September Social Media Workshops Rescheduled for October! . . . (Source: Jamie Seger)

Due to many scheduling conflicts with events such as Farm Science review and the NEAFCS conference, we have rescheduled the social media workshops set for September for the following dates:

- Just the Basics Workshop: October 22nd
- Content & Strategy Workshop: October 24th

Both workshops will be held on campus in Columbus. Please save these dates if you are interested in attending either or both workshops. Registration information will come out the first week in October.

What’s new in your county?

In an effort to create more relevant news for the Heart of Ohio newsletter, we ask that you send in information regarding what is going on in your county! Send email with the subject line “Newsletter” to Stiving.3@osu.edu
In the next few days OSU Extension program staff will receive an email about an exciting opportunity to participate in the Extension Reconsidered initiative. This national initiative involving 13 state Extension systems and being led by Imagining America, “aims to reconsider dominant views of what Extension is and what it’s for, and to envision what it could and should be in the twenty-first century.” Here in Ohio, we are doing just that through Extension Reconsidered, and also connecting the project with the Vice-President’s Dialogue on the Future of Extension and OSU Extension’s state-wide needs assessment.

Become involved in this opportunity to engage young people (under the age of 30) in a conversation about the future of their communities and Extension. Applications by local 4-person teams (consisting of a 14-19 year old, a 20 to 24 year old, an adult mentor and an Extension employee) will be accepted until October 6th. To learn more, click on this link [http://northeast.osu.edu/sites/extne/files/imce/files/NEWS/Ext%20Reconsidered.pdf](http://northeast.osu.edu/sites/extne/files/imce/files/NEWS/Ext%20Reconsidered.pdf)

You are invited to actively engage in the OSU Extension Annual Conference and Research Colloquium on December 9-11 at the Ohio Union. As our organization looks to “The Next 100 Years,” all colleagues are encouraged to consider the research, skill sets, methods, trends, etc. that will drive our organization forward in service to all Ohioans. As the initial RFP announcement on August 26 said, “Dean McPheron wants Extension to take the gloves off and tackle the emerging Ohio trends of the next 20 years and what that means for Extension work.” Anyone in OSU Extension is invited to contribute presentations and posters that will move us toward a stronger future. Proposals are due by 5 pm on September 26. Proposals may be submitted to present in one of the following formats: 45-minute presentation or poster. New this year: a special poster opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students. Visit [http://go.osu.edu/2014EAC](http://go.osu.edu/2014EAC) to view the request for proposal outline and directions.
2014 Excellence in 4-H Award Nomination Due October 20…

Once again it is time to make nominations for the Excellence in 4-H Award. This award honors superior accomplishments by an Extension Educator in developing dynamic, innovative, broad-based 4-H educational programs. The award, funded through the Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Fund, is dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professionals who serve as examples in setting standards of excellence in ten major areas of the County 4-H program. A peer may nominate any Ohio State University Extension Educator who provides leadership to 4-H programs. Nomination forms are due to Lisa Jinks by October 20, 2014. jinks.2@osu.edu.

Please nominate one or more individuals, whom you think are deserving of this recognition.

Communications Training  (Source: Suzanne Steele)

There are still slots available for the upcoming College Communications trainings:
• Learn how to apply the new brand using templates through hands-on training.
• Learn how to manage difficult situations in our crisis communications training.
• Learn how to make videos with your smart phones and tablets.

Choose from one of two locations: Wooster on October 10 or Columbus on October 16; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both days. The $30 registration fee includes refreshments, lunch and all materials. Registration deadline is October 6 and is limited to the first 30 registrants. Partial-day registration is not available. Visit the following links to register:
October 10 – https://www.regonline.com/CFAESCommunicationsWorkshopWooster
October 16 – https://www.regonline.com/CFAESCommunicationsWorkshopColumbus

OSUE Promotion Workshop – Save the Date

WHO: Extension faculty and A&P educators
WHAT: OSUE Promotion Workshop
WHEN: Session One - Wednesday, November 12, 2014
      Session Two - Tuesday, January 27, 2015 (repeat of November)
WHERE: Administration Building Auditorium, Columbus, OH

Registration information will be available in September. Questions, contact Lisa Dune, dune.2@osu.edu