



Affiliate Annual Report Form

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Please return this form by December 31st of each year to your Regional Director and a copy to the National Office.
This report should cover anything that has occurred between January 1 and December 31 of the current year.

State/Territory: Nebraska Date: 12/30/2020
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What accomplishments/progress has your Affiliate made in the past year? (Consider member resources, awards and recognition, public affairs, etc.)

Susan Harris, Chair of professional development committee reported: The virtual professional development day this year, positive comments from evaluations, ergonomics, HIGH fitness, and ended with smoothie demonstration, for not gathering in person –great success, most likely will be virtual next year thinking of having it earlier, potentially offering an aerobics class as well as a yoga session for all activity levels, potential to look into Happy/Humor themes with COVID

Lynn DeVries attended JCEP. She said thank you for the financial support to attend in San Antonio (pre-covid). Valuable networking time she was surprised how many people she knew! Sarah Roberts attended PILD. She enjoyed the speakers. Sarah felt like this was an area that she could develop and looked to gain experience. Even though it was a shortened conference, she was thankful for great speakers.

NEAFCS2020 was going to be in Utah, the conference was instead moved to a virtual conference.

National Conference Presenters: Sarah Roberts, STEM learning, Jaci Foged and Lynn DeVries presented on mindfulness Carol Larvick attended as participant. She enjoyed it although platform was different.

Installation of new officers by Sarah Roberts

- President, Lynn Devries
- President Elect, Susan Harris
- Vice President, Katie Krause
- Secretary, Hannah Gunther
- Treasurer, Nancy Frecks

National and Regional Awards 2020

- Communication Award: Internet Education Technology, 1st place National winner– Lisa Poppe and Team
- Community Partnership: 1st place Carol Schwarz, Central Region and 2nd place National Winner
- Environmental Education Award: 2nd place Katie Krause, Central Region and 3rd place National Winner

- Past Presidents New Professional: 1st place Lynn Devries, Central Region
- Social Media Education: Central Region Winner, Hannah Guenther

What are your Affiliate's goals for the next 12 months?

1. Update Nebraska NEA FCS committees

Sarah Roberts and Jaci Foged noticed that many of our committees are very out of date. At our annual meeting in November, Carol Larvick recommended that each committee sit down to update while Ann Fenton said it is necessary to review committee descriptions at a national level. Lisa Poppe brought up adding a short meeting to Professional Development Day to get them updated. Katie Krause brought up that we may need to re-evaluate our committees in general and the potential to combine certain committees together to keep them active and relevant. Carol voted to remove the "Historian" committee. Discussion on having an Active shared document with committees in place of meeting to adapt committees and descriptions. Then we will vote to change bi-laws with committees and descriptions. Groups are going to meet in breakout room after meeting to find a time to go through committees/descriptions.

This work to update committees will be a main focus of 2021 with a goal of completion, spring of 2021 at our annual professional development day.

2. Recruit and increase membership

What challenges do Cooperative Extension and/or Family & Consumer Sciences face in your state?

- Supporting childcare through the pandemic
- Supporting childcare directors with business management training and support
- Linking families to high quality childcare
- Rural family stress and coping with stress

To assist NEAFCS in future planning and communication, please list concerns your Affiliate has for the NEAFCS Board to address: