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**Congratulations . . .**
to our Northeast Region FCS educators who made presentations and who were recognized at the NEAFCS Conference last week in Lexington, Kentucky:

**Presentations** -
- *Pathways to Food Safety – Kate Shumaker* (Holmes) and colleagues
- *Take Charge of Your Diabetes During the Holidays – Chris Kendle* (Tuscarawas), *Kate Shumaker* (Holmes), and colleagues

**Posters** -
- *Smart Start – Teaching Preschoolers About Money – Melinda Hill* (Wayne) and colleague

**Awards** -
- *Florence Hall Award – Team – Beth Stefura* (Mahoning), and colleagues
- *Family Health and Wellness Award – Team – Beth Stefura* (Mahoning), and team
- *Program Excellence Through Research Award – Beth Stefura* (Mahoning), and team
- *Communications Award: Educational Technology – 1st Place Central Region Winner – Chris Kendle* (Tuscarawas), and team
- *Communications Award: Educational Technology – Team – Kate Shumaker* (Holmes) and team
- *Communication Award: Internet Education Technology – Team – Beth Stefura* (Mahoning) and team
- *Distinguished Service Award – Kath Shumaker* (Holmes)

**Position Announcements . . .**
**PLEASE SHARE BROADLY**

**Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development - 100.0 FTE%**
Columbiana County / Lisbon, Ohio
Job Req: 401698
Deadline: October 5, 2014
To Apply

**Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development - 100.0 FTE%**
Medina County / Medina, Ohio
Job Req: 401699
Deadline: October 5, 2014
To Apply
Program Assistant, SNAP-ED – 100.0 FTE%
Mahoning County / Canfield, Ohio
Job Req: 401844
Deadline: September 28, 2014
To Apply

Program Assistant, SNAP-ED – 50.0 FTE%
Trumbull County / Cortland, Ohio
Job Req: 401819
Deadline: September 28, 2014
To Apply

Program Assistant, SNAP-ED – 100.0 FTE%
Medina County / Medina, Ohio
Job Req: 401843
Deadline: October 5, 2014
To Apply

Program Assistant, SNAP-ED – 100.0 FTE%
Lorain County / Elyria, Ohio
Job Req: 402069
Deadline: October 5, 2014
To Apply

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

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

Professional Courtesy Reminder – County Visits . . .
When you hold an event, conduct a field trip or escort a group into a county (that is not your home county), please notify the local Extension office about your upcoming visit as a professional courtesy. Local event hosts usually assume that the county office knows about your event, and advance notification helps everyone prepare adequately for the visit.

Top 5 Reasons to Present at the Annual Conference & Research Colloquium . . .
5. Presenters are more invested in the overall conference experience. If you hadn’t heard, THIS will be a great year to be actively engaged throughout our annual meeting.
4. You will receive a larger allotment* of celebratory birthday cake!
3. Why wouldn’t you take this opportunity to shape our future?
2. The Dean is watching. Let’s show him our best and brightest.
1. The poster sessions will be juried and offer large rosette prizes. This stuff is great for your vitae or to hang on your car’s rear-view mirror for all of 2015.

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
Thursday October 2 (new date!); selection notices will be sent approximately November 1; direct further logistical inquiries to a member of the team below.

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David Marrison: marrison.2@osu.edu
Tim Tanner: tanner.128@osu.edu

*Disclaimer: Larger allotment of cake may require you to “borrow” from health aware colleagues who leave theirs unattended.

Reconsidering Extension’s Future – Team Applications due by October 6...

Become a part of Extension Reconsidered by forming a local team, participating in a statewide training November 15, and holding a discussion in your community this winter. Extension Reconsidered is a national effort involving 13 state Extension systems and being led by Imagining America. The effort “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 Conversations on the Future of Extension and OSU Extension’s statewide needs assessment.

To become a part of this exciting national project, form a local four-person team consisting of a 14- to 19-year-old, a 20- to 24-year-old, an adult mentor, and an Extension employee. On November 15, the teams will participate in a conversation about the future of their communities and Extension. They will be trained to then duplicate the conversations in their community before April 30, 2015. The results will be part of our statewide needs assessment for Extension and will provide input for the incoming director of Extension.

Start forming your team now and submit your application by October 6. Up to 15 teams will be selected and notified before October 15. To learn more, see the e-mail you received that contains your link to the application process or visit http://osucares.osu.edu/extension-reconsidered.htm. If you have questions, contact Karen Bruns (bruns.1@osu.edu) or Ken Martin (martin.1540@osu.edu).

