



Award Winner



We are pleased to announce the “KY Shine Award” winner for Area 9 is Debra Marshall, Administrative Secretary for the Breathitt County Conservation District. Congratulations Debra on a job well done!

Visit the KACDE Booth in Louisville!

Come by the KACDE booth to view the exquisite hand-quilted, prism pattern wall hanging. This is one of this year’s fundraisers and raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. We will draw for this prize near the end of this year’s KACDE State Convention in Jabez. You’ll want to purchase tickets for this fabulous handmade piece!

Back by popular demand at this year’s booth: handmade flip flops, costume jewelry and a limited supply of our “Cookin in the Country” cookbooks. Orders will also be taken for this merchandise ~ so hurry by KACDE’s booth ~ you’ll be glad you did!

Need a nice, professional name badge that won’t damage your clothing? Visit our booth and place an order for your personalized, magnetic name tag. Makes a nice gift for your office staff and district supervisors!



You may want to also purchase KACDE merchandise to use in the office, banquets or special events, etc. Check out these products at www.cafepress.com/kacde .

Luncheon/Business Meeting in Louisville

Remember to register to attend this year's KACDE business luncheon. This luncheon/business meeting will be held in the Derbyshire Saddle & Sirloin Rooms at the Executive West hotel. Supervisors and families are encouraged to join us!

During the luncheon, we will be voting on new officers and nominations are being taken at this time. The following offices are up for election this year: Vice President, Treasurer, Area 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 representatives. If you are interested in serving as an officer or there's someone you would like to nominate, please contact Cindy King, KACDE Past President cindy.king@ky.nacdnet.net. Nominations will also be taken from the floor.

New Project – Treats for Troops

Least we forget we have troops fighting every day to allow this great country the freedom to go about our daily lives feeling safe and secure. We have chosen to remember these brave men and women by helping to make their lives a little more comfortable. KACDE will have a box set up to receive "Treats for Troops" at the booth in Louisville. We are asking for your help by providing items to put in care packages for the troops.



Items our soldiers are requesting:

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| • Fly swats | Ramen Noodles | Paper back books |
| • q-tips | Word games | Gum |
| • hard candy | Large Ziploc bags | Kool-aid, Lemonade |
| • Ivory soap | Quaker instant oatmeal | |
| • bug repellent | dental floss | baby wipes |
| • beef jerky | lotion | Nuts, trail mix |
| • Toothpaste | Deodorant | crackers |
| • tooth brushes | Kleenex | Pringle Chips |
| • playing cards | brown t-shirts | |
| • Pain meds (Tylenol, Aleve, Excedrin, etc.) | Powder aid drinks of any kind | |
| • Sunscreen batteries AA & D | Stationery items. Paper pens, envelopes, etc | |

KACDE would appreciate your donation and we are certain your kindness will be most appreciated by our dedicated troops!

Benevolence Fund Raffle

We are on our way to reaching our goal of \$1000 before initiating the Benevolence program. The committee has chosen to have a raffle for a digital camera and digital photo frame. Camera and frame will be available to view at the KACDE booth in Louisville. Raffle tickets are selling for \$1 each or 6 for \$5 ~ contact your Area Representative to purchase tickets in advance or tickets will be available at the booth. We feel this is a very worthwhile program and hope you help fund this project by purchasing raffle tickets. Drawing for these items will be held in September at the KACDE State Convention. Somebody's gotta win . . . it might as well be you!!!

Garden Basket Give-Away



Our membership drive begins in July. If you have already submitted your annual dues ~ thanks! If not, drop by the booth and pay your dues for 2007-2008. Dues are \$12.00 a year - one dollar a month - what a bargain! All dues paying members names will be collected and a drawing for a one-of-a-kind, handmade Garden Gathering Basket (compliments of Martha Newby) filled with fantastic gardening items will be given away to one lucky winner! The winner will be drawn in Louisville and tickets will be sold up to the banquet on Tuesday evening.

Employee Choice Awards



Do you know a district employee who has never be recognized for their exceptional performance? Do you have a supervisor who has gone above and beyond what was expected of him/her? Here's a great

opportunity to possibly reward that person for their outstanding efforts. Please complete an “Employee Choice Award” application and send to Wanda Gilbert, Awards Committee Chair in Cumberland County. Wanda would be happy to mail you an application or you may retrieve one from the KACDE website.

