2015 MAFCE Scholarships	,
Hilo	(4) Judging for Character Counts}, Books for Newborns, ~~-\FCE Character Counts! Awards	
Kauai	(2) Character Counts! Award, Books for Newborns	

^{*}Next year: CHARACTER COUNTS update shared at Education Chair / Vice Presrdents' meeting at State Convention in 2016.

^{**}Councils continue to submit your reports so I can recognize the wonderful Youth Education opportunities you are giving the children of Hawaii!

By-Laws Committee Report Dr. Jacqueline Maly – Chairman August, 2015

As I reviewed this rather massive set of proposed bylaws amendments, it seemed to me that there should be a way of dealing with them in a way that would not use up the entire time of the business meeting with just this item. If you look at the more than 20 proposed amendments and if you were to spend only say 5 minutes on each, that would take over 3 hours in the Business Meeting. Further if you look at them in the order that was presented to you a few days ago, it is not easy to see that there are patterns of proposals which weave through the current bylaws because of references to similar things in different sections. I have revised the order of the proposed amendments in the hopes of making them easier to work with. As I see it, there are three "groups" -

Group 1 - Housekeeping - Changes in words to match current reality (e.g. replacing Extension Agent with Extension Educator, etc.) These should be passed as a package - easily!

Group 2 - Committee Structure - The goal of this package of changes is to simplify and update our current committee names and duties, eliminate those that no longer function, and recognize that there seems to be no difference (that anyone can find) between "Standing Committees" and "Organizational Committees". This is very much like housekeeping, and the overall goal can be obtained by passing these as a package as well. In some cases passing one without passing the others to which it is linked would make it difficult (if not impossible) to update the bylaws at the end of the Business Meeting.

Group 3 - "Let's Talk" - These may be worth discussing one by one, if you wish, but are certainly less controversial than many amendments we have considered in the past years.

Group 1 - Housekeeping

1. ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS Section 1-c

(c) The Designated State Advisor to HAWAII FCE and the County Extension Agent [Educator] of the Council of the President of the HAWAII FCE shall be advisors without power to vote. (10/16/11)

Rationale - Housekeeping. This title was changed a few years ago.

2. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 2

With the exception of the Trimble Foundation Trust Distribution Committee, (Amended 10-15-04), the Nominating Committee, and the Finance Committee, HAWAII FCE committee chair shall have the corresponding Council chair on her committee, as needed.

Rationale - Housekeeping, this is the correct title of the committee.

3. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES section 2-c

The Trimble Foundation Distribution. The HAWAII FCE President, shall appoint five members of the HAWAII FCE to serve on the

Trimble Foundation Trust-Distribution Committee in

accordance with the terms of the Trimble Foundation Trust. This committee shall be composed of the following members:

Rationale - Housekeeping. This is the correct title.

4. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEES Section 2-c-5

In addition, the HAWAII FCE President shall, when appropriate, appoint alternate members of the Trimble Foundation Trust

Distribution Committee to serve in case of temporary absence or temporary disability of any regularly appointed member and designated alternate. (Amended 10/24/92)

Rationale - Housekeeping. This is the correct title.

5. ARTICLE IX - ELECTIONS -Section 4

<u>Rationale</u> - Housekeeping. The current edition of Roberts Rule of Order indicates that this is the preferred wording.

6. ARTICLE XI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 5 -b.

(b) Keep a history of all HAWAII FCE activities during her term of office. This record, together with all newspaper articles and photographs, shall be recorded in a book and passed on to her successor [or stored in the HAFCE storage site] at the end of her term. (Amended 10/22/94)

Rationale - This specifies that the history book can be placed in storage.

7. ARTICLE XI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS Section 5 -e.

(e) Serve [on] as Chair of the Trimble Trust [Foundation Distribution] Committee. (Amended 10/22/94)

<u>Rationale</u> - My understanding is that FCE selects the members to serve on the Distribution committee, but that the committee members select their own chairman and secretary. The Past President serves on the committee, but not necessarily as chair.

Group 2 - Committee Structure

8. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 1-C - Organizational Committees

C-Organizational Committees

Rationale - Since at this time there seemed to be no recognizable or obvious difference between Standing and Organizational Committee, the title of Organizational Committees will be eliminated.

