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- March 12 – Jeff McCutcheon, Educator, Morrow County
- March 12 – Connie Smith, Program Assistant, Fairfield County
- March 16 – John Barker, Educator/Director, Knox County

OSU JCEP Scholarship Winners: Source from (Lisa Barlage)

The Ohio JCEP, Scholarships, Grants and Recognition Committee would like to announce the recipients of their February 2014 professional development awards:

- Steve Brady - $400 to participate in the International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations.
• Barb Hennard - $350 to participate in the Society of Nutrition Education and Behavior Annual Conference.

• Emily Adams - $500 to participate in Food Entrepreneur programming at Purdue and Penn State.

• Mike Estadt - $500 to participate in the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers Conference.

• Michelle Treber - $250 to participate in WELCOA online wellness training.

Congratulations from the Ohio JCEP Scholarship Committee: Tracy Winters, Monadine Mattey, Mary Longo, Rob Leeds, Travis West, MaryBeth Albright, Cindy Shuster, and Lisa Barlage.

Hold the Date

School-Afterschool Garden Conference Set for May 2, 2014: Source from (Susan Hogan)

The second annual school garden conference, Cultivating Curiosity: The Teachable Garden has been scheduled for May 2, 2014 from 9-4 pm at the Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center on the Ohio State University Campus.

Conference sessions will meet the needs of both beginning and experienced educational gardeners. There will be four all-conference presentations, and a variety of individual sessions to choose from throughout the day. Some of the topics to be covered include beginning gardening, season extensions, volunteer management, pest control, perfect partnerships, curriculum connections, container gardening, theme gardening and more.

Full conference presenters include L. Eugene Arnold, M.D., Professor Emeritus, Psychiatry, OSU College of Medicine; Alice Hohl, Co-Chair of the Leave No Child Inside Central Ohio Collaborative; Jim Chatfield, Associate Professor, Ohio State University Extension & Plant Pathology; and Copley-Fairlawn Arrowhead primary school's Nature Zone Staff, featured recently in Ohio Schools Magazine.

Session presenters include teachers who have in school gardens, community youth gardeners who partner with schools and the 4-H program, Ohio State University Master Gardeners, OSU Extension Educators in the areas of Agriculture, Natural Resources, Plant Pathology, Local Foods, Nutrition and 4-H Youth Development, along with personnel from Local Matters and The Crest.

The cost of the conference is $45 per person which includes lunch. You can download the brochure/registration form and a list of presenters/presentations by clicking on:

http://franklin.osu.edu/topics/school-and-afterschool-gardening

Registration is limited to the first 100 people.
Position Announcement

Please share broadly

Regional Director, Operations, Southwest Region and Associate Chair, Department of Extension

(12 month tenure eligible); Requisition Number: 380734; Deadline: April 6, 2014

The New Communique’ . . .

can be found at http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/communique. Included in this issue: Campus Campaign Kick Off, Ohio Centennial Update (Twitter, Ohio Media Kit, e-Mail Signature Reminder, National Celebration, Stay Informed), Leadership Center Sessions, and Personnel Update.

Signature Program Submissions April 1 Logic Model Worksheet Deadline

Those involved with programming that meets the expectations of the signature program criteria must discuss their potential signature program with the appropriate assistant director(s) and/or the associate director, programs by April 1. Download and complete the “Signature Program Logic Model Worksheet” – outlining/identifying program goals and objectives, inputs, outputs, and outcomes (http://go.osu.edu/SPlmw) to use as the basis for your discussions. You will be directed to upload this completed logic model worksheet pdf with your online proposal.

Following your discussions with the assistant director(s) and/or the associate director, programs, the completed proposal should be submitted at the signature program online RFP site (http://go.osu.edu/SPrfp) by May 1. The submitted proposals will be forwarded to Administrative Cabinet and to the signature program proposal review committee for review. A copy of the 2014 Signature Program Guidelines are located online at http://extensionstaff.osu.edu/policy-and-procedures-handbook/ii-administrative-and-program-resources/signature-program-guidelines.

