

Presidents Message

There is a lot to celebrate with Ambassadors!! The news of Ambassadors upcoming 20th anniversary is sprinkled throughout this newsletter. It will be a fun and exciting time as we reminisce over the past twenty years of unbridled success. The Program of Work Committee and the Ambassadors Board of Directors are hoping all of the founding members and past presidents can be in attendance at the 2010 Annual Meeting and Awards Luncheon. We are compiling the lists and addresses of these two special groups.

We also celebrated another year of fulfilling our mission with the capstone of a wonderful annual meeting and awards luncheon. Special thanks to our Board of Directors for their dedication this past year. They are a committed group and their hard work was evident at every turn.

Another celebration has been the election of new board members. Join me in wishing these newly elected officers great success in their new posts: President Elect: Arleen James; Secretary: Jean Bailey; Treasurer: Connie Norrie; Nominating Chair: Dea Rash; Nominating Committee Member: Ginny McCarthick; Directors: Danette Russell, Mary Selk, Eileen St. Pierre, Becky Scott, and Rachel Lockwood

Hating to see their term end, we also celebrate the devotion of out-going board members: Secretary: Laverda Johnson; Treasurer: Debra Stevenson; Nominating Chair: Melanie Taylor; Nominating Committee Member: Ida Fay Winters; and Directors: Dottie Goss, Mary Rhyne, Sissy Osteen, Debbie Richardson, and Heather Winn.

With gratitude,
Brenda Sheik

Compiling Our History

The first recorded minutes were October 12, 1990. The first grants were given in 1991 totaling \$3,000. Over the 20 years, Ambassadors has given over \$115,000.00 in grants! That's right! Next year is the 20th anniversary of Ambassadors! The first minutes say, "This is to be a support group for Home Economics Cooperative Extension in Oklahoma

only. Monies will not go outside Oklahoma. It will be to help improve our own programs." And, that's what we've done!

Along the way there have been many minutes, financial reports, annual meetings, and printed programs. This history is important, and Dottie Goss and I are working on compiling a history to become a permanent record in the OSU Library Archives! But, except for the newsletters, we do not have

the documents. So, if you look around and find programs, minutes -- we don't have those past 1992 --, financial reports, annual meeting programs, photographs of events, even the grant displays from the past, we'd like to have them!

Those of who are retired, look in your "boxes" that came from your office --- I found some stuff there! Those of you working, look in the desk drawers for stuff left by the person before you. Let's see if we can piece together ALL THE HISTORY to this date!

If you have any historical "stuff", please send it to Dottie or me, or call when you are coming to Stillwater, and bring it by! Send it to 701 Oakridge Drive, Stillwater, OK 74074, or call 405-743-0710!

Thanks!
Mary Selk
Historian

Awards Luncheon Reports

The 19th Annual Ambassador Meeting & Awards Luncheon was held October 21 with 71 attending. We viewed the results of last year's grant winners and awarded 28 more grants for 2010. A list of award winners for 2009 and 2010 is enclosed. Congratulations to everyone!

I would also like to thank my Program of Work Committee for their hard work. Marlene Buck, Kathy Stidham, Shirley Burns,

Christi Evens and LaDonna Dunlop, Catherine Wheeler and Sissy Osteen for putting together the great slide show.

The 20th Anniversary Awards Luncheon will be held October 20, 2010. Complete details will be made available later, but mark your calendar today!

Sonya McDaniel
Program of Work Committee Chairman

Mark Your Calendar

2010 Calendar of Events

February 4	Ambassadors Board of Directors meeting - 1 p.m. Oklahoma County office (Snow date 2/11/10)
March 16	SE District OHCE Meeting, Tishomingo
March 18	SW District OHCE Meeting, Lawton
March 25	NW District OHCE Meeting, Fairview
March 30	NE District OHCE Meeting, Tahlequah
April 8-9	OEAFCs Annual Meeting
May 1	CE-FCS Ambassador Instructions and applications available on the FCS Website: www.fcs.okstate.edu
July 1	Deadline for all CE-FCS Ambassador Awards
July 18-20	OHCE Annual Meeting, Clarion Convention Center, Oklahoma City
August 5	Project Committee Meeting - 9:00 a.m. Oklahoma County Extension office Board of Directors meeting - 1:00 p.m. Oklahoma County Extension office
October 20	20th Anniversary Awards Luncheon

Memorial Contributions:

Honoree Name/Donor Name
Brent Bryant/Clarice Melot
Monique Clayton/LaDell Emmons
Ruby George/Diann Hunter
Kathy Harmon/Brenda Sheik
Susan Meitl/June Cash
Gladys Owens/Carter County OHCE
Shannon Renfro/Floyd & Barbara Walker
Leona Robinson/LaDell Emmons
Anna Lee Rouk/Kaye Tipton
Contributions in Recognition of:
Wagoner County OHCE/Rachel Lockwood

Contributions in Honor of:

Ambassadors Board of Directors/Brenda Sheik
Ann Bargman/Jean Claire Lawson
Betty Jean Brannan/Susan Routh
JoAnn Brannan/Susan Routh
Ron Cox/Recia Garcia
Margaret Edsel Fitch/Mary Selk
Recia Garcia/Mary Rhyne, Kaye Tipton
Carolyn Goaz/Brenda K. Miller
Loveta Hammond/LaDonna Dunlop
Lynda Harriman/Brenda K. Miller
Frances Henderson/Mary Selk
Glenn Muske/Recia Garcia
Valdean Sestak/June Cash
Brenda Sheik/Kaye Tipton
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2009 Ambassador Silent Auction Donors

Alfalfa County OHCE
Atwood OHCE - Hughes County
Blanchard OHCE - McClain County
Bryan County OHCE
Canadian County OHCE
Carter County OHCE
Catherine M Borges - Comanche County
Cherokee County OHCE
Choctaw County OHCE
Comanche County OHCE
Craig County OHCE
Creek County OHCE
Danette Russell - Latimer County
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Dottie Gatz - Woods County
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Grady County OHCE
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Kathy Enyart - Ottawa County
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Marlene Buck - Garfield County
Mary Deken - Noble County
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Okfuskee County OHCE
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Tulsa County OHCE
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Vicki Malone - Stephens County
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Ensure a Bright Future by Helping Build the Endowments

Ambassador General Fund

You can support the educational endeavors of Ambassadors that benefit Oklahoma families and youth by making a contribution. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

I pledge: \$ _____ to be paid _____ monthly
_____ quarterly _____ annually.

Enclosed is a check for \$ _____ payable to **OSU Foundation/CE-FCS Ambassadors.**

Charge to my credit card _____

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Signature _____

Name

Address

Phone

This gift is in memory of:

This gift is in honor of:

Send an acknowledgement of my gift to:

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**Return to: Ambassadors Fund, 135 HES,
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Margaret Edsel Fitch Extension Fellowship

The Fellowship provides a mini-sabbatical experience for OCE-FCS staff to study a relevant program in another state or country. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

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Ambassador	\$ 10	to	\$ 99
Pearl	\$ 100	to	\$ 999
Ruby	\$ 1,000	to	\$ 2,499
Emerald	\$ 2,500	to	\$ 4,999
Diamond	\$ 5,000	to	\$ 9,999
Grand	\$10,000	and up	

2009 Grants

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Slow Food MovementDr. Barbara Brown & Dr. Sissy Osteen

OHCE County/Group Grants

Heart Smart—Heart Disease &

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Youth Cooking SchoolJulie York

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Sandy Lackey, Susan Routh, & Dr. Sissy Osteen

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