



# Alpha Rho Chapter- Epsilon Sigma Phi ANNUAL REPORT 2018

# CHAPTER OFFICER REPORTS

# **PRESIDENT- John Forshee**

It has been my honor and privilege to serve the membership of the Alpha Rho Chapter of ESP during our 2017-18 program year. Our membership brochure outlines the many, many benefits of ESP membership that focus on the development of the Extension Professional. I have long argued that the greatest benefit that I receive from my ESP membership is the opportunity that it has provided me to work with Extension Professionals from across the state, across the nation, and across many disciplines that I would not otherwise have had the opportunity to work with. You all are my greatest inspiration and I thank each of you for your dedication as we deliver our research based programming to all of Kansas.

The Alpha Rho Council and I set the following goals for our chapter for the 2017-18 program year.

- Reaching out to younger colleagues to get involved in ESP- explore how we can be relevant to younger colleagues and meet their needs.
- Review Associate membership in light of new national guidelines for immediate eligibility.
- Reach out to increase membership among specialists.
- ESP Area Directors assign ESP mentors for new colleagues.
- Kansas award applicants in all recognition categories.
- Professionalism Committee offer professional development opportunities for members.

We did great work in some of these areas and some we need to continue with or eliminate for next year. I want to thank my entire officer team, committee chairs, and national meeting planning committee for all that we have accomplished. You all have done great work!

It has been fabulous to welcome a number of new agents and specialists to K-State Research and Extension as I have been able to share information about ESP at two new agent luncheons. We have emphasized the ability of local units and departments to pay dues to assist new agents and specialists with membership. We continue to work in our professionalism and other committees at both the state and national level to make sure we are relevant to young professionals and to offer professional development that meets their needs where they are at. One example is that we encouraged the national planning team to live-stream our major presenters at National Meeting and that will happen for the first time in 2018 from Kansas!

Our membership committee and our constitution and bylaws committee researched, developed proposed changes, and educated the membership around the new membership guidelines that were passed by our membership via Zoom meeting and electronic voting. The changes more closely align the Alpha Rho Chapter membership guidelines with our national guidelines. This committee has also worked with KS JCEP to propose ESP changes that are necessary following the conversion of KEAA to KS JCEP.

Our State Director has reached out to new specialists and we will add new members from this area to our ranks this fall.

One goal we did not accomplish is the assignment of ESP mentors to new agents. However, I encourage all seasoned ESP members to "adopt" a new agent and help them navigate ESP membership to maximize their professional development opportunity. We will address this goal again in 2018-19.

Congratulations to our numerous state and national award winners. We are proud of you. Best of luck to

those who have applied for grants and scholarships as they implement innovative programming or further their professional development or education. We are fortunate to have an endowment that allows us to award and reward our members in this way. I urge our members to consider the ESP Endowment as you plan your annual charitable giving.

A special thanks to Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner who have headed up the planning team for the hosting of our ESP National Meeting in Manhattan, Kansas on October 1-4, 2018. These two have spent countless hours in communication with our National Executive Director Team and our National Board to make sure our planning was on point and ahead of schedule. Our committee chairs have done an outstanding job in getting their respective tasks completed. ESP national has continued to be impressed with the efficiency and timeliness of our planning. As I write this we have not yet hosted but we look forward to a great national meeting. These two wrote an endowment grant proposal that was approved to assist Kansas members to attend the 2018 National Meeting in Manhattan. With their help, nearly 60% of Alpha Rho membership will enjoy this fantastic professional development opportunity.

If you dig within our policies, you will find that when a Director of Extension leaves the position it is the responsibility of Alpha Rho Chapter of ESP to make arrangements for the portrait of to be framed and hung on the "Wall of Fame" in Umberger Hall. It was my honor to work with the staff in Dr. Hadley's office to make arrangements for Dr. Floros' portrait to become a part of K-State history.

As I have become involved in ESP at this level I have come to realize that the Alpha Rho Chapter is certainly a top-five chapter in the nation. I know that I am leaving you in great hands to further our work as Erin Yelland takes the reigns as your 2018-19 Alpha Rho President.

