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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.

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**Advancing the Field**  
**WAFCS Conference**  
**March 26-28, 2015**  
**Three Bears Lodge**  
**Warrens, WI**



## The WAFCS Conference is quickly approaching!

In fact, today is the last day for Early Bird Registration. Tomorrow it will cost you \$25 more! Hopefully you have already registered for this outstanding conference. If not, don't delay another minute. You will get more than your money's worth. In addition to hearing knowledgeable speakers on many topics, the opportunity to meet and mingle with other professionals and students is priceless. Special efforts are being made this year to promote collaboration and community building. All conference information: [www.wafcs.org](http://www.wafcs.org)

### Don't forget:

- ◆ Items for the Silent Auction being held on Friday
- ◆ Financial support or items for the Student Unit Project (see article by Molly Hunt, student unit vice-president)
- ◆ Swim suit, exercise clothes, business cards



For a preview of keynote speaker, Scott Lesnick's presentation on Saturday, March 28, check out the following link:

<https://vimeo.com/69424572>



## Message from your President..

Thank you to all WAFCS members for what you do each day! Remember to get me any ideas and concerns that can make our organization better.

Request: please send me any pictures and comments from your Dec 1<sup>st</sup> “Dining In” experience. I am putting together a display for the state conference. If you can, get them to me by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015. This will also be taken to AAFCS in Jacksonville in June. Let’s show them what WISCONSIN did on this first national AAFCS Day! Thanks in advance for your contributions.

March is getting closer! That means “Spring” is just around the corner as is the WAFCS Conference, March 26-28 at The Three Bears Lodge in Warrens, WI. Plan to attend, invite a professional friend and take part in an impressive program for those in the field of FCS. “ADVANCING THE PROFESSION” is the theme and programming is designed to assist you in networking with other FCS professionals. Check out the program on the WAFCS website.

I’m looking forward to seeing you in March at The Three Bears!

Jeanne Schwass-Long, CFCS

*Editor’s Note: Since this newsletter is going out March 1 after her request date, please send items to Jeanne regarding “Dining In” as soon as possible .*

### *From the Student Unit - Please support their Service Project*



The Student Unit is looking for your support with their service project at the WAFCS Conference! The students are gathering donations for Stepping Stones Food Pantry & Shelter in Menomonie, WI. At the fall Student Conference we heard from the Community Connections Program Coordinator at Stepping Stones about how they make a difference in the community by offering food, personal care items and shelter to those who need it. We also learned that each dollar donated to the organization can buy \$10 worth of food for their pantry! Our goal is to present a meaningful donation to this organization that supports so many people in Dunn County. Donations can be monetary or include non-perishable food

items, personal care items such as toothbrushes, shampoo and diapers and home items like trash bags, kitchen utensils and cleaning supplies. A full list of items can be