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President's Letter

By Sharon Turini-Kent

Early Spring Greetings!

March is upon us and that means Spring is right around the corner. Time for rebirth and enjoying all the wonders our good earth will bring us. In a few weeks we will be celebrating our 100th year in OAFCS/AAFCS. Happy 100th to all FCS professionals! As you reflect back to when you became a member of our profession, may you have good memories. If you are not a member, I urge each of you to join our elite group. The future of OAFCS/AAFCS will have many new challenges. I challenge each and every one of you to contribute making solutions for the future of FCS, professionally and personally.

The 100th OAFCS Annual Meeting, April 2-4, Westlake Holiday Inn, can be viewed on the OAFCS website. There are many interesting concurrent sessions offered. Teena Jennings, Annual Meeting Chair, and her committee have done an excellent job of securing speakers for the meeting.

Sharon Nickols-Richardson, current AAFCS President will give a keynote on Saturday. Jenny Schroeder and her Centennial Committee will have enlightening history of our past 100 years. Hope to see you at the annual meeting as we celebrate our past, renew friendships, and look to the future.



Registration and the "Program at a Glance" of the 100th AAFCS Annual Meeting and Expo to be held in Knoxville, TN can be viewed online. The LAC of the Tennessee affiliate and the Annual Conference Planning Committee have worked very hard to make the Centennial Gala a celebratory event. At the gala, OAFCS will be welcoming everyone to the 2010 conference to be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Cleveland, Ohio. If you would like to be a part of planning the 101st conference or serving on a committee, contact Vandita Prasad at: vanditaprasad@yahoo.com or myself at: STK5077@aol.com

There is a Centennial Challenge going on in AAFCS. Ohio needs to have 37 OAFCS members present at the conference in Knoxville, June 24-27, 2009. Have you registered?

A reminder to document all your Volunteer Hours so Ohio receives credit: <http://aafcs.org/centennial> It is under the Second Century of Helping, located on the Centennial page. The "click here" is so light you might miss it. Thank you in advance for helping Ohio achieve the 100 volunteer hours needed.

Enjoy the waning days of winter. We will remember them as we swelter in the summer sun.

**OAFCS Annual Meeting
Holiday Inn in Westlake
April 3 & 4, 2008**

FCS: Reflecting the Past While Creating the Future

DISTRICT C NEWS

The District C fall meeting was held October 7, 2008 at the Der Dutchmen Restaurant in Waynesville, Ohio. Joan Wilson, President welcomed 17 members and introduced Christine Olinsky and Carol Miller who spoke to our group about Miami Valley Saves. This program encourages financial literacy in the southern Ohio area with support from a national program called America Saves. Carol Miller shared with us the poster she made and presented to the IFHE world conference in Lucern, Switzerland. She represented Ohio as the Helen Stow Travelship Awardee.

The reorganizational meeting began after members were able to visit and network over dinner. The volunteer officers were introduced by President Joan W. The secretary's report was read by Barbara Vance. Judy Husk gave a corrected treasurers report with \$551.41 checking account and \$961.70 in the Savings Account. This report will be filled for audit.

President, Joan lead a discussion encouraging and requesting member support for new officers as our District is being organized again. Lots of members shared ideas & gave feedback during the discussion. Suggestions for future meeting and tours to IKEA, General Mills Chex Plant were given. State and district Awards were mentioned and the group was encouraged to nominate members for the various awards.

Members were asked about the dates and times for meetings and a lively discussion ensued. Members like having PDU's offered for the meetings. Alyzan Yost moved to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Kathy McGrath. The motion passed.

After the official business meeting two additional programs were presented: Kathy Michelich, Warren Co. Extension Educator, gave the group many ideas on "Simply Green", practical ways to green up your home to save energy. Kathy involved the group in table participation with their ideas on using various items she gave each group. Gwen Wolford, OSU director of government relations, alerted the group on the 2008 Ohio Ballot Issues we would all be voting on in the next few weeks. Both programs were enjoyed by the group.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary, Barbara Vance

DISTRICT C MEETINGS:

Spring Meeting- March10,2009 -4 -8:15PM at Der Dutchman, 230 North U.S. Route 42 Waynesville, Ohio 45068

Three programs:

- Food Safety and Contaminates, Warren Co Public Health
- Exercise for Youth & Adults
- Volunteerism for all ages, Gladys Bell, Saint Marie

Plus FCS teachers short presentations

Summer Gathering for Dist. C

IKEA At West Chester, Ohio

11:30 AM - Tues, July 14, 2009

Lunch, IKEA background and self guided tour.

