Preparing for the Fall 2014 Unit Meeting

On October 1 we will be meeting again as a group, this time at a location that may be new to you; the Gwynne Conservation Area Cabin at the Farm Science Review in London, Ohio.

We have an agenda designed to maximize sharing and learning about your specific efforts in the areas of program development, delivery, evaluation, marketing, funding, etc. For example, in what ways are you involved in multi-state or cross-programmatic efforts? What are your thoughts on the Cross State Programming Protocol for Multi-State Program Delivery posted to our CD webpage? How would you describe your on-line program delivery efforts? What is planned in this area? Do you have new or revised evaluation tools and/or findings you would like to share? In what ways are you applying the new OSU branding standards to your efforts? What about your social media, webpage and blog posting efforts?

We’ll share and discuss around these topics, discuss the CD Marketing Plan, and have a chance to meet and talk with Angie LeMaster, Extension’s new Grants Specialist assuming the previous role of recently retired Jackie LaMuth. We’ll also take time to get updated on all things NACDEP and our ‘Give to CD’ Campaign too. See the attached draft agenda to learn more and feel free to contact me if you have questions about how to best prepare. We will send chartfield information for your October mileage logs shortly after the meeting.

Extension Annual Conference & Research Colloquium - Proposals Due September 26

Much of your good work and the types of things you may be preparing to report on October 1 are also of high value to our Extension colleagues working in other program areas. As such, I encourage you to consider submitting a proposal to present one aspect of this work at the Extension Annual Conference. Visit go.osu.edu/EAC_2014RFP to register to submit a proposal; due not later than Friday September 26 @ 5 p.m. If you have questions about what you might propose, please consult with a colleague or give me a call.

Taking Time Away

Finally, as an organization we talk about making time to get away from work and we have written about the topic in these pages. Like many things, sometimes it is easier to say than it is to do. Making a conscious effort to tune out when possible and blocking out dates on the calendar can help. I am happy to report that Sandy will be on a much-deserved vacation September 12-22. As such, if you have specific needs during this time, please coordinate your support needs accordingly. Ideally (but I realize this is not always possible) we are able to plan our support needs well in advance. If you can wait until she returns, that is ideal too. If not, please call me to discuss.

Finally…

In preparing for meetings this week, I was reminded of a couple of documents that are definitely worth reading (either again or for the very first time). One describes the role and vision for our work; the other outlines the core competencies needed for our work. I encourage you to take a few minutes to review both and share your comments and questions with colleagues on our CD Chat Page.
2014-2015 Science Sundays Season kicks off September 14:
The Fourth Season of Science Sundays kicks off September 14 with Margot Gerritsen, associate professor of Energy Resources Engineering; and director of the Institute for Computational & Mathematical Engineering at Stanford University. Read more: artsandsciences.osu.edu/.

Climate Webinar presents “NOAA Climate Resources” – September 25:
Ohio Sea Grant will present a climate webinar entitled “NOAA Climate Resources” on Thursday, September 25, from 12 to 1 p.m. Sign up for this free webinar at: changingclimate.osu.edu/webinars/.

Monthly Webinars for Growers & Producers continue September 25:
CFAES continues its free monthly webinars on September 25 from noon to 1 p.m. to help growers and producers enhance marketing and improve and expand sales. "Marketing Meat" will be facilitated by Mark Mechling, OSU Extension educator. Join in at: carmenconnect.osu.eduemarketmeat. Contact for the webinar series is Brad Bergefurd (740-289-2071, ext. 136 or bergefurd.1@osu.edu). For complete information and a list of upcoming webinars, read the February 5 news release. More information on direct marketing can be found at: directmarketing.osu.edu.

21st Century Workforce Conference - October 15 through 17:
Join national experts to share perspectives on transformative education and workforce development strategies and policies at the Transforming U.S. Workforce Development Policies for the 21st Century conference, hosted by the Federal Reserve Banks of Atlanta and Kansas City, and the John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development at Rutgers University. Those interested in attending the conference, which will take place October 15-17, in New Brunswick, New Jersey, can register here.

2nd Chance at Social Media Workshops – October 22 & 24:
The Ed Tech team in partnership with CommTech will be offering two different social media workshops on campus in Columbus during the month of October. "Just the Basics" will be held on October 22, and "Content & Strategy" will be held on October 24. Please save these dates if you are interested in attending either or both workshops. Complete information, including registration, will be available the first week in October.

Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program In-Service October 29:
The Live Healthy Live Well Signature Program In-Service will be held October 29, 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Agriculture Administration Building in Columbus. The $25 fee includes light refreshments, lunch, and materials to support Live Healthy Live Well programming efforts. Deadline to register is October 15 (go.osu.edu/LHLW_Inservice).
Remember also to submit an abstract (400 word limit) for a Poster to Dan Remley at remley.4@osu.edu by September 14. 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.
Topics for the In-Service will include:

- Learn about current Workplace Wellness Trends
- Learn about Blue Zones
- Receive your Biometric Screenings & 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

For more information contact: Lisa Barlage, (barlage.7@osu.edu) or Michelle Treber (treber.1@osu.edu).
Critical Difference Professional Development Grants due September 25:

Professional Development and Women of Color Advancement Grants are available for women faculty and staff continuously employed by Ohio State for at least one year, and students (graduate/professional students with a 3.0 GPA and undergraduates with a 2.5 GPA). Grants can be used for professional development activities, research, etc. Significant financial need is a key consideration. Applications are due Thursday, September 25 and are available online. Read more: criticaldifference.osu.edu.

