

Presidents Message

Greetings,

It is often difficult to determine the quantifiable or qualitative value of the projects and programs funded by Ambassadors grants. These projects and programs invariably have a positive ripple effect that reaches well beyond the primary participants. They have a positive impact on the family, the community and society as a whole. I've always struggled with putting this into words and was glad when I came across the writings of James W. Moore in his book "*Attitude is your Paintbrush.*" I think you will agree he said it well.

When family life is strong, society endures and thrives. But when family life breaks down, it devastates society, because the home is the basic unit of society. Education begins at home. Self-awareness begins at home. Respect for law and order begins at home. Concern for others and love for God, the church, the Scriptures, and prayer --- all of these should begin at home. A nation that destroys the family destroys itself.

With gratitude,
Brenda

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE NEWS

The Public Relations and Recruitment Committee for Ambassadors would like to remind you that it is the time of year to show your support. As Ambassadors, we need to continue to support Extension family and youth programs through any size of donation, starting at only \$10.00!

Visit <http://www.fcs.okstate.edu> under "Quick Links" click on *CE-FCS Ambassador/Fitch Fellowship Donation and Pledge Form*. You can print the pledge form and send in your donation to Ambassadors Fund, 135 HES, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK 74078-6111.

We hope to receive your membership soon! Your friends, family, Extension Supporters, OSU Alumni and any other interested persons are also welcome and encouraged to support/join this organization.

I would also like to thank the presenters at the OHCE district meetings (Brenda Sheik, Jessica Riggins and Sonya McDaniels) for promoting Ambassadors and the Silent Auction during the OHCE State Meeting. Without you, the word about the auction and Ambassadors wouldn't have gotten out to the approximately 1,250 OHCE members in attendance.

Donna Jung
CE-FCS Ambassadors
Public Relations and Recruitment Chair

PROJECTS COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Both the Projects Committee and Board of Directors will meet Thursday, August 5th at the Oklahoma County Extension office (North Classroom). The Projects Committee will meet at 9:00 a.m. and the Board of Directors meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. A light lunch will be served at noon.

Brenda Sheik
CE-FCS Ambassadors
President

DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR AWARD APPLICATIONS

July 1st is the deadline for all CE-FCS Ambassador Awards. Grant money is available for the traditional Ambassador Awards (OHCE County/Group Grant, State Specialist Grant, County Grant, Multi-County Grant and Fitch Fellowship). Don't forget the Blackwell Legacy Award and Blackwell Supplemental Grant.

Also available is the Outstanding State Faculty, Individual Field Staff, and Team/Group Award. There is a \$500 award that is presented with these awards.

Instructions and applications will be available on the FCS Website at www.fcs.okstate.edu by May 1st. Applications are due July 1 and are to be sent electronically.

For more information contact Brenda Miller at brenda.k.miller@okstate.edu.

Brenda Miller
CE-FCS Ambassadors
Project Committee Chair

20TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mark your Calendar now for the 20th Anniversary CE-FCS Ambassadors Award Luncheon. This year is a special celebration. Plans are being made to make it a treat for all who attend on October 15th, 2010, at the Oklahoma County Extension Office. We will be celebrating the past and saluting the future as we present reports from last year's grant winners and announce the new 2011 grantees. All this along with special guests and pioneers of the CE-FCS Ambassador's Program. Make your plans to join us.

Sonya McDaniel
CE-FCS Ambassadors
Vice President

2010 DATES TO REMEMBER

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 and CE-FCS Ambassadors Silent Auction, 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 15	20 th Anniversary Awards Luncheon, Oklahoma County Extension Office Ambassadors Board of Directors will meet immediately following the luncheon

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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card # _____ expiration date _____

Signature _____

Name

Address

Phone

This gift is in memory of:

This gift is in honor of:

Send an acknowledgement of my gift to:

Name

Address

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Oklahoma State University,
Stillwater, OK 74078-6111**

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	

2010 AMBASSADORS/FITCH CONTRIBUTORS

January 1 thru March 31, 2010

AMBASSADOR

Cletus M. Banks	A
Mary Jo Bullis	A
June Cash*	A
Cindy Griffith*	A/F
Don & Virginia Hellwege	A
Lincoln County HCE	A
Okfuskee County HCE	A
Debbie Richardson	A
Mary Sue Sanders*	A
Sunshine HCE Group	F
Wagoner County HCE	A

PEARL

Don & Kay Bornemann	F
Carol Laverty	A
Lani Vasconcellos	A
Stephens County HCE*	A

*Founding Member A – Ambassadors; F – Fitch Fellowship

Memorial Contributions:

Honoree Name/Donor Name

Frances Henderson/Mary Jo Bullis, June Cash,
Cindy Griffith, Don & Virginia Hellwege,
Mary Sue Sanders

Phyllis Parnell/Wagoner County HCE

Honorary Contributions:

Honoree Name/Donor Name

Renee Daugherty/Cindy Griffith

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