BPW/KANSAS ADVOCATE

THE KANSAS FEDERATION OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUBS, INC

"BPW/Kansas: Working Together for a Better Tomorrow"

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President's Message





"BPW/Kansas:

There's No Place Like Home"

Dear BPW Members,

There truly is no place like home — like being surrounded by our BPW sisters and brothers. It was a treat to see so many members, both new and returning, at Fall conference. Our focus at conference was the Cowardly Lion and his song "If I Only had the Nerve". In a world that demands courage it's important to remember the wise words the Wizard of Oz shared with the Cowardly Lion, "You have plenty of courage, I am sure. All you need is confidence in yourself. There is no living thing that is not afraid when it faces danger. The true courage is in facing danger when you are afraid, and that kind of courage you have in plenty".

My journey down the Yellow Brick Road thus far included visits to Clay Center BPW and Baldwin City BPW. Clay Center's meeting included their scholarship banquet. I was impressed and inspired by each recipient and thankful BPW could help ease the financial burden of higher education. Baldwin City's meeting included Maple Leaf festival planning. My mother and I attended Maple Leaf and were amazed by the hard work and talent of our BPW members and vendors in attendance. I am excited to visit our remaining local organizations!

I am thankful that we are making progress on my goals for the year. With 104 current members we are on track to grow our membership. We completed an Individual Development workshop about negotiating at Fall conference and started investigating ways to grow and sustain our organization. Our new website is live and Facebook page revived to help us better reach and engage current and potential members. Thank you to everyone for their hard work, creativity, support, and kind words thus far!

Please visit the new BPW/KS website, bpwkansas.weebly.com, and send me feedback about things you want to see added, changed, or removed. Your input will help keep our website pertinent and useful.

Our next stops along the Yellow Brick Road include financial sustainability and strategic planning committee meetings and Spring conference. I hope to see each of you at Spring conference so please mark your calendars for February 26th and 27th at the Webster Conference Center in Salina. We will focus on the Tin Man and his song "If I Only had a Heart".

See You Along the Yellow Brick Road,

Miranda Berry BPW/Kansas President 2021-2022 naylormn23@gmail.com



Presidential Goals and Awards for 2021-2022









The Wizard of Oz features four characters each seeking something different from the Wizard in Emerald City. Dorothy seeks a home, the Scarecrow seeks a brain, the Tinman seeks a heart, and the Lion seeks courage. This year's President's Goals will help our members seek each of these things to help sustain our organization far into the future. Please note the awards are presented to individual members not the local organization.

- ★ Home: Grow our BPW Kansas membership statewide
- ★ Brain: Increase participation in the Individual Development (ID) and Young Careerist (YC) programs
- ★ Heart: Restore the volunteerism spirit within our organization, communities, and state
- ★ Courage: Increase our reach and visibility within our communities and state

Some Where Over the Rainbow Award

(Member earns \$60)

- Recruit and sign three or more new BPW/Kansas members
- Attend three of three BPW/Kansas annual meetings (Fall conference 2021, Spring conference 2022 and state convention 2022)
- Participate in the Individual Development or Young Careerist Competition
- Complete 10 or more hours of community service

Ruby Red Slipper Award

(Member earns \$30)

- Recruit and sign two or more new BPW/Kansas members
- Attend two of three BPW/Kansas annual meetings (Fall conference 2021, Spring conference 2022 and state convention 2022)
- Participate in the Individual Development or Young Careerist Competition
- Complete 5 or more hours of community service

Yellow Brick Road Award

(Member earns \$15)

- Recruit and sign one or more new BPW/Kansas members
- Attend two of three BPW/Kansas annual meetings (Fall conference 2021, Spring conference 2022 and state convention 2022)
- Complete 2 or more hours of community service

INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT

President Miranda sees the importance and value of our Individual Development program and the effect it can have in our communities and our lives. She has incorporated a strong emphasis on participation in the Individual Development program in her annual goals for members, locals, and our entire organization as a whole. How have you or your local committed to meeting these expectations? Has your local considered hosting an ID Workshop? Would you be willing to be a presenter in a workshop? I'd love to assist in coordinating events!