Committees previously designated as Organizational will become Standing Committees. (**NOTE**: If this passes, all other references to "Organizational Committees in these bylaws will be omitted in the 2015 revision)

9. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 1- C-1

Membership Committee (designate as a Standing Committee) It will become Section 2-B-8.

Rationale - (see above)

10. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 1-C-2

2. Public Relations and Newsletter

<u>Rationale</u> - This committee has not functioned as a Public Relations Committee for many years. Some of the former functions related to public relations are now part of the activities of the Immediate Past President. It will become Section 2-B-9 (**NOTE**: Once these two committees are moved into the category of Standing Committees, for future clarity, the list of Standing Committees will be put in alphabetical order.)

11. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 1-C.-3

3. Young Homemakers

Rationale - This committee has not functioned in several years and is apparently no longer needed.

12. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 2-10 (add new)

[10. Current Convention]

[11. Annual Report]

Rationale - This would formalize an ongoing relationship between the Chairman of the current year's convention and the board. The convention chair has long been invited to attend board meetings, but this would give her voting rights on the board.

The Annual Report has become a regular function and needs a regular chairman. This part of the amendment recognizes that person, with voting rights, to the board.

13. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 2 [addition]

With the exception of the Trimble Foundation Trust Distribution Committee, (Amended 10-15-04), the Nominating Committee, [the Current Convention Committee,] and the Finance Committee, HAWAII FCE committee chair shall have the corresponding Council chair on her committee, as needed.

<u>Rationale</u> - Adding the Current Convention Committee to this list makes it clear that the working convention is the host committee from her island. She does not need to form a second committee made up of one member from each of the other councils.

14. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 3-d (deletion)

(d) Oral History. This committee shall encourage and promote the transfer of oral history to more permanent forms of documentation.

<u>Rationale</u> – this committee has completed its task with the publication of the book. It no longer functions.

15. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 2-h (new)

Membership. This committee shall encourage each member to reach, recruit, and retain members. The Membership Chair shall be responsible for maintaining and updating a current membership roster. (Amended 10/23/99)

<u>Rationale</u> - this committee was originally an "Organizational Committee" and has been moved to a "Standing Committee". These duties were established in 1999 and are not being changed at this time. (**NOTE**: This will be listed in the order in which it appears in the section which lists the Standing Committees, i.e., alphabetically)

16. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 2-i (new)

Public Relations and Newsletter. This committee shall publicize the programs and activities of the Family and Community Education organization to communities and statewide. Members of the committee will send examples of media coverage (clippings, etc.) to the Past President/Historian. [publish and distribute the *Homemaker Echo* on a regular basis.]

Rationale - this makes clear that the function of the committee is totally the newsletter. (See above note for placement in the revised bylaws.)

17. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 2 (New)

[The Chairman of the current year's convention committee shall be a member of the board. Her duties are to promote the current year's convention and to be a liaison between the Convention Host Committee, the board, and the general membership.]

<u>Rationale</u> - The formalizing of this position will increase communication between the board and the activities associated with the annual convention. (NOTE: If passed, this section will be inserted in alphabetical order under "Duties")

18. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 2 (new)

[The Chairman of this committee will see to the preparations and production of the Annual Report each year.]

Rationale - This is the single, but significant function of this committee and its chairman.

19 ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES - Section 4

Each Special Committee Chair appointed by the President may have corresponding Council Chair on her committee. (Delete this section)

Rationale - Nobody had a clear idea of what special committees were. If they were meant to be ad hoc committees, their formation and membership are more clearly stated in Robert's Rules. No Special committee has been formed in many year.

Group 3 - "Let's Talk"

20. ARTICLE IV - DUES Section 2-c

(c) [Dues for] Youth membership: National dues are \$5.00. (National Bylaws – 2013)

[\$2.00 - Hawaii State dues plus \$1.00 to the Trimble Foundation.]

<u>Rationale</u> - The National dues for Youth members (defined in Article III) is \$5.00. This assessment, if passed, would add \$3.00 to any Youth membership. It seems appropriate for all members at any level to support the state organization and the Trimble Foundation.

21. Article X - COMMITTEES Section 1-B-7

7. Trimble Foundation Fund Raising (Amended 10/18/13)

Rationale - If this passes, it will rescind the action taken at the last convention. The activities of this committee extend beyond fund raising - and are listed later in this document.