JoAn Wilson, President

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OHIO'S PROPOSED BUDGET AFFECTING EXTENSION FUNDING

As you may know, Governor Strickland's proposed budget contains severe cuts for Extension funding. Our administration is working tirelessly to try to reduce the proposed cuts. Around the state, Extension is calling on supporters such as you to help us reach our legislators as they work on budget details.

I am listing at the end of this email the Representatives who are serving on committees that will have direct impact on our budget.

If you are willing to contact any of these individuals, please let me know. A personal visit would be best but if that cannot be arranged, a phone call or email would be appreciated.

I am attaching some "talking points" to this email for your use. In addition, all of you have rich histories with Extension and wonderful stories you can share on how Extension has impacted your and your children's' lives.

If you are able to make contact, let me know. If a personal meeting is arranged, our state office will do their best to have someone from administration accompany you on the visit. We all sincerely appreciate your continued support for Extension.

FINANCE & APPROPRIATIONS

Clerk: Lubna Najjar: 466-3100
Democrat: John Patrick Carney: 466-2473
Ted Celeste: 644-6005
Republican: Cheryl Grossman: 466-9690

AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES

Clerk: Greg Phelps: 466-3735
Democrat: Carlton Weddington: 466-5343

Colleges, Universities & Research by Eileen S. Ptacek

OAFCS awards three scholarships annually for FCS related research. One award goes to a doctoral candidate, one to a master's student, and one to an undergraduate. Students or student advisors who think their work merits the award should submit an application to Eileen Ptacek, 26376 Hilliard Blvd., Westlake, OH 44145 or eptacek@hotmail.com. Applications are available at oafcs.org and are due by February 15, 2009.

To be eligible for the awards the graduate research must have been completed for a degree from an Ohio Family and Consumer Sciences higher education program or have been completed by a member of OAFCS for a graduate degree in a field related to family and consumer sciences. The undergraduate research must have been completed by a student while enrolled in a Family and Consumer Sciences undergraduate program in Ohio. The criteria for the awards included: (1) contribution to the field of family and consumer sciences; (2) theoretical soundness of the study; (3) methodological soundness of the study.

International News, by Judy Husk, Chair

International Raffle at OAFCS Annual Meeting

Look for the International Raffle Table at the OAFCS Annual Meeting in Westlake April 3-4, 2009. Proceeds from the raffle will benefit women's projects in third world countries through the IFHE-US Development Fund. We are offering more prizes than ever before!! Raffle tickets will be available in the registration area for \$2.00 each or three for \$5.00. Cash or check - no credit cards.

International Events at AAFCS Meeting in Knoxville

Planning to attend AAFCS Annual Meeting in Knoxville? Don't miss the Museum of Appalachia Tour sponsored by the International Federation of Home Economics (IFHE) on Wednesday, June 24, 2009. This Smithsonian Affiliate was opened in the late 1960's by John Rice Irwin whose grandparents were descendants of early East Tennessee pioneers. Of particular interest is the Appalachian Hall of Fame. After the tour a traditional Appalachian supper will be served followed by traditional southern folklore as told by native Tennessean storyteller Elizabeth Rose. The registration form for

this event is available at www.aafcs.org For additional information or if you have questions please contact Sharon McManus at (616)546-3394 or Svmcmanus@aol.com

Our Children. Our Hope. Our Future. – Today. Tomorrow. Together.

I would like to invite you to apply for the 5th Annual Young Advocate Leadership Training (YALTSM) program, Our Children. Our Hope. Our Future. – Today. Tomorrow. Together. to be held March 20–22, 2009, at the Children’s Defense Fund Haley Farm, in Clinton, Tennessee (near Knoxville). More than 100 young adults from across the country will come together to build and strengthen their commitment and skills to improve the lives of children in America.

We have made history this year with a historic election, and it is up to you, as young leaders, to continue this momentum and change the future for our children who need it most. This year’s theme will guide our efforts as we collectively work to learn and determine ways to actively engage in improving the lives of children. You have the opportunity as a young leader and child advocate to step up and organize for change. That is why I hope that you will join the YALT program as part of a selected delegation of young leaders from across the country.

