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President's Message

Debby Mathews (AL), NEAFCS President

Dear NEAFCS members:



Even in the heat of summer our members are fully engaged in a plethora of educational activities. They include county and state fairs, 4-H camp and competitive events, and more!

For your national board, this is also the time of year when several members travel to conferences to represent NEAFCS. June 6-9 Terri Mayhew and I participated in the JCEP Summer Board meeting in Wilmington, NC.

June 22-26 Joey Peutz represented us at the AAFCS Conference in Bellevue, WA. She set up our exhibit there and also attended the FCS Alliance meeting.

July 24-29 I will be at the NACAA Conference in Little Rock-again as a JCEP Marketing Team member.

Now here is the engaged gear icon search report for June. Twenty-seven members responded and the first three were: Sue Flanagan, Kathryn Brandt and Kim Edmonds.

Upcoming Events

- Members-only Webinar • July 21
Planning for Retirement in 40, 30, 20, 10 Years
2:00 PM EDT
Members-only Webinar • Aug 24
Be Part of the Party to Celebrate the International Year of Pulses (Dry Beans, Peas, Lentils)
2:00 PM EDT
NEAFCS 2016 Annual Session • Sept 12-15
Big Sky, MT
NEAFCS 2017 Annual Session • Oct 16-19
Omaha, NE
NEAFCS 2018 Annual Session • Sept 24-27
San Antonio, TX
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Our Tweets

Tweets by @Tweet_NEAFCS

NEAFCS Retweeted

Cornell Food Lab @CUFood_BrandLab

Past studies have found that exercise commercials can influence overall food intake, particularly so among overweight individuals.

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Big Sky, MT

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Please let someone else "give it a go". As always, when you find the gear, respond to me at matheen@aces.edu

Sincerely,

Debby

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NEAFCS 2016- 2017 Slate of National Office Candidates

Peggy Ehlers (IN), Past President, National Nominating Committee Chair



The NEAFCS National Nominating Committee is pleased to present the 2016-17 slate of officers for your consideration. The committee worked hard to contact these candidates and provide the encouragement and information needed to secure their applications. We believe you will find them all highly qualified.

The NEAFCS National Board has approved this slate of candidates. Eastern and Western Region Directors will be giving a 3 minute speech and be elected by Voting Delegates in their respective Business Meetings on Wednesday, September 14th from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. The remaining slate will give their speeches at the General Session on Wednesday and be voted on at the NEAFCS Annual Business Meeting on Thursday, September 15th from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. If you are a voting delegate for your Affiliate, it is your responsibility to read through these position statements. Encourage others in your affiliate to do the same, and decide as an Affiliate which candidate you support for office. Candidate applications will be available for review at the Candidate Display during the Exhibits at Annual Session.

Candidates include:

President-Elect: Lora Lee Howard, Kentucky

Secretary: Jovita Lewis, Alabama

Vice President for Professional Development: Karen DeZarn, Texas

Vice President for Member Resources: Edda Cotto-Rivera, Georgia

Eastern Region Director: Diane Whitten, New York

Western Region Director: Julie Cascio, Alaska

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Board Moves to Fully Fund the Endowment

Nancy Stehulak (OH), Treasurer



Your NEAFCS Board has been deliberating our association's funding and finances for the last several months. After profitable annual sessions in Lexington and West Virginia, the board found itself in the position of being able to move some of the profit from these meetings directly into the endowment fund.

The transfer of \$111,000 into the endowment fund by the board will push the endowment to a new high of \$248,432.11 (May 31, 2016 est.) The endowment fund, which was established to support NEAFCS projects, was given the additional push by the board to be fully funded to \$300,000 with a move of funds from within our invested accounts.

Both the finance and the investment committees had discussed this as a possible direction for NEAFCS. The finance committee proposed this recommendation to the Board.

With a now fully funded endowment, the interest from this \$300,000 investment can come back to support ongoing NEAFCS programs. We wanted to share this good news with each of you, as members. The dollars you have invested in your professional organization are now working even harder for you!