May you all be richly blessed as you continue the great work we do in Extension.

### **PRESIDENT-ELECT- Erin Yelland**

This was a great year for the Alpha Rho Chapter of ESP and I was pleased to serve as President-Elect. I am honored to have worked with so many of you, many of whom I would have never met had it not been for ESP and this leadership position. I am especially looking forward to the ESP National Conference and am humbled by all of the work that Jennifer Wilson, Stacey Warner, and all of the various committees have put into making this event a huge success.

As part of my President-Elect duties, I was tasked with overseeing the work of the ESP committees. This was an easy job thanks to the dedication and work put in by the chairs, chair elects, and members of each committee. A big thanks to all of you! A special nod goes to all of those committees/individuals who worked on getting our constitution and bylaws relating to membership approved and updated.

The biggest highlight of my year as your President-Elect was attending the PILD Conference in Washington, DC in April. You can read my reflection from that experience <u>here</u>. What a truly outstanding experience to learn from others, network, and help represent all of the great work we are doing to our Senators and Representatives.

Looking ahead to my year as President, I'm hopeful that we can increase our membership and keep accomplishing wonderful things as a group – namely the ESP National Conference! Here's to a great year!

#### **SECRETARY- Linda Beech**

Minutes of the Alpha Rho Council meetings were written, reviewed and submitted for posting to the chapter website. The 2018 annual report was prepared with information provided by the officers and committee chairs.

Additionally, it was my honor to represent our chapter at the Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Conference in Orlando, FL on February 14-15. I gained several innovative ideas from other ESP chapters which were shared in the May 2018 chapter President's Message.

#### **TREASURER- Jennifer Wilson**

As of September 5, 2018 the checking account balance is \$15,493.40 and the CD balance is \$5714.37 for total assets of \$21,207.77. Receipts for 2017-18 were \$8,931.46 and expenditures were \$5,458.49. The principal balance of the ESP Endowment fund as of August 31, 2018 is \$154,904.18.

#### **EDITOR- Sarah Maass**

The Summer/Fall (August) newsletter was published and posted on our Alpha Rho Chapter website along with a link that was emailed to all members. Thanks to all officers, committee chairs and members for submitting information to include in our chapter newsletter. Hard copies of the newsletter were mailed to all retirees by the Extension Operations Office. The ESP Annual Recognition Reception program booklet was prepared and will be available at Annual Conference.

#### **HISTORIAN-** Doug Jardine

Documents from the 2017 annual business meeting were deposited in the chapter's archives located at KSU Hale Library. As you all know, Hale Library was significantly damaged by a fire on May 22, 2018. While damage from the fire itself was minimal, water and smoke damage forced the closure of the library. Repairs and restoration are ongoing, however, the library will not be open for the 2018-19 academic year. Current archived materials are not available, nor can we deposit any new materials. I will hold materials from this year until the archives are reopened.

# PAST PRESIDENT/ENDOWMENT CHAIR- Nadine Sigle

The ESP Extension Endowment Fund was established in 1992 and contributions and investment returns to the fund have provided financial support for more than 100 grants totaling in excess of \$107,140 to Kansas Extension professionals. Grants are used to improve educational programming and enhance opportunities for professional development.

In 2018 the following grants were awarded:

Jim Lindquist Administrative Leadership Scholarship -Andrea Renee Burns, Ford County, \$300 to attend the National Association of County Agriculture Agents National Meeting.

Professional Development Endowment Fund Grants – Elizabeth Brunscheen-Cartagena, Sedgwick County, \$200 to attend the 2018 ESP National Conference; Sarah Maass, Central Kansas Extension District, \$400 to attend the 2018 ESP National Conference as a first timer; Andrea Renee Burns, Ford County, \$1,300 to attend the National Association of County Agriculture Agents National Meeting; Candis Meerpohl, Shawnee County, \$1,000 for completion of her Master's Degree.