The YALT program is a three-day, intensive training that will connect you with other young leaders, community organizers and child advocates to learn new advocacy skills, models and strategies that can be implemented in your communities back home and on your college campuses to help children and strengthen families. CDF will cover travel costs, meals and lodging for the three days and will make all travel arrangements. To make the most of this opportunity it is extremely important that, if accepted, you attend the entire three days and participate in all the scheduled activities of the YALT program.

The energy, enthusiasm, leadership and courage that have always characterized young people working for social change exists today in the hearts, minds and talent of young adults just like you. CDF is committed to developing young leaders with the knowledge, tools and skills to be more effective leaders and advocates for children.

We look forward to reviewing your application and working together to improve the lives of children. In faith and hope.

OAFCS Member’s Book Review featured in JFCS

By Vandita Prasad

The latest issue of the Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences (vol. 100, no. 4), featured a book review by our own OAFCS member, Sandra Stansbery Buckland. Sandra reviewed the book “An Intimate Affair: Women, Lingerie, and Sexuality” by Jill Fields.

Sandra is currently an associate professor at the University of Akron, Akron, OH. At the university, she teaches courses in the area of fashion merchandising, serves on many committees, and above all spends many hours on research work. Her professional accomplishments are too many to elaborate. She maintains active memberships in many professional organizations such as the Costume Society of America, International Textile & Apparel Association, and the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences. She has a long list of published articles and presentations (invited and refereed) to her credit. She has been the recipient of Ann and Emanuel Rudolph Endowment for Research in the Historic Costume and Textiles Collection, The Ohio State University; Costume Society of America, National Scholars’ Roundtable; Office of Student Development’s Creativity Award for Student Fashion Show; and was the finalist at the Edward F. Hayes Graduate Research Forum, The Ohio State University. She has also been the recipient of both the OAFCS Outstanding Dissertation Award and the OAFCS Outstanding Researcher Award. She is an active member of the OAFCS and would like to thank OAFCS for the support the organization has provided her.

The awards from OAFCS mean a lot to her and have helped in her tenure process. Sandra’s achievements and dedication to the profession have made all of us in OAFCS very proud. I particularly feel fortunate to have interacted with her closely as her graduate assistant and student. She is an inspiration for both her students and her colleagues.



OAFCS Member’s Career Highlighted in JFCS

by Pamela Schulze

Our own Debra Manteghi was featured in the “Career Profiles” section of the last issue of the Journal of Family and Consumer Sciences (vol. 100, no. 4). Debra is an active member of the Ohio FCS affiliate, and a past recipient of the OAFCS Friend of the Family Award. Debra is currently program director of PROJECT R.I.S.E. (Realizing Individual Strength through Education), and the Homeless Education Liaison with Akron Public Schools.

Project R.I.S.E. is primarily funded through the McKinney-Vento Grant. The purpose of the grant is to provide advocacy for the educational needs of homeless children, and to ensure that schools comply the McKinney-Vento Law.

Debra's professional accomplishments have been many. In addition to facilitating enrollment, transportation, special services, after-school tutoring, and school and community awareness, Debra has helped to expand the Advisory Council and community collaborators, and thus has expanded the scope of programs offered through Project R.I.S.E. Debra has planned and coordinated Parents RISE-ing, Lessons in Literacy and Cultural Transitions (for Hispanic immigrants without housing), the Love and Learn Doll Project, the Akron Resource Director, the Akron Resource Directory, the Performing Arts Can Teach (PACT) program, the Hands over Heart Sewing Classes for Teens, and the Early Childhood Reading Program.

Debra's background in Social Work and Family and Consumer Sciences Education has helped her develop her comprehensive, holistic approach to improving the quality of life of homeless children. She embodies the mission of FCS: to empower individuals, families, and communities. All of us in OAFCS are proud to have had the opportunity to work with Debra, and her career path is an example for others to follow.

2009 OAFCS Scholarships

The winners are:

Jamie Imhoff – Mount Vernon Nazarene University
Chelsea Crawford – Ohio State University
Heather Szozda – Ohio State University

Jamie Imhoff is a junior at Mount Vernon Nazarene University where she is majoring in FCS Education. She is currently an RA and works in the Family and Consumer Sciences department. This is her second year as an OAFCS member. Jamie is the Vice President of the FCS Club at MVNU. She continues to hold a cumulative GPA of 3.5. Jamie would like to thank her professors Dr. Fox and Mrs. Stull, as well as OAFCS, for their help and support over the last two years.

