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*The mission of WAFCS is to provide leadership and support for professionals whose work assists individuals, families, and communities in making informed decisions about their well-being, relationships, and resources to achieve optimal quality of life.*

## WAFCS Has Gone Virtual!

With the onset of Covid-19, the annual conference scheduled for March was cancelled. It was rescheduled for the end of October but the Board voted at the summer meeting to also cancel it with the uncertainty of Covid-19. As a result, a committee met and has created **monthly hourly Zoom sessions on Wednesdays from 4-5 pm**. These include:

September 30 - Nancy Franz ***“Determining and Articulating the Value of FCS”***

October 14 - Kayla Correll, CFCS and Lori Hoeft ***“Strengthening FCS Programs Through Industry Mentors”***

November 4 - Dr. Susan Turgeson and UW-SP FCS Students ***“Service Learning”***

December 9 - UW Extension ***“Raising Caring Kids”***

January - Julie Martin ***“Hospitality Industry”***

**These will be topped off with the WAFCS Virtual Annual Conference on Saturday, March 6, 2021.** Plans are under way for a 1 day conference that will feature keynote speaker/s, and concurrent breakout sessions. It will be recorded for your later or repeated viewing. More information will follow as plans develop.

**Additionally, on Saturday, October 3 the 2020 award winners were recognized with a special 1 hour Zoom celebration.**

To register for any upcoming Wednesday sessions, -

1. a google link will be sent out about 2 weeks before the session, Follow the response information on the link. This will register you.
2. Within a couple of days before the event, a Zoom invitation will be sent to all who registered. (members and non-members)

If you have suggestions for additional Wednesday Zoom sessions, contact Janet Powell, [janetmpowell38@gmail.com](mailto:janetmpowell38@gmail.com)

## President's Message



Greetings Members and Friends of the Wisconsin Association of Family and Consumer Sciences,

With great excitement, I want to share something I learned at this past week while participating in the AAFCS Virtual Fall Leadership Workshop! First, allow me to share how AAFCS wrapped its new theme to present to us workshop attendees. The title of the session “Raising Our Voices, Visibility, and Value: The new 360 Communication Campaign” was presented by AAFCS Senior Director, Nancy Bock. In the beginning of that training, she reviewed each of the AAFCS three signature initiatives (FCSfit, Say Yes to FCS, and Dining In). Those fresh approaches to core FCS topics with creative designs have been used by many of us to promote and publicize FCS programs. Ohhh, the next is so special for me. The unveiling of the new theme to use with all three signature initiatives is “**#FCSsuccess**.” Let me tell you why my enthusiasm. Last year, and after the major portion of the 110<sup>th</sup> AAFCS Annual Conference & Expo, I happened to learn from Susan Turgeson of her idea “**#FCSsuccess**” and some potential applications. Also, in that same small group, then, newly hired AAFCS Senior Director, Nancy Bock (group’s facilitator) considered ways to expand Susan Turgeson’s idea “**#FCSsuccess**.” My part in all of this was to witness, now, share in one outcome (see below) of two savvy FCS professionals using their creative minds.

Warm Regards,

Charmaine Rimple, CFCS



### **AAFCS Dining In Day ‘Covid 19 Style’ December 3, 2020**

AAFCS honors Founder Ellen Swallow Richards by celebrating FCS Day on her birthday. Through the FCS Day initiative, AAFCS provides information, tools and research on the benefits of families/cohesive groups preparing and eating healthy meals together. It has been a Wisconsin tradition to have high participation. This year it will look a bit different due to Covid 19.

Past participants have included FCS classrooms, campus organizations, dorm/apartment residents, office staff, friends and families in communities of all sizes. Using these groups as inspiration, we can rethink how to dine safely while following recommended Covid 19 Guidelines:

- 1) Keep groups small, less than ten
- 2) Dine outdoors if possible
- 3) Wear masks indoors, if not with immediate family
- 4) Limit the sharing of food: each person brings their own lunch/meal/order
- 5) Social Distancing and use of antibacterial products
- 6) Opt for a Virtual Meal experience

Now is a good time to begin planning your special “Dining In Day” event using Covid19 Guidelines. Your event can occur anytime within the week of December 3. Now, more than ever is a good time to have a few people/family get together in this fashion. Remember to take pictures of your event and submit them to Janet Powell and AAFCS. Governor Tony Evers’ Proclamation recognizing the event will be available. Looking forward to seeing the many creative ways we can promote “ National Family & Consumer Sciences Dining In Day” while remaining safe from Covid 19! Share your ideas on the WAFCS website.

Jeanne A Schwass  
Bethany Buenning

## **WAFCS Foundation Celebrates 30-Year Anniversary in 2020; Awards Reimbursement Scholarships for AAFCS Virtual Conference**

By Jean Zeithaml, CFCS, WAFCS Foundation Member-at-Large

### **Foundation Celebrates 30-Year Anniversary in 2020 (Part IV)**

The year 2020 marks the 30-year anniversary of the WAFCS Foundation! The fourteen WAFCS members who formed the Founders Club are listed below. All nine remaining Founders kicked off the WAFCS Foundation 30-Year Anniversary Fundraising Campaign. Five of the nine remaining Founders were planning to attend the WAFCS Annual Conference prior to its cancellation. Since we were not able to honor them in person, we want to again acknowledge all Founders and ALL who have donated to the Foundation since 1990! THANK YOU!

Lois Alfson  
\*Diane Colby  
\*Gwen Daluge  
Cheryl Fedje  
Sharon Gilles  
Karen Goebel  
Mary Heisler  
Rita Houser

Judy Jax  
\*Marian Latzko  
\*Nellie McCannon  
Judy Rommel  
Marilyn Swiontek  
\*Louise Young  
\*deceased

Furthermore, we wish to acknowledge all who have served as Board Members of the WAFCS Foundation. **Judy Jax** was the first Chair (1990-1993) and **Karen Goebel** has served in that capacity since 1993. Those who have served as Members-at-Large are: **Rita Houser, Gretchen Hudock, Louise Young, Nellie McCannon, Jean Zeithaml, Priscilla Bondhus, and Vera Riley**. WAFCS Treasurers serve in a dual capacity and also serve as treasurer of the Foundation. **Lori Schaefer, Rita Houser, Rosalie Powell, Joyce Siefering, and Susan Turgeson** have all served as WAFCS Treasurer/Foundation Treasurer.

### **Current Foundation Offerings**

From offering one \$300 undergraduate scholarship, fast-forward to the current benefits the Foundation makes available to WAFCS members:

#### **For Student/Pre-professional Members:**

\$500 Undergraduate Scholarship (multiple scholarships offered some years)  
\$1000 Graduate Scholarship (first awarded in 2017)

\$100 Travelship (up to 8) offered to support student attendance at WAFCS Annual Conference  
\$300 Travelship (up to 3) offered to support student attendance at AAFCS Annual Conference

#### **For Professional Members:**

\$1000 Professional Project/Research Grant (multiple grants offered some years)  
\$125 Stipend (up to 3) offered to promote professional attendance at WAFCS Annual Conference  
\$500 Travelship (up to 3) offered to support professional attendance at AAFCS Annual Conference  
\$500 Travelship to WAFCS Award Recipients (Teacher of the Year, Leader, New Achiever)

#### **Unique Offerings:**

\$500 Travelship (up to 3) offered to promote professional attendance at IFHE World Congress  
\$1000 Scholarship for a representative from an underdeveloped country to attend IFHE Congress  
\$425 Annual Dues for WAFCS organizational membership in IFHE

#### **Foundation Awarded Reimbursement Scholarships for AAFCS Virtual Conference Registration**

The WAFCS Foundation offered “Reimbursement Scholarships” to reimburse up to 20 professional member registrations (at \$100 each) and up to 40 student registrations (at \$25 each) for the 2020 AAFCS Virtual Annual Conference. In reality, it reallocated funds already budgeted to support professional and student attendance at the AAFCS Annual Conference. Therefore, it was a great way to support even more of our members since the format of the meeting changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recipients of reimbursement scholarships were student, **Amber Miller** of UW–Stevens Point, and professionals **Deborah Gangnon, Emily Larson, Cindy Quilling, Charmaine Rimple, Delaine Stendahl, Sue Strutz, and Susan Turgeson. Kayla Correll** was eligible for a professional travelship as the 2019 WAFCS Teacher of the Year/2020 AAFCS Teacher of the Year award recipient, thus also received reimbursement of her \$100 conference registration fee.

#### **Foundation Continues 30-Year Anniversary Fundraising Campaign**

We are encouraging **\$30 donations to the Foundation** in recognition and support of the progress that has been made since 1990.. from offering one \$300 undergraduate scholarship annually to 2019 when a record amount of Foundation funding (\$11,725) was approved to support scholarships, grants, travelships, and more for student and professional WAFCS members! Since there was no Silent Auction fundraiser this year, consider making a \$30 donation to the Foundation. One member made a recent generous donation equaling the approximate amount that she would have spent by attending the 2020 WAFCS Annual Conference that was cancelled due to COVID-19! How clever and generous! To make a donation, use the Donation Form below, mark “Commemorating,” and write in “Foundation 30-Year Anniversary.” THANK YOU!

#### **Recent Donations**

The Foundation gratefully acknowledges recent donations made to the Foundation. **Janet Powell** donated in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the WAFCS Foundation. **Nyla Musser** donated in honor of **Karen Bogenschneider, Karen Joos, Kay Stanek, and Karen Traastad. Carol Subera** made a donation in honor of **Jean Zeithaml. Charmaine Rimple** also donated to the Foundation.



**THANK YOU!**

*Thank you to the WAFCS Foundation for your generous support of my education. I am so appreciative to be a recipient of the graduate scholarship. This scholarship has helped me to focus on my learning and less about the financial burden, especially during Covid-19. I am so grateful for the Foundation and will continue to contribute to WAFCS and the field of Family and Consumer Sciences.*

*Thank you,  
Michael Westbrook*

*Dear Foundation Members,*

*Thank you very much for the graduate scholarship from the WAFCS Foundation. I am grateful for the opportunity to be able to take graduate courses in order to further my education.*

*Sincerely,*

*Bethany Buennig*

*WAFCS Foundation,*

*I wanted to send my thanks for the graduate scholarship. It's a big help and very much appreciated, especially during these trying times. I hope you are all doing well and staying healthy. Don't forget to take some time for yourself and practice some self-care.*

*Thank you and stay well,*

*Tess Holperin*

#### WAFCS FOUNDATION DONATION FORM

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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(special achievements, retirements, birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, etc.)

WAFCS Annual Conference Keynote Speaker Fund \_\_\_\_\_

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## Congratulations, Kayla Correll, CFCS, 2020 AAFCS National Teacher of the Year

There was great excitement in the AAFCS Virtual Conference in AAFCS National Teacher of the **Willcox Publisher**, the AAFCS was established in 1974 to utilize cutting-edge methods, stimulus and visibility to family and secondary education. As the National Teacher of the field of FCS. She recently was Leadership Workshop.



Wisconsin when it was announced at June, 2020 that Kayla was chosen the Year. Sponsored by **Goodheart-** National Teacher of the Year award recognize exemplary teachers who techniques and activities to provide consumer sciences in elementary and

Year, Kayla will be a spokesperson for part of a panel at the AAFCS

### Nominate a Member!

Please nominate a member for an Award or an Agency or non-member for a Friend of the Family Award. In WAFCS we have the following Awards: **New Achiever, Teacher of the Year, Leader Award** and **Friend of the Family Award**. More information about each award is on the WAFCS website:

<https://wafcs.org/forms.html>

**Please send nominations for awards by November 1, 2020.** The nomination process is simple. Send an e-mail to the appropriate award chair listed below and state in a sentence why the person you are recommending deserves the award. You do not need to contact the nominee - the award chair will take care of connections! Therefore, include the e-mail address of the nominee as well in your e-mail. If you have observed an agency or a non-member promoting and supporting Family and Consumer Sciences and you would like to recognize their support, then nominate them for the WAFCS Friend of the Family Award. A simple e-mail to Janet Powell will start the process for selection.

The following are the WAFCS award chairs ready to receive your nominations by or before November 1, 2019:

- Teacher of the Year Chair: Mary Kennedy [kennmaindel@gmail.com](mailto:kennmaindel@gmail.com)
- New Achiever Award Chair: Mary Kennedy [kennmaindel@gmail.com](mailto:kennmaindel@gmail.com)
- Leader Award Chair: Cindy Quilling [quilling@wwt.net](mailto:quilling@wwt.net)
- Friend of the Family Chair: Carolyn Barnhart [barnhartc@uwstout.edu](mailto:barnhartc@uwstout.edu)

Your nominee will be contacted and asked to complete an application. If your nominee is selected for the Award, he/she will be honored at the 2021 WAFCS Virtual Conference.

## Meet the WAFCS Student Unit Officers

### **Lisa Driver - President**

My Name is Lisa Driver. I am a Junior at UW-Stout, where I am majoring in Family and Consumer Sciences and minoring in Human Development and Family Studies. I am involved in SAFCS (VP), Phi Upsilon Omicron (Committee Chair), Love Your Melon, Aspiring Educators of Wisconsin, and Fostering Success. My future goals include to obtain a job in Family and Consumer Sciences Education and to advocate the importance of this program.

Since going to college, I have worked incredibly hard to be involved with Family and Consumer Sciences and to advocate for things I believe in. Being part of the student organization means I could continue to make a difference and to advocate for the importance of Family and Consumer Sciences. My goal would be to get more students involved in WAFCS so they could continue to participate after they graduate. I also want to continue to share the importance and joy of FCS and everything that is involved.

My biggest goal is to reach out to more students and gain their participation within WAFCS. WAFCS is a great organization and is a helpful tool as a future teacher. Thus, I want to get higher student participation. Not only is that my goal, but I want to help by advocating for the importance of FCS.

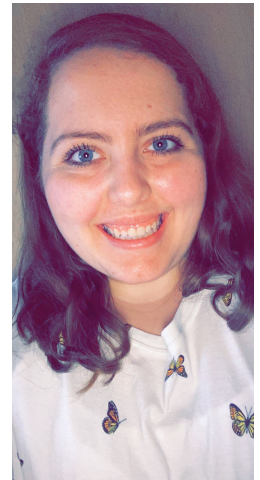


### **Tara Weber - Vice President**

I am Tara Weber and I attend University of Wisconsin Stout in Menomonie, Wisconsin. I am majoring in Family and Consumer Sciences Education with a minor in Human Development and Family Studies. I am President of Stout Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. I am a member of Love Your Melon, Aspiring Educators of Wisconsin and I am also a member of Phi Upsilon Omicron Tau Chapter. After I graduate my goal is to obtain a job as a Family and Consumer Sciences Educator. As a FACS educator, I want to inspire and instill the same passion that I have for the FACS subjects and pass the same passion on to my future students.

I want to be an officer for WAFCS Student Unit because I want to learn more about WAFCS and make a difference in the Family and Consumer Sciences Education program at the state level. This is also a perfect opportunity to meet other students from other places and current educators that share the same passion for Family and Consumer Sciences Education that I do. I would like to obtain a leadership position in the WAFCS Student Unit and make an impact as an officer by continuing to strive to be the best that I can be.

As an officer of the WAFCS Student Unit, I hope to learn more about WAFCS and share the knowledge that I learn with other students. I can use my organizational and creative skills to help plan and organize events put on by WAFCS. As a future educator and a WAFCS Student Unit officer, I would like to continue to promote and give back to the Family and Consumer Sciences Education program.



**Ryan Leyman - Secretary**

Hi, my name is Ryan Lehman. I am studying Family and Consumer Sciences Education with minors in Health Education and Business Administration and Certificates in Financial Literacy and Foreign Language (Spanish) at UW-Stevens Point. I am currently the president of the Stevens Point Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (SPAFCS). My career goal is to become a third generation teacher and a second generation Family and Consumer Sciences teacher in Wisconsin.

I want to become an officer on the WAFCS Student Unit because I believe that it will help me connect with both my peers over in Stout and professionals throughout the state who truly care about our profession. This is a wonderful opportunity for me to work on my leadership and communication skills which are crucial 21st-century skills that are necessary in today's workforce.

With this year the way it has been, I think now it is more clear than ever that Family and Consumer Sciences is a necessary fabric of our society. We are the People-Centered Sciences. We are focused on foundational skills and dispositions that hold everything together from individual's job, families, communities, states, economies, and countries. Having myself and the other members of the FCS profession understand that FCS is an important piece of society is not enough. What I hope to achieve as an officer of the WAFCS Student Unit is to increase awareness of the FCS profession.

**Leah Hoogland - Outreach Coordinator**

My name is Leah Hoogland, and I'm a senior at UWSP. My major is Family and Consumer Sciences Education. I transferred to UWSP after my first two years of college at the Wausau branch of UWSP which is only a two year campus. Since my transfer I have been involved in our student organization, Stevens Point Area Family and Consumer Sciences (SPAFCS). I've been the secretary since last semester. After graduation I'm hoping to find a job in northern Wisconsin, which is where I grew up. I love the small, close-knit communities in this area and want to work in a rural school district where I can build meaningful relationships with my students!

I want to get to know more about what WAFCS does! Since last year was my first year declared as FCS and the first year I became a member of WAFCS and AAFCS, I haven't gotten a chance to attend the WAFCS conference yet! I enjoy collaborating with others to produce events for others, such as our SPAFCS meeting, and I think it would be a great experience to do this at the state level.

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## AAFCS Moves Scholars Forward: 2021-22 Applications Open Now!

In the 2019 AAFCS Member Survey, "**Fellowships, Grants and Scholarships**" were identified as one of the **five most important programs and initiatives supported by AAFCS for the "good of the field."**

AAFCS' commitment to funding scholars in family and consumer sciences (FCS) not only strengthens our field now, but has a lasting impact on the future of our profession.

This year, we have worked to open our scholarship and fellowship applications earlier to reach as many students as possible, and are excited to share that **\$25,000 in funding for students across multiple FCS content areas** is available, with applications due January 11, 2021. For more information, follow this link:

<https://www.aafcs.org/resources/recognition/fellowships>

## 2020 Dine In Day

- 2020 theme: "Dining In" for #FCSsuccess
- Website live: **October 16** (many resources)
- "Dining In" for #FCSsuccess **December 3**

Start planning now!!



## Visibiity and Value with the new 360 Communications Campaign

### #FCSsuccess Communication Campaign

All FCS Professionals

Website live December 4, 2020 with many resources

Leader Town Hall trainings (many available) December 4, 2020

National Communication Network

Communications Toolkit

Communications Calendar - January 1, 2021 - January 1, 2022

**Much more information will be forthcoming!!**



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### 2020-21 Calendar of Events

October 14      Zoom Session - Industry Mentors  
November 4      Zoom Session - Service Learning  
December 9      Zoom Session - Raising Caring Kids

**December 15**   Winter Newsletter Deadline

**March 6**          WAFCS Virtual Conference

**\*Send newsletter info to:** [executivedirector@wafcs.org](mailto:executivedirector@wafcs.org)

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