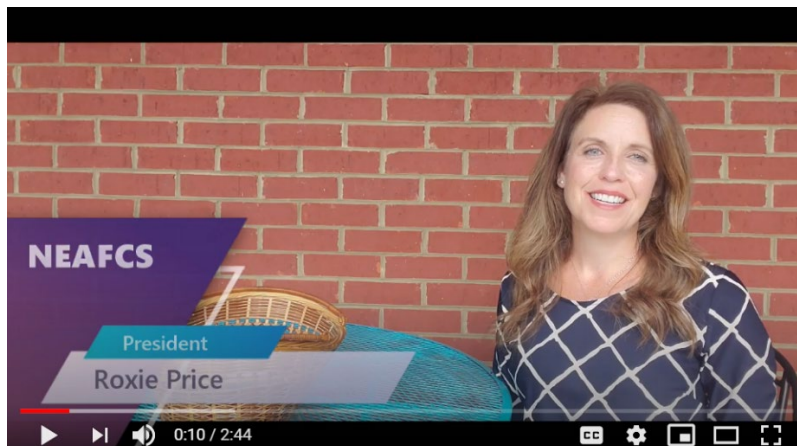


NEAFCS Network 2020

President's Message:

Roxie Price (GA), President



Deadline Extended: NEAFCS Hall of Fame Nominations

Jessica Trussell (MO), Secretary

The NEAFCS Hall of Fame was established in 2019 to recognize an outstanding NEAFCS member/s who has contributed their time, talent and/or treasure to the NEAFCS. The recognition will be given to NEAFCS members who have demonstrated their commitment, dedication and effective leadership as well as involvement in NEAFCS at the state, regional, and/or national level. The award is open to any NEAFCS member/s (active or life) and may be nominated by a *NEAFCS Executive Board member or state affiliate President*.

The nominations will include written information to the [NEAFCS President](#) that includes the nominee's contributions to the advancement of NEAFCS as a professional organization.

The deadline for the award nominations has been extended until June 1, 2020. The full description and award application is available here: [NEAFCS Hall of Fame \(PDF\)](#).

Member Spotlight Video

Amy Bartels (MO), Missouri President-Elect



PILD Reflections

Mary Liz Wright (IL), Vice President Public Affairs

"Moving Knowledge into Solutions" was the theme for PILD 2020 and it could not have been more appropriately named! The JCEP committee, led by our own Past President Karen Munden, worked diligently and moved the conference to an online format in a matter of days! Although we did not get to meet in person, you can tell when you read our PILD scholarship recipients' reflections that the conference was useful, pertinent, and precisely what was needed!

The PILD Reflections are located on the [NEAFCS Website](#).

As I mentioned in the last article make sure to share the Impact Statements with your legislators and other decision-makers. Ask your PILD representative what they learned about how to tell our story.



Keeping Current With Our Life Members

Cindy Schlenker Davies (NM), Vice President Member Resources

If you are a Life Member, you will be receiving a postcard asking you to update your contact information for NEAFCS.

We realize people move and get new email addresses we would like to keep our records current!

You can update your contact for us by sending an email (wferguson@executiveoffice.org), mail the contact card back to the address on the card (325 John Knox Rd. Suite L103 Tallahassee, FL 32303) or call the phone number listed on the card (850-205-5638)

We hope all our valuable Life Time Members take time to update their current information for us.

Thank you so much for your help in this matter.

I hope all our Life Members are safe and well!



Top Teasers for Attending NEAFCS Annual Session in 2020

Kathy Riggs (UT), AS 2020 Tri-liaison

We look forward to seeing you in at the 2020 Annual Session where you will definitely “Experience Life Elevated” - Consider these top teasers for why you will want to meet us at Snowbird!

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Dave Schramm. Known as "Dr. Dave" on the USU campus and across the country. "*Happy Hacks for More Positivity and Productivity in Our 'New Now'*" (For a sneak peek, Google: "Dave Schramm- videos")

Pre-conference Sessions: American Bakers Association; American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences; [Six Sisters Stuff](#); Self-guided (DIY) National Parks Tours

In-depth Sessions, Off-site:

- [Worldwide Humanitarian Center](#) & [Welfare Center](#)
- [Qualtrics Company](#) tour and training
- [Historic Temple Square](#) & [Genealogy Center](#)
[Harvest Right Freeze Dryers Tour](#)
- [Hani-Quilter Company Tour](#) & Quilting activity
- [Swaner Preserve & EcoCenter Center](#) & Olympic Park
- Outdoor Product Design & Development ([Cotapaxi Tour](#))

In-depth Sessions, On-site:

Economic and Demographic Trends, [Dr. Natalie Gochnour](#), University of Utah, Associate Dean, Eccles School of Business

Stable Parents, Strong Children, [Dr. Dave Schramm](#), USU Extension Family Life Specialist. Participants will receive training and certification in this curriculum.



Awards - Take a Second or Third Look

John Fuller (MO), Awards Subcommittee Member

The awards committee would like to thank everyone who submitted an award this year. These applications show the great work going on around the country, and the awards committee always is looking for ways to improve the system. We are not much different from anyone else. We continually find items that are overlooked. This is the reason to have many eyes on our projects. Awards are no different. It takes more than one set of eyes and many times to catch the details and make sure packets are complete. Judging these innovative programs

can be difficult, but don't let the process become easier because we forgot to include something in the packet.

Award Submissions Tips

1. Send the files and the checklist to a third party to look to ensure all the information is there.
2. Schedule time to work on your submission. Time stress can make us do things we normally would not do. Our emotions at times cloud our executive function and make us miss important steps.
3. Work on submissions early. The awards usually do not change nor do the requirements for categories.
4. Go through the checklist one last time before submitting the award. Visually look at each piece of documentation you are submitting to ensure you have everything.

