

Extension This Month – August 2004

*Welcome to **Extension This Month!** In an effort to keep the organization well informed, the Executive Team will be sending out a monthly electronic newsletter. Watch for us each month to hear updates and information happening throughout the organization.*

NATIONAL NEWS UPDATES

Second National Conference on Internationalizing Extension

As part of the National Initiative to Internationalize Extension, a Second National Conference is to be held on January 18-20, 2005 in Orlando Florida. The conference will be held at the Grosvenor Resort and Hotel just across from Disney. The program will highlight the progress made across the USA as states move forward in internationalizing their extension services and programs. Mini-grantees will describe their projects, states will share materials and resources, and participants to explore strategies that enhance institutional and human capacity to bring an international and global perspective to US citizens and clientele. Opportunities will be available for projects to offer in-depth training sessions on-site. For more information, contact **Mike Gamroth**, Animal Science, at mike.gamroth@oregonstate.edu

STATE NEWS UPDATES

Extension Strategic Plan

The Extension Strategic Plan is nearing completion. We are in the process of final edits. The plan should be out within a couple of weeks. Thank you to all of you who participated in helping develop this road map for our future.

2004 Extension Conference

The planning committee is finalizing the details of this year's Extension Conference. In the next few weeks you will be receiving registration information for the 2004 Extension Conference. If you would like to get an idea of what will be in store for you, the schedule for the conference can be found on the Extension Administration Web page at: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/admin>

Support Your OSU Extension Professional Development Funds!

It's a "GO!" for our traditional fundraising raffle at Annual Conference! Many of us have benefited from at least one of the four professional development fund scholarships -- to help with professional conference expenses, to attend training workshops, or for additional formal education. Here's a great way to give to the fund that provides financial assistance for our professional development activities. Bring a door prize, bring your checkbook, or better yet, bring both! You can even sign up for a payroll deduction! The more we raise for the funds, the more support dollars there are to distribute. If you haven't applied for professional development funds yet, the next opportunity is November 1. Check out the website at this link for more information: <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/staffdev/>

Here's how you can contribute to this year's fundraising effort:

1. We're asking each county unit to bring one (or more) raffle items that are representative of your county.
2. You can personally contribute a raffle item!
3. You can buy raffle tickets! Look for ticket sales at the BBQ on Tuesday night and throughout the conference at the OSUEA membership/information table (Alumni Center foyer). You'll get one ticket for every \$10 contribution -- either cash or through the monthly payroll deduction plan. And, might I add, that payroll deduction is a painless way to contribute. For only \$5/month, you'll make a \$60 contribution to the fund and receive 6 raffle tickets!

Thanks in advance for supporting the OSU Extension Professional Development Funds! If you plan to bring a raffle item, please email me in advance with a description of the item and it's approximate value. I'll let you know where and when to bring your item(s). See you at Annual Conference!

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COUNTY NEWS UPDATES

National 4-H Forestry Invitational

Oregon was among 17 states that participated in the 25th annual National 4-H Forestry Invitational in July. The state was represented by Keara Gann of Ray City, Stephanie Lane of Tillamook and Eva DeBoer of Manzanita. **Carrie Averill**, Tillamook was their coach. This was the first Oregon team to travel to West Virginia and participate in this national event.

PROGRAM NEWS UPDATES

International Conference on Volunteer Administration to be held in Portland.

This conference brings together individuals from around the world who are leaders in the field of volunteer development. It is the annual conference for the Association for Volunteer Administration.

Oregon faculty and staff have been selected to make seminar presentations at the 2004 International Conference on Volunteer Administration in Portland, OR, October 20-23.

Seminars:

- **Jeanne Brandt**, Washington County and **Lillian Larwood**, State 4-H Office: *Multicultural Miscommunications*
- **David Mitchell** and a 4-H Member: *I Can't Do It Without You: Developing a Youth/Adult Partnership*
- **Terry Palmer**, **Mario Magana** and **Mary Lou Cornejo**, Marion County: *Latino Volunteers: What Experience Teaches Us*
- **Robin VanWinkle**, Douglas County, **Mary Arnold**, State 4-H Office, and **Susan Busler**, Lane County: *Using Evaluation to Tell the Story of the Difference we Make*

- **Tammy Skubinna**, Benton County and **Mary Dunn**, Josephine County: *How to Work With Youth Volunteers*
- **Robin Galloway**, Linn County and **Susan Busler**, Lane County: *Nurturing Sponsors for Long-term Success*

MARKETING

Marketing News

THERE'S STILL TIME TO REGISTER FOR A SUMMER GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP!

The grant writing workshop at NWREC is FULL. However, you can still register for the same workshop in LaGrande or Bend. Here's the dates:

August 18th at the Union County Extension Office in LaGrande; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

September 2nd at Cascade Campus in Bend; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Previous emails have been sent out about the workshops. Contact **Jean Stilwell** or **Kim Tarrant** for more information or to register.

For Sale

Bring your checkbooks or index numbers to Extension Conference. There will be an opportunity to buy marketing items such as T Shirts, caps, mugs, etc. at ROCK BOTTOM PRICES! It will be a good time to stock up on Extension items for personal or business use. Prices will be good only during Extension Conference.

Marketing Tips

Have you recently thought about how people find you?

The Phone Book is probably the single most important advertising tool for Extension. Since we are known by so many different names, have you thought about being listed in several places in the phone book? It might cost a little more, but it could be important in order for people to find the phone number. Some examples are: OSU Extension Service; Oregon State University Extension Service; Washington County Extension; Extension Service Washington County.

THIS 'N THAT

OSU ID Cards – Extending Deadline for Extension Faculty

OSU will be adopting a new I.D. card design as part of the I.D. number conversion from Social Security numbers to generated I.D. numbers. Many of you have received a request that you come to the ID Center to have your photo retaken. We have negotiated with the ID Center to extend their deadline of September 15 so that you may do this while on campus for the 2004 Extension Conference, September 21-23. To get your photo taken and receive your new ID, go to the I.D. Center in the Memorial Union, room 215. Office hours are Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Individual appointments are not necessary.

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 14-19, 2004	Epsilon Sigma Phi Conference - Quad Cities, IL
September 22-24, 2004	Extension Conference
October 3-6, 2004	NEAFCS Conference - Nashville, TN
October 21, 2004	New Hire Orientation
October 31-Nov 4, 2004	NAE4HA Conference - Oklahoma City, OK
November 15-16, 2004	New Staff Chair Orientation
November 16-17, 2004 -	Extension Staff Chair/Department Head Leadership meeting
February 10, 2005	New Hire Orientation
May 19, 2005	New Hire Orientation

AWARDS

Congratulations goes to the following faculty, staff, volunteers and clientele who have recently received awards of recognition.

Sally Bowman, Family & Community Development, will receive the OSU Extended Education Award during University Day .

Jim Rutledge, 4-H Youth Development, was selected as a recipient of the 2004 Agricultural Progress Award for "Individual Contribution to the Agriculture Industry".

Ellen Schuster, Family & Community Development, was selected as National 1st Place Winner and Western Region Finalist-1st Place in the Educational Technology category of the 2004 NEAFCS National Awards Program.

NACAA annual meeting and professional improvement

Art Poole, Coos County, received the Distinguished Service Award

Mary Corp, Umatilla County, received the Achievement Award

Mary Corp was also a regional finalist in the communications awards program for her newsletter and **Sandy Macnab**, Sherman County, was a national finalist in the communication awards program for news photo and for personal column. (there were 660 total entries nation wide in the communications program)

Sandy Macnab was also elected to a two year term to the national board of directors for NACAA serving as director representing the 14 states in the west region.

GRANTS

Bruce DeYoung, Extension BIT Initiative Leader, received \$21,550 of computers/wireless equipment for the BIT Mobile project from Hewlett Packard Corvallis. This equipment will be shipped in August for delivery by September 1, 2004.

