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Our Condolences To . . .
Betty Wingerter, County Extension Director and 4-H Youth Development Educator, Montgomery County, on the recent passing of her father.
Alan Sundermeier, County Extension Director and ANR Educator, Wood County, on the recent passing of his mother.

Welcome . . .
Nancy Doyle, Program Specialist, EFNEP, in the Montgomery County Extension Office effective May 5, 2014
Diana Stacy, Program Assistant, 4-H in the Ottawa County Extension Office, effective May 5, 2014

Position Announcement . . .
PLEASE SHARE BROADLY

Program Assistant, SNAP-Ed - 100.0 FTE%
Lorain County / Elyria, Ohio
Job Req: 381700
Deadline: May 18, 2014
To Apply

A Reminder on CY2015 and 2016 County Cost Share . . .
As you begin planning for your CY2015 budget, please note that the 1st educator cost share increases by $500. There is no change planned for 2nd and above educators. New benefits composite rates have been added to the Business Office website http://osuebusiness.osu.edu/benefits_rates.php.

Building Capacity for Outreach and Engagement Scholarship Workshops – May 22 . . .
You are invited to a series of professional development workshops designed to build capacity for creating and strengthening university-community partnerships and promoting engagement scholarship through teaching, research and service. The workshop will be held on May 22 (9am to 4pm) in the MLK Auditorium, Hale Hall, 154 W. 12th Avenue.

The three sessions offered are:
- Engagement Scholarship 101: Building Engagement into Your Scholarship (9 - 11am)
- The Culture of Engagement at The Ohio State University (11:30am - 1:30pm)
- Building Bridges Between Our Silos: How Boundary Spanning and Boundary Spanners Can Build Strong Relationships (2 - 4pm)

The workshop facilitators are Katherine Loving, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Susan Harden, assistant professor of education, University of North Carolina – Charlotte.
Participants may register for one, two or all three sessions at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2014OEWorkshops. For more detailed information, go to: http://go.osu.edu/oeworkshop.

Contact Mark McCann in the Office of Outreach and Engagement at (mccann.249@osu.edu). There is no fee for attendees. Each session is limited to 50 participants.

**Plan Ahead – Conference Registrations Open . . .**

If you are participating in one of the upcoming professional association meetings, be sure to plan ahead before registering. If you use the PCard for any portion of your trip (registration, airfare or such) you will need to get a T# in advance. If a T# is not required, please be sure to obtain the email pre-approval from your ORG authorizer. You will need to keep this pre-approval and attach it to the reimbursement form upon your return.

Conference Registrations – ($300 regular member)
Early-bird Registration deadline May 15 (postmarked after May 15, $100 late fee added)

Hotel Reservations open May 1
Conference Registration opens June 1 ($425)
Early-bird Registration deadline July 15

**NAE4-HA – October 26-30 (Minneapolis, Minnesota) –** [www.nae4ha.com/2014-annual-conference](http://www.nae4ha.com/2014-annual-conference)
Hotel Reservations open May 1
Conference Registration opens June 1 ($450)
Early-bird Registration deadline July 15

**Ohio Vegetable and Fruit Newsletter Number 9 . . .**

Here is this week’s edition of the Ohio Vegetable and Fruit Newsletter. This newsletter is now posted to the VegNet website.

All of this year’s vegetable and fruit newsletters can be found at [http://vegnet.osu.edu/newsletter](http://vegnet.osu.edu/newsletter)

**Join us for "Culture and Collaboration: Partnering with Entrepreneurs" . . .**

*Source: Jim Woodell, Assistant Vice President, Innovation and Technology Policy, Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU)*


We had a great discussion about “The New Intermediaries: Institutes for Collaboration” on April 17, and you can view the recording of that program on the APLU News YouTube channel: [http://bit.ly/1noTGQi](http://bit.ly/1noTGQi)

These webinars are free and open to anyone—not just APLU/CICEP members.