Chelsea Crawford is a junior at The Ohio State University, where she is majoring in textiles, clothing, and interior design. She also has a minor in business. Chelsea plans to graduate summer quarter of 2010. She hopes to find a position in the home furnishings field. Chelsea would like to eventually own and manage her own design company. She is unable to attend OAFCS conference this year, but wishes to thank the organization for the scholarship and capital investment in her future.

Heather Szozda is a junior at The Ohio State University, where she is a Family and Consumer Sciences Education major. She would like to teach at the high school level after graduation, and is particularly interested in the GRADS program. Heather credits her passion for FCS to her mother and her strong work ethic to her father. She enjoys cooking, baking, sewing, and photography. She is the FCS representative to the College of Education and Human Ecology Council, where she serves as the liaison between the leaders in FCS Education and the EHE Council. Heather would like to give special thanks and recognition to her former FCS teachers, Mrs. Annette Bockbrader and Mrs. Nancy Gates, for inspiring her to follow the path of Family and Consumer Sciences Education.

2010 AAFCS Annual Conference, Cleveland, Ohio

In 2010, Ohio will be hosting the AAFCS Annual Conference. There are numerous committees that need to be formed. Several positions have been filled up, but there is a desperate need for more volunteers. Please consider joining or chairing a committee. All members of all committees must be current AAFCS members and will be expected to register for the Annual Conference.

The following provide a brief idea of the committee's purpose and duties:

CORPORATE SUPPORT COMMITTEE

Requirement-Chair and 3-4 members (all positions open)

Purpose:

- ✓ To identify local and state organizations and industry members interested in providing financial support (cash or goods) for specific program aspects of the Annual Conference.
- ✓ To identify and refer potential exhibitors to AAFCS.

Duties:

- ✓ Search local directories with potential for supporting FCS.
- ✓ After conferring with AAFCS staff, make contacts in person to representatives of these institutions to ascertain their interest in supporting selected aspects of the Annual Conference.
- ✓ Committee members and AAFCS staff will work together with the corporate sponsor in implementing the sponsorship.

VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE

Requirement- Chair (filled) and 4 coordinators (all 4 positions open)

Volunteer Chair- takes overall responsibilities of four volunteer coordinators

The Registration Volunteer Coordinator will

- ✓ Supervise the area concerned with the activities of giving packets to members, answering questions, crowd control around the registration area and help direct members to the registration area.

The State Information Desk Volunteer Coordinator

- ✓ supervise the staffing of the State Information Desk. Room count cards will be handed out and picked up at this location.
- ✓ answer questions, assist with lost and found, distribute information about the conference city that the information committee will have procured from local sources, provide information that was written for the AAFCS website by the information committee, and distribute any promotional items.

The Room Facilitator/Special Events Volunteer Coordinator will

- ✓ provide room facilitators for the sessions
- ✓ introduce speakers, assist speakers, distribute materials, take a room count, close the session with appropriate thanks, and return room count cards to the State Information Desk.
- ✓ will assist AAFCS staff with ticket-taking, sign changes, and greeting for larger conference events. Sessions and numbers needed at each session will be listed on the current grid provided by AAFCS.

The Bookstore and Special Exhibits Volunteer Coordinator will

- ✓ assist with set-up, maintenance, customer assistance and take-down of the bookstore area
- ✓ assist with special exhibits in the Expo Hall as needed.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Requirement- Chair (filled) and 2-3 members (all open) with interest in public relations and some knowledge of the media opportunities and contacts in the host city

Purpose:

- ✓ increase state and local recognition of the Association's achievements and contributions to public and family life;
- ✓ provide input for public relations planning and to help implement the total public relations
- ✓ provide media information to their membership 18 months prior to the conference
- ✓ newsletter articles about the conference as well as volunteer materials

Duties:

- ✓ Chair will serve on the LAC Committee
- ✓ interface with the AAFCS Staff in charge of public relations
- ✓ provide information about media opportunities in the site city and personal contacts
- ✓ provide news articles for state newsletters, and affiliated groups beginning with the fall prior to the next year's Annual Conference.
- ✓ announce about the annual meeting, including registration materials, sent to affiliated groups within the state(s) area several months in advance of the conference.
- ✓ provide AAFCS with lists of suggested non-members from the area who should be invited to the Annual Conference.

INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Requirement-Chair and 2-3 members (all open)

Purpose:

- ✓ To plan, collect, and provide information needed by Annual Conference participants for the AAFCS website and the State Information Desk.