Have you registered yet?

This year’s theme for the KACDE Convention is “**Learn to Shine**” and we are excited about the many training opportunities planned. The assortment of training sessions, being presented by experienced and qualified individuals, should be beneficial to your district by you learning new and valuable techniques to enhance your local conservation program.

The agenda will soon be posted on the website and the program will be sent in the very near future. Training this year includes: Pipeline and Tank designing, Grant Writing, training a winning Envirothon team, how to conduct a field day and much, much more.

Registration forms for the 3rd Annual State Convention, Sept. 18 – 20, 2007, at the KY Leadership Center in Jabez will be available at the July luncheon/business meeting in Louisville. As you know expenses increase each year, but KACDE has managed to leave the registration fee the same as last year. We know budgets are tight and hopefully by keeping the registration fee at minimal, district employees can take advantage of this terrific professional development workshop!

Silent Auction

We will have the silent auction again this year at the annual State Convention. So pack your suitcase, bring along an auction item and join us for three full days of training in September at Jabez!

Scholarships

We will be providing two scholarships for the professional development workshop this year. If you would like to attend the convention and your district is in a hardship for funds, please contact Stephanie Young, Professional Development Committee Chair in Boyd County. Scholarship applications will also be available in Louisville and are now available on the www.kacde.org website.

Golden Anniversary Punch Cora Mitchell – Trigg Co.

12 oz. frozen orange juice concentrate

1 large can pineapple juice

1 small can frozen lemon juice

2 cups sugar

Ginger ale

Mix in gallon jug. Finish filling with water. When put in punch bowl, add ginger ale.



A delicious drink to enjoy on a hot summer day!

This is only one example of the many delicious recipes in our “Cookin in the Country” cookbook. If you would like more recipes, call me at 270-237-3189 or visit www.kacde.org to place an order for a copy of the exclusive KACDE cookbook ~ value priced at only \$15.

Recycle ink cartridges

If you have used ink cartridges, bring them to the KACDE booth and we will recycle them. We will have someone at the booth to take your empty ink cartridges and send them to be recycled. This is another fundraiser the association is doing to help bring in a small amount of income for KACDE. Thanks for your help.

Office Tip

I received an email I wanted to share with you. This information may come in handy sometime. I hope it doesn't happen to you but if it should, these are some actions you can take.

Identity Thief Prevention – A corporate Attorney sent this info out to the employees in his company.

1. Do not sign the back of your credit cards. Instead, put “PHOTO ID REQUIRED”.
2. When writing checks to pay your credit card accounts, DO NOT put the complete account number on the “For” line. Instead, put only the last four numbers. The credit card company knows the rest of the number and anyone who might be handling your check as it passes through all the check processing channels won’t have access to it.
3. Put your work phone # on your checks instead of your home phone. If you have a PO Box, use that instead of your home address. If you do not have a PO Box, use your work address. Never have your SS# printed on your checks. You can add it if it is necessary, but if you have it printed, anyone can get it.
4. Place the contents of your wallet on a photocopy machine. Copy both sides of each license, credit card, etc. You will know what you had in your wallet and all of the account numbers and phone numbers to call to cancel. Keep the photocopy in a safe place. Carry a photocopy of your passport when you travel either here or abroad.



If you have your ID stolen here are some helpful tips:

1. Cancel your credit cards immediately. Have the toll free numbers and your card numbers handy so you know whom to call. Keep these where you can find them.
 2. File a police report immediately in the jurisdiction where your credit cards, etc. were stolen. This proves to credit providers you were diligent, and this is a first step toward an investigation (if there ever is one).
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3. Call the three national credit reporting organizations immediately to place a fraud alert on your name and also call the Social Security fraud line number. This alerts them to any new activity with your name attached.

Contacts if your wallet is stolen:

1. Equifax: 800-525-6285
 2. Experian (formerly TRW): 888-398-3742
 3. TransUnion: 800-680-7289
 4. Social Security Administration (fraud line): 800-269-0271
 5. Ones Financial Institution (Bank/Credit Union)
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As you can see, KACDE has a lot of on-going activities. If you would like to be a part of the employee association, we would love to work with you. Simply pay the membership fee and join our team!

See you soon!

Linda Smith, KACDE President