Extension Stars Light The Way...

OSU Extension Recognition Event
December 5, 2000
Aladdin Shriners' Complex
Columbus, Ohio

Agenda

9:00-9:15 a.m.  Welcome, Keith Smith, Associate Vice President
for Ag Administration and Director, OSU Extension  Auditorium

9:15-10:15 a.m.  Ed Bell, Hoosier Story Teller
From the University of Hard Knocks and School of
Life-Long Learning  Auditorium

10:15-10:30 a.m.  Break

10:30-11:30 a.m.  Epsilon Sigma Phi Business Meeting  Auditorium
Dialogue with OSU Extension Administration  Oasis Room
OSU Benefits Update - Marjie Hamlett  Multi-Purpose Room

11:30-12:00 p.m.  Community Development Sectional Meeting for
Individuals with Joint Appointments with CD  Aladdin Room

12:00-1:30 p.m.  Recognition Luncheon  Auditorium

1:30-2:00 p.m.  Networking Break  Reception Area

2:00-3:00 p.m.  OEAA Business Meeting  Auditorium
Dialogue with OSU Extension Administration  Oasis Room
OEPA Business Meeting  Multi-Purpose Room

3:00 p.m.  Dessert Break in Meeting Rooms

3:00-4:00 p.m.  Professional Association Sectional Meetings:
NAE4-HA (4-H)  Auditorium
NEAFCS (Family and Consumer Sciences)  Aladdin Room
NACAA (Agriculture and Natural Resources)  Oasis Room
Community Development  Lobby
OEPA Continues  Multi-Purpose Room

4:00 p.m.  Adjourn
Ohio Extension Agents Association Years of Service Awards

35 Years
Bob Fleming, Northwest District
Margi Griffiths, Northwest District

20 Years
James Elder, Logan County
Ken Lafontaine, Hardin County
William Harris, Northeast District
Marcia Jess, Ottawa County
Diane Johnson, Darke County
Christine Otinsky, Montgomery County
Gary Wilson, Hancock County

25 Years
Ella Mae Bard, Knox County
Lois Clark, Auglaize County
Richard Grove, East District Office
James Skeelies, Lorain County
Deanna Tribe, South District

Years of Service in Extension

35 Years
Robert Fleming, Northwest District
Margaret Griffiths, Northwest District

25 Years
Sharron Coplin, Human Nutrition/Food Mgmt.
Dennis Elliott, State 4-H Office
Robert Kline, Animal Sciences
Alice Newman, Cuyahoga County
Deanna Tribe, South District

30 Years
James Beuerlein, Hort and Crop Science
Joyce McDowell, FCS Administration
Rosa Morgan, Montgomery County
Dennis Weilnau, Stark-Summit

20 Years
Jolene Adams, Montgomery County
Winnie Brelsford, Champaign County
Kathryn Chenoweth, Washington County
Ken Lafontaine, Hardin County
Edward Smith, East District
John Street, Hort and Crop Science

OEAA State Achievement Awards (2-10 years of service)

Agriculture and Natural Resources
Alan Sundermeier, Henry County
Community Development
Greg Davis, Crawford County

Family and Consumer Sciences
Pat Holmes, Preble County
4-H Youth Development
Vicky Oboy, Carroll County

OEAA State Achievement Awards (over 10 years of service)

Agriculture and Natural Resources
Jerry Mahan, Greene County
Community Development
Nancy Stehulak, Paulding County

Family and Consumer Sciences
Nancy Hudson, Medina County
4-H Youth Development
Nicola Eyre, Highland County

OEAA Distinguished Service Awards

NACAA (Agriculture and Natural Resources) Recipients:
Glen Arnold, Putnam County
Thomas Noyes, Wayne County

Community Development
Michael Lloyd, Monroe County

NAEFC (Family and Consumer Sciences) Recipients:
Nancy Hudson, Medina County
Diane Johnson, Darke County

NAE4-HA (4-H Youth Development) Recipients:
Bev Kelbaugh, Belmont County
Scott Kleon, Pickaway County
Teresa Stone, Washington County

