

KEAFCS

Kansas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences



From the President

I have enjoyed being your President this year and am looking forward to many of us attending our national meeting in San Antonio at the end of September! If you are attending NEAFCS I hope you are planning to attend our State's Night Out and have let our President Elect, Susan Johnson, know so she can make arrangements for everyone.

National meeting is always a great time to visit and network with our co-workers from across the country and learn what other states are doing in Extension. What a great professional opportunity for all of us attending. Congratulations to those receiving awards from Kansas. All of you are very deserving of these honors!

Just a reminder we do have our FCS Agent photo directory on our Association's web page. If you are new or if you have not submitted a photo, (there are several without photos and/or photo has been pulled from somewhere else) please send to our webmaster, Becky Reid (bkreid@ksu.edu), so she can post it.

Our next general meeting for the total membership will be held during Annual Conference. Thank you to our nominating committee for providing us with excellent candidates for our officer positions for 2019. I look forward to working with everyone next year in my role as past president!

- Ethel Schneweis, 2018 KEAFCS President

Kansas Affiliate



KEAFCS Association

http://www.ksre.k-state.edu/agent_association/family-consumer-sciences/index.html



The Texas affiliate is selling annual session t-shirts for NEAFCS. Order deadline is August 29; most sizes are \$15. Contact Becky Reid if you would like a copy of the order form.

NEAFCS 2018 Annual Session

Sept. 24-27, 2018
San Antonio, Texas

**Building Capacity Through People,
Programs and Partnerships**

Friendship Night Preview

SAVE THE DATE- This year's Friendship Night is a *Party on the Prairie!*

Please join us at the Lazy-T Ranch- 2103 Zeandale Rd., Manhattan on **Wednesday, October 17 at 6:00**. We will have dinner, a short program including cowboy poetry and possibly line dancing as well as a hayrack ride. To register, please select *Friendship Night* through Extension Annual Conference registration. The cost is \$25. An email invitation will be coming soon!

Past President/Nominating Committee Report

Thank you to Jo Argabright for completing a term as VP for Member resources. The timing of a new baby, completing a masters' degree and taking on the new job of NW Area FCS specialist seemed like enough things on her plate right now.

The following people have agreed to have their names on the slate for our 2019 officer election:

President-elect – Rhonda Gordon

Vice-President for Public Affairs –

Erin Tynon

Vice-President for Member Resources –

Jodi Drake

Treasurer – Chelsea Richmond

SW Area Counselor – Aimee Baker

SE Area Counselor – Becky Reid

Thank you to everyone who agreed to serve KEAFCS as an officer in 2019. I look forward to an exciting year ahead!

- Donna Krug, Past President

Treasurer's Report

As of August 15th, the current balance in the KEAFCS checking account is \$15,509.88.

The association received \$1,050 for members who attended the United Associations Conference held in Wichita this spring.

Additionally, Mary Sullivan has recently re-joined KEAFCS, which brings our current membership total to 67.

- Chelsea Richmond, Treasurer

2018 KEAFCS Officers

President:

Ethel Schneweis, Ford County

President Elect:

Susan Johnson, Douglas County

Secretary:

Robin Eubank-Callis, Barber County

Treasurer:

Chelsea Richmond, Frontier District

Parliamentarian/Past President:

Donna Krug, Cottonwood District

VP for Awards & Recognition:

Amy Lorenzen, Golden Prairie District

VP for Member Resources:

JoEllyn Argabright, Rawlins County

VP for Public Affairs:

Erin Tynon, Pottawatomie County

VP for Professional Development:

Anne Pitts, Harvey County

Northeast Area Counselor:

Susan Fangman, Shawnee County

Northwest Area Counselor:

Nora Rhoades, Post Rock District

Southeast Area Counselor:

Becky Reid, Cowley County

Southwest Area Counselor:

Jodi Drake, Pratt County

Get to KNOW your leadership nominees....

President Elect

Rhonda Gordon has been with K-State Research and Extension as a Family and Consumer Science County Agent in Lyon County since June of 2008. Prior to becoming an Extension Agent, she was a Program Assistant (Nutrition Educator) for the SNAP-Ed Program for 2 years. Rhonda was a stay at home mom for 10 years and an Elementary Teacher for three years. Rhonda has a BS from Kansas State University in Apparel and Textile Marketing. She also has a Post Baccalaureate in Elementary Education from Emporia State University.

