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## Message from the President

Greetings, Friends of Family and Consumer Sciences!

Once again we begin a new year and look forward hopefully to better things for our families, our friends, our careers, ourselves. As President of OAFCS, I look forward also to a new and good things for our profession. I hope that you too, have considered the possibilities of what our profession can be.

So much of the big problems in our world, our country, and our state could find solutions in what we as Family and Consumer Sciences professionals are about: Poverty and Financial difficulties, Obesity and nutritional inadequacy, Addictions, Teen Pregnancy, Functional Illiteracy, Environmental concerns, and many others. It is imperative that as professionals, we tell the story of Family and Consumer Sciences whenever we possibly can.

You will find in this newsletter information about OAFCS's spring conference and business meeting in Perrysburg. The agenda has been made more concise, eliminating the Thursday pre-conference, and bringing the suggested content for a pre-conference into the agenda for the Friday and Saturday sessions. Vandita Prasad, and the conference committee have been working hard to review conference proposals and put together a memorable and valuable conference around the national theme "Connecting Cultures, Changing Lives" Mark your calendars now for April 1 and 2 and join us in Perrysburg. We can't wait to see you there!

If you attended the AAFCS conference in Cleveland last June, you witnessed the unveiling of a new logo and tag line to brand our professional association as the group that represents the interests of professionals that serve the needs of individuals, families and communities - **"Connecting Professionals, Touching Lives"** (AAFCS.org). Part of the associations "new image" is to call ourselves "Double A FCS" which puts the focus on "FCS." I don't know about you, but it has taken me a little bit of time to get used to communicating AAFCS in that way. It is something we all need to work on.



Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find the names and positions of OAFCS board and committee chairs. Committee chairs have been asked to post important news relevant to their subject area to the OAFCS website to help keep out membership up to date on new developments in our field. I want to thank Eleanor Ames, our web master, for all of her efforts. I also want to thank and recognize each of the board members who work so diligently on our behalf throughout the year.

Next month we will hold elections and new officers will be installed at our spring meeting. Do you want to share your expertise with your state association? Would you like to be a part of leading OAFCS into a new phase of professionalism? We meet in Columbus in August and November, online in February, and the evening before the annual meeting at the meeting site. We need your involvement. If you are willing to serve, please contact me at [vadraa@ysu.edu](mailto:vadraa@ysu.edu) or Meta Van Nostran at [vannostr@ohio.edu](mailto:vannostr@ohio.edu).

It is my hope that you and your family have a great year. It is also my hope that you will make your involvement in OAFCS and your profession a part of it.

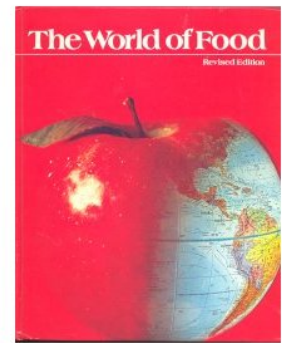
Sincerely,  
Ginny Bendel Draa, OAFCS President

## Remembering Eva Medved

The Family & Consumer Science profession recently lost one its most dedicated members, Dr. Eva Medved, of North Canton, Ohio. Anyone who has worked in the Family & Consumer Sciences profession since 1970 knows her best for writing *The World of Food* textbook.

Eva graduated from Kent State University with a degree in Home Economics in 1943. She received both her masters and doctorate degrees in Nutrition from Ohio State University.

She taught at Magnolia, Alliance and Canton Lincoln High Schools. She then taught at Kent State University until her retirement in 1990. However, Eva never retired. She revised *The World of Food* text over and over as deemed necessary, updating the text to keep up with current information with the last revision in 2006. At 88 years of age, Eva still attended every Ohio Association of Family and Consumer Sciences district and state conference and every AAFCS annual conference with her best friend and former F&CS Teacher Janet Edel. She was a petite lady with a huge heart for the Family and Consumer Science profession. The Ohio affiliate will truly miss our friend.



## We Need Your Help & Support

If anyone would be interested in an OAFCS officer position, or would like to continue in your current officer position, please notify Meta Van Nostran – [vannostr@ohio.edu](mailto:vannostr@ohio.edu)

## Plan to Attend!

The information for the OAFCS Annual Meeting on April 1-2 at Hilton Garden Inn in Toledo/Perrysburg is on the OAFCS website. Educational objectives, registration, and hotel information can be accessed by clicking on the link on the home page or by going here: <http://www.oafcs.org/oafcsmeeting.html>

## Looking for Free Financial Literacy Resources for Your Classroom?

Are you a **high school teacher** who wants to include a financial literacy curriculum with your coursework but don't have the budget for materials? If so, you have an opportunity to receive the **donated** financial literacy curriculum resource, *Building Your Future* from nonprofit group The Actuarial Foundation.

A 2010 Excellence in Financial Literacy Education Award winner, ***Building Your Future*** gives teens a lifetime of sound personal financial and money management skills, covering topics such as credit cards, loans, taxes, insurance, inflation, and managing bank accounts, to name a few. The classroom-ready curriculum also includes Teacher's Guides and aligns with national standards.

View the ***Building Your Future*** curriculum resource and request a donated individual and/or classroom set of materials at <http://www.actuarialfoundation.org/programs/youth/BuildingYourFuture.shtml>.



## 2012 Call for Abstracts

Online submission of abstracts for all proposed program presentations will be launched on 1 March 2011 and will remain open until 1 September 2011. For further details and key dates please, go to this

web site: <http://www.ifhe2012.org>

## [AAFCS 102nd Annual Conference & Expo](#)

Main Conference: June 23 – 25, 2011  
Educational Excursions: June 22, 2011



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