President’s Corner

As I come to the close of my service as President to MAFCS, I want to first thank my fellow board members. It has been a pleasure to work alongside great professionals in the field of family and consumer sciences. The board has worked year after year to provide high quality professional development opportunities as well as service projects for community engagement. The board continues to work to implement more opportunities in the future, which is a testament to their commitment to the advancement of the field of family and consumer sciences.

My second thanks is to the members of MAFCS for continued support in allowing me to serve this great organization. It has been a great pleasure. I have continually been impressed with the high level of professionalism and connectedness. It is an excellent network of professionals at the state and national level, of which I have been able to be a part of both.

We recently wrapped up the 2016 MAFCS Annual Meeting in Raymond. It was a great success with over 70 attendees: participants, sponsors, exhibitors, and presenters. This addition of Affiliate FACS will cover highlights from the annual meeting as well as the upcoming slate of officers.

For more highlights and information about MAFCS, please visit the website at msafcs.org.

2016 MAFCS Annual Meeting Highlights

The 2016 MAFCS Annual Meeting was another successful event. There were nearly 70 professionals, FCS teachers and students who attended the meeting. The theme of the conference was “Improving the Health and Well-Being of a Changing Society”.

Dr. Lori Myers, CFCS, Director of Pre-Professional Assessment and Certification (Pre-PAC) and Managing Director of the FCS Research Center of AAFCS, served as the keynote speaker. Her keynote address inspired attendees to re-charge their professional power and get plugged into professional development opportunities. During her session, she shared information about the opportunity for FCS professionals to get involved in engaging families in the “Dining In for Healthy Families” project sponsored by AAFCS.

There were exciting breakout sessions on using social media in the classroom, smart snacks, financial planning, utilizing Safe Dates curriculum, balancing career and family, beef by-products, importance of family mealtime, children’s museum, adolescent drug us and more.

This year we introduced a section to provide overviews of different programs and products. We heard from several exhibitors and sponsors: RealityWorks, Early Years Network, Mississippi Children’s Museum, and CEV Multimedia. Mike Cashion with the Mississippi Hospitality and Restaurant Association provided a special program to the FCS culinary teachers.

Highlights from the event can be found on pages 2, 3, and 4.

Inside this edition of Affiliate FACS: MAFCS Annual Meeting Highlights, “Thank You” to Our Sponsors, Meet Your Officers, and membership application.
2016 MAFCS Annual Meeting Highlights

Top Left: Keynote, Dr. Lori Myers, presented with token of appreciation by Janie Leach, MAFCS Teacher Liaison.

Session Highlights: Nancy Strickland (top left), Dr. Brandon Wheeler (middle left), Dr. Lori Myers (middle right), and Dr. Joan Easterling (bottom).
2016 MAFCS Annual Meeting Highlights

Highlights: luncheon conversations with Dr. Tommy Phillips (top left); officers Lara Angel (left), Janie Leach (middle), and Dr. Julie Sims (right) promote FCS Day (top right); Dr. Julie Sims assists Lonnie Johnson with CEV Multimedia give out door prizes (middle left); Karen Crow with Early Years Network shares about the Network’s programs (middle right); and Mike Cashion with the Mississippi Hospitality and Restaurant Association addresses culinary secondary educators.
MAFCS Food Drive Service Project Winners: 1st place, Stephanie Housley with 2,322 items, Richland High School (top left); 2nd place, Susan Alexander with 1,721 items, Poplarville High School (not pictured); 3rd place, Xorica Adams with 547 items, Puckett High School FCCLA; and Honorable Mention, Dawn Tassin with 292 items, 63 volunteer hours and monetary support, Petal High School FCCLA.

Student Award Winners

Student Design Competition winners from Delta State University (pictured left to right): 3rd place, Tamera Brown, awarded $50; 2nd place (tie), DeAudriana Jones, awarded $100; 1st place, LaChina Washington, awarded $150; Dr. Judith Breland, board member and competition judge; and 2nd place (tie), Adrian Box, awarded $100.
“Thank You” to Our 2016 Sponsors

Mississippi Hospitality & Restaurant Association

Pork Checkoff®

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Early Years Network
Growing Mississippi's Children
FCS Day: “Dining In MS” Highlights

1,496 committed to participate FCS Day in Mississippi!

Participating Groups

- MAFCS
- MSU FCS Extension
- MSU Department of Food Science, Nutrition, and Health Promotion
- MSU Department of Health Promotion and Wellness
- MSU School of Human Sciences
- MSU Office of Agricultural Communications
- FCS Education Teachers

Governor’s Proclamation

MSU School of Human Sciences

- Farm and Family Radio
  - The Importance of Shared Family Meal Time

MSU Department of Food Science, Nutrition, and Health Promotion

MSU Department of Health Promotion and Wellness

- Residence Hall Association
- Cooking demonstrations
- Health Service Volunteers
- President’s Council on the Status of Women and the Student Association’s Wellness Wednesday
- Department celebrated by “Dining in” together

FCS Education Teachers

- In recognition of FCS Day, students in Jill O’Don’s Family Dynamics classes made ornaments to place on the classroom door. They also discussed the benefits of dining in with family, and several students pledged to dining in with their family that evening.