CFAES Communication Workshops Offered – October 10, October 16...

As one college in one university, CFAES embraces the university brand. The CFAES brand guidelines serve as an addendum to the university’s guidelines (www.osu.edu/brand). Effective August 1, 2014, 13 vendors have been approved by the university to provide promotional products and apparel (see attached list). Note: all apparel and merchandise with the university or CFAES logo should be approved by the university.

BEFORE you order apparel or merchandise, make sure the design complies with the brand standards. If you have any questions, contact Suzanne Steel (steel.7@osu.edu) or Kim Brown (brown.3384@osu.edu). Also, the college brand team meets every Wednesday morning to discuss branding questions. Visit the college brand guideline site at www.cfaes.osu.edu/brand for more information.

To help with a variety of communication topics, College Communications is offering a full-day workshop. Choose from one of two locations: Wooster on October 10 or Columbus on October 16; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both days.

- Learn how to apply the new brand using templates through hands-on training.
- Learn how to manage difficult questions and conversations in our crisis communications training.
- Learn how to make videos with your smart phones and tablets.

The $30 registration fee includes refreshments, lunch and all materials. Registration deadline is October 6 and is limited to the first 30 registrants. Partial-day registration is not available. Visit the following links to register:

October 10 – https://www.regonline.com/CFAESEnterpriseCommWorkshopWooster
October 16 – https://www.regonline.com/CFAESEnterpriseCommWorkshopColumbus
2014 Excellence in 4-H Award Nomination, Due October 20 . . .

Once again it is time to make nominations for the Excellence in 4-H Award. This award honors superior accomplishments by an Extension Educator in developing dynamic, innovative, broad-based 4-H educational programs. The award, funded through the Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Fund, is dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professionals who serve as examples in setting standards of excellence in ten major areas of the County 4-H program.

A peer may nominate any Ohio State University Extension Educator who provides leadership to 4-H programs. Nomination forms are due to Lisa Jinks by October 20, 2014. jinks.2@osu.edu. Please nominate one or more individuals, whom you think are deserving of this recognition.

2014 Excellence in 4-H Nomination Form
Excellence in 4-H List of Award Winners
Excellence in 4-H Award

Chi Epsilon Sigma Membership Drive . . .

It is time once again for the annual CES membership drive. Chi Epsilon Sigma is Extension’s professional organization for support staff. Membership is open to all support staff that have at least a 45 percent appointment with Extension.

Annual CES membership dues have been raised by the Board from $15 to $25. The reason behind this decision is, in addition to the CES awards currently available to membership (which the dues support), CES is planning to offer an Annual Professional Development opportunity open to both CES members (at little or no cost) and Extension Staff.

Extension administration reaffirms that dues may be paid from county/department budgets with unit director approval. The preferred method of payment is by OSU Chartfield. You may pay with a personal check as well. To encourage staff to join that may not be able to because of budget constraints; six membership scholarships will be available. You can request an application by checking the appropriate box on the membership form. Membership information and the application are attached. Please let me know if you have any trouble opening the attachments.

The 2014 CES Annual Meeting will take place on Tuesday, December 9, at the Ohio Union in partnership with the OSU Extension Annual Conference. The theme of this year’s OSU Extension Annual Conference is “The Next 100 Years.” Mark your calendars and plan to attend. A $100 scholarship will be awarded to a CES member to assist with expenses to attend the Annual Meeting and Conference. Criteria will be based on restricted financial funding, and an application will be sent if you check the box on the membership form.

Now is the time to consider membership in CES – the Extension support staff professional organization. Experience the many benefits of the CES membership.

2014-15 Membership Information and Forms
for returning members, new members, and new or continuing emeriti

- CES Membership Application (Active & Emeriti Form)
- 2015 Secret Friend application packet

Chi Epsilon Sigma (CES) Awards & Recognition . . .

Please take a few minutes to apply for several award opportunities:

- Professional Development Award
- Newsletter, Brochure, and Web Page Contest
- Dorothy Rex Inspiration Award
- Extension Support Staff Excellence Award

See the CES website for details: http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/chi-epsilon-sigma/awards-recognition

Awards deadline is October 31st!
OSUE Promotion Workshop – Save the Date . . .
WHO:  Extension faculty and A&P educators
WHAT:  OSUE Promotion Workshop
WHEN:  Session One - Wednesday, November 12, 2014
        Session Two - Tuesday, January 27, 2015 (repeat of November)
WHERE:  Administration Building Auditorium, Columbus, OH

Registration information will be available in September. Questions, contact Lisa Dune, dune.2@osu.edu