Fads are fleeting – trends have staying power. At the 2019 Craft and Hobby Mega Show in California two of the hot trends for 2019 are edible crafts (the second most popular activity) also known as “sugar arts” and personalized journaling systems or day planners which are the “new” coloring books.

We are all aware that fads and trends, interests and time available for crafting may lessen over time. Some clubwomen may remember the years when china painting, basketry, fabric-covered home décor, smocking and sweatshirts or tee-shirts were included in the thirty-two different categories for Achievement Day.

This Chairman has been asked why certain categories or sub-categories have been deleted from the Arts Creative Contest Outline or why there may not have a category or sub-category included in the Outline.

As those past State and District Chairmen know, the Arts Creative (and Conservation) contests take planning. To this end, this Chairman now asks you to let her know what categories (or sub-categories) you would like to see integrated or eliminated from the contests. Please contact her in writing or by e-mail your ideas and suggestions so that she may keep a record of your thoughts. This will enable the 2020-2022 State Arts Creative Chairman to better represent your interests.