Northwest Region Touchpoint

July 25, 2016

Job Postings . . .

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Staff Appreciation Week . . .

In celebration of Ohio State staff members’ contributions to the university, Staff Appreciation Week activities are planned for Sunday (7/24) – Saturday (7/30). The week starts with discount tickets available for a Staff Appreciation Columbus Clippers game on Sunday (7/24). On Monday (7/25), the annual Ice Cream Social will be held 1-4 p.m. on the Oval with a brief program around 2 p.m. Additional activities will occur throughout the week. For more information, visit the Human Resources website. Check back throughout July for updated events and discounts.

Read more  Contact

Director’s Drop-In . . .

Last week, I had the opportunity to participate in the annual Roads Scholar bus tour of Ohio coordinated by the Office of Outreach and Engagement designed to help new faculty and administrators learn about OSU’s impact on the state of Ohio. Our tour began early Thursday morning with a visit to WOSU studios located at COSI in downtown Columbus. Our first stop was at the Transportation Research Center at East Liberty. We were able to take the bus on the 7.5-mile oval test track used for performance testing by the automotive industry. (We did not "crash test" the bus, but we were introduced to the latest model of crash test dummies.) We then headed north to Unverferth manufacturing, The Anderson’s, Toledo Zoo, Toledo Art Museum, and Cooper Tire. It was impressive to see how many OSU alums were employed at each of these facilities. Along the way, I had a chance to tell the story of the creation of the land grant university system and provide passengers with an overview of OSU Extension. Meanwhile, another bus full of OSU students, student-athletes, and Brutus took another route to Toledo, eventually meeting up with our bus at the Zoo for an advancement event with alumni and other supporters. The students paid a visit to Rufenacht Family Farms in Fulton County where they learned about contemporary agriculture. Thanks to Eric Richer and the Fulton County team for arranging for that visit. Later that day, the students visited Sylvania Family Services, the Choice Food Pantry, and learned about the Master Gardener Volunteer program in Lucas County. Thanks to Patrice Powers-Barker, Amy Stone and the rest of the Lucas County team for their role in setting up those visits.
The Ohio Department of Health is now requiring all Food Service facilities licensed at a Risk Level 2 or higher to have at least one staff person who has completed an ODH approved Level 2 Food Safety training. The deadline to meet this requirement is March 2017.

Within OSUE we have been offering the ServSafe Food Safety Manager Training (meets ODH Level 2 training requirements) for many years. However, we are already experiencing a significant increase in program participation and expect to be unable to meet the need with face-to-face programs. We have partnered with TAP (Training Achievement Program) Series to offer an on-line training option and in-person proctored exams.

Within the next week or so, a representative from TAP will be contacting each of our OSUE County Offices to discuss this opportunity and get them started with the program, if desired.

This is an excellent chance to provide a service to your community, meet a growing Ohio need, allow participants to train at their own speed, and bring in some valuable cost recovery dollars.

If you already have plans to offer this course, feel free to also reach out to Tristan Baer (tb@tapseries.com) and request directions for creating an account with TAP. A flier to help you promote the course has also been attached.

If you have additional questions, please contact Shawna (614-292-6504 hite.143@osu.edu) or Kate (330-674-3015 shumaker.68@osu.edu).

FAQ – Inflatable

Visit http://cfaesfinance.osu.edu/news/faq-%E2%80%93-inflatables to read all of the details.

Inflatables come with some basic risks. We depend on vendors to have appropriate insurance and employee controls in place to make rental of the equipment safe.

1. PO is required: Inflatable rentals must be placed on a purchase order and cannot be included on a PCard or via an Extension Checking Account.
At a time when many colleges and academic programs are shrinking and losing relevance, the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences is experiencing tremendous growth both in new faculty hires and programs that address society’s most challenging issues.

You can learn more about this growth and other success stories in our college in the latest issue of Continuum. The full edition can be found online at http://cfaes.osu.edu/about/continuum

Articles include:
- Hops Gaining in Popularity in Ohio Among Growers, Brewers
- OH Come Let’s Sing His Compost’s Praise
- The Season of Growth (CFAES)
- Q&A with Roger Rennekamp
- His Gift Made Horse Sense
- Match Game
- Meating of Minds
- Recognition Tradition
- Climate Change Help May be Under Our Feet
- A New Way to Fight Zika, Other Mosquito Diseases
- Farm Science Review
- Coming Up This Fall

Attention County Extension Directors – OSU Extension and the Albers Enterprise Center are leading a campus-wide effort to plan and conduct Ohio State University’s Inaugural Leadership Summit featuring Jim Kouzes, co-author of The Leadership Challenge and several dozen other leadership publications. As major sponsor of the event, OSU Extension has been granted 100 slots exclusively for members of the Extension Administrative Cabinet and County Extension Directors.