Innovative Programming Grants – Jaime Menon and Jan Steen, Community Vitality, \$3,800 for the development of "Community Perceptions"; Jeanne Falk Jones, NW Area Office, \$2,200 for the development of "Managing Farm Stress: Both Economic and Mental Stress"; Jennifer Wilson, Riley County, \$1,500 for the development of "Teaching with Technology"; and Sarah Maass, Central Kansas District and Lindsey Mueting, McPherson County, \$1,500 for the development of "Robots and Beyond, Youth STEM Programming".

# COUNCIL DIRECTOR REPORTS

#### NORTHWEST DIRECTOR-Wayne Moore

Northwest Agents were encouraged to join ESP through email contact. One-on-one face-to-face encouragement was also given to some newer Agents and opportunities of membership such as grant funding were shared.

### NORTHEAST DIRECTOR- Rhonda Gordon

I followed up with emails to Field Operations and Northeast Area staff who are new to KSRE and those who are on staff with KSRE but not ESP members to remind them that joining ESP before Annual Conference is an advantage. If they had questions about ESP and wanted to visit more to call me at their convenience.

#### SOUTHWEST DIRECTOR- Sharon Erickson-Fryback

I have contacted employees in the Southwest Area that have been hired in the last 5 years encouraging them to join ESP and sharing the benefits they would receive by being a part of our organization.

### SOUTHEAST DIRECTOR- Chuckie Hessong

I contacted new agents in the SE region about the opportunity to join ESP and the benefits a member has. I sent out an early message and then one just before the deadline for this year. I had good response with renewals and new members.

### **STATE DIRECTOR- Stacey Warner**

I've communicated with state chapter members through the year about submitting nominations for awards and about bringing items to the annual conference auction. I also communicated with new employees on campus about ESP membership.

#### **RETIREES DIRECTOR- Marie Blythe**

Current year retirees were invited to maintain their commitment and involvement in the Alpha Rho chapter

of Epsilon Sigma Phi by becoming life members. An information sheet was sent that outlined opportunities and benefits of becoming a life member.

# **STANDING COMMITTEES**

## **ANNUAL RECOGNITION EVENT- Jennifer Carr**

The 2018 Annual Recognition Reception will be held on Tuesday, October 16 in the K&S Ballrooms of the Kansas State University Student Union. Because all K-State Student Union function space is reserved for Annual Conference, including the room assigned for this event, there is no rental fee for ESP. Plans include using Bockers II Catering. They will be providing a light desert reception, drinks and the linens for the event. The menu will consist of cheese trays, brownie bites, mini cheesecakes and dipped fruit. The table decorations will be provided at no cost by the committee. The cost of tickets will be \$15.00.

## **BUDGET AND AUDIT- Debra Wood**

Debra Wood finished out the remainder of the year as chair upon the resignation of Gina Aurand. The Budget and Audit Committee met with the chapter treasurer Jennifer Wilson via Zoom on August 14. The committee reviewed 2017-18 expenditures to date to develop a proposal for the 2018-19 fiscal year. At the time of the call, the membership was voting on a proposed bylaws change to eliminate associate membership. Two budgets were discussed, one with bylaw passage and one without. In early September the committee communicated by email to finalize the proposal with all dues receipts under the Annual Member line item.

With the move to electronically renew dues online through the National ESP website there have been some challenges to work through. The proposed budget reflects the state portion only in the receipts, and no expenditures back to national. Line items were adjusted to reflect the committee's best estimate of receipts and expenditures for the coming year. A slight deficit budget is being proposed, but the committee feels we have the reserves in checking to cover this.

Mary Lou Odle and Debra Wood will work with Chapter Treasurer Jennifer Wilson to conduct the annual financial review of the treasury and to report at the Annual Business Meeting to be held at the KSRE Annual Conference.

#### **CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS- Jill Martinson**

The constitution and bylaws committee met via Zoom on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Changes to the constitution were limited to those recommended by the membership committee and approved by the membership on August 22 to eliminate the associate membership category.

The committee forwarded the following suggested bylaw changes to the general membership for consideration at the annual meeting in October:

1) Addition to Article 1, Section 2: "Special meetings may be conducted using distance technologies provided it is easily accessible to the membership."

2) Change in Article 4, Section 2: "Extension Director" changed to "Director for Extension" in order to reflect current administrative title.