Jenny Myers, ID Chair jjmyers15@outlook.com

BPW/Kansas Facebook post

Yes, you read that right. Not quite twenty-four hours after the Facebook posts from Fall Conference went live, BPW Kansas received a message on the Facebook page from a particular individual who apparently was (if not still is) a part of a BPW group in Ontario, Canada. Here is what that letter read:

"My name is Kimberly Rowntree - BPW Barrie, Past President & BPW Ontario, Treasurer. I'd like to learn more about your scholarship program and your brown bag auction. Great initiatives! And the auction sounds like fun!"

After speaking with my grandmother about the message and sharing my absolute surprise about it, she proceeded to tell me about the fact that there were BPW groups all over the world. I found that to be quite fascinating and amazing.

All it took was one post to reach someone in Canada. One post. Who all could be reached if we continue to share our stories from Kansas? This right here is not only utterly amazing but should be a huge morale boost. Be sure and post updates from your locals!

Dean Harris, Technology Chair

"You have plenty of courage, I am sure, answered the Oz. All you need is confidence in yourself. There is no living thing that is not afraid when it faces danger. The true courage is in facing danger when you are afraid, and that kind of courage you have in plenty"

L Frank Baum

KS/BPW HALL OF FAME

To honor individuals who have distinguished themselves in their careers and communities for outstanding achievements benefiting women in the The BPW/Kansas Hall of Fame will workforce. emphasize the important contributions of working women, not only in job related activities, but also in areas that affect our lives.

CRITERIA:

There will be two (2) categories:

- 1) BPW member inductee
- 2) Posthumous inductee

BPW Inductee:

- 1) Must be a member in good standing.
- 2) Must have been a member for at least ten (10) years.
- 3) Must have served on the BPW/Kansas board of directors.
- 4) Must have outstanding achievements in their community and/or in Kansas that has benefitted working women.

Posthumous Inductee:

- 1) Must have been a citizen of Kansas for most of their adult life.
- 2) Must have outstanding achievements that benefitted working women of Kansas.
- 3) Does not have to be affiliated with BPW/Kansas.

The deadline for nominations will be March 31, 2022.

- 3) Nominations must include name, address, biographical information and reasons why the member/ nominator feels the nominee should be inducted into the BPW/Kansas Hall of The member/ nominator must also Fame. include their name, address and local affiliation.
- 4) Nominations are to be sent to the Hall of Fame committee chairman, Barbara Pressgrove at 1110 7th Street, Baldwin City, Ks, 66006.

Hall of Fame committee

Barbara Pressgrove Chris Booth Christina Rush

_____ MEMBERS OF THE KANSAS BPW HALL OF FAME _____

	Members	
ub Year	Inductee	
98-1999	Carol Nigus	
199-2000	Peggy Brant	

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1998-1999	Carol Nigus
1999-2000	Peggy Brant
2000-2001	Mara Crawford
2001-2002	Avis Jacob
2002-2003	Virginia Williams
2002-2003	Dr. LewAnn Schneider
2004-2005	Dr. Sharon Wiber
2004-2005	Fran Graham
2004-2005	Jane Gingles
2005-2006	Beverly Gering
2007-2008	Charlotte Shawver
2008-2009	Barbara Gibson
2009-2010	Linda Linkugel
2010-2011	Diana Redger
2011-2012	Helen Norman
2012-2013	Kathy Niehoff
2012-2013	Jane Hanks
2013-2014	Sharon Carpenter
2013-2014	Linda Reed
2014-2015	Barbara Pressgrove
2015-2016	Sue Rouse
2017-2018	Julie McDaniel
2018-2019	Marci Fanning
2018-2019	Ellen Yocum
2019-2020	Sue Patrick
2019-2020	Cindy Simons
2020-2021	Chris Booth
2020-2021	Christina Rush

KS/BPW Hall of Fame Posthumous members

Club Year	Inductee .
1998-1999	Nellie K. Sergeant
1999-2000	Anna Samuelson Hannagen
2000-2001	Fern Baursfeld
2001-2002	Amelia Earhart
2002-2003	Mary F. Clark
2002-2003	Bernice K Bryant
2004-2005	Inez Sterrett
2007-2008	Marjorie Mae Hampton
2013-2014	Donna Swearingen
2014-2015	Mary Tefft
2016-2017	Kathy Haney
2017-2018	Karen Divine
2018-2019	Dorothy Cowley
2020-2021	Edwinna Potenski



NOMINATIONS

Candidates for BPW/Kansas Office

Only members in good standing shall be eligible for office. Candidates for president, president-elect, and vice president must have served one year as a chair or elected officer of the BPW/Kansas Board of Directors.