Centennial…(Source: ECOP)

Register Now for the National Cooperative Extension Centennial Events May 7-8. Registration and lodging information is now open. An early-bird registration fee will be available until April 18. Hotel reservations need to be made by April 15. Transportation to and from the Ronald Reagan Building and the Marriott Wardman Park will be provided for registrants. Individuals from sponsoring institutions will be contacted directly regarding registration. Register now at http://www.cvent.com/d/g4qqj5
Congressional Resolutions Mark Extension’s 100 Years – both the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives have introduced resolutions commemorating the 100th anniversary of Cooperative Extension. Track action on S.CON.RES.33 and H.CON.RES.86 at [http://thomas.loc.gov](http://thomas.loc.gov). A hearing before the House of Representatives was held on March 4, [http://agriculture.house.gov/hearing/review-smith-lever-act-its-100th-anniversary](http://agriculture.house.gov/hearing/review-smith-lever-act-its-100th-anniversary). Scott Reed, Oregon State University, and Delbert Foster, South Carolina State University, were among those who provided written testimony and spoke at the hearing.

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**Scholarships Available . . . (Source: Chris Igodan)**

Thanks to the generosity of Keith and ESP, there are two scholarships left from the Gist Chair/ESP sponsorship awards to support professional participation at the NC Leadership Conference to be held in Omaha on April 28-30. The scholarships are on first come, first-served basis. Please contact Amy Fovargue at Fovargue.1@osu.edu if you are interested in one of the scholarships.

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**Incorporating Branding in Poster Presentations . . .**

Have you wondered how to incorporate branding into a poster presentation? CommTech has some great templates to get you started at: [http://cfaes.osu.edu/brand/research-poster-templates](http://cfaes.osu.edu/brand/research-poster-templates).

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**Leadership Moments . . .**

Your help is needed. If you like receiving the email Leadership Moments and the services from the Leadership Center, they need you to write a testimonial for their new website. Suggested topics include Leadership Moments, the Leadership Center, One of the Team Members (Jeff King, Jerry Thomas, Jody Termeer, Keith Smith, Graham Cochran, Bob Birkenholz or Beth Flynn), or a workshop that you have attended. Please send your testimonial to Jody Termeer at termeer.1@osu.edu by March 21.

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**Digital Footprint . . . (Source: EdgeU Tech Quick Byte)**

The new posting on the EdgeU Tech Blog is about the digital footprint. Follow along with the steps and learn first-hand what a digital footprint is, and how it works.

Open your computer internet browser and choose a search engine. Any search engine will most likely do. Let’s start with these first steps:

- Type your first and last name in the search box, and maybe the town you live in if you think that your name is considered to be “common” ie: John Smith.
Read the first page of results from the search engine.

Are you surprised by what you see?

Is there anything that would make you vulnerable to online predators?

The information that you are seeing is called a digital footprint. A digital footprint is the data that an internet user has left behind. The information can range from social media, to content submitted online, or cookies that your computer has saved from your web searched. This information can be found through search engines online. Simply by typing your name any person can look up information about you (or someone who shares your name).

What can you do to protect yourself from your digital footprint?

- Do not give or post personal information such as full birthday, address, phone number, or ID number.
- Be aware of what you post. Information can be found and used against you later.
- Ensure that your social media only allows your friends to see your profile.
- Do not post things to bully, humiliate, or intimidate others.
- Once posted, things can almost never be fully removed.
- Think before you post!

Why does my digital footprint matter?

- People can judge you by the content you post online.
- Employers will often search for you online to learn more about you.

Digital footprints can be a positive tool for professionals marketing themselves or their business. Digital footprint is not a negative term, but a descriptive term. Think of one thing you are going to do to downsize your digital footprint.

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**Schedule (week of March 10, 2014)**

Julie (cell 740-708-0993)

M Campus

T Virtual

W Legislative Luncheon

TH Admin Cabinet

F ANR Franklin County Interviews