**NOVEMBER, 2009**

**Tablescapes** is the next venture of the Membership/PR Committee. They will participate in the Tablescapes activity Saturday and Sunday, November 7th and 8th from 10-4:00 p.m. at the historic home built by E. W. and Virginia Marland, 1000 East Grand Avenue.

A $5 donation will entitle each visitor a tour of the home featuring table settings and wreaths with a vote for your favorite in the People's Choice Award. In addition, lunch will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday and from noon until 2 p.m. on Sunday. Pioneer Technology will cater soup and salad. For a nominal fee, each guest will have a choice of one of two hearty soups or chicken salad, desserts, coffee and tea.

This might be a nice outing for your local group. Everyone is encouraged to attend and to vote for your favorite table! Each ticket to the event gives you one vote. Of course, we hope OHCE wins!

Larry is providing soup and Hearth and Home is bringing cornbread for dinner. Everyone is asked to bring something else to share with other “sleep pant” elves. We hope to see you there!

**Fair Premium** checks will be mailed soon. Please cash them immediately so they are not misplaced. They are void after 12/31/09.

You should have already received a check if you or your group worked at the fair. Please cash those, too, if you haven’t already.

**Award Forms** for your group to nominate members for awards will be distributed at the association meeting. They are not due until January 4th, but you might want to begin working on them before the holidays arrive! Completed forms should be sent to Echo Blanton.

**Yearbook Information** is needed. The 2010 OHCE yearbook will be ready to go to the printer before too long. If your group has not yet turned in your list of officers and county committee members we need them VERY soon.

We will let you know when the yearbook arrives. There is a January, 2010 page in your current book to make notes for that meeting. Your group will be billed for the yearbooks after they arrive and the cost is known.

**Clothing Management Committee** will conduct a Sleep Pant workshop on November 12th beginning at 4:30 p.m. at the OHCE Building. Sleep pants to be donated to area children in need will be completed assembly-line style. If you can’t be there at 4:30, come when you can. There will be a job for you even if you don’t sew. We need help cutting out, pressing, etc.

Please mark and bring whatever sewing supplies you have available as well as portable sewing machines and sergers.
No November Leader Training since there is no lesson for your December meeting. Enjoy your “free” month and we will get back on schedule in December.

Courthouse holidays include Veteran’s Day November 11th and Thanksgiving holidays November 26th and 27th.

County Officers and County Chairmen were given a white 3-ring notebook containing county and state organizational information and space to keep papers related to your office. I am asking the incoming and outgoing officers to work together and see that these notebooks are received by the incoming officer for 2010 by the end of 2009.

All county chairmen and officers are encouraged to turn in receipts for expenses (up to the budgeted amount) as soon as possible, but no later than the end of the year. Stacie will need to close out her books at the end of the year and prepare for the next year.

OHCE Calendar

November
12  Sleep Pant Workshop
     4:30 p.m. at the OHCE Building
11  Veteran’s Day, Courthouse Closed
26  Thanksgiving, courthouse closed
27  Thanksgiving holiday, courthouse closed

January, 2010
  4  Membership Award forms due to Chairman
     Life-Event Essay Contest entries due to Chairman
     Photography Contest entries due to Chairman
     Membership Recruitment Project of the Year due to Chairman

February, 2010
  2  OHCE Executive Committee Meeting
22  County Association Meeting

March, 2010
  4  Tailoring Overview workshop
26  Northwest District OHCE meeting, Fairview

April, 2010
  15  Glass Etching workshop
  22  Food Show (tentative)

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May
  4  Turban Workshop
  6  Mosaic Workshop

July, 2010
  18-20  OHCE State Meeting, OKC