The officers of BPW/Kansas shall be: President, President-Elect, Vice President, Recording Secretary and Treasurer.

They shall assume office at the close of the annual convention and shall serve until the close of the following annual state convention or until a successor is named.

Candidates for office shall file the following materials with the Nomination Chair(s) by March 1.

Send to Fran Graham, 2012 E. Sheridan Bridge Lane. Olathe KS

- (1) Letter agreeing to serve if elected.
- (2) Resume of activities and qualification for the office. Should include years in BPW; office and chair positions held at local organization; state federation involvement including chair positions, previous offices held, special task forces, and special achievements; occupation; and community involvement.
- (3) Email/mail a photo for publication to Diana Redger at redger@ucom.net

Thank you for agreeing to serve BPW/Kansas.

Sharon Wiber & Fran Graham Nominations Committee

_____ **MEMBERSHIP** _____

Our membership is sitting at 104 members. In 2020 we ended the year of 2019-2020 with 130 members. We did end 2020-2021 with 109 members. So, we are down a little, but we have 10 new and returning members. Welcome to our new members, they are:

MAL - Robert Berry

Bonner Springs Claire Gurley, Rachel Schaffer, Allen Tweddle

Clay Center - Raguel Cinco, Shanda Cramer, Natalie Muruato

MAL Jan Korte

Garnett Elizabeth Oliver

Ottawa Alice Stoker

Attending the Fall Conference for the first time were three members, Eszter Blair of Clay Center, Dick Olson of Bonner Springs, and Alice Stoker of Ottawa. Also, Baldwin City brought a prospective member, which we are all hoping that she joins.

Each local needs to contact those members that didn't renew, someone that possible just moved to town, family or friends. Bring them to a meeting or have a membership drive. Let's show President Miranda we can build those members this year and beyond.

Helen Norman Membership Chair mnhnorman@embarqmail.com

_____ **Sustainability Committee Reports**

The Financial Sustainability Committee met on Friday, October 22nd, 2021. An update was given registering the BPW CD statuses. The CDs were cashed on 9/7/2021 and 9/30/2021 and deposited into the BPW Bank Midwest account. The BPW safety deposit box was subsequently closed. The committee is evaluating interest-earning account options to help grow BPW's financial reserves. One proposal was received from Kerri Spielman with Edward Jones and no financial management fee was charged.

Committee members then brainstormed Federation fundraisers.

Lastly, committee members assessed, SF 204 and SC 304, Policy and Procedures section regarding board members reimbursement. Discussions was tabled and the committee recommended the Federation President, Treasurer, and Finance Chair assess separately and bring their recommendations to the committee.

Financial Sustainability Committee Chair Donna Gratts

ATTENTION TREASURERS **Important Deadline:**

Local Organization Treasures don't forget to send the IRS e-postcard 990 by December 15, 2021. The website is www.irs.gov/990n. This must be filed to retain tax exempt status. If it is not filed for 3 consecutive years, extensive paperwork and fines are required to regain tax-exempt status.

Check with your organizations last treasurer for your username and password. If you have any questions let me know.

Diana Redger, State Treasurer

FALL CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

BPW/Kansas held its fall conference at the Holiday Inn & Suites Overland Park Kansas on October 23, 2021. Members and guests enjoyed thought provoking, informative and educational speakers. Those who came early enjoyed a social hour Friday October 22 where they got to catch up with old friends and meet some new ones.

President Miranda Berry had planned a great day of workshops and time to shop the Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc. silent auction and clothes closet. There was some friendly bidding on many of the items. The Foundation was able to raise \$2325.50 from these auctions, the brown bag auction and members donations given over the weekend. This is enough for a couple of scholarships.

Tracey Osborne of the Overland Park Chamber of Commerce gave the welcome to open the conference. She told us Overland Park was the number five top city where women are successful. She gave a great overview of the city and items that were happening there. Osborne said she had been a Young Careerist for BPW/Missouri in either 1989 or 1990 and had attended the National Convention that year.

