At least one, and preferably two, peer evaluations of teaching should be arranged each year. Peer evaluations of teaching are helpful for all faculty and educators. For those anticipating a promotion and/or tenure review, peer evaluations should be conducted by individuals who are at or above the rank to which the faculty or educator would be promoted following a successful review. The letters become a part of the promotion dossier. Additional information can be found at http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/policy-and-procedures-handbook/vii-promotion-and-tenure/peer-evaluation-teaching-faculty.

To locate a list of A&P educators and Extension faculty, go to: http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/policy-and-procedures-handbook/vi-promotion-and-tenure
Happy July Birthdays…

- July 4  Janet Myers-Extension Educator/CED, Madison County
- July 20 Beth Boomershine-Extension Educator, Franklin County
- July 24 Kathy Gamble-Office Associate, Knox County

Glossary of Terminology . . .

The Extension Onboarding Committee has been working on and updating many documents that should be of assistance to new employees. One of the projects that was recently finalized is the Glossary of Extension Terminology. This has been posted on the HR website at http://extensionhr.osu.edu/resources/newemp/glassary.html. Please note that this is not to replace the abbreviations list that is on the Business Office website because that is more fiscally related terms/acronyms and that list changes regularly. If you think of other terms/acronyms that might be of assistance to new employees, please send your suggestions to Karen Argabright at Argabright.2@osu.edu.

Vote Today and Every Day Through August 1 . . .
(Source: Ohio 4-H News and Notes)

We have just been notified by National 4-H that Ohio has THREE top ten finalist in the 4-H Inspire A Future Scientist Contest!, sponsored by 4-H and HughesNet.
- Paul Sowders, a second year member from Biglick Buckeyes 4-H Club of Hancock County.
- Claire Seiler, 11 year member of the Colorful Clovers 4-H Club of Wood County,
- Alexis Elliott is a 6 year member of the Mt. Victory Champs 4-H Club of Hardin County.

Vote every day for all three.
Anyone can vote today through August 1 for each of these finalists and can vote every day from multiple IP addresses. Here is the voting link: http://www.4-h.org/about/partners/hughesnetinspireafuturescientist.aspx
Once you get to the web page, click on the “VOTE” tab at the top of the page
- Paul’s video is pictured with the chick embryos
- Claire’s video with the microscope
- Alexis’s video with a grain silo
Supporters can also “like” their videos on the Facebook link and tweet their videos on Twitter to gain more support and votes for these Ohio contestants.
The winner of this contest will receive a $1000 scholarship, and trip to Washington DC for National Science Day activities in October.
Complete Your Survey . . .

This is a reminder for all staff to complete your North Central Extension Region Culture Survey if you have not already done so. If you have not completed the survey, you should have received a reminder email from LaVerne Kidd on behalf of Keith Smith on July 18.

Communique’ . . .

Please take a few minutes and read the latest issue of the Communique’ at http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/communique. Included you will find:

- OSU Extension Centennial Celebration Updates
- OSU Extension Budget Update
- JCEP Leadership Conference – February 2015
- CFAES Development Brown Bag Lunch – August 7
- StrengthsFinder™ Workshop – August 7
- Strengths-Based Communication Workshop – August 13
- Increasing Sales Using Strengths Workshop – August 14
- What is Your Personality Color Spectrum? Workshop – August 19
- “Project Reach: Inspiring Female Entrepreneurship at Ohio State and Beyond” Workshop – August 21

FCS All Programs Conference . . . (Source: Carol Chandler)

The FCS All Programs Conference will be held November 18 & 19, 2014 at the Ohio Union. More information will follow in upcoming newsletters.

Announcement Interim Regional Director. . . (Source: Keith Smith)

Congratulations to Barb Brahm effective August 1, 2014 has been appointed as the interim Southwest Region Director. This appointment includes the Top of Ohio and Miami Valley EERA’s. Further announcement on renewal of a search for a permanent director will be sent early next year.