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Best Wishes . . .
- Bill Harris, Medina County 4-H Educator/CED, retirement effective August 31
- Katie Houk, Columbiana County 4-H Educator/CED, resignation effective August 31

In the News . . .

New nursery sprayer could be ‘game changer’
Capital Press
August 15, 2015
Featured: Randy Zondag, Lake County Extension
http://www.capitalpress.com/Nursery/20140815/new-nursery-sprayer-could-be-game-changer#.U_5xA2K9KK0

Position Announcement . . .
PLEASE SHARE BROADLY
Extension Educator, Family and Consumer Sciences - 100.0 FTE%
Cuyahoga County/Cleveland, Ohio
Job Req: 401211
Deadline: September 21, 2014
To Apply

Extension Reconsidered! . . . (Source: Karen Bruns)
In the next few days OSU Extension program staff will receive an email about an exciting opportunity to participate in the Extension Reconsidered initiative. This national initiative involving 13 state Extension systems and being led by Imagining America, “aims to reconsider dominant views of what Extension is and what it’s for, and to envision what it could and should be in the twenty-first century.” Here in Ohio, we are doing just that through Extension Reconsidered, and also connecting the project with the Vice-President’s Dialogue on the Future of Extension and OSU Extension’s state-wide needs assessment.

Become involved in this opportunity to engage young people (under the age of 30) in a conversation about the future of their communities and Extension. Applications by local 4-person teams (consisting of a 14-19 year old, a 20 to 24 year old, an adult mentor and an Extension employee) will be accepted until October 6th. See the attached PDF for more information.

Start forming your team now, and in the next few days watch for the information on how to apply on-line for this great opportunity.
Time is Running Out! PHA Deadline is Sept. 30 . . .
If benefits-eligible faculty/staff have not completed the PHA in 2014, they need to do so by September 30 to receive 2015 medical plan choice and premium credit up to $480.

**NEW IN 2014!** Faculty, staff and their spouses/same-sex domestic partners must know their health values (height, weight, blood pressure, total cholesterol, HDL and a blood sugar value [either glucose or A1C]) and enter all of them in the Personal Health & Well-Being Assessment (PHA). Choosing "I don’t know" or not entering a current value will not complete the PHA in 2014. [Learn more](http://yp4h.osu.edu/sites/default/files/forms/articles/Know%20Your%20Numbers%20Provider%20Form%20PDF%2002-04-14.pdf)

Here is the link for the form that lists information you need to obtain from your physician to complete PHA. [http://yp4h.osu.edu/sites/default/files/forms/articles/Know%20Your%20Numbers%20Provider%20Form%20PDF%2002-04-14.pdf](http://yp4h.osu.edu/sites/default/files/forms/articles/Know%20Your%20Numbers%20Provider%20Form%20PDF%2002-04-14.pdf)

OSU Extension Regional Map and HR/Fiscal Contact Listings Updated . . .
The OSU Extension regional map posted [online](http://yp4h.osu.edu/sites/default/files/forms/articles/Know%20Your%20Numbers%20Provider%20Form%20PDF%2002-04-14.pdf) has been updated. A summary of the human resources and fiscal contacts for each region (as of August 1) is [attached](http://yp4h.osu.edu/sites/default/files/forms/articles/Know%20Your%20Numbers%20Provider%20Form%20PDF%2002-04-14.pdf); this list is for internal Extension use.

Registration – Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program Statewide In-service . . . (Source: Michelle Treber)
Join us on Wednesday, October 29 for the Statewide Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program In-service. Program details and registration information are below.

**Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program In-Service**
October 29, 2014, 9:00 am – 3:30 pm (Agriculture Administration Building)
$25 fee includes light refreshments, lunch, and materials to support Live Healthy Live Well programming efforts.
**Register at** [http://go.osu.edu/LHLW_Inservice](http://go.osu.edu/LHLW_Inservice)

Join us on October 29th to:
- Learn about current Workplace Wellness Trends
- Learn about Blue Zones
- Receive your Biometric Screenings and Flu Shots
- Explore professional Poster Displays
- Learn ways to implement the Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program
- Learn how to offer Email Health Challenges in your area

Speakers include:
- Megan Amaya, PhD, CHES, AFAA. Dr. Amaya is the Director of Health Promotion and Wellness at Ohio State.
- Clay Marsh, MD, Professor, Senior Associate VP for Health Sciences and Chief Innovation Officer, OSU Wexner Medical Center

**Biometric Health Screenings and Flu Shots** will be offered at this in-service from 8-10 a.m. Registration for appointments will be posted at [http://go.osu.edu/screen](http://go.osu.edu/screen) after September 15. Mark your calendar and be sure to register.

Remember also to submit an **abstract (400 word limit) for a Poster** to Dan Remley at [remley.4@osu.edu](mailto:remley.4@osu.edu) by **September 14, 2014**. Include in the abstract the title, program objectives, activities, the impact or potential impact of the program on workplace employees or healthy Ohioans. All abstracts will be peer reviewed.

For more information contact: Lisa Barlage, [barlage.7@osu.edu](mailto:barlage.7@osu.edu) or Michelle Treber, [treber.1@osu.edu](mailto:treber.1@osu.edu)

**Register at** [http://go.osu.edu/LHLW_Inservice](http://go.osu.edu/LHLW_Inservice)

The registration fee for this meeting is $25 per person and the registration deadline is October 15.
Website for VP Conversation on the Future . . .

On August 5, the VP Conversation team hosted a Forum on Trends and Issues to refine and discuss the descriptors with elected officials, community leaders, industry experts, and futurists. These descriptors represent many of the challenges and opportunities that should be considered as we begin to think about the long-term future of OSU Extension.

17 Key Trends and Issues for Ohioans by 2035
- Alignment of Employee Skills with Job Needs
- Climate Change
- Crime and Terrorism
- Economic and Employment Growth
- Educational Access, Attainment, and Cost
- Energy Sources, Demands, and Cost
- Environmental and Natural Resource Management
- Food Production, Safety, and Security
- Health and Wellness
- Infrastructure
- Land Use and Geographic Population Distribution
- Population Growth, Age Distribution, Immigration, and Diversity
- Public Services and Finance
- Social Skills, Competencies, and Relationships Across Community and Family Environments
- Social, Economic, and Political Differences
- Technology Change and Adaptation

To see more background and details around the trends/issues identified, go to: http://cfaes.osu.edu/about/from-the-vp/conversations-the-future-extension

These descriptors will be studied and research summaries written to further articulate the issues and implications for the future. This information will help paint a picture of possible futures in Ohio that will inform future conversations about OSU Extension’s role.


Medina has clients who have given their heart to Extension! Their banner is posted right by their front desk. Mahoning had theirs located at the fair for folks to sign. I’m interested in seeing how your clientele are responding. Please send us a picture of your banners. Let’s show everyone why people LOVE EXTENSION!!!
100 Years Celebration in Mahoning . . .
Got Questions? We’ve got answers! Mahoning County Extension addresses Myths & Legends at their 100 Year Celebration at the Canfield Fair.

County commissioners assist with a spirited O-H-I-O.

RiV Not Online – No Profile . . . (Source: Debby Lewis)
Whenever you log in and cannot see the PROFILE tab in the menu, the system has changed you to a “faculty proxy user”. It happens to our A&P personnel most often. Again, your data is still there, so don’t worry. Please email RiV (riv@osu.edu) and ask them to restore your profile...

“Please reactivate my RiV account. I have my own profile in the RiV system, but my account has been changed to a ‘faculty proxy account’”.