Will Averill with the Willow Domestic Violence Center was the first speaker. He spoke about domestic violence and human trafficking and abuse. He used a power point to talk about patterns of behavior intended to create power and control over another person. Averill mentioned the services Willow Center provides in Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson counties. October is Domestic Violence Awareness month making this a very timely topic.

A mother daughter duo provided a change of pace when they introduced the body to Goat Milk soap. Jenny Jasper and daughter Talon have a thriving business named "Field of Goats" located in Garnett KS. Talon got her first dairy goat at the age of 9 and as she acquired more, they had to do something with the milk and making soap seemed the logical route. Jenny and Talon told how they got started, talked about the process of making soap and the learning experiences. They also make air fresheners and lotions and brought along samples that could be purchased by members. If you missed this opportunity you can learn about their business or purchase goods from their website https://www.field of goats.com. Did you know goat milk makes good ice cream?

Val Foltz of Garnett Kansas opened a store front business after walking away from a professional career that she no longer enjoyed. She opened Monroe 816 where she showcases her trendsetting furniture and home décor items, she has crafted plus five artists that display their work at the store. Before, she had done party planning and photography as ways to make extra money as the single mom of 2 boys. Like the cowardly lion she needed courage or some nerve to make the change. She does have a

following on Facebook for Happy Hour with Val and Monroe morning. Check it out sometime.

A game of BPW BINGO had members filling out their cards with the name of another member who had lived in a certain town, had a certain skill, been an officer or had a tattoo. Members enjoyed finding out some new information about long time friends. The first three to get a BINGO turned their card into President Miranda to be entered in a special drawing.

Members enjoyed a noon pizza buffet and getting to visit. 2020 was designated the year of the nurse and midwife. Members found a story of a nurse who worked in COVID-19 units across the state of Louisiana at their table which they could read and take with them. Dearworld.org partnered with the American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN) for this project.

Following lunch, members did some more shopping followed by an Individual Development workshop – Meet Me in the Middle – that helped members identify their own and others traits that are helpful in negotiations difficult situations. President Miranda had the power point and DISC documents used sent to all members.

Patty Dingman of Damsel in Defense showed how people react in aggressive situations and why a person doesn't react quickly when attacked. Damsel in Defense helps to educate women to protect themselves and equips them with devices that keep them safe. She showed several protective devises including a stun gun. Several members took advantage of the opportunity to purchase items from Patty at the close of the presentation.

Several members participated in the pumpkin carving/decorating activity while others did some more shopping or used the time to network with other local organization members. Several of the pumpkins had Wizard of Oz themes with a wicked witch, the cowardly lion, the tin man and others coming to life. One showcased BPW and Baldwin City's Maple Leaf festival. There are lots of creative BPW members!

President Miranda showed a video that showcased the Women Air Service Pilots in World War 2. The WASPS were part of a US Army Air Force program that tasked 1,100 civilian women with noncombat military flight duties during WW2 due to a severe shortage of pilots. Because time was short only part of the video was watched but members interested in watching the documentary may go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DOWnaxAc3MI.

The day ended with the Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc. recognition dinner for the scholarship recipients and the brownbag auction. Alex Reed a scholarship recipient gave the keynote address.

KANSAS BPW EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc. held its

The Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc. held its annual recognition dinner for scholarship recipients on October 23, 2021 in Overland Park, in conjunction with BPW Fall Conference. The Board of Directors were very pleased to have several scholarship awardees in attendance. Those who were able to attend were: Alex Reed, sponsored by Ottawa, Gabrielle Spring and Lakin Katzer, both sponsored by Garnett, Erin Grosdidier of Baldwin City, and Jayden Crimmins, sponsored by Clay Center. Each one in attendance spoke about their goals and accomplishments and expressed their gratitude for the scholarship they received. Awardees that were not able to attend due to schedule conflicts sent notes that were read on their behalf.

Scholarship recipient, Alex Reed, addressed the members and guests speaking about the Importance of Community.