22. ARTICLE XII - DUTIES OF COMMITTEES Section 2-g

(g) Trimble Foundation Fund Raising. This committee shall initiate and support activities aimed at increasing contributions to the Trimble Trust. It shall include, but not be limited to, all Past Presidents of HAWAII FCE. (Added 10/18/13)

Replace with ["This committee will have general oversight of the Trimble Foundation (with the exception of the distribution of funds). Duties include, but are not limited to initiating and supporting activities aimed at increasing contributions; receiving the bank statements and monitoring the fund; and thanking donors."]

<u>Rationale</u> - This extends the activities of the committee beyond simply fund raising. (note - if the earlier amendment passes which deletes the words "Fund Raising" from the committee title - it should also be deleted here.)

23. ARTICLE V - MEETINGS - Section 1 (add new statement)

The Annual Meeting of the HAWAII FCE shall be at the time and place to be decided by the host Council, with the approval of the Executive Committee. The host Council shall extend the invitation to the Board of Directors at the Pre-convention meeting, three years in advance. [In the event that it is necessary to cancel a convention prior to the board meeting, essential business may be conducted by a vote of the Board of Directors and the Convention Voting Delegates taken by mail, e-mail, telephone or fax, or any combination of these and such vote shall have the force and effect of a vote taken at the Annual Meeting. The results of the vote shall be reported as soon as possible by the same method by which the vote was taken.]

Rationale - Hopefully this will not happen very often, but we have had at least two conventions that were disrupted by potential disasters. If passed, this would at least allow for an election of officers and the passage of a budget for the year.

Trimble Distribution Report

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by

Milo Ferreira

Denise Smith donated a beautiful Quilt "Milo's Quilt" for a lucky number drawing. Because of the hurricane threat and no convention we waited until this summer to have the drawing. Susan Yee was the winner. We made about \$500.00. Thank you all for donating generously. Without your contributions we would not be able to keep the Trimble foundation from giving out so many scholarships. Denise it was a beautiful Quilt. Thank you

TRIMBLE DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE REPORT

October 2015 Hawaii FCE Annual Convention

Committee members are:

Martha Yamada, Hawaii (chair)
Gladys Brown, Maui/Molokai
Bernie Tangalin, Kauai (secretary)
Dr. Dixie Dumaran, Oahu
Milo Ferreira, Past President - Hawaii FCE (vice chair)
Meleen Corenevsky, Bank of Hawaii Trustee
Joan Chong, CES Advisor

The Trimble Distribution Committee met on September 23, 2015 via Skype. Total contributions received from 9/30/14 to 9/23/15 is \$1,569 bringing the balance of the fund to \$70,676. The committee decided to award \$1500 to Momi Tong. She is enrolled at University of Hawaii at Hilo and pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Hawaiian Language. Her goal is to work in a Hawaiian Immersion School to teach the young generation and be able to give back to the community.

The Trimble Foundation application forms for individuals and non-profit organizations are available from every FCE Council and I encourage members to promote this opportunity. These forms are included in the State Board Handbooks and can be accessed on the hawaiifce.org website.

The Distribution Committee members serve a two year term and can be reappointed one additional term. I wish to thank the committee members for their commitment and service this past year. Many thanks to Joan for taking care of the meeting arrangements, and to our Bank of Hawaii trustee, Meleen who maintains our funds and will be sending the check to the recipient.

Martha Yamada Trimble Distribution Committee Chair

TRIMBLE FOUNDATION Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015 by

Amy Bugado

- 1. Request inventory of Trimble Brochure to me
 - Council Presidents
- 2. Propose Working Committee
 - Council President or Designated Contact to for Trimble Foundation

Name/Contact info:

- Hamakua Dana Morifuji
- Hilo Elizabeth Salfen
- Kauai Margo Hashimoto
- Kona Gay Okada
- Maui Pasita Pladera
- Molokai Gladys Brown
- South Oahu Susan Yee
 Windward Oahu Ruth Haitsuka
- 3. New Brochure and Background/Handout Regarding "Why Contribute to Trimble"
- 4. List of suggested potential contacts in your area.
 - Personal Contact/Company/Address/ Tel #, etc.
 - Suggest that initial contact be made my someone who knows personally
- 5. Donation to Trimble Foundation by Windward Oahu FCE Council of \$574.76
 - Balance of monies from the Williamson Foundation and grant from Trimble Foundation to fund the very successful "Na Tutu" project.

