Congratulations . . .

We are very proud of our colleagues in the Northeast Region! As always, we were well represented at the Annual Conference and Research Colloquium. We will include a portion of the recognition in this week’s issue of the NEWS and continue with the rest next week.

First, a huge congratulations to our recipients of the Excellence Awards! These individuals were presented the prestigious awards during the Banquet held on Wednesday evening, December 10.

The other Excellence recipients for 2014 included:

- Dawn Cramer, Belmont County - CES Extension Support Staff Excellence Award
- Jason Hedrick, Putnam County – Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Award
- Lisa Barlage, Ross County – Marilyn Spiegel Excellence in Family and Consumer Sciences Award
- Chris Penrose, Morgan County – Steve D. Ruhl Outstanding Agriculture and Natural Resources County Extension Educator Award
- Nancy Bowen, Field Specialist – OSU Extension Excellence in Community Development Award
- Linnette Goard, Field Specialist – ESP Excellence in Extension Award

Friend of Extension Award – Faye Heston, Stark County

Friend of Extension Award – Susan Crowell, Columbiana County

This year’s Conference Planning Committee planned a wonderful conference! Thank you to the representatives from our Region, Eric Barrett, ANR Educator, Mahoning County; David Marrison, ANR Educator/CED, Ashtabula County; Tim Tanner, 4-H Educator/CED, Harrison County. A few of the many highlights of the conference included: Keynote Speaker, Lowell Catlett; Futuring discussion; Meet the Author Poster Session; members of the OSU Marching Band mini concert; presentations by OSU President Michal Drake and Dean Bruce A. McPherson; and recognition of our Director, Keith Smith, reflection from him and a beautiful musical presentation by his wife and three of his children.
Dean’s Webinar . . . 
Dean McPheron’s monthly webinar is scheduled for this Friday, December 19 at 1 p.m. Please hold the date. More information will be sent this week about connecting to the webinar.

PCard Reallocation . . .  
(Source: Brian McClain)  
The PCard reallocation deadline for this month is December 30. Based upon University holidays on the 24th and 25th, and likely many taking more time off over the holidays, please begin now to enter into eRequest and approve all PCard transactions that have occurred and please continue to do so all month. PCard transactions are reallocated daily during the month and this helps the workflow of the reallocators and approvers. Thank you in advance.

Position Announcements . . .  
County Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development, Youth Outdoors - 100.0 FTE%  
Cuyahoga County / Cleveland, Ohio  
Job Req: 404468  
Deadline: January 11, 2015  
To Apply
County Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development - 100.0 FTE%
Cuyahoga County / Cleveland, Ohio
Job Req: 404467
Deadline: January 11, 2015
To Apply

Program Assistant, EFNEP - 100.0 FTE%
Stark County, Massillon, Ohio
Job Req: 404472
Deadline: January 4, 2015
To Apply

Program Assistant, EFNEP - 100.0 FTE%
Summit County, Stow, Ohio
Job Req: 404469
Deadline: January 4, 2015
To Apply

Program Assistant, EFNEP - 100.0 FTE%
Columbiana County, Lisbon, Ohio
Job Req: 404471
Deadline: January 4, 2015
To Apply