Funding Opportunities from CSREES

Food and Agricultural Sciences National Needs Graduate Fellowships Grants Program - Special International Study or Thesis/Dissertation Research Travel Allowances

Closing date: September 30, 2004

URL: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1180>

CSREES contact: JEFFREY GILMORE (202-720-1973 or jgilmore@csrees.usda.gov).

*Higher Education Multicultural Scholars Programs - Special Experiential Learning Grants

Closing date: September 30, 2004

URL: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1109>

CSREES contact: JEFFREY GILMORE (202-720-1973 or jgilmore@csrees.usda.gov).

* International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program

Closing date: September 13, 2004

URL: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1240>

CSREES contact: HIRAM LAREW (202-720-3801 or hlarew@csrees.usda.gov).

*National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program – Enhancing the Prosperity of Small Farms and Rural Agricultural Communities

Closing date: October 5, 2004.

URL: <http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1200>

CSREES contact: S. SURESHWARAN (202-720-3310 or ssureshwaran@csrees.usda.gov) or DIANA JERKINS (202-401-6996 or djerkins@csrees.usda.gov).

**CSREES currently advertises all of its funding opportunities through “Find Grant Opportunities” on the [Grants.gov](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/grants) Web site. This site is searchable and contains summary information on all federal funding opportunities, with a link to the full announcement. Users can search announcements by topic, funding agency, and date, as well as also subscribing to an e-mail notification service based on these parameters.

International Science and Education Competitive Grants

The International Science and Education Competitive Grants Program (ISE) supports research, extension, and teaching activities that will enhance the capabilities of American colleges and universities to conduct international collaborative research, extension and teaching. ISE projects are expected to enhance the international content of curricula; ensure that faculty work beyond the U.S. and bring lessons learned back home; promote international research partnerships; enhance the use and application of foreign technologies in the U.S.; and strengthen the role that colleges and universities play in maintaining U.S. competitiveness.

Who Is Eligible to Apply: 1862 Land-Grant Institutions 1890 Land-Grant Institutions 1994 Land-Grant Institutions Other or Additional Information (See below) Private Institutions of Higher Education State Controlled Institutions of Higher Education

Proposals are due September 13, 2004 and the maximum grant is \$100,000. Information on the program and a link to the RFA can be found at:

<http://www.csrees.usda.gov/fo/fundview.cfm?fonum=1240>

Approximately \$1.3 million will be made available in grants.

Two major priorities are listed in the RFA, both of which could encompass extension activities:

1. Strengthening the Global Competence of Students, Faculty, and Staff in Agriculture and Related Areas (opportunities for training, curricular development and participation in collaborative projects); and
2. Enhancing Business Performance in International Agriculture and Related Sectors (outreach to businesses and citizens about international trade/development).

Please share this information with your colleagues and others who might be interested in responding. Cost sharing is not required but collaboration is suggested.

RECRUITMENT UPDATES

#018-874A Extension Faculty, Staff Chair (50%) and Program Leadership for Nutrition Education (40%)

Lane County (Eugene)

Committee Chair: Deborah Maddy

Candidate Selected: Charlotte Riersgard start date July 1, 2004

Status: Completed

#018-986 Extension Faculty Home Horticulture/Small Farms (.50 FTE)

Josephine County

Committee Chair – Mary Dunn

Candidate selected: Jeff Birdsong, start date June 24, 2004

Status: Completed

#018-989 Extension Faculty 4-H Youth BIT

Deschutes County (Redmond, OR)

Committee Chair: Dana Martin

Candidate Selected: Sarah Cofer start date: July 7, 2004

Status: Completed

#018-991 Extension Faculty, Sea Grant Seafood Technology/Fisheries

Clatsop County – Seafood laboratory (Astoria)

Committee Chair: Ed Kolbe

Candidate Selected:

Status: Pending PAA Approval

#018-992 Extension Sea Grant Fisheries and Seafood

Lincoln County (Newport)