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Beginnings of NEAFCS Endowment

Sharon Hoelscher Day (AZ), 2003-04 NEAFCS President



Most of us want to make a difference in areas that are important to us, but our challenge is how. The NEAFCS Endowment was a way for all Extension Family and Consumer Sciences professionals to “think BIG” and work toward our shared vision for the future. NEAFCS leaders started talking about a possible Endowment Fund before 2000 in

the NEAFCS Millennium Map, board meetings, member survey and 2001-04 Strategic Plan. A 2003 Ad Hoc Revenue Enhancement committee identified recommendations for developing the Endowment and in 2004 state presidents discussed NEAFCS’s vision and goals for the Endowment. The NEAFCS Endowment would provide a stable, long-term source of funding for special projects not covered by dues. Our members had asked about ways to include NEAFCS in their estate plans and how to support special projects.

The NEAFCS Endowment was approved with a goal of \$300,000 by 2009, NEAFCS’s 75th Anniversary. The kick-off for the Endowment was at the 2004 Nashville Annual Session when I was National President. The NEAFCS Endowment had targeted areas where donors could specify their donations and only the interest from the NEAFCS Endowment will be used.

I was honored to chair the Endowment Committee from 2004-2012. During the first year, more than 120 members and states donated or pledged over \$35,000. Affiliates, Active and Life members made donations in honor of retirees and in memory of colleagues. Members have donated IRAs; estate gifts, annual pledges and as Yogi Berra once said, “Cash, it’s almost as good as money.” Over the years donors were recognized with “jewels”, donor names in the Annual Session program, on an “Endowment Tree” display, \$75 for NEAFCS’s 75th and special pins for \$100 for Extension’s 100th anniversary.

You can still be a philanthropist and support the NEAFCS Endowment and leave a legacy. The donor form is online at <http://www.neafcs.org/endowment>

Thank you to all NEAFCS Endowment Donors for your generous support over the years! As Margaret Mead’s quote shares:

*“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens
Can change the world, indeed,
it’s the only thing that ever has.”*

If you are not on the list, I hope you will be one of “thoughtful, committed citizens” to change the world and join our list of donors this year.

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Volunteer at the NEAFCS Annual Session

Marnie Spencer (ID), Arrangements Subcommittee Chair

We are looking forward to a wonderful NEAFCS Conference in Montana in September. It is a beautiful place to meet new colleagues as well as reconnect with friends. There will be wonderful events throughout the week.

Consider volunteering a little bit of your time while you are at NEAFCS to help the Arrangements Committee. You could sign up to moderate a concurrent sessions, take tickets for an event, or simply serve as a door greeter at an event.

We will be using Sign Up Genius to coordinate all the work that needs to be done. Please watch for upcoming issues of the eNEAFCS Newsletter to learn more about how to help. You can also contact Marnie Spencer, marniers@uidaho.edu, to volunteer now to help. Looking forward to seeing you in Montana!

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Opportunities to do Professional Presentations Could Not Get Any Easier!

Gisele Jefferson (CO), Webinars Subcommittee Chair

From the comfort of your office, in a time span of about 90 minutes, you, too, can present a workshop via webinar for a national audience of your peers! Agents and specialists, individuals and teams from across the country are sharing their successful programs and research by utilizing the NEAFCS Professional Development Webinars opportunity. The Webinars subcommittee has a goal of one webinar per month, except for the month of our NEAFCS conference. So, there are 11 opportunities per year!

And, did I say it was easy? Just go to www.neafcs.org and login to the Member Center. In the Professional Development menu click on Webinars. Scroll down past the upcoming webinars information to the Webinars Proposal Submissions online form. Submit a 50-word abstract, a 300-word program description and 100-word methodology overview. Please add a sentence or two about the evaluation component and results.

The proposal is then sent to our committee electronically through email for review. We communicate with the presenter or team, and the national office, through email to schedule the webinar using the online GoToWebinar portal. Jody Rosen Atkins, from our national management office, facilitates the technical aspects of the screen sharing; and the webinar committee provides a moderator and an online evaluation survey for each webinar.

