Ohio State University Extension

Southwest Region Forum
September 15, 2014

Barb’s Notes and Quotes…

Autumn is in the air and the trees are starting to turn. It’s my favorite time of the year! Take time to enjoy all the sights and sounds of the season!

Greetings to all those who are attending the NEAFCS Annual Meeting in Lexington. The Southwest Region has several national winners (see below). Congratulations to each one!

I want to encourage each of you to submit a proposal for a presentation or poster for Annual Conference. Entries are due September 26. And be sure to nominate your volunteers and colleagues for the various awards from OAEP/ESP. They are due October 3.

County visits start next week. Please be sure to complete your self-evaluation to help me to get to know about your programs. Contact me if you have question.

Happy Autumn!

Barb
News Around the Southwest Region

Congratulations to the following Educators who are receiving top awards at the NEAFCS Annual Meeting this week: Distinguished Service, Pat Holmes (Montgomery FCS); Continued Excellence, Pat Brinkman (Fayette FCS); Florence Hall and Central Region Communication Award: Educational Curriculum Package, Kathy Michelich

Happy September Birthdays...

• September 10 Christy Millhouse- CED/Educator, Preble County
• September 17 Diana May-Program Assistant, Union County
• September 21 Kim Hoppes-Office Associate, Fayette County
• September 25 Carol Wagner-Office Associate, Hardin County
• September 29 Julie Crook-Program Coordinator, Hamilton County
• September 30 Marcia Hatcher- Program Assistant, Champaign County

Business Office News

eReports changes due to HR System change
For Extension

Check Distribution Report
The Check Distribution Report is no longer available but Unit Director’s need this report in order to complete financial reconciliation on the eReports. For July Extension Human Resources will be sending a new and improved version of the report that should make it easier for you to monitor payroll for your office. Questions? Laura Keesor – Keesor.1@osu.edu

New Fund on your eReports 010192
Starting in July some of you have seen a new fund showing on your 90 report. This fund relates to individuals with time on an OSP project. As long as there is no amount in the ACTUAL section of the page you can ignore it. If you see something appear in the ACTUAL section it means there is an issue with someone’s payroll and you need to contact Laura Keesor for assistance. Questions? Laura Keesor – Keesor.1@osu.edu

Thoughts to Ponder

The best way to inspire people to superior performance is to convince them by everything you do and by your everyday attitude that you are wholeheartedly supporting them.
~Harold S. Geneen

It seems rather incongruous that in a society of super sophisticated communication, we often suffer from a shortage of listeners.
~Erma Bombeck

One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon - instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today.
~Dale Carnegie

Lead Well, Lead Right

Barb Brahm’s Schedule

• September 15 Faculty P&T Reviews
• September 16 Farm Science Review
• September 17 Delaware County Fair
• September 18 Montgomery Vacation
• September 19 Vacation
• September 21 Auglaize
Help Shape the Future of Sustainability in Columbus

The City of Columbus needs your help to shape the next five years of sustainability in Columbus by commenting on “The Columbus Green Community Plan: Green Memo III.” Researchers in the School of Environment and Natural Resources have been working with the City to build a survey to gather this feedback. Click here to participate. The survey closes Wednesday (9/17).

Contact: morton.35@osu.edu

September Social Media Workshops Rescheduled for October!... (Source: Jamie Seger)

Due to many scheduling conflicts with events such as Farm Science review and the NEAFCS conference, we have rescheduled the social media workshops set for September for the following dates:

- Just the Basics Workshop: October 22nd
- Content & Strategy Workshop: October 24th

Both workshops will be held on campus in Columbus. Please save these dates if you are interested in attending either or both workshops. Registration information will come out the first week in October.

Present at the 2014 OSU Extension Annual Conference and Research Colloquium...

You are invited to actively engage in the OSU Extension Annual Conference and Research Colloquium on December 9-11 at the Ohio Union. As our organization looks to “The Next 100 Years,” all colleagues are encouraged to consider the research, skill sets, methods, trends, etc. that will drive our organization forward in service to all Ohioans. As the initial RFP announcement on August 26 said, “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.”

Anyone in OSU Extension is invited to contribute presentations and posters that will move us toward a stronger future. Proposals are due by 5 pm on September 26. Proposals may be submitted to present in one of the following formats: 45-minute presentation or poster. New this year: a special poster opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students. Visit http://go.osu.edu/2014EAC to view the request for proposal outline and directions.