NAE4-HA Achievement In Service Award (at table - given at National Meeting)
Ryan Schmiesing, State 4-H Office
Awards Luncheon

Mistress of Ceremonies
Jan Thompson, Work/Life/Health Issues, Family and Consumer Sciences Administration

OEAA Appreciation Awards (acknowledged on stage)

Mrs. Jean Rhodes, Columbiana County

Mrs. Jean Rhodes has been involved with Extension since the early 1950s when she and her dairy farmer husband joined a young farmers group. Extension personnel Steve Hudkins, Wanema Flasher and Jeanne Rumburg offered Jean’s nomination in recognition of her valuable volunteer service as a 20-year 4-H advisor, long-term Extension Advisory Committee member, and participation and leadership in the Extension Homemaker organization, having held numerous offices in that organization at county, district, and state levels including state president and state treasurer. She attended annual meetings and served as an Ohio delegate to the National Extension Homemakers for many years. Mrs. Rhodes community involvement extends to the Buckeye Dairy Boosters, school, religious and safety organizations for which she has been honored. Two of Jean’s eight children—Norma and Ellen—have accompanied her today.

Dave and Karen Linkhart, Greene County

Dave and Karen Linkhart are enthusiastic supporters of Extension and young people and have a very positive outlook on the future. They have given 12 and 14 years respectively as 4-H advisors as well as members of various committees including Extension Advisory, 4-H, FCE and the Agronomy Board. Through his part-time job at WBZI radio, Dave has also helped publicize Extension programs. Karen has helped teach leader training lessons and organize workshops for FCE. The Linkharts are conservation minded, care greatly about what happens to agriculture and are involved with the Tecumseh Land Trust, the Greene County SWCD and Ohio Federation of SWCD and Farm Bureau. Greene County Extension staff—Jerry Mahan, Jean Clements, Beth Bridgeman, Dail Gracy and Ardyce VanOss—are pleased to nominate the Linkharts, an active couple in their community who look for ways to inform and educate people as to what is happening in agriculture and how Extension can have an impact.

John Motter, Hancock County

A farmer by occupation, John Motter has been a volunteer to Extension for twenty years and before that he was active as a 4-H member. Examples of John’s volunteer service include chairing the Extension Advisory Committee, serving as a 4-H advisor, representing OSU Extension at the National Extension Lay Leaders Conference in Washington, D.C., and founding Hancock County’s Youth Leadership Board. He has participated in leadership development through Hancock County Leadership and OSU’s LEAD programs. Mr. Motter’s volunteerism and civic contribution extend to the larger community where he continues to be very active. Office chair Gary Wilson made the nomination on behalf of Hancock County Extension, saying that every Extension office needs a “go to” person and John Motter fills that role not only for Hancock County, but for district and state Extension as well.

Glen McLaughlin, Richland County

Richland County’s 4-H program is stronger today because of Glen McLaughlin’s 23 years of volunteer service to Extension. Mr. McLaughlin sets high standards for excellence by and for members and stresses that each 4-Her learn and actively practice public speaking and leadership skills. Examples of Glen’s long-time involvement with Extension committees include 4-H Advisory, Extension Advisory, Animal Education, Livestock Sale, 4-H Awards, and 4-H Endowment Fund. He has served as a mentor for new advisors, worked with Jody Black on Quality Assurance and has taught sessions on livestock at the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Forums. Extension agent Judy Villard presented Mr. McLaughlin’s nomination on behalf of the Richland County Extension staff. Mrs. McLaughlin and daughter Amy Skropits are with Glen today as he receives an OEAA Appreciation Award.
National Officers (at table)
John Rohrer, Vice President of Operations, Community Development Society

OEAA State Personnel Service Awards
   Community Development
   Don Lacy, Community Development
   4-H Youth Development
   Teresa Stone, Washington County

EEO Counselors (Introduced by Gloria Watkins-Cannon)
   Allen Auck, State 4-H Office
   Becky Hooper, East District Extension Office
   Lisa Jinks, Sandusky County Extension Office
   Nan Jones, Hamilton County Extension Office
   Cindy Oliveri, South District Extension Office
   Peter Spike, Animal Sciences
   Gary Wilson, Hancock County Extension Office