3) Strike in Article 6, Section 2 (a): "Associate members are eligible for committee membership", as we no longer have associate members.

4) Addition to Article 7, Section 1 (a): "A portion of each member's yearly dues will be forwarded to the Kansas Joint Council of Extension Professionals (KS-JCEP) as set annually by the KS-JCEP Executive Board. This fee covers membership in KS-JCEP with all the rights and privileges of a voting member."

5) Strike Article 8, Section 2: Membership Card, as membership cards are no longer provided.

6) Replacement in Article 10: reference to the Director of Extension or Associate Director will be changed to "Director for Extension (or a representative)", in order to reflect current administrative title.

The committee also asked that the ESP Council discuss and have a recommendation for the membership at annual meeting about how KS-JCEP representation will be determined.

#### **ENDOWMENT AUCTION- Jodi Besthorn**

The Endowment Auction Committee has some great items for the annual silent auction, which will be held on Tuesday, October 16 during the poster and reception time. The committee has communicated the information via the listserv and the Tuesday Letter. In addition, each area ESP director was asking to work with their members and provide a gift basket for the auction. Confirmed items include: locally grown honey, Kansas wine, N-zone gift certificate, Mary Kay products, Land of Kansas Basket, designer KSU coasters, pen set and other great items. The auction will run for 1 hour only and will close at 5:30, so winners have time to pay and collect their items prior to the event festivities. Thanks to everyone for your donations and support... and bring your check book to the auction!! All proceeds benefit the Endowment Fund.

### **GLOBAL RELATIONS- Charlotte Olsen**

The committee had no meetings this year; however, several ESP members have been on the Navigating Difference training team and have held two training sessions during the past year. There also has been representation on the initiative related to the Intercultural Development Inventory. In addition, a new Extension resource, "Build Intercultural Relationships for Better Understanding of Your Neighbor," has been authored by ESP members.

## MEMBERSHIP RECRUTMENT AND RETENTION-Stacey Warner

The committee met several times early in the year to study the chapter's associate membership category for individuals in their first three years of membership. The committee proposed a change to the constitution and by-laws that eliminated associate membership and allowed new members to pay national dues only during their initial year of membership. The change was passed in a special meeting of the chapter held via Zoom on August 14. This revision will allow first year members to have the benefits of both national and chapter membership.

New members who will be recognized at the ESP Recognition Reception include:

Shandi Andres, Flint Hills District Clint Bain, Golden Prairie District Stacy Brown, Twin Creeks District Darren Busick, Reno County Sonia Cooper, River Valley District Stephanie DeLong, Sedgwick County Megan Dougherty, Riley County Gregg Eyestone, Riley County Tyler Husa, River Valley District Anissa Jepsen, 4-H Youth Development John Jobe, Riley County Donna Krug, Cottonwood District Lynn Loughary, Wyandotte County Madison Mackley, Thomas County Tara Markley, Johnson County Lisa Martin, Shawnee County Brett Melton, River Valley District Chiquita Miller, Wyandotte County Chris Mullins, 4-H Youth Development Pam Paulsen, Reno County Shane Potter, 4-H Youth Development Sara Sawer, Sedgwick County Jennifer Schroeder, Reno County Berny Unruh, Cottonwood District Wade Weber, 4-H Youth Development Lori Wuellner, Wyandotte County

### **MEMORIAL-** Jeanne Falk Jones

**Dr. Bob Newsome** passed away December 16, 2017 in Manhattan, Kansas.

Dr. Newsome began his Kansas Extension career in 1955 as McPherson County Agricultural Agent. In 1956, he moved to Jefferson County Agricultural Agent. His next position was as Riley County Agricultural Agent starting in 1960 and was named Riley County Extension Director in 1967. He was promoted in 1979 to Northeast Area Extension Director and he remained in that position until his retirement in 1994.

**Dr. Jack Riley** passed away December 26, 2017 in Manhattan Kansas.

Dr. Riley came to K-State in 1971 as an Associate Professor in Animal Sciences and Industry. He was the faculty coordinator of the Beef Research Unit for 16 years and coordinator of all research activities for the department for three years. In 1987 he was named Department Head and served in that capacity for 17 years until 2004 when he entered phased retirement and returned to a part-time faculty teaching position. Dr. Riley retired in 2010.