**Have You Tried? - Centennial Printing . . .** *(Source: Heather Neikirk)*

Ohio Farm Bureau has re-opened their print shop. They are very reasonable and accommodating. We work with our local office to coordinate requests. We recently used them to print (2) 8 foot banners—the Extension 100 years ones...haven’t seen an invoice, but am estimating cost around $85 or so/banner. The banner logo can be found on the extension 100 years site. Also used them to print the round centennial logo in a sticker—got 1,000 of them for $53.00! They can usually get things to you pretty quick as well. I usually just send a pdf version of what I want printed and if they have questions, they contact me. Pretty simple if you don't have a local print shop or colored office printer, etc.
Webinars by Outreach, Education, and Diversity Partners in May and June . . .
Source: Christopher Anderson, Director, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) Initiatives

Each year, Ohio State has faculty who submit proposals to the NSF Faculty Early Career Development program (http://go.osu.edu/nsfcareer). The NSF CAREER program has a strong emphasis on the integration of faculty research with outreach, education, and diversity efforts.

To help familiarize CAREER applicants with potential proposal partners, STEM Initiatives is offering a series of webinars in May and June that highlight programs that are interested in collaborating on outreach, undergraduate education, or diversity efforts. Ohio State’s NSF CAREER applicants are encouraged to watch the webinars, but they are open to anyone who is interested in learning more about the highlighted programs.

Previous webinar presenters have included OSU Extension, UCAT, WOSU, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion (video recordings available at http://go.osu.edu/brownbag). Upcoming webinars are described below:

So you want to do research in schools
Kimberly Lightle (Director, EHE Office of Research) will help educational researchers navigate the process of contacting districts and getting requests approved during this Adobe Connect webinar on Wednesday (5/7) from 12-1 p.m. Explore best practices regarding partnering with districts and the interplay between IRB requirements and district requirements. The presentation will also go over some “red flags” that districts look for when reviewing requests. Register: http://go.osu.edu/lightle

COSI "Portal to the Public" program connects scientists to public
Andy Aichele (Director of Human Capital Development at COSI) describes COSI’s professional development to help scientists communicate their research to public audiences during this Adobe Connect webinar on Wednesday (5/14) from 12-1 p.m. Portal to the Public cohorts participate in a series of workshops focused on creating interactives based on current research. The cohort culminates with a science career day at COSI, featuring face-to-face public interactions that promote appreciation and understanding of current scientific research and its application. Register: http://go.osu.edu/aichele

Research, outreach, and evaluation: The OSU-COSI connection
As a researcher, working with COSI can provide many exciting opportunities to conduct research and access a diverse public audience. Rita Deedrick and members of COSI’s Center for Research and Evaluation describe how to connect with the museum to further your research agenda, provide research findings to the general public in a unique learning atmosphere, and evaluate your outreach efforts during this Adobe Connect webinar on Friday (5/23) from 12-1 p.m. Register: http://go.osu.edu/deedrick

Summer youth STEM programs at the Ohio Supercomputer Center
Offered through the Ohio Supercomputer Center, the Summer Institute and Young Women’s Summer Institute focus on engaging young minds in STEM education through firsthand access to high performance computing and networking. Both programs offer participants hands-on experiences and the practical knowledge they need to continue their interests in STEM education. Learn more about what OSC has to offer and how you can help through fulfillment of your NSF broader engagement requirements during this webinar on Tuesday (5/27) from 12-1 p.m. Register: http://go.osu.edu/chalker

The good, the bad and the ugly of engaging schools
Kate Harkin, director of Ohio State’s P12 Initiative, will offer insights and suggestions on ways to establish productive and mutually beneficial relationships with schools - a foundation for research success - during a STEM Initiatives Virtual Brown Bag Carmen Connect webinar on Wednesday (6/11) from noon-1 p.m. Jack Conrath, former superintendent of Whitehall City Schools and director of the College of Education and Human Ecology’s Superintendent’s Licensure Program will co-present. Register: http://go.osu.edu/harkin

The Ohio LSAMP Alliance: Supporting STEM undergraduates from underrepresented groups
The Ohio LSAMP Alliance is an NSF-funded program that works to increase the recruitment, retention, persistence and attainment of degrees in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) by underrepresented
students at eleven Ohio institutions of higher education, including four community colleges. Barbara Fink and other members of the Office of Diversity and Inclusion will describe how faculty and staff can collaborate with LSAMP on faculty-mentored undergraduate research and other programming during this Adobe Connect webinar on Friday (6/13) from 12-1 p.m. Register: http://go.osu.edu/fink