2014 ANNUAL REPORT Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015

The Annual Report for 2014 will be printed by Big Island Printers. It will consist of 12 pages, cover in color with black and white internal pages. Big Island Printers will print 130 copies this year for \$510.00

We will distribute to the following: The Governor of Hawaii (1), the Mayors of all counties (4), The President of UH at Manoa (1) the UH Board of Regents (17), Dean of the College of Tropical Agriculture (1), Administrators of the CES offices (10), The UH at Manoa Library (1), The Trimble Foundation Trustee (1), Executive Officers of National FCE (6), Executive Officers of Hawaii FCE(6), Council Presidents (8), Chairs (16), Heart of FCE winner (1), Spirit of FCL winner (1).

Multiple copies will be distributed to the Presidents of councils for distribution to their networking agencies and scholarship winners. It will not be necessary to present to your mayor or administrator as they will receive a copy in the mail as indicated above.

Mahalo to all who sent in their reports and photographs of club and council activities to me or to Denise Smith, Newsletter Chairman. There is no other way to tell the FCE story without your documentation!

Mahalo to Denise for all that she does in sharing her talents in the production and distribution of the Annual Report. Mahalo to Karen Hamada, Hilo Council for her assistance this year with logistics in the distribution of the reports since Denise and I live on the mainland.

Everything we do for the people of Hawaii comes from our desire to "Strengthen Individuals, Families and Communities through Continuing Education, Leadership Development and Community Action." Let us always remember to invite those we touch in our work, to join us in this effort.

Submitted by: Oarlene Wingate Annual Report Chair

HAFCE Membership Report

Hawaii FCE Annual Convention - October 16 - 18, 2015

Submitted by Patricia Kubo, 8/28/2015

I am happy to report that Hawaii FCE has enrolled 18 new members in 2015. This means that the membership contest will be held at the Hilo Convention. All 18 names will be put in a "hat" and a winner will be drawn. The winner and his/her "sponsor" will each receive a certificate that is worth \$100 towards their convention registration fees. This certificate is redeemable for the present convention or the next two conventions.

Three new members have registered for the Hilo Convention. If you see Ronelle Calma (Hilo), Iris Fukunaga (Windward Oahu) and LorMona Meredith (Windward Oahu) please welcome them to HAFCE.

I would like to welcome the following new members. Congratulations to Hamakua Council for enrolling 7 new members! Hilo has also done a terrific job by enrolling 6 new members.

Hamakua – Naomi Campbell, Joan Gour, Corinne Kealoha, Zoe Edison, Terry Mortenson, Bernie Ruis, Iris Yamauchi

Hilo –Zoe Edison, Barbara Hon, Arlene Simmons, Calma Ronelle, Debbie Shigehara, JoAnn Aguirre

Kauai - Annie Rellin,

Kona – Sharlaine Gampen

South Oahu - Derrick Yee

WWO - Iris Fukunaga, LorMona Meredith

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The deadline for the last 2015 issue is December 10th. Deadlines for 2016 issues will be: March 10th, June 10th, September 10th, and December 10th.

As of June of this year we are now emailing more issues than we are "snail mailing" Echo issues. Our bulk mail permit has been discontinued and all snail mail issues are sent with a first class stamp. We currently email the Homemaker Echo to 143 HAFCE members and to 30 NAFCE board members and FCE state presidents. We are snail mailing to 150 HAFCE members.

Expenses for the Echo publications in 2015 have been \$345.00 for first class postage which will last for four mailings (one year). Extension Educator Joan Chong has donated the paper required for the USPS copies. The Echo is also posted on the HAFCE website www.hawaiifce.org. The Echo continues to be supported by a number of "behind the scenes" members, without whom I could not manage to provide such a great publication. My special mahalo to Carolyn Sewake of Hilo for her continued support of copying, collating, and mailing the Echo, Karen Hamada of Hilo for making the labels and maintaining an updated data base, Dr. Russell Nagata, County Administrator, for use of the Big Island CES offices and copying equipment, Paul St. Ledger and Kathy Uehana of South Oahu for maintaining the Echo on the website, and to Joan Chong for her wonderful support, time and donation of paper. Mahalo to all of you who send in such great articles and photos. And thank you to all the members who have chosen to receive the Echo via email!