And, that's it!! It is easy peasy!! And, you get credit for making a presentation to a national audience of your peers!

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Our Mission is a Simple One, Isn't It?

Lorrie Coop (TX), Diversity Subcommittee Chair



Our mission as Extension educators is to provide university-based educational services regarding current trends and emerging issues. However, in order to effectively carry out our mission, it is critical that we know our intended audiences as well. The cultural landscape of American society is constantly changing and these changes reflect the

diversity of our society, extending far beyond race and culture. Regardless of topic, our audiences might include the elderly, minorities, single parents, veterans, or people with physical or mental disabilities. Reaching such diverse audiences can be challenging.

Several studies have identified professional development as

a driving force to expose educators to the most current concepts, thinking, and research in the field. One study, Loucks-Horsely et al. (1998) identified five stages reflecting the purposes of professional development: (1) developing awareness, (2) building knowledge focus, (3) translating into practice, (4) practicing teaching, and (5) reflection.

With regard to clientele, this means (1) becoming more familiar with your target audience, their culture and possible barriers you may encounter when trying to reach them, (2) seeking opportunities to learn more about your audience and their culture through training and/or research, (3) using the knowledge you gain to help formulate an inclusive teaching plan, (4) implementing the plan and then (5) Improving your program through evaluation and feedback.

I encourage you to seek out professional development opportunities to increase your knowledge and skills in regard to reaching diverse audiences. If you are planning to attend our upcoming conference in Big Sky Montana, take advantage of the many valuable concurrent sessions available. You'll be glad you did!

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PILD Reflections Show Extension Awareness

Glenda Hyde (OR), Vice President for Public Affairs



The experience at PILD allowed me to learn more about America's Land Grant universities and related institutions, the need for increased Smith-Lever funds, and the growth, priorities, and impacts of various Extension programs. It also gave me the opportunity to learn and build relationships with county board members, volunteers, and professionals from across

Wisconsin and the United States. Spending time on Capitol Hill gave me a wonderful opportunity to meet with staffers from Wisconsin, and educate them on the many ways UW Extension impacts our local communities.

-- Jeanne Walsh (WI)

One of my favorite parts of the conference was Dr. Steel's Keynote presentation regarding Innovation and Technology within Extension. He did an excellent job of driving home the point of keeping Extension relevant by being innovative in today's changing world.

During the meetings with our members of congress we were able to share the great work that Purdue Extension is doing for our state and found that they were aware and supportive of the work of Extension. We gave them more detailed examples of how we're making an impact in their constituencies. We were able to find out about the issues they thought were important, too. Opioid/Substance abuse was an issue identified by both offices. We were also able to meet with their staff members.

-- Demarcus Sneed (IN)

The conference is an excellent opportunity to network with other states and other program areas. Attending the National Program Leaders Panel Discussions provided some context for NIFA programs and grants and how their resources can benefit my local programs. I also found the "A Panel Discussion - Communicating on the Hill: Two Roles - Advocating and Education" to be very helpful the afternoon before the Hill visits.

-- Hope Wilson (AZ)

The highlight of the week was visiting with our Representatives' and Senators' staff on Capitol Hill to briefly share about the work we do and to thank them for their continued support of Extension funding. I came away with a greater understanding of and appreciation for the nationwide network of Extension. I encourage my colleagues to attend PILD as they have opportunity to deepen their

understanding of Extension's connection to USDA NIFA and how to work with policy makers at all levels of government.

-- Judy Corbus (FL)

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The 2017 JCEP Leadership Conference

Debby Mathews (AL), NEAFCS President

The 2017 JCEP Leadership Conference will be held February 8-9, 2017. The Theme for the conference is **"Emerging Leadership for Tomorrow's Extension."**

The planning committee is seeking proposals for presentation in the breakout session. They will consider presentations of the following types: Oral Presentations, Round-Table Discussions and Ignite Sessions.