*Fred D. Atchison, Sr.*, retired Area Extension Forester, formerly with Kansas State and Extension Forestry, passed away April 4, 2018 in Manhattan, Kansas. Fred was the father of Bob Atchison, Rural Forestry Coordinator, Kansas Forest Service.

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Fred Atchison served as an Area Extension Forester with K-State and Extension Forestry for 23 years beginning at the Fort Hays Experiment Station in 1964. In 1978 he transferred to Manhattan where he served as the Area Extension Forester until his retirement in 1987.

**Deanne D. Wright** passed away May 15, 2018 after a short illness in Wellington, Colorado.

Deanne began as an Extension Specialist,

Communications in 1970. In 1971 her title changed to Extension Specialist, Radio & Television. She resigned in 1975 to return to school, and returned in 1979 as Extension Specialist, Radio and TV. She remained in the same position until her retirement in 1995.

*Herbert W. Bulk* passed away on Monday, July 16, 2018 in Topeka, Kansas.

Herb started his Extension career in Leavenworth County as the County Agricultural Agent in 1949. He moved to Nemaha County Agricultural Agent in 1952. He became the Shawnee County Agricultural Agent in 1958 and was promoted to County Extension Director in 1972. He remained in that position until his retirement in 1984.

*Ocie Taylor Neuschwander* passed away Monday, August 13, 2018 in Tribune, Kansas.

In 1958, Ocie became the first full-time County Extension Home Economist in Greeley County. She retired from that position in 1981. She was honored to be the first Kansan to receive the Florence Hall award from the National Association of Home Economists.

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*Carroll V. Hess* passed away Friday, August 17, 2018 in Topeka, Kansas.

Dr. Hess was appointed Dean of the College of Agriculture in 1966. During his tenure, he served abroad for four years in the Middle East (Oman) and two years in the Philippines for the U.S. Agency of International Development. He retired from Kansas State University in 1988.

### **NOMINATIONS- Nadine Sigle**

The Nominations Committee is submitting the following nominations for 2018-2019 chapter officers:

President Elect – Jennifer Wilson Secretary – Lisa Martin Editor – Denise Diaz SE Director – Beth Hinshaw NE Director – Candis Meerpohl Retiree Director – Doug Beech Endowment Trustee – Jeanne Falk Jones

### **PROFESSIONALISM- Susie Latta**

This year the Professional Development Committee marketed two webinars to the membership. These

were brought to the organization through the National Professional Development Committee. The two webinars were Healthy Transition to Retirement, presented by Erin Yelland of KSU and Learning Digital Strategies. The webinars were well attended. A member of the committee assisted in selecting scholarships given for the 2018 National Meeting that was held in Kansas. Two of the keynote speakers from the national meeting were broadcast live for members unable to attend the National Meeting in October.

#### **RECOGNITION- Liz Brunscheen-Cartagena**

Posted in the Tuesday Letter about recognition categories and extended deadline.

Nominations submitted for recognition; winners will be announced at the annual Recognition Event at Annual Conference:

**Continued Service Recognition** 

• Stacey Warner

Distinguished Service Award.

- Doug Jardine nominated Gayle Price
- Linda Beech

Friend of Extension Award

• Andrea Burns nominated Bill Spiegel, Editor of High Plains Journal

Mid-Career

- Barbara Ames
- Christopher Petty
- Jill D. Martinson
- Sheryl Carson

Early Career

• Chuck Otte nominated Peter Tomlinson Diversity Multicultural Individual

Bertha Mendoza nominated Debra Bolton
Horizon

- John Forshee nominated Monica Thayer
- Jennifer Wilson nominated John Jobe

### **RETIREE COMMITTEE- Doug Beech**

Extension retirees have been invited to the KSU Research and Extension Annual Conference with an invitation sent on September 19, 2018. Various topics of potential interest were highlighted and a room has been reserved for retirees to gather Thursday morning prior to the Awards Luncheon. Retirees will have the opportunity to hear from, and give input to, Director for Extension Gregg Hadley and will be able to enjoy an opportunity for reminiscing and conversation.