Articles and photos can be sent to me at the following addresses:

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Aloha, Denise Smith

Newsletter Chair

Ways and Means Report Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015

The clubs were easy to work with in distributing tickets and collecting their monies due.

Hamakua	Ck#584	\$ 90.00
Hilo	Ck#3593	\$1,100.00
Kauai	Ck#2235	\$400.00
Kona	=0=	=0=
Maui	Ck# 4723	\$290.00
Molokai	=0=	=0=
South Oahu	Ck#423	\$240.00
Windward	Ck #1136	\$380.00
	Total	\$2500

Clubs are good at following up on ticket sales. Some clubs choose to write a check to their district from their club treasury accounts for whole amount and collected from members. The clubs sent their checks to their districts. The districts wrote one check to cover all their clubs and when the district received the clubs' checks they deposited into their district treasury account.

It seems much easier than waiting on all the stragglers late with their individual checks.

Some clubs absorbed the tickets costs for those who did not purchase. Some comments made were with regard to the past distribution of prizes. Some said" they missed the excitement of winning the prizes at convention, no matter how long it took, since they get to see some of the things other people get and the look and appreciation from the ones who received their gifts".

Although I will not be attending this year's convention, Amy will be on hand with the remaining available tickets to sell.

Volunteers might be encouraged to sit at the "convention ticket table" in exchange for perhaps a "Thank you Ticket" for their time and dedication.

I will be sending monies collected to Bernie Tangalin, HAFCE Treasurer.

Mahalo

Helen Wagner

HAFCE State Convention - Hilo, Hawaii - October 16-18, 2015 Convention Report by Martha Yamada & Liz Salfen

It has been an honor for the both of us to serve as your convention chairs. The theme: *E Ho`ola Me Ke Aloha — Giving Life with Love* created by our Pre-convention speaker, Dr. Sandra Claveria. The Hilo Hawaiian Hotel has been so accommodating and Dallas Ide, Banquet Coordinator, has been a joy to work with. We have 87 attendees registered and hope you get to make new friends.

We wanted to try something different this convention by planning the program around a theme. Instead of having small group sessions, we will spend time together as we learn about the Blue Zone Project and how FCE is already doing many of the "Power 9" to live a quality life but we can learn to do more.

We also wanted to share our unique attractions in Downtown Hilo, such as the Farmer's Market, many shops, restaurants, museums, etc ... and hope you find something special to take back home to share with vour friends and family. Of course, something extra special for you to remember your time at our **es**" FCE convention.

We would like to thank the members of Hamakua and Kona Councils that helped plan this convention along with the many members of Hilo Council. A very special Mahalo to Joan Chong for always advising us with a smile. We cannot thank her enough for the support she gives our organization. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and patient advisor.

We hope you will learn, relax, laugh a lot, make new friends, shop, eat good food and come back again to visit.

Hamakua Council President Report Hawaii FCE Annual Convention – October 16 - 18, 2015

President: Dana Morifuji

Membership: 10

Hamakua Council had a good year. Our monthly meetings have become productive and well attended. We have worked on becoming more familiar with the State and National FCE programs and the forms that must be completed. Many of our members are new to FCE so we planned our programs for 2015 to focus on problems and needs of our members and community. Our club is small so completing projects in the community is difficult. This problem was solved by teaming up with the Hamakua Lion's Club and they help us with weed control and tree pruning at the Katsu Goto Memorial Shrine in Honoka`a. We assist them with their Adopt A Highway Trash Pick Up and serving at their annual pancake breakfast.

We maintain the flowers at the Katsu Goto Memorial as our members, Terri DeVera and Fujie Matsunami used to do it and we want to continue this. They cut flowers from their yards weekly. Terri now lives in Kona and Fujie lives in California. However, most of us do not have flowers in our yards like they did so we planned a vermicast workshop to help us learn to use worms for organic gardening. Now, we have lovely flowers that are used for our projects. We made floral bouquets for Mother's Day to put on the lunch room tables at the Hale Hoola facility.