ESP State Friend of Extension Awards
   David Greer, Knox County
   Knox County is truly proud of David Greer, its’ 4-H “master” volunteer and Extension Advisory member. He serves as chairperson of both East District Extension Advisory Committee and Knox County Advisory Committee. David is volunteer statewide coordinator of 4-H WHEP Educational Program and has served as staff & faculty and now coordinator of curriculum for State 4-H Conservation Camp. He is a key volunteer in Knox County for judging of fair projects in conservation, 4-H camp and counselor training, and has served as key volunteer for 4-H Youth Expo. Locally, David is a SWCD supervisor for Knox County, Knox County Chapter Pheasants Forever and is instructor for Central Ohio Technical College.

ESP Mid-Career Award
   Gary Wilson, Hancock County

ESP State Early Career Award
   Cindy Bond-Zielinski, Carroll/Harrison Counties

ESP State Distinguished Service Award
   Deanna Tribe, South District

ESP Visionary Leadership
   Joyce McDowell, Family and Consumer Sciences Administration

ESP State Meritorious Service Award
   Eleanor Ames, Communications and Technology

ESP National Friend of Extension Award
   Marvin Olinsky, Five Rivers MetroParks, Dayton, Ohio
   Marvin Olinsky is the Executive Director for Five Rivers MetroParks in Dayton, Ohio. Olinsky gives 4-H a big handful of credit for keeping him from being a school dropout statistic. In gratitude for that positive influence of 4-H in his life, he has dedicated abundant professional service to help make 4-H youth development available to a diverse population. His first higher education degree was in horticulture from Delaware Valley College. That professional training and career opened the door to his vast community development career started in 1986. Olinsky has served as a state, regional, and national volunteer on a myriad of 4-H task forces, boards, and committees. He is very excited about the positive results in the lives of youth stemming from a model project implemented a Five Rivers MetroPark with The Ohio State University Extension to create youth development programs in the Dayton area. This venture focuses on expanding the 4-H program to more urban youth and adults. 4-H curriculum, focusing on science and the environment and 4-H methods, are being used in a holistic approach to educate youth thereby helping them develop into healthy, concerned, and contributing citizens. The program’s headquarters are a youth center facility in west Dayton. MetroParks provides funding for two full-time 4-H agents as well as the site, building and grounds maintenance, security and program supplies.
Professional Improvement Awards *(at table)*
   ESP Scholarship
       Randy James, Geauga County

   OEAA Scholarship Awards
       Doris Herringshaw, Wood County
       Sherry Nickles, Wayne County
       Mary Longo, Marion County

Community Development Awards
   Innovative Programming
       Walt Williams, Cuyahoga County

   Innovative Programming (team)
       Becky Baer, Meigs County
       Treva Williams, Scioto County
       Deanna Tribe, South District

   New Professional
       Nancy Kukay, Putnam County

Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Award
   Presented by Jeff King, Assistant Director, 4-H

Mary E. King Memorial Award
   Presented by Joyce McDowell, Acting Assistant Director, FCS

Marilyn R. Spiegel Excellence in Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Award
   Introduced by Joyce McDowell, Acting Assistant Director, FCS
   Presented by Marilyn Spiegel, Emeriti

James D. Utzinger Teaching Award
   Presented by Marianne Riofrío, Horticulture and Crop Sciences

Excellence in Extension Award
   Presented by Keith Smith, Associate Vice President for Ag Administration and Director, OSU Extension

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2000 Recognition Event Planning Committee

   Becky Baer, Meigs County, representing OEAA
   Garee W. Earnest, Leadership Center, representing ESP
   Marianne Riofrío, Horticulture and Crop Science, representing OEAA
   Jan Thompson, FCS Administration, representing OEPA
   Deanna Tribe, South District, representing OEAA
   Nikki Conklin, Employee Development Network, Staff Development
   Terri Clark, Employee Development Network, Administrative Assistant