Someone on the RiV team must fix your profile; unfortunately no one else can do that for you. If it takes more than 24 hours, please let Debby know. The RiV team should notify you when it has been fixed.
One of our Educators was looking through old photos to get a fair booth together for 100 years of Extension and came across a photo from 1991. You should recognize two Crossroads EERA Educators in the photo. Do you know who they are? Please send your guesses to Vicki Myers at: myers.26@osu.edu.

RFP for 2014 Annual Conference and Research Colloquium . . . (Source: Keith Smith)
Sent on behalf of the Presentations & Posters Sub-committee, 2014 Annual Conference and Research Colloquium

You may have heard that this year’s Annual Conference is going to be a little different. Sure is! Amongst the birthday cake and ice cream (I hope!), we will also be joining forces with our college to participate in the Vice President’s Conversation and Research Colloquium. Not sure what that long title might mean? Try this instead: Dean McPheron wants Extension to take the gloves off and tackle the emerging Ohio trends of the next 20 years and what that means for Extension work.

That is where this RFP comes in. We want all levels of our organization (including students enrolled in related college programs) to contribute presentations and posters that will move us toward a stronger future. We desire scholarly proposals that highlight innovative programming ideas, skills and practices we must strengthen, trends with applied responses, and/or best practices for delivering our services in the next 20 years. This will all take place in a competitive, juried selection environment.

The 2014 conference will include the following types of presentations: Concurrent Presentations (45 minutes) and 3 Poster Sessions (60-90 minute “Meet the Author” Interactive Sessions). There will be an undergraduate & graduate student poster session, research poster session, and educational outreach poster session. We are encouraging students, OSU Extension Educators, State & Field Specialists, Program Staff and Support Staff to apply. Poster sessions will be awarded cash and/or rosette prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and Honorable Mention awards by professional judges. Additionally, your peers will be selecting a People’s Choice Award for each of our three unique poster sessions. Participants will even have a chance to win an iPad Mini!

Are you ready to lead OSU Extension toward our “well considered” future? Of course you are—you’re an Extension professional! We look forward to reading these excellent proposals.
Logistics: Visit http://go.osu.edu/2014EAC to view the Request for Proposal (RFP) outline and directions (also attached to this email). Visit http://go.osu.edu/EAC_2014RFP to register to submit a proposal; due not later than Friday September 26 @ 5 p.m.; selection notices will be sent approximately November 1; direct further logistical inquiries to a member of the team below.

~Gary, David, and Tim
Presentations & Posters Sub-committee,
2014 Annual Conference and Research Colloquium

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: Keep Your Password Twice as Long - 180 days! . . . (Source: Josh Fox)
OSU has announced that the university password policy is changing on Monday August 25, 2014 to increase the time between password changes from 90 days to 180 days. This affects the username and password you use to access OSU e-mail, OSU Wireless, and protected OSU web pages. CFAES system policies have also been changed to align with this university policy so users in Columbus, Wooster and across Ohio will only have to change the password used to log on to their computer twice per year. This is a result of feedback from across the university including CFAES IT staff as well as many of you. We thank you for your interest in these issues and trust you are pleased to see this change.

Read the university announcement:
https://ocio.osu.edu/blog/community/2014/08/22/180-days-keep-your-password-twice-as-long

Pre-approval Travel . . . (source: Cheryl Fischnich)
For pre-approval travel not using University prepayments you need to email Jackie with pre-approval. We’d like to see more complete information with more notice (2-3 days) to allow Jackie a little more time to get back to you on the pre-approval. Your pre-approval email should include all the items found on the Pre-Travel Worksheet. While the pre-travel worksheet is not required, it’s a worksheet to help you include all the necessary information needed for Jackie to see regarding your trip. The pre-travel worksheet may be found at the Business Office site under Forms/Travel. Feel free to complete the worksheet and attach it to your email to Jackie if you’d rather just use the form. Feel free to copy me on the email as well.

If you have any questions please let Cheryl know at Fischnich.1@osu.edu or 330-263-3831.