Rhonda has been a member of KEAFCS since October 2008. She has been SE Area Counselor and served on the awards committee since becoming a member.

She is also active in Epsilon Sigma Phi where she has served as NE area Counselor for two terms, served on membership committee, and the awards committee.

Rhonda is on the Family Resource Management Program Focus Team and has served one term as the chairperson. Rhonda has attend two national conference (Maine and Galaxy in Pittsburgh PA).

She and Scott have been married since 1990 and have three children. Scott is owner and Sr. Partner in Emporia Veterinary Hospital. Austin is a senior and will graduate from Bethany College in December, Kelsey is sophomore at Washburn University and Megan is a junior at Emporia High School.

VP Public Affairs

I will be serving for my second term as the Vice President of Public Affairs. This position gathers information from our programming efforts in Kansas and sends them to the national level for publication. I enjoy helping paint the picture of Kansas Extension and highlighting the impact of our very important programs!

- Erin Tynon

VP Member Resources

I am looking forward to being a part of the KEAFCS Board as the VP of Member Resources. I think that the professional development opportunities that our organization provides are outstanding and many times untapped by our members. I am excited to be able to encourage our members to take advantage of all that NEAFCS has to offer.

- Jodi Drake

Treasurer

Chelsea Richmond began her career with K-State Research and Extension in 2010. She is currently working in the Frontier Extension District (Anderson, Franklin, and Osage counties) as a Family and Consumer Sciences agent focusing in the area of nutrition, food safety, and health. As a KEAFCS member, she is currently serving as treasurer and is chairman of the audit committee. She has enjoyed serving on the KEAFCS board and getting to know her colleagues across the state. She welcomes the opportunity to serve a second term as treasurer to continue to grow personally and professionally.

Voting for the officer slate will occur at the annual KEAFCS meeting held during K-State Research and Extension's Annual Conference in October.

And the winners are...

Clean and Healthy Families and Communities--National Winner and Central Region Winner, "High Speed Hand Washing," submitted by Linda Beech, as a team entry with others--Donna Krug, Jamie Rathbun and Erin Petersilie.

Communications Educational Publications--3rd Place National Winner and 1st Place Central Region Winner, "Simple Seasonal Meals," Donna Krug

Excellence in Multi-State Collaboration--2nd Place National Winner and 2nd Place Central Region Winner, "Stay Strong, Stay Healthy," submitted by Sharolyn Flaming-Jackson, other team members--Susan Mills-Gray, Gayle Price, Kelsey Weitzel, Steve Ball, Paula Peters, and Jo Britt-Rankin.

Excellence in Multi-State Collaboration--3rd Place National Winner and 3rd Place Central Region Winner, "North Central Aging Network," submitted by Erin Yelland, other team members--Suzanne Bartholomae James Bates, Barb Beaulieu, Jacqueline Benson, Leacey Brown, Cheryl Eschbach, Chelsey Byers-Gerstenecker, Jeongeun Lee (Jel Lee), Kristin Litzelman, Jane Strommen, and Marlene Stum.

Distinguished Service Award--Ethel Schneweis

Continued Excellence Award--Crystal Bashford and Donna Krug

Communications Written Press Release--3rd Place Central Region Winner, Linda Beech, "Extension Agents are Neighbors You Should Get to Know."

Communications Educational Publications Award--3rd Place Central Region Winner, Robin Eubank-Callis, "Fixing Funky Foods Fact Sheet."

Communications Radio/Podcast--1st Place Central Region Winner, Kylie Ludwig, "Prepare Kansas."

Communications Television/Video Program Award--2nd Place Central Region Winner, Kylie Ludwig, "Social Media-Online Videos."

Communications Internet Education Technology Award--3rd Place Central Region Winner, Becky Reid, "FCS Photo Directory."

Communications Educational Curriculum Package Award--2nd Place Central Region Winner, Erin Yelland, "Advance Health Care Planning in Kansas."

Special thanks to the KEAFCS committee members who reviewed award applications. We have great things happening in Kansas, so connect with one of these winners to get ideas and tips for your future award application!