Our members are excited about FCE and want to do more in our club and community. They are talking about recruiting new members and getting the word out about FCE.

HILO COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT Report Period – November 2014 – October 2015

October 16, 2015

Council: Hilo

Council President: Elizabeth (Liz) Salfen

Number of Clubs: 12

Number of Members: 126 Total – Clubs: Hanalike Kakoa (10), Hoaloha (6), Ho'ike (21),

Hoolulu (11), Hui O Wahine (26), Kulaimano (11), Lanakila-Haaheo

(6), Maile (2), Nu Oli (2), Puna Wahine (12), Settlement (7),

University Heights (9) and At Large (1)

Meetings: Once per quarter

Council Activities

Installation and Recognition Dinner (December 4, 2014)

The Annual event was attended by 82 people at the Nani Mau Gardens and FCE collected donations for the Food Basket and had a great holiday celebration along with the installation of our 2014 Hilo Council Officers. The Installing officer was Joan Chong.

Friendship Tea and New Membership Drive (February 28, 2015)

The Hoike Club engineered our Annual Friendship Tea which included a membership drive. The tables were decorated and tea served along with an educational workshop on the health benefits of tea. Also, Joan Chong presented a brief history of FCE and who Alice Trimble was. The Hilo Council had two new members join at the Friendship Tea.

Nutrition Workshop (March)

Julia Zee presented Healthy Salads at this year's Nutrition Workshop. Participants learned many unique receipts to make healthy salads from local produce.

Educational Workshop: Little Red Fire Ants (April 20, 2015)

The Puna Wahine invited Heather Forester of the Little Fire Ant Lab, to education the community on the Little Red Fire Ants which have been invading the Big Island. Heather educated us on how to fight the ant in your home and yard.

FCE Annual Fair (May 2. 2015)

All of the Hilo FCE clubs participated in our annual FCE Fair. The Hilo Council Clubs sold many items from crafts to food. We informed our community of FCE and had several demonstrations and entertainers.

Books for Newborns (June 18, 2015)

This year the Hilo Council donated 49 books to the Hilo Medical Center for the Book for Newborn Campaign. All 12 clubs participated in collecting books.

Annual Rummage Sale (June 27, 2015)

Your junk is someone's treasure and this is true for our annual rummage sale. It is a wonderful opportunity to de-clutter your house. This annual event is the Hilo Council's only fund raiser and it has been quite successful.

Character Counts! Essay and Art Contest – Responsibility (June 2015)

The Hilo Council continues to support our National Program of character development by participating in the essay and art contest. This year we had had 83 essays from six classrooms.

R & R (July 24 to 26, 2015)

The Hui 0 Wahine club organized our annual R & R event at the Kailua Military Camp. The participants had loads of fun with games, exercise, movies, and relaxation. Everyone who participated had a fabulous weekend. This year the weekend included going to the theater and watching The King and I.

Get a Drift and Bag It (September 19, 2015)

This year we collected over 29 pounds of rubbish from the Hilo boat ramp with 10 members assisting in the clean-up.

Continuing Hilo Council Projects: Quilt Workshop, Book for Newborns, Get A Drift and Bag It, Character Counts! Essay and Art Contest.

PROGRAMS PLANNED FOR 2015:

Nov 16 Program Planning

Dec 3 Installations and Recognition Dinner

Kauai Council President Report October 2015

President: Margaret Hashimoto Vice-President: Janice Plumer Secretary: Rose Ella Roach Treasurer: Marina Pascua Historian: Gladys Fujiuchi Ex-Officio: Bernie Tangalin

Jan. 2015-Dec.2016 (this report covers Jan 2015-Nov.2015)

- Number of Clubs: 3
- Number of members: 40 (Includes: 1 new member and 1 mailbox member)
- Years in FCE: 2 members with 50 years; 5 members 40+years; 8 members with 30+ years
- Number of non-members reached: Over 1000 with the various activities-esp. Hot Kauai Night's project; Also we anticipate way over 3000 with the Leis of Aloha project. (Last year 980 special athletes, 2500+ volunteers, and (not counted) spectators)

Activities for 2015:

- January- Achievement Day; Project Grad award presentation of \$550 each to the 3 public high schools on Kauai (total \$1500)
- February Council meeting; Character Counts judging; Crafts.
- March, May, July, Dec.- no meetings except for club meetings.
- April Council Meeting; Character Counts Awards presentation (27 guests); Leis of Aloha (making 1000 yarn/eyelash leis for Okinawa's big Kadena AFB Special Olympics Events) project started. An extra 300 were made for the "special needs student" artists/ projects and more athletes projected to participate in this huge event than previous years.
- June Projects: Making Leis of Aloha; Hachimaki's for Hot Kauai Nights; Pillowcase dresses. –
 In addition, all projects were also done at home.
- August- Outing: Wailua River boat cruise to the Fern Grotto and lunch at Brick Oven Pizza.
 (About 20 participants); Kauai's first "Hot Kauai Nights" cultural two- day event chaired by a Club Musubi's member. Attended by hundreds of people.
- September- Council meeting-program planning; Presented 60 books to Queen Liliuokalani Center and 60 books to Child and Family Services for the Books for Newborn Project.
- October- State Convention. Encourage FCE members to attend the State Convention on Kauai 2016.
- November International Day and Christmas Party. Swap Meet at Puhi Park.

<u>Summary</u>: It has been a fun and busy year for KAFCE. We hope our members continue to keep active and healthy. Increasing our membership will be encouraged.

Kona Council President Report Report Period: November 2014-0ctober 2015

President: Gay M. Okada Gay M. Okada

Kona FCE has partnered with Family Support Services through the *Kalikimaka No Na Keiki* project and has "adopted" different families for the past 5 years for the Christmas holidays with hopes of making it a little brighter for them. Due to the economic turmoil, each year Kona has more than 100 families who are not able to provide the basics of food, shelter and clothing for their loved ones. Sometimes families live in isolated areas; parents are unemployed and are on Supplemental Security Income (SSI) because they are disabled adults, or they are single parents raising their children. The case manager said that even towels and toiletries are a big deal for them. Kona FCE will adopt another family for Christmas this year!

Kona FCE continues to learn about other cultures, food, history and traditions through our members who have traveled to other countries. This past year, a retired chef taught participants the art of sushi making and demonstrated ways that people can celebrate the holidays with sushi. Although we are a small club, with everyone's assistance we continue to help our community. We are mighty in spirit and happy in everything we do.

We are looking at ways to increase our membership. We hope to have another year of great learning experiences!

Aloha!

MAUI COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

Report Period – October 2014 – October 2015 President's Report

- Membership 39
- 80+ 16
- Family member 3

October 2014 Last MAFCE Association meeting

November 2014 Budget and Program Planning

December 2014

- Achievement luncheon.
- MAFCE gets togather for the end of the year. Awards are given to members of the Club.
- · Exchange new and old officers.

January 2015

- Maui FCE Association meeting. Demonstration Happy Valley
- Leo Asuncion demonstrated Apple Dump Cake.

February 2015 Health Workshop

 Margaret Raymond and Colette Dang. Focusing on fitness (guest speaker and demonstrator Paula Keele.

<u>March 2015</u> Leadership workshop Fraud Be Aware Melinda Ishii Chairman.

- Speaker Chaclyn Barut from Bank of Hawaii.
- Character Counts! Essay and Art Contest "Responsibility"
 - o Character Counts! Ester Felipe Chairman
 - 1st place Marissa Tasaki
 - o 2nd place Elizabeth Bautista and Claire Graziano
 - o 3rd place Jacqueline Grazziano
 - o All from Emmanuel Lutheran School

April 2015 Maui FCE Association meeting.

Demonstration - Haiku - Vicky Malaqui. Demonstrated Aunt's Vicky's Corn Salsa.

May 2015 Home and Community - Workshop on Gardening.

- Toshiko Oki Chairman.
- Robin Shimabukui CES Educator.

July 2015 Maui FCE Association Meeting

- MAFCE Scholarship, Pukalani Chaclyn Barut Chariman. 4 scholarships were awarded
- MAFCE get to the Kupuna Aloha luncheon at the Grand Wailea Resort. (Maui Economic Opportunity) MAFCE is part of the organization.