We look forward to your submissions for next year. It is a relief knowing that you have submitted your best proposal. Leaving something out will only add to the stress of your day. Breathe, double-check, and submit with confidence.

Finally, if you are the Vice President of Awards for your state, please check that you submitted the state-winning applications completely and correctly for regional and national judging.



Diversity in Our New Normal

Beatriz G. Favela (NM), Diversity Subcommittee Member

What a time to talk about diversity! As we continue to adjust to these challenging times due to COVID-19, extension agents have been busy brainstorming and thinking outside the box to take care of our clientele. As an agent of Mexican descent, living in the second-largest county in New Mexico, and so close to the border, diversity is a big part of who I am. New Mexico, our land of enchantment, is a very diverse state.

Many of us sometimes feel that it is impossible to meet the needs of our communities, which may be true if we want to meet one hundred percent of the needs.

However, keeping a positive attitude can help us realize that as long as we keep an open mind, we can do our part. Being so close to the border, providing programs in Spanish has been one of my goals because I want our Spanish speaking community to benefit from the wonderful Extension programs. All my programs are provided in both English and Spanish, which is easy being that I am bilingual. However, how do we provide programs during these challenging times? Providing programs online can be a challenge, however, not impossible.

Diversity includes everything that we are and that we are not. Providing online programs may be something we may not be accustomed to or even be comfortable doing. At New Mexico State University, we hosted Kitchen Creations, which is a four-week diabetic cooking class. The program was transformed into a virtual class that teaches participants to plan meals to help them manage their diabetes. Cooking videos were created to teach participants how to make the recipes that go along with each lesson. The response from the community was overwhelmingly positive!



Don't Miss the AAFCS Virtual Conference - June 25-26, 2020

AAFCS President, Jackie Ogden, CFCS and NEAFCS member invites all professionals, students, thought-leaders and change-makers to connect with peers across the nation for the first-ever AAFCS Virtual Conference!

Since its inception, the AAFCS Annual Conference has been a place for the profession to connect with each other, share best practices, and pioneer solutions to challenges facing individuals, families, and communities. The world is changing and so are we. With COVID-19 changing the landscape, never before has a gathering of the entire FCS community been more timely, accessible, and affordable.



Experience must-have professional development with family and consumer sciences experts through live-streamed and on-demand video content.

Earn professional development units.

Expand your network and celebrate FCS success!

For more information about the two-day event, visit www.aafcs.org.

Southern Region Update

Lorrie Coop (TX), Southern Region Director



85th Anniversary – Missouri & Montana Affiliates

Debby Mathews, (AL) 85th Anniversary Chairman

One glorious aspect of a national organization is the variety of ways its members approach project implementation. For example, to celebrate our 85th Anniversary, **Missouri** completed 25 of the *85 Ways to Celebrate*. Way to go! **Montana** found an FCS trivia game using response clickers to be a fun approach to delving into our fascinating past. I sense a bit of competitive spirit shown by both affiliates! Thanks for sharing your celebratory approaches, Missouri and Montana!

Affiliate: Missouri

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

Yes, Lindsey Stevenson

How did your affiliate celebrate the 85th?

Missouri used the helpful “85 Ways to Celebrate the 85th Anniversary of NEAFCS” resource. We completed #'s 1,3,4,5,6,10,11,13,17,27,28,31,48,53,63,67,68,71,74,75,76,78,79,81,83

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

Our Affiliate President, Amy Vance, used the NEAFCS history/archives to share Missouri’s rich involvement in the history and celebration of 85 years of NEAFCS. She sent information about Missouri’s history to all MEAFCS members and encouraged them to join us at our annual state meeting in October.

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

The chairman sent the list out and asked members to consider completing some of the suggested activities as individuals. Group events to celebrate were also planned for our state meeting in October.

Affiliate: MONTANA

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

Montana had a committee of three members from our Montana association.

How did your affiliate celebrate the 85th?

Our annual state extension conference is in October and our committee is planning on having:

- *Slides announcing the anniversary with the logo will be run in between sessions.*
- *Napkins with the 85th anniversary logo will be used during an annual conference meal*
- *Door prizes for Montana Wildflower cards have been donated and will be awarded with the 85th logo to promote the anniversary.*

The committee is planning on celebrating into next year at our annual FCS extension update in May:

Having a presentation on the History of FCS by Jan Scholl (this is will be decided at our MEAFCS meeting at our October conference)

FCS trivia game using response clickers.

Additional comments/feedback regarding our 85th Anniversary celebration

It was noted from one of our associate members that she watched the: A History of Extension FCS webinar and thought it was very interesting.



Each issue of the NEAFCS Network will include recognition of those NEAFCS members, and past members, who have passed.



Joycelyn Moody (NE)

Joycelyn Moody, 72, of Pender, NE, passed away May 10, 2020. She graduated from Pender High School in 1966, and graduated from the University of Nebraska with a Bachelor's of Science degree in Home Economics. Joycelyn worked as a Home Economist for the University of Nebraska. For more information on Joycelyn, including a celebration video, please visit <https://www.munderlohfuneralhome.com/obituary/joycelyn-moody>



William (Bill) Viar (IN)

Bill Viar from American Income Life passed away on April 17. Bill was such a kind soul and was always in the NEAFCS Exhibit Hall with the American Income Life Booth. In 2015 he was presented the Friend of NEAFCS Award at The Greenbriar. For more information on Bill, please visit <https://flannerbuchanan.com/obit/william-bill-viar/>