BETHA Grant Competition Call for Proposals due November 25:

Ohio State full-time faculty are invited to apply for the annual Battelle Engineering, Technology and Human Affairs Endowment awards. The annual grant competition, established in 1975 with a gift from Battelle Memorial Institute, funds three to six projects that examine the impact of science and technology on individuals and society. Emphasis is placed on educational and public service programs and collaborative projects. Awards range from $10,000 to $60,000. Submit proposals by Tuesday, November 25. Contact: betha@research.osu.edu.

Read more at: go.osu.edu/betha.

Proposals for OSUE Annual Conference and Research Colloquium due September 26:

Are you conducting research that can impact Ohioans? Are you engaged with Ohio communities? Faculty, staff and students across the university are encouraged to present at the OSU Extension 2014 Annual Conference and Research Colloquium on Tuesday, December 9, through Thursday, December 11, at the Ohio Union. Proposals from students, staff and faculty are due Friday, September 26. Read more at: go.osu.edu/2014EAC.

OJCEP Awards – Applications due October 3:

Now is the time to nominate your peers, community partners, and/or yourself for the following Ohio Joint Council of Extension Professionals Awards:

- **Team Teaching** – Single-program area or multi-disciplinary teams and *NEW THIS YEAR* categories specifically for teams with non-Extension collaborators.
- **Creative Works** – Have a great newsletter, website, TV program curriculum package (just to name a few)?
- **Friend of Extension** – Think volunteers, business leaders, organizations, elected officials and more . . . up to three recipients will be recognized, with one being selected to represent Ohio through the National ESP award nomination process.
- **Special Chapter Awards** – Nominees are eligible to receive an award in any one category only once. A complete list of previous recipients is available at the link below. Chapter winners will be asked to complete a Regional/National Award Application in January. Each 20 employees in the category allows for one winner to be selected. Program area winners will submit a 120-word bio to the Special Chapter Subcommittee for competing for the State level winner. Previous category winners (not selected as the state winner) will be included in the pool of candidates for consideration as Ohio’s State Level Winner in these categories and may be asked to submit an application as Ohio’s National ESP Applicant.

ALL applications are available as Word docs at extensionstaff.osu.edu/ohio-jcep-scholarships-grants-and-recognition-committee/. Applications are due (to the individual listed on each) no later than midnight, October 3. (*Creative Works must be mailed hard-copy and post-marked no later than October 3.*)
Judges needed for Student Poster Forum - September 18:
The Undergraduate Research Office is seeking postdocs and graduate students to volunteer as judges for the Fall Undergraduate Research Student Poster Forum on Thursday, September 18. More than 225 students will showcase their summer research. This is not a formally judged forum, but this is an opportunity to give students meaningful feedback from experts in their respective fields. The forum will feature three poster presentation sessions from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. If interested, fill out the online form. Contact: uro@osu.edu. Read more at: undergraduteresearch.osu.edu.

Ohio Balanced Growth Program - Best Practices / Survey / Newsletter:
Provide your feedback about the Ohio Balanced Growth program's efforts in the past year, whether you have or have not participated in any programs to date. Your input will help plans for education and technical assistance that serve you best. For more information on the Balanced Growth Program, including the Best Local Land Use Practices, visit: balancedgrowth.ohio.gov. Complete the survey at: www.surveymonkey.com/s/YDJYCBT. View the Summer newsletter at: balancedgrowth.ohio.gov.

Help shape the Future of Sustainability in Columbus:
Researchers in the School of Environment and Natural Resources have been working with the City of Columbus to build a survey to gather feedback to help the city prioritize actions in the domains of transportation, water, energy, climate, the built environment, local food, ecological systems, waste reduction and community engagement. Click here to fill out surveys for as many of these domains as you’d like. Contact: Jeremy Brooks at brooks.719@osu.edu.

Articles of Interest:
Communiqué (September 8 Issue)
CFAES News:
- Sept. 9: How to Continue Ohio’s Clean Energy Progress
- USDA Launches New Dairy Decision Tool that Ohio State Economist Helped Develop
- Ohio State Hosts International Nonthermal Processing Workshop Oct. 22-24
- Environmental Concerns Related to Shale Oil and Gas Development to Be Discussed at 2014 Farm Science Review
- Learn about Season Extension, More at Farm Science Review’s Small Farms Center
- Panel Discussion at Farm Science Review to Focus on New Programs in the Farm Bill

eXtension Update (September Issue)
Ohio State Launches New Housing Learning Community Focused on Sustainability (AEDE News)
Transcend (August 2014 – Office of Research)
Buck-IRB Newsletter (Back-To-School 2014 edition)