MSU FCS Extension – DeSoto County

- Local newspaper - 2 articles
- Library program on “What’s for Dinner” focusing on family meals
- Facebook - promote FCS Day and feature recipe cards
  - 954 individuals reached
  - 125 actively involved in the FCS”Dining in” Day conversation by “liking”, “commenting” or “sharing” posts

MSU Office of Agricultural Communications

- Better grades for kids and teens who share family meals.
2016-2017 MAFCS Officers—Meet Your Officers

President (left):
Dr. Martha Ravola, Assistant Vice President for Academic Program Support & Graduate Studies in Academic Affairs at Alcorn State University

Secretary (below):
Dr. Alisha Hardman, Assistant Extension Professor in the School of Human Sciences at Mississippi State University

Treasurer (right):
Lara Angel, Family and Consumer Sciences Extension Agent II with Mississippi State University Extension Service

Counselor (above):
Dr. Julie Sims, Project Director—Assessments of the Early Years Network, a program of the Mississippi State University Extension Service

For full biographies, please visit the website at msaafcs.org/about-us/
2016-2017 MAFCS Officers—Meet Your Officers

VP Professional Development (left):
Dr. Ouida Pittman, Program Director at Alcorn State University

VP Local Arrangements (right):
Dr. Angel Herring, Assistant Professor & Undergraduate Program Director in the Department of Child and Family Studies at the University of Southern Mississippi

VP Internal Relations (left):
Dr. Tommy Phillips, Associate Professor & HDFS Graduate Coordinator in the School of Human Sciences at Mississippi State University

VP Teacher Liaison (right):
Janie Leach, Program Supervisor of FCS, Early Childhood, Culinary, and Teacher Academy in the Office of Secondary Education and CTE at the Mississippi Department of Education

VP External Relations (left):
Michael Anthony, Family and Consumer Sciences teacher at Coahoma County High School

VP Extension Liaison (right):
Dr. Judith Breland, Family and Consumer Sciences & Youth/4-H Community Development Extension Agent IV with Mississippi State University Extension
A. MEMBER CATEGORY
Membership is valid for one year, at which time members will receive a renewal invitation. Privileges of all members include affiliate membership, engaging in groups of the Association, and receiving AAFCS’s official publication, the Journal of Family & Consumer Sciences.

Please choose your appropriate level of membership below:

☐ Professional $160*
Members in the Professional category are individuals with a degree or professional-level credential who support the field of family & consumer sciences. Professional category members are eligible to hold elected office. Membership includes registration for live webinars offered by AAFCS’s Professional Development Center.

*Special introductory rate of $100 is offered for the first year of Professional membership (one-year only).

☐ Emeritus $100
Members who meet the Professional category criteria who are retired and at least 60 years of age may elect the Emeritus category.

☐ Student $50
Members in the Student category are enrolled as full-time students in a postsecondary program, as confirmed by a completed Student Status Statement, below. Student category members are eligible to hold elected office, and will receive online access to the Journal of Family & Consumer Sciences.

Student Status Statement
☐ I am currently enrolled on a full-time basis as a student.

Full Name of School / College / University / Institution (No Acronyms):

Student Signature: Date:

B. MEMBER INFORMATION

☐ New Member ☐ Renewing Member: ID #:

Referred/Sponsored By:

Preferred Mailing Address: ☐ Office ☐ Home

Name:

Title/Occupation:

Employer Name:

Street Address:

City State Zip Country

Telephone: Mobile Phone:

Email for Member Communications:

Practice Setting (check all that apply)
☐ Extension
☐ Early Childhood Education
☐ Secondary Education
☐ Post-Secondary Education
☐ Health and Human Services
☐ Elementary Education
☐ Government (Federal, State, or Local)
☐ Home and Community
☐ Business/Consulting
☐ Retired

Content Focus (check all that apply)
☐ Human Development and Family Studies
☐ Food Science, Nutrition and Wellness
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☐ Textiles, Apparel and Design
☐ Consumer Studies and Merchandising
☐ Housing and Interior Design
☐ FCS Broed Field (Includes FCS Education)

C. FEES

AAFC Membership Dues (from section A) $:

Optional Upgrades:
☐ FCS Research Journal Subscription $45 (Hard-copy and online)
☐ Contribution to the AAFCS Annual Fund

Total Amount $ (AAFCS dues + fees for optional upgrades):

D. METHOD OF PAYMENT

☐ AmEx ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Check #:

☐ PO# Membership will be active upon payment of purchase order:

Account Number: Exp. Date:

Cardholder’s Name:

Signature: Date:

Total Amount to be charged (From Section C):

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Association members:

☐ Believe in the family as a fundamental unit of society.
☐ Embrace diversity and value all people.
☐ Support life-long learning and diverse scholarship.
☐ Exemplify integrity and ethical behavior.
☐ Seek new ideas and initiatives and embrace change.
☐ Promote an integrative and holistic approach, aligned with the FCS body of knowledge, to support professionals who work with individuals, families, and communities.

“Family and consumer sciences offers so much to so many. It is a field that is seated at the heart of the quality of life; something that touches each and every one of us.”

- Gise Voughtle, San Francisco State University

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