Duties:

- ✓ To prepare by the previous December 1 information for the AAFCS website about the conference site opportunities for individuals, special information for families, and special information for anyone requiring handicapped assistance.
- ✓ To procure promotional material to be handed out at the State Information Desk.
- ✓ To procure a map or other explanatory information about the site that can be given to all registrants.
- ✓ Volunteer at the State Information Desk during the conference. Regular cleaning and updating the bulletin boards in the registration lobby.

PROGRAM ARRANGEMENTS AND HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Requirement- Chair with 3-4 members (need chair and 2 more members)

Purpose:

- ✓ is responsible for providing suggestions for color guard and special entertainment for the Annual Conference.
- ✓ responsible for a timely verification of the attendance of special guests and for meeting, greeting and assisting those special guests.

Duties:

- ✓ Chair will interface with AAFCS staff, understanding that all contracts are a function of AAFCS.
- ✓ committee will suggest sources for color guard and entertainment
- ✓ committee will be responsible for verifying attendance of special guests, meeting and guiding them
- ✓ committee will be responsible for meeting and assisting guest presenters.
- ✓ Responsible for airport pickup of special guest(s) if it is requested.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE COMMITTEE

Requirement- Chair and a small committee (have chair, need 3 members)

Purpose: Plan and conduct the Ecumenical Service

Duties:

- ✓ Committee or its designee will conduct the service on Sunday Morning.
- ✓ November 15- Prepare tentative outline for the service.
- ✓ February 1 – Names of Presider, Speakers, etc. to AAFCS office.

EDUCATIONAL EXCURSIONS

Requirement-(Have Chair and co-chair, all other positions are open)

Overall Educational Excursion Coordinating Chair and a registrar and treasurer

For each educational excursion - a chair and co-chair

The committee should also include a subgroup who will write appropriate content about the area for use by excursions guides.

Purpose: Educational excursions are a function of the state affiliate.

- ✓ Giving attendees unique experiences in FCS areas that will broaden their educational experience.

Duties:

- ✓ Committee develops its initial list of educational excursions and publicizes them at the preceding conference.
- ✓ Develops registration materials and descriptions that may go into the AAFCS Annual Conference promotional material and on the AAFCS website. Educational Excursions can also be publicized through state affiliate newsletters, electronic networks, affiliated organizations, state president's network, and list serves

Print for Less

You may remember AAFCS has signed up with printingforless.com to have AAFCS Centennial letterhead and business card templates available for our affiliates to purchase. AAFCS has partnered with PrintingForLess.com to make it faster, easier, and more affordable for our members to select, customize, and order their marketing collateral.

PrintingForLess.com is proud to offer AAFCS members exclusive access to printing products when they use AAFCS' custom Private Print Shop. To place an order, go to www.printingforless.com/aafcs and access your customized

Private Print Shop. AAFCS is extremely pleased to partner with PrintingForLess.com. This partnership brings significant value to our members and will help market and grow AAFCS.

LET'S RECOGNIZE OUR MEMBERS!

A new section of the newsletter recognizing members will begin in May. If you know of any member who is doing something that they should be recognized for or recently received an award please send a short description and a picture.

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**In Recognition of
The American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences
Centennial**

The mission of the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) is to provide leadership and support for professionals whose work assists individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their well being, relationships and resources to achieve optimal quality of life; and

the AAFCS believes in the family as a fundamental unit of society, embraces diversity and values all people, is dedicated to life-long learning and diverse scholarship, prepares new professionals, exemplifies integrity and ethical behavior, seeks new ideas and is open to change, and promotes an integrative and holistic approach to issues; and

AAFCS is the only national organization representing family and consumer sciences professionals across practice areas and content specializations; and

AAFCS membership consists of more than 6,000 professionals whose practice takes place in education, business, the non-profit sector, public and private agencies, and homes; and

AAFCS members provide research-based practical knowledge regarding everyday life, including life span development, personal behavior, housing and the environment, food, nutrition, and health, apparel and textiles, and resource management, so that youth, adults and public decision-makers can make sound choices that result in healthy, productive and fulfilling lives; and

AAFCS was founded as the American Home Economics Association in 1909, by Ellen H. Richards, the first female graduate and professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and an activist for consumer education; nutrition; child protection; industrial safety; public health; career education; women's rights; purity of air, food, and water; and the application of scientific and management principles to the issues of families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ted Strickland, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby congratulate the Ohio Association of Family & Consumer Sciences as it celebrates the Centennial Anniversary of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, January 2, 2009 – January 1, 2010.


Ted Strickland
Governor



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