County Program Director & Human Environmental Sciences Update
Maude Kelly, Human Development Specialist

- Started work with a committee of colleagues in the EC Region to plan a retreat, which is tentatively scheduled for spring 2014 (August).

- Set up details and worked with Tish Johnson as facilitator to finalize plans for and carry out the Annual Program Review process with the Extension Council and other supporters (August).

- In September, there were several Washington County Health Fair activities in which I participated: regular monthly committee meeting, walk-through morning at Potosi High School to check out our options for setting up booths, worked with other committee member to assign booth spaces and sent confirmation letters to participating vendors, set up booth spaces the evening prior to the Health Fair and finally attend the Health Fair on September 7.

- Toured YMCA of the Ozarks to check prices and meeting spaces as a possibly venue for the EC Retreat planned in the spring of 2014 (September).

- Participated in final conference call for the auction committee at Galaxy conference and well as the final NEAFCS board call before heading out to Galaxy (September).

- Drove to Pittsburgh with loaded vehicle to attend Galaxy Conference in mid-September. This is an event which occurs every 5 years in which six Extension professional associations have their annual sessions together and are able to have some joint meetings/events. It was an activity packed week, which started for me with a pre-conference NEAFCS board meeting for one and a half days. I helped set up and monitor the silent auction and attended the live auction. I had many responsibilities as the VP of Awards & Recognition, from getting the award winning applications delivered to a committee who set up a display, to working with another committee who were in charge of the awards banquet, and finally to hosting the banquet. On the final morning, I completed my two-year term as VP of Awards and turned over everything to my successor. This was a bittersweet moment, as I had a great time getting to know colleagues from across the United States as a board member, but it was a relief to let someone else take over the activities which had consumed so much of my time for the past two years!
ANDREA

Most of the month, I have been finishing up with summer programming (completing the paperwork) and preparing for the upcoming school year. Again, We expect to be in all four Washington County School Districts and one St. Francois County School District teaching nutrition to students ages Pre-School through 12th grade.

- KINGSTON--Currently teaching Tuesday’s and Wednesday’s at Kingston Primary. Between the two days, I teach approximately 200 students. In addition, I have been working with Kingston to prepare for the upcoming November Food Power date. I am extremely pleased to inform everyone that the $100 Food Power scheduling fee for Kingston, has been paid through a scholarship from the St. Louis District Dairy Council. The St. Louis District Dairy Council is a nonprofit organization whose mission is nutrition education. They provide services in eastern Missouri and central/southern Illinois. This year the St. Louis District Dairy Council is partnering with Food Power to educate K-5th grade students about the importance of healthy eating and physical activity. Also, I taught at a Cougar College night. I want to thank Kingston Elementary for their monetary donation so that I would have the opportunity to teach approximately 25 children how to be safe in the kitchen while they cooked pumpkin pancakes. Lastly, I supported Kingston’s Health Fair on August 12th. I brought delicious parfaits and health incentives. The staff love when the have the time to talk about ways to be healthy.

- RICHWOODS-Currently teaching Thursday’s at Richwoods Elementary. I teach approximately 100 students. I am working with the new administration to bring the Show Me Nutrition Display Boards back to Richwoods Elementary. Hopefully, we can get all the kinks worked out so that we can have adult nutrition education back in the building.

- BISMARCK-Currently teaching the 1st Grade on Friday’s at Bismarck Elementary. I teach approximately 50 students the Fun with Food and Fitness curriculum.

- LITTLE LEARNER’S ACADEMY-Currently teaching 12 preschooler's on Friday’s at Little Learner’s Academy. I also have a Show Me Display on display for parental nutrition education. Both the teaching and the SMN Display Board have been well received. Of course, the preschool children love the taste tests!
DEANNA

- VALLEY - I just started teaching a seven week course at Valley Elementary. I am teaching seven classes there in grades Kindergarten through 3rd grade.

- POTOSI - I will start teaching two days a week at Potosi Elementary. I am teaching 1st grade on Mondays and Tuesdays. I can't wait to get started.

Farmer's Market

We finished our last day with Farmer's Market on September 11th. Deanna and I have had a fantastic year speaking with the public on ways to eat healthier. Some of the favorite recipes we demoed this summer were Cinnamon Baked Apples, Zucchini Tots, and Chunky Tomato Potato Soup.

Washington County Health Advisory Meeting

On August 24th I attended the Washington County Health Advisory Meeting for Maude Kelly. Discussions primarily focused on programs in the Washington County community.

Washington County Health Fair.

Andrea and I worked the Washington County Health Fair on September 7. We set up a blender bike where attendants at the fair could ride the bike and make a smoothie. We also had a kiosk machine on hand where you could search fruits and vegetables that are in season, find out the benefits of each, and find yummy recipes. We reached around 350 people and had really successful day.
Agriculture Business Update

Lynn Heins, Agriculture Business Specialist

Contacts

- 13 one on one contacts (SARE farmer/rancher grants, cash rent, custom services, business plan for new cow/calf venture, direct marketing pork, fence law, lease agreement samples)
- 49 program contacts (True Colors presentation)

Meetings

- 1 SWCD Board Meeting
- 2 Annie's Educator calls
- 2 Annie's National Leadership Team calls
- 2 Annie's Not for Profit calls
- 1 Health Care Education Initiative call
- 1 Health Care Education Initiative face to face meeting in St. Charles County

Programming

- Managing for Today and Tomorrow cancelled due to low enrollment
- Annie's Project—Education for Farm Women begins September 24th in Park Hills at the North College Center.
- True Colors program for Farm Management College Students
- Distributed information at Extension Booth at Women in Ag State Conference in Farmington.

Other

- Attended part of the Big River Watershed tour at the Wurst Farm to talk briefly about grazing systems. Will attend Big River Watershed Summit at MAC in October.
- Working on application to become a vendor for FSA Borrower Training. If successful, Annie’s Project will be an approved vendor, meaning FSA borrowers may enroll in Annie’s classes to receive required training prior to obtaining loans.
Office Manager Update
Lisa Eisenbeis

- Assisted multiple customers with soil samples

- Fair preparations for Open Class - worked with Lynn Heins to ready Open Class computer data system with the changes in individual items in various categories. These changes were made as a reflection of the past few years of entries. Worked with several call-ins regarding items the individuals were wanting to enter. Maudie and I also assisted in helping one individual enter a duplicate item at State Fair.

- 4-H assistance and Fair preparation
  - Various e-mail and phone communication to members/volunteer
  - Assisted in managing the 4-H inside Exhibits
  - Worked with 4-H treasure to deposit monies received during fair week including from Thursday evenings Livestock Auction
  - Coordinated with the YMCA Trout Lodge who will host the October 6 Recognition dinner
  - Worked with Décor Plac regarding all plaques and trophies needed for recognition dinner
  - State Shooting Sports - ensured proper paperwork was given to those attending the State shoot in September.
  - Working with 4-H Specialist to wrap up paperwork for the 2013 Fair
  - Prepared re-enrollment and enrollment forms for the beginning of the 2014 program year
  - Assisted in preparations for the September 16 4-H Council and Livestock meeting held at the Washington County Library.

- Office duties (as needed but not limited to)
  * bill paying
  * report generation (travel, required financials to regional directors office, county allotment request)
  * processed several soil samples
  * assisted walk/call-in customers with information request or directed to appropriate specialist
  * Assisted as needed, took RSVP information for the Washington County Health Fair
  * Assisted as needed with preparation of the Annual Program Review

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