#### **TENURE RECOGNITION- Aliesa Woods**

**2018 ESP Length of Extension Service Recognition** (8/13/2018)

<u>5 YEARS</u> Debra Andres Geary County 2013-present

Travis Carmichael Lyon County 2013-present

Ignacio Ciampitti Agronomy 2013-present

Teresa Hatfield Sedgwick County 2013-present

Jared Hoyle Horticulture and Natural Resources 2013-present

Tara Markley Johnson County 2013-present

Julie Traxson Wildcat District 2013-present

10 YEARS Marlin Bates University of Missouri 2008-2014 Douglas County 2014-present

Cheryl Boyer Horticulture and Natural Resources 2008-present

Amy Lorenzen Thomas County 1989-1992 Golden Prairie District 2011-present

Shane Potter University of Nebraska 2008-2015 University of Missouri 2015-2018 4-H Youth Development 2018

Jamie Rathbun Ellsworth County 2008-2013 Midway District 2013-2018

Monte Vandeveer Northeast Region 1990-1994 University of Nebraska 2012-2016 Southwest Region 2016-present

<u>15 YEARS</u> Nozella Brown Wyandotte County 2003-present

Lynn Loughary Wyandotte County 2003-present

#### 20 YEARS

John Forshee Rooks County 1989-2000 River Valley District 2009-present

Lisa Martin Shawnee County 1997-present

Sandra Procter Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health 1998-present

<u>30 YEARS</u> Bryan Manny Kansas Farm Management Association 1988-present

Gayle Price Crawford County 1987-1989 Southeast Region 1989-present

35 YEARS Joseph Harner Biological and Agricultural Engineering 1983-present

Sharolyn Jackson Chautauqua County 1983-1988 Riley County 1988-2006 Northeast Area 2006 to present

Pam Van Horn Saline County 1983-2004 Central Kansas District 2004-2006 4-H Youth Development 2006 – present

#### 40 YEARS Carl Garten

Saline County 1978-2004 Central Kansas District 2004-present

Nancy Nelson Ellsworth County 1978-1988 Jackson County 1988-2006 Meadowlark District 2006-present

# NATIONAL ESP COMMITTEES

#### **CHAPTER RELATIONS- Doug Jardine**

This national committee is composed of national officers with the purpose of enhancing communication with state chapters and support from the national board. Training for local chapters was provided at the JCEP Leadership Conference and National ESP Conference on best practices for building and maintaining strong chapters and leadership training for chapter officers and those members interested in stepping up to leadership.

# MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION-Doug Jardine

This national committee focuses on strengthening chapters, recognizing chapter excellence in membership recruitment and retention, increasing ESP membership diversity and working to provide first time national meeting attendees with a positive experience. The committee updated the Achievement in Chapter Membership rubric and organized conference mentors for first-timers at the national conference in Manhattan.

# SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND RECOGNITION-Laurie Chandler

This national committee is responsible for administering the recruitment and selection for various scholarship, grants and recognition opportunities. This year the committee awarded 7 scholarships and 1 mini-grant: PILD Scholarship (4), Angus Professional Development Scholarship (2), Redinger Administrator/Leader Scholarship (1) and a Professional Development \$1000 Mini Grant (1). Alpha Rho President-Elect, Erin Yelland received a PILD scholarship this year. The committee also reviewed applications for Friends of Extension award and recommended three individuals for recognition at the 2018 National ESP Conference. Last year, several scholarships were "left on the table" due to a lack of applications. As a result, a key goal for this committee this year and into the future is to work to increase the number of applicants submitting for awards and scholarship by 5%.

### **PROFESSIONALISM- Susie Latta**

This year the committee marketed two professional development webinars to the membership on Healthy Transition to Retirement and Learning Digital Strategies. A member of the committee assisted in selecting scholarships given for the 2018 National Conference that was held in Kansas. Two of the keynote speakers from the national meeting were broadcast live for members unable to attend the conference.