Please register for the event prior to August 7 when seats will be made available to the broader OSU Community. The work of Jim Kouzes and his long-time collaborator, Barry Posner, is the most relevant and easy-to-use leadership material that I have encountered. The afternoon panel will discuss practical application of Kouzes’ morning keynote.

To register, please visit http://go.osu.edu/leadershipsummit. From today until August 7 the early-bird registration fee is $125.00. After that the fee is $150.
The fifth annual Glenn College Leadership Forum will be held on Friday, September 16. Early bird registration is now open. The Glenn College Leadership Forum is the premier one-day conference designed for individuals working in the public sector. In breakout sessions and in keynote talks, experts in the public policy arena provide insights into emerging trends in policy, administration and leadership that will enhance your career. This year’s speaker line up includes former governors Dick Celeste and Bob Taft, Congressman Steve Stivers, and a diverse group of twelve experts in policy and public affairs that will lead engaging discussions in breakout sessions. Visit our website to learn more and review the schedule-at-a-glance. You can register at the early bird rate of $125 through August 12.

4-H Fun Facts! (Source: Ohio 4-H Highlights) . . .

http://www.ohio4h.org/newsletter/ohio-4-h-highlights/july-2016/4-fun-4-h-facts

Head-1902  A.B. Graham had the first club meeting of the Agriculture Experiment Club on January 15, 1902 in Springfield Ohio. O.J. Kern of Illinois held the first meeting of the Farmer Boys’ Experiment Club on February 22, 1902, 38 days after A.B. Graham’s meeting.

Health-1908  The first 4-H emblem was designed as a three-leaf emblem. The three H’s stood for Head, Heart, and Hands. The fourth H was added and stood for Hustle, years later the fourth H stands for Health. In 2015, 246 4-H members, (12 from Ohio) came together to learn about health at the 2016 National Youth Summit on Healthy Living at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland.

Hands-1929  Seven 4-H Club Pigs were aboard Commander Byrd’s South Pole Expedition, kept aboard for breeding purposes to supply the pork needed for the expedition party during their stay in the South Pole Region. In 2015 the most popular individual project was Market Hog with over 12,287 youth in Ohio participating, and not one of those pigs went to the South Pole!

Heart-1982  Past Ohio 4-H Foundation Board Member and founder of Bob Evans Farms, Bob Evans was inducted in to the Ohio 4-H Hall of Fame. Once quoted as saying that the “only thing better than sausage is 4-H.” Bob Evans Farms remains an active supporter of 4-H in the state of Ohio and recently held the Be4Ag community fundraiser.
Soil, Water, and BioEnergy Field Night 2016 – Thursday Deadline

OHIO AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Soil, Water, and BioEnergy Field Night

Agenda:
5:30 pm  Registration and Welcome – Rafiq Islam and Tom Worley
5:45 pm  Comments – Mary Sibole, Pike SWCD
6:00 pm  Dinner
6:15 pm  Gypsum, a Win-Win for Soils, Crops, and the Environment – Ron Chamberlain, Gypsum (Indianapolis)
7:00 pm  Wagon tour – Wayne Lewis
• Future smart agriculture: iCAST Technology
• Gypsum use in agriculture
• Long-term tillage and cover crops
8:45 pm  Door Prizes
9:00 pm  Adjourn

Thursday, July 28, 2016
5:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Location: OSU South Centers
1864 Shyville Rd., Piketon, Ohio 45661
Large Auditorium
(Research and Extension Building)

Cost: No Charge

To register: Contact Sarah Strausbaugh at strausbaugh.54@osu.edu or 740.289.2071 x112
For more information: Contact Mary Sibole at 740.947.5353

Deadline to register is July 21st

Sponsors:
Ohio State University, Pike County SWCD,
Pike County Solid Waste District

See our new iCAST technology research during the tour!
As you know, the eXtension Foundation is partnering with the Extension Committee on Organization and Policy (ECOP) Innovation Task Force and The New Media Consortium (NMC) to prepare the *NMC Technology Outlook for Cooperative Extension 2016-2021*. A panel of 56 experts has been working on the report and last week selected the topics that will be featured in the report, scheduled for release in September.

We are sending you this advance notice of a call for project submissions from which the panel will select example initiatives to include in the report to represent current and emerging work on these topics. This story on the NMC website provides the topics and instructions for submitting any relevant work you propose to be featured in the final report.

Deadline for submissions is **August 1, 2016**. The submission form takes only minutes to complete per project, and you can submit as many projects as you like.

Please consider submitting the innovative and important work you are doing for consideration in the upcoming, nationwide *Technology Outlook for Cooperative Extension Horizon Report*. I am included among the 56-expert panel who have contributed to the report so far, and now we need your help. We know there are many innovative projects being implemented by OSU Extension professionals; let’s show them off!

Deadline for submissions is August 1. Share your projects here. More information in the eXtension announcement below. Please contact Jamie at seger.23@osu.edu if you have any questions prior to submitting.