August 2015 Fun Day – Hanalima - Pasita Pladera/Toshiko Oki Chairmen

- Haikui Melinda Ishii Christmas decoration ornament.
- Hanalima Pasita Pladera made Butterfly that was made at the National Convention Paper bag for goodies.
- Happy Valley Colette Dang shared her Tea Leaf demonstration
- Pukalani Lynn Barut Demonstrated the Christmas tag ornament.

September 2015 International Workshop - Lee Imada - Maui News-Journaling.

October 2015 MAFCE Association meeting. Hanalima demonstrating Tacos (Rowena Kelloug).

SOUTH OAHU COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT Report Period – April 2015 – October 2015

President - Susan Yee Jan. 2014 – Dec. 2015

Number of clubs: 3 Number of members: 27 Number of South At-large - 4

Number of non-members reached: 200+ Number of members over 80 years: 10

I. Education Programs:

- Spring Fling members participated in chair exercises, hands-on decorating a can, and sharing refreshments
- Oahu Fun Day Educational programs on Wellness, shared hands-on crafts/idea, fellowship
- Bonsai visited Dragon Bonsai Garden in Waimanalo, had a short lecture on how to shape and trim a tree (watering, pruning, fertilizing), and learned about the cultural where Bonsai started.
- Scams what are scams, how can we avoid being scammed, and where to get help.
- Furoshiki the origin of furoshiki, hands on how to use furoshiki, members were able to experience the art of furoshiki.

II. Summary of the year's major highlights:

All of our programs were important.

III. Volunteer programs:

- Agriculture Day, sponsored by CES. Hosted over 300 5th grade students from various school. Topic was on the Recycle, Reuse, and Reduce. Students decorated a pencil and took it home.
- Palisades FCE Club did a Holiday Day demonstration at Ewa Beach Public Library.
- Kathy Uehana coordinated South's participation on the Senior Fair in Sept. which was held at the Blasidell Center.

IV. Upcoming programs:

- Educational program on Invasive Species
- Volunteering for 4-H food Show
- Volunteering for 4-H/Disney's environment program
- Volunteering for UH-CES's October's 2nd Saturday program on Container Gardening
- Program Planning
- Awards and Installation

WINDWARD COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT Report Period – January 2015 – October 2015

President: Ruth B. Haitsuka Vice President: Delfa "Dixie" Dumaran

Number of Clubs: 3 – Hui O`Koolau, Hui O`Makani, Imiola

Number of Members: 41

Note: Four new members: Iris Fukunaga, Hui O`Makani

LaMona "Mona", Merilei, and Adruen Meredith (family members)

Clubs are continuing their service project to Family Promise by providing basic need items such as toilet paper, paper towels, hand soap, dishwashing and clothes detergent, household items, clothes, make up, shampoo, conditioners and monetary donations. Members have given approximately \$699.59 in cash and goods as of August 11, 2015. Maggie Schulte and Ruth Haitsuka sewed 60 dresses and were donated to Family Promise who accepted them. Members are very supportive and generous.

Events are highlighted in the ECHO and in the South and Windward Oahu Newsletter. We will be having a Christmas Ideas Demonstration for members of the Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center on November 10 as requested by the center. We will also have a separate demonstration for FCE members on November 24 with invitations to the community by RSVP only.

Windward Oahu lost three more special members: Charlotte Muraoka, Elsie Pacheco and Bob Baker. All of them will be tremendously missed for their laughter, leadership, caring and sharing attitudes, smiles, songs and years of service to FCE.

Programs have been conducted and highlighted in the ECHO. Windward continues to support the community by being involved in the Hoolaulea at Windward Community College, Urban Garden Center in Pearl City. We will be partnering with Foster Gardens in 2016 in Honolulu as a new area of service. We are also looking into serving the youth of the community and currently working on formulating new ideas.

CHARACTER COUNTS! Winners were announced and the first place winner placed second in the State division. Unfortunately, Diane Hirata of Kapunahala Elementary School in Kaneohe has retired and still trying to get new teacher to take on the project. We have one school in Kailua join our program and hopefully will have other schools too. Patricia Kubo is our coordinator.

Windward members are facing tough times with loss of our aging members, limits as to what members can do BUT we strive to do our best and help each other out as much as we can as one or two persons cannot do it alone.

Looking forward to a great convention Hilo!