# **PUBLIC RELATIONS- Debra Bolton**

Every year the committee presents a webinar series, and this year our webinars featured Extension's response to economic vulnerability and poverty. We also continue to support the elevator speech contest for national conference.

# **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

## 2018 NATIONAL ESP CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE- Stacey Warner and Jennifer Wilson

"Vast Prairies - Endless Possibilities" was the theme for the National Epsilon Sigma Phi Conference held in Manhattan October 1 - 4, 2018 at the Hilton Garden Inn and Conference Center. Seventy six members of the Alpha Rho chapter hosted members from 29 other states.

Attendees enjoyed pre-conference tours- "We Like Ike" tour to Abilene and "Flint Hills Tallgrass Prairie Tour" to Council Grove and Cottonwood Falls.

Conference highlights included an opening event at the Flint Hills Discovery Center and three keynote speakers -Jim Richardson, National Geographic photographer; Clifton Taulbert, entrepreneur and author and JoAnne Owens-Nausler, motivational speaker and physical activity advocate. Several members presented concurrent sessions, posters and lightning sessions.

Conference committee chairs included:

- Registration Andrea Burns
- Tours John Forshee
- Hospitality Gayle Price
- Technology David Dunn
- Auction Laurie Chandler and Trudy Rice
- Decorations Denise Dias and Sandra Wick
- Life Members Jim Lindquist
- Transportation Sarah Keatley
- Conference Co-Chairs Jennifer Wilson and Stacey Warner

Numerous chapter members served on these committees helping carry out the conference responsibilities.

Congratulations to all who played a part in hosting a successful conference!



#### Annual and Associate Members Alpha Rho Chapter Epsilon Sigma Phi The Extension Professional's Organization 2018 Membership Annual and Associate Members

#### **Northeast Region**

Deb Andres (2017) Gina Aurand (2010) Marlin Bates (2018) Nozella Brown (2009) Tom Buller (2017) Travis Carmichael (2017) Jenni Carr (2016) Denise Dias (2002) Megan Dougherty\*\* (2018) Cindy Evans (2015) Gread Evestone (2018) Susan Fangman\*\* (2017) John Forshee (1997) Carl Garten (1985) Rhonda Gordon (2013) Sharolyn Jackson (1989) John Jobe (2018) Wendy Hughes\*\* (2018) Tyler Husa\*\* (2018) Ginger Kopfer (2007) Susan Latta (1998) Lynn Loughary (2018) Sarah Maass (2010) Diane Mack (1991) Bryan Manny (1994) Tara Markley (2018) Shad Marston\*\* (2018) Lisa Martin (2018) Jill Martinson (2013) Greg McClure (2018) Candis Meerpohl (2015) Chiquita Miller (2018) Lindsey Mueting (2015) Nancy Nelson (1984) Chris Onstad (2000) Charles Otte (1987) Corinne Patterson (2013) Renae Riedy\*\* (2018) Brenda Taxeras (2012) Monica Thayer\*\* (2017) Deanna Turner (1981) Ariel Whitely (2017) Jennifer Wilson (2001) Debra Wood (2014) Lori Wuellner (2018)

### **Northwest Region**

John Beckman (2014) Linda Beech (1984) Stacy Brown\*\* (2018) Sheryl Carson (2011) David Dunn (2007)

### **Northwest Region Continued**

Jeanne Falk Jones (2011) Cassie Homan\*\* (2018) Donna Krug (2018) Amy Lorenzen (2016) Patsy Maddy (2016) Wayne Moore (2017) Anna Muir (2005) Jared Petersilie (2016) Jamie Rathbun (2014) Nora Rhoades (2015) Nadine Sigle (1998) Berny Unruh (2018) Deryl Waldren (1995) Sandra Wick (1994) Aliesa Woods (2009)

