



NEAFCS 85th Anniversary Affiliate Report Form

Due to Debby Mathews September 1, 2019

Please send report to emathews@aces.edu

A note from the 85th Anniversary Committee.....

The NEAFCS 85th Celebration is a stepping stone /marker looking toward our 100th Anniversary. Our desire is to celebrate the past while looking toward the future. In fifteen years where will you be? Where will Extension be? How will NEAFCS look/ behave? As your affiliate celebrates our 85th Anniversary, contemplate our original mission and objectives. How have these aspects of our association changed? What is the same? What is different? How sustainable is NEAFCS?

Affiliate: **ARIZONA**

Did you have an affiliate 85th Anniversary Chairman/Committee?

The president organized an activity for the 85th anniversary.

How did your affiliate celebrate the 85th?

We had a retirement party for Darcy Dixon, an FCHS agent who had served more than 35 years with Arizona Extension. As a parting gift, we created a decorative poster listing 85 ways Darcy Dixon impacted Arizona Extension.

How did your affiliate use the NEAFCS history/archives information on our website? (Under **About NEAFCS**) Which resources did you use?

I shared the link with all the current and life members of AEAFCs and called attention to it in our summer meeting.

How did you use the NEAFCS Facebook monthly 85th Anniversary tidbits?

I shared them with all the members.

How did your affiliate implement the **85 Things to do** list as a group /individually?

We highlighted the 85 years by collecting 85 ways one of our most senior agents contributed to Extension. Darcy has a long history with extension and her contributions have given us all perspective on the evolution of Family and Consumer sciences over the decades. This exercise helped many of the newer agents experience this valuable story telling.

University of Arizona Cooperative Extension in Pinal County worked with the Board of Supervisors in their county to make October "Extension Month." This is a special way to honor Extension's impact on the county there during this special 85th anniversary.

Additional comments/feedback regarding our 85th Anniversary celebration

I think this was a great idea. The more we learn about our past, the more we can contribute to our future.