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**Bangor Resident Attends National
Family & Consumer Sciences Conference in St. Louis**

Bangor, Wis. – July 28, 2013 – Molly Hundt of Bangor, Wisconsin, attended the 2014 American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) Annual Conference, *Family and Consumer Sciences: Global Gateway to Healthy and Sustainable Families*, in St. Louis, Missouri, June 25th-28th.

As a first-time attendee of the national conferences Hundt said, "The conference is a great way to connect with others in the field and to hear about topics and ideas that are important in family and consumer sciences (FCS) right now."

More than 750 professionals and students in FCS and allied fields from across the U.S. convened at the Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch for the AAFCS 105th conference. The meeting featured well-known experts and a range of educational sessions on theme-related topics, from using social media safely and efficiently to trends in families around the world.

Dr. Geraldene B. Hodelin, professor at the University of Technology Jamaica and IFHE immediate past president, was keynote at the Opening General Session on June 26th with "Becoming My Mother." During the Second General Session on Saturday, June 28th, conference participants learned from **Marsha Wallace**, founder of Dining for Women, during "Invest in Women, Change Everything: the Power of Women to Create Healthy Societies in the 21st Century."

About the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)

Based in the Washington, D.C., area, AAFCS is the only association for family and consumer sciences students and professionals across multiple practice settings and content areas. For more than 100 years, AAFCS has focused its mission on providing leadership and support for professionals whose work assists individuals, families, and communities in making more informed decisions about their well-being, relationships, and resources to achieve optimal quality of life. AAFCS members provide research-based knowledge about the topics of everyday life to help create healthy and sustainable families. These topics include human development, personal and family finance, housing and interior design, food science, nutrition and wellness, textiles and apparel, and consumer issues. AAFCS members are located nationwide, and include educators, administrators and managers, human service and business professionals, researchers, community volunteers, and consultants who develop research-based information and deliver programs on essential skills to help individuals and families be better prepared to live, work, and succeed in today's complex and diverse world.

Field of Family & Consumer Sciences

Family and consumer sciences (FCS) draws from broad and diverse disciplines to develop and provide content and programs that help individuals become more effective critical thinkers and problem solvers. Through discovery and delivery of research-based knowledge, FCS professionals help individuals and families develop essential skills to successfully live and work in a complex world. Professionals in the field are uniquely qualified to speak on many critical issues affecting individuals and families, such as maintaining a healthy lifestyle, wisely managing personal and family finances, and creating supportive relationships with family members, friends, and co-workers. They are located nationwide in a variety of practice settings, including secondary schools, universities, government agencies, and businesses.

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