#### **Southeast Region**

Barbara Ames (2010) Jodi Besthorn (1985) Elizabeth Brunscheen (2013) Diane Burnett (1996) Darren Busick (2018) Stephanie DeLong\*\* (2018) Teresa Hatfield (2017) Chuckie Hessong (2018) Beth Hinshaw (1998) Angela Jones (2015) Joan Krumme (2018) Amanda Marney (2017) Rebecca McFarland (2009) Pam Paulsen (2018) Chris Petty (2015) Gayle Price (1993) Chelsea Richmond (2015) Fran Richmond (1980) Sara Sawer\*\* (2018) Jennifer Schroeder (2018) Lindsey Shorter\*\* (2018) Julie Traxson (2014) Jayne Whitson\*\* (2018)

### **Southwest Region**

Debra Bolton (2010) Andrea Burns (2006) Sharon Erickson-Fryback (2016) Lora Horton\*\* (2018) Bertha Mendoza (2016) Faith Orth\*\* (2018) Mark Ploger (1998) Ethel Schneweis (2004) Mary Sullivan (2005) Monte Vandeveer (2017)

#### State

Carol Baldwin (2009) Karen Blakeslee (2007) Cheryl Boyer (2014) Will Boyer (2005) Laurie Chandler (1997) Raymond Cloyd (2002) Nancy Daniels (2015) L. Ann Domsch (1969) Martin Draper (1996) Gary Gerhard (1989) Jason Griffin (2017) Gregg Hadley (2012) Joseph Harner (1989) Jared Hoyle\*\* (2014) Duane Hund (1991) Ignacio Ciampitti\*\* (2015) Douglas Jardine (1986) Sarah Keatley (2012) Tanda Kidd (2018) Elizabeth Kiss (2009) Jaime Menon (2017) Charlotte Shoup Olsen (1998) Paula Peters (2003) Shane Potter (2018) Sandy Procter (2011) Trudy Rice (1996) Jan Steen (2016) Peter Tomlinson\*\* (2018) Pam Van Horn (1989) Stacey Warner (1981) Wade Weber (2018) Zelia Wiley (2004) Erin Yelland (2018)

#### KEY TO MEMBERSHIP STATUS

Dues Summary:

Annual Members - 113 Assoc Members - 18

() Annual Membership Began

\*\* ( ) Associate Membership Began

### Life Members Alpha Rho Chapter Epsilon Sigma Phi The Extension Professional's Organization

James Adams Mariellen J. Appleby Mary P. (Clarke) Barkley Doug Beech Dennis D. Bejot Flo Biehl Marie Blythe Robert W. Bozworth Daryl Buchholz Lois Carlson Crystal Coffman Bill D. Collins Larry R. Corah Jeanice A. Cress Donald D. Dauber Robert Davis Fred DeLano William M. Dickson **Beth Drescher Beverly Dunning** Valeria Edwards Naomi England Steven D. Fisher Dale Fiell Alice L. Frey Kenneth W. Fromm Nancy Gafford Ralph Germann Mary Lou Gibbs Evon Goettel Clarene Goodheart A. Harold Gottsch Darrel Hosie William C. Hundley Robert L. Johnson Glenda Keller Gary Kilgore **Beverly Kindler** Glinda B. Leach Jim Lindquist Lindy R. Lindquist Sally Lindquist Ray H. Mann Emily Mark Donna Martinson Marcia McFarland Kenneth L. McReynolds Mary Munson

Pat Murphy **Bob Neier** Dorothy H. Neufeld Sy Nyhart Mary Lou Odle Leonard C. Parker E. J. Peterson Margaret Phillips Morgan Powell Warren L. Prawl Jean Rowland David Schafer John R. Schlender Robert W. Schoeff Mary D. Schroeder Mark Schwarzentraub Ensley J. Sisk Phil Sloderbeck Charles W. Smith Jenell Smith John F. Smith Fred D. Sobering Ann Sparke Janet Stephens Catherine Thorsell Earl L. VanMeter **Doris Katey Walker** Mildred L. Walker Eldon R. Weaver Marsha Weaver Ruth I. Wells Leo T. Wendling Steven A. Westfahl Don K. Wiles Dick Wootton Carol Young Kansas Only Life Members Donald L. Faidley Zoe E. Slinkman 84 - Life Members 2 - KS Only 86 - Total

August 15, 2018