Committee Chair: Paul Heikkila

Candidate Selected:
Status: Decision was made to re-announce

**#018-993 Extension Faculty, 4-H Youth BIT
Jackson County (Central Point, OR)**

Committee Chair: Phil VanBuskirk
Candidate Selected: Erin Grady
Status: Pending hiring paperwork

**#018-994 Extension Faculty, 4-H Youth Development Education
Klamath County (Klamath Falls)**

Committee Chair: Ron Hathaway
Candidate Selected:
Status: Committee has made a recommendation

#018-995 – 4H Youth Program Leader and Department Chair (Corvallis)

Committee Chair: Anne Manlove
Candidate Selected:
Status: Closes September 9, 2004

**#018-996 – Program Coordinator for Evaluation and Events,
4-H Youth Development Education (.30 FTE) (Corvallis)**

Committee Chair: Jim Rutledge
Candidate Selected:
Status: Closes August 13, 2004

**#018-997 – 4-H Program Coordinator Older Youth
(0.5 FTE depending on funding) (Corvallis)**

Committee Chair: Jim Rutledge
Candidate Selected:
Status: Closes August 18, 2004

**#018-998 – 4-H Youth Development (0.75 FTE)
Jefferson County (Madras)**

Committee Chair: Jim Rutledge
Candidate Selected:
Status: Closes August 27, 2004

**#018-999 – 4-H Youth Development Education (1.0 FTE)
Lane County (Eugene)**

Committee Chair: Jim Rutledge
Candidate Selected:
Status: Closes August 25, 2004

#018-1000 – 4-H Youth Educator, Afterschool Programs (1.0 FTE depending on available funds)

50% campus (Corvallis) 50% metro area (Portland)

Committee Chair: Jim Rutledge

Candidate Selected:

Status: Closes August 16, 2004

NEW HIRES

Pat Penney, Tillamook County - temporary Office Specialist, MG & 4-H support

Jeff Birdsong, Josephine County home hurt/small farms, 6/24/04

Nghia Banh, EESC, 7/12/04

Sarah Cofer, Deschutes County 4-H/BIT, 7/7/04

Mary Lynn Fowler, Lincoln County Juvenile Crime Prevention Mgt, 7/5/04

Emilee Hugie, Warm Springs FCD, 7/1/04

Charlotte Riersgard, Lane County staff chair/nutrition, 7/1/04

NEW ASSIGNMENT

Sherry Vick, Tillamook County - Office Specialist, from .50 to 1.0 FTE, 4-H & FCD support

Sally Bowman, FCD, is interim FCD Program Leader

Vicki Krenz, Columbia County, promoted to Office Manager

RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS & TERMINATIONS

Lisa McKibbin, Tillamook County, Office Specialist, 4-H & FCD support

John Burt, Marion County – 7/31/04 (returned on 1040 appt)

Kristi Abbott, Lane County – 7/15/04

Bo Freeman, Lane County – 7/6/04

Kristie Gorman, Clackamas County – 7/27/04

Debra Garrison, Marion County – 7/30/04

Lisa Hinman, Lane County – 7/5/04

Leslie Wampler, BIT – 7/28/04

Tim Strahl, Harney County – 7/31/04

Fern Wilcox, Wasco County – 7/7/04

Susan Wieske, Metro – 7/9/04

Russell Wymore, Marion/Linn – 6/30/04

ON THE HOME FRONT

Deaths

Our sympathy to:

Wendy Hein, Clackamas county on the death of her father Randy Hein.

Sue Mabe, Sherman County, on the death of her mother Yvonne Nystrom

Jordan Maley, Gilliam County on the death of his father July 28th.

Do you know of something happening in your office that you'd like to share? Perhaps a birth of a son or daughter or grandchild? Recognitions received? Has someone in your office experienced a loss of a loved one? We'd like to hear from you. Although we are spread across the miles, it's important that we stay connected. Please help us do that.

Send any information you would like shared with the organization, to Janet Drollinger janet.drollinger@oregonstate.edu by the 25th of each month.