Presentations should focus on one of the following tracks: 1) Strategic Planning Tools and Methods, 2) Program Evaluation for Planning and Program Improvement, 3) Leadership Challenges, Collaborations and Partnerships and 4) Identifying and Responding to Emerging Issues.

For additional information and to submit a proposal for a presentation at the conference use this link - [Additional Information and Submit Proposal.](#)

<http://jcep.org/images/Leadership-Conf/2017-JLC/2017-JCEP-RFP.pdf>

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More Reasons to Come Early, Stay Late

Kelly Moore (MT), President Elect, NEAFCS Montana Affiliate



"Fun". That word needs something to go along with it...like, "have or look for, find, or be." It generates an image that is uniquely yours. I could tell you about some fun activities in our state that would require you to come early and stay late (there are 147,164 sq. miles to cover)! I think, however, that it should be up to you to decide what "fun" is.

Suggestions for your search: www.montana.edu/ MSU International Student and Scholar Services (cached page) provides great information for Bozeman area activities , as well as Alaska Airline Destinations: www.alaskaair.com/travelinfo/destinations/bozeman-montana.



For history buffs, I recommend exploring the Bozeman Trail. 1863 brought John Bozeman and John Jacobs together in an effort to find a more direct route through Native lands of Wyoming and Montana to the gold fields of the West. Despite major battles (Red Cloud's War), the Bozeman Trail was officially recognized in 1868 and became a major travel route to the

West Coast. Remnants of that era can still be viewed today in the "lively ghost towns" of Virginia City and Nevada City, the site of the richest placer gold strike in the Rocky Mountains and only a scenic 1 hr., 15 min. drive from Bozeman. The player piano collection, Brewery Follies, old time photo booth, and ice cream, are not to be missed!

September will soon be here and hopefully, so will you!

For the latest information: NEAFCS.org website,
<http://neafcsmontana2016.blogspot.com/> and
<http://www.neafcs.org/2016-annual-session>

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Parliamentary Pointers- Amending a Main Motion

Janice Strand (NM), Professional Registered Parliamentarian

"To Modify is to Amend"

The subsidiary motion to *Amend* is a motion to modify the wording -- and within certain limits the meaning -- of a pending motion before the pending motion is acted upon.

Amend is probably the most widely used of the subsidiary motions, although the full procedure for its most effective application is not generally well understood by the meeting-going public at large. [RONR (11th Edition), p. 130]

Rules for the use of Amend

1. The amendment must be germane (related to the question being considered).
2. Can be applied to any main motion or to any motion that legitimately contains a variable factor.
3. Can be applied to an amendment (secondary amendment).
4. Is out of order when another has the floor.
5. Requires a second.
6. Is debatable whenever the motion to which it is applied is debatable.
7. Is amendable.
8. Debate must be confined to the desirability of the amendment; debate must not extend to the merits of the motion to be amended.
9. Only one primary amendment and one secondary amendment are permitted at a time.
10. Requires a majority vote.
11. May be adopted by unanimous consent.
12. To adopt an amendment does not adopt the motion being amended.
13. May be reconsidered.
14. **If the amendment is adopted by majority vote (or unanimous consent), then the main motion as amended must be voted on and can be adopted or can fail.**

A main motion can be amended by:

Adding at the end. The maker of the amendment would state, "I move to amend the main motion by adding....."

Striking out a word or words. The maker of the amendment would state, "I move to amend the main motion by striking out..... (stating the specific words to be stricken)"

Inserting a word or words. The maker of the amendment would state, "I move to amend the main motion by inserting _____ after _____ and before _____."

Striking out and inserting a word or words. The maker of the amendment would state specifically what word(s) is to be stricken and what words are to be inserted in that place.

Substitution (paragraph or entire motion).

Amendments can become confusing if the presider is not familiar with the procedure. **So.... now it might be more clear as to why the earlier column emphasized that it is very important to write a motion and be sure that it contains all necessary information...before presenting it!**

[Information on agenda can be reviewed in Roberts Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th Edition, \(RONR\) pp. 353-375.](#)

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