Foundation Fundraiser

BPW Kansas Educational Foundation, Inc. also held multiple fundraising events throughout the weekend conference allowing members a variety of ways to donate both monetarily and with donated items to be auctioned or sold. The weekend's contributions are as follows:

- o Brown Bag Auction \$ 951.00
- o Silent Auction \$ 196.50
- o Donations \$ 1,063.00
- o Clothing Items \$ 115.00
- o Total \$ 2,325.50

Thank you so much for your generous giving – this is indeed the mission and purpose of the Educational Foundation and YOU are who makes it all possible! Foundation Grants

There are multiple grant options available to assist members and locals as well:

- Members are encouraged to apply for Mary Tefft Grant funds to attend state meetings
- Grant funds are available for speakers and programs at meetings (application must be received at least 60 days prior to event)
- Grant funds are available for Individual Development workshops

Scholarship Applications

Scholarship Applications are available on our NEW website (bpwkansas.weebly.com) or from any of the Foundation Board of Directors and will be due by February 1, 2022. Please make sure you have the most current application (revision date 10/17). As an individual or organization sponsor, it is your responsibility to ensure the applicant is using the correct application, that they have completed the application in its entirety, and that they not only qualify but have applied for all of the scholarships that they are eligible for.

If you'd like to fund a scholarship for the upcoming year it must be for a minimum of \$500. Criteria for the scholarship would need to be outlined by you and submitted to the Board of Directors prior to December 1, 2021 so that the

information can be disseminated in time for applicants to review and apply for it.

Once again, the Board of Directors thanks you for your enthusiasm and generosity and we look forward to another amazing year of empowering the minds and futures of the youth in our communities.

Jenny Myers, President Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc. 820 W 9th Ave Garnett KS 66032 jjmyers15 @outlook.com

MARY TEFFT GRANTS AVAILABLE

The Foundation encourages members to apply for the Mary Tefft grant to attend all State meetings. To apply, complete the meeting registration marking the activities you plan to attend, write a short essay on "What BPW is to me" or "Why BPW is important to women", sign a statement agreeing to volunteer if needed during the meeting and either mail or email the completed application to the Foundation president 10 days before the meeting's registration deadline. The essay should be not less than ½ page or more than 2 pages. The deadline to apply for the Mary Tefft Grant for Spring Conference will be 10 days before registration is due.

Successful applicants will be advised, and their registration forms forwarded to the Convention registrar before the registration deadline. Funds will be distributed to the BPW/Kansas Federation on completion of the meeting and after participation is confirmed.

If you need a copy of the grant requirements, email Jenny Myers at jimyers15@outlook.com or contact any of the Foundation Board members. Current members are:

Dr. LewAnn Schneider, Christina Rush, Ellen Yocum, Helen Norman and Dana Rickley,

AMAZON SMILE ORDERS

Do not forget when shopping with Amazon Smile, Foundation is registered with them. When members shop on this site, they may contribute to Foundation if they designate Foundation. We have received funds that helped the Foundation help fund more scholarships. Keep shopping!

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Jenny Myers or Dr LewAnn Schneider for assistance. Let us raise more money for Foundation while we are shopping.

Kansas BPW Educational Foundation, Inc.

FALL CONFERENCE BOARD MEETING

The Fall Conference Board meeting was held Sunday, October 24, 2021 at the Holiday Inn & Suites West Overland Park Kansas with 25 voting members present. BPW/Kansas President Miranda Berry presided over the meeting which included reports and federation business. Highlights include:

- Rules of Order were read by Parliamentarian Judy Stitt and adopted by the body.
- Recording Secretary Sue Patrick read a thank you card from PSP Dana Rickley for correspondence
- Executive Board appointed Robert Berry as timekeeper.
- Treasurer Diana Redger presented the treasurer's report and it was filed for review
- Dr. LewAnn Schneider, executive secretary asked that all check to make sure member contact information - emails and home addresses are current and correct
- ➤ Helen Norman advisor for the BPW/KS Educational Foundation, Inc. reported Foundation collected at fall conference \$196.50 for silent auction; \$951 Brown bag auction \$115 clothes auction and \$1063 in donations for a total to Foundation of \$2325.50.
- Newsletter Editor Diana Redger reminded members deadline for sending her articles for the Advocate is October 31,2021
- Financial Review chair Donna Gratts reported committee had received the financial records and the report will be made in February at spring conference
- Financial Sustainability committee chair Donna Gratts gave a report of the committee's meeting and recommendations
- Legislative Chair Chris Booth will continue to send newsletters from Governor Laura Kelly and reminded everyone to vote November 2, 2021
- Helen Norman membership chair stated there are 104 members and there were 3.5 First timers who attended fall conference. She also encouraged members to reach out to former members and ask them to rejoin
- Linda Reed Public Relations asked members to send her information on any activities occurring at the local level.
- Nominations chair Dr. Sharon Wiber stated there are candidates for each of the officers for the upcoming year except President Elect.
- President Miranda Berry gave her President's report
- > There was no unfinished business
- Approved Edward Jones as the BPW federation depository
- Approved transferring all BPW/Kansas monies to Edward Jones Clay Center with Kerri Spielman, FA, as the account manager.
- Approved the new website bpwkansas.weebly.com as presented
- > Meeting adjourned with the singing of the Emblem Benediction led by PSP Fran Graham.

ISSUES MANAGEMENT

National Business Women's Week was celebrated October 17-22, 2021 and local organizations had several activities to celebrate. Please share these activities with me so your local can be recognized at state convention. Clay Center BPW, Chanute BPW and Garnett BPW shared some of there activities on Facebook. Go check it out.

Business of the Year and Woman of the Year recipients have already been named by some local organizations while others wait until later in the club year. Forms will be available on the website or contact and I will get them to you and your local. Deadlines for "Woman of the Year" Community Woman of the Year" and Business of the Year" are March 1, 2022.

Remember a special award will be presented at the State Convention for the local(s) with the most outstanding Issues Management Year.

I look forward to hearing from you and learning what your local organization has done as "Women helping Women."

Dana Rickley 625 Webster Clay Center, KS 67432 dana rickley@yahoo.com

MEMBERSHIP 2021-2022

This year one of President's Miranda's goal is to grow our BPW membership statewide. Each member can win her incentives by recruiting, bringing their new members to conferences and convention. Also, have those new members compete in ID or YC Competition and complete community service hours. What great goals for us individually, but this will help BPW Kansas.

So, let's make this a priority locally, not just to help President Miranda's goals, not just for state numbers, but for you to build your membership to benefit your local.

Your challenge is to sign a member or two or recruit a previous member that hasn't renewed in the past, so this will help sustain this wonderful organization that each one of us has grown to love.

Helen Norman Membership Chair 41 Lakeshore Dr Garnett, KS 66032 mnhnorman@embargmail.com

BPW TIDBITS _____

Garnett BPW recognized people in their community with amazing stories that say how much they love Garnett enough to challenge themselves to make their own, unique impact on the community. Congratulations to Kris Hix, Joyce Martin, Dutch Country Café, The CC Boutique and Pheasant Ridge Family Medicine on their awards.

Clay Center BPW celebrated National Business Women's Week by creating videos of local women answering a question such as "how did you get where you are?" "How did you get into your profession?" and "What inspired you to start your business? Clay Center President Kerri Spielman had the idea and new member Natalie Muruato

edited the videos before they were placed on Clay Center's face book page. *******

Kansas website - bpwkansas.weebly.com **NOTES**

For information regarding a change of address for your advocate mailing or other information, please contact BPW/Kansas Executive Secretary, Dr. LewAnn Schneider at the following address and phone:

2271 Broughton Rd, Clay Center, KS 67432 Phone: 785-313-

7471 e-mail drlewann@twinvalley.net

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BPW/Kansas: The Federation of Business & Professional Women's Clubs. Inc. 2271 Broughton Rd Clay Center KS 67432

ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

_____ BPW CALENDAR _____

February 1, 2022 Foundation scholarships

Due

Nominations due March 1, 2022

Hall of Fame March 31, 2022

Nominations due

February 26, 2022 **Spring Conference**

Webster Conference

Center, Salina KS

Spring Board February 27, 2022

> **Webster Conference** Center, Salina KS

May 27-29, 2022 **State Convention**

> **Webster Conference** Center, Salina KS

NOTE: Please send items for the newsletter to Diana Redger, Newsletter Editor, Box 122, Ashland, KS 67831 phone 620-635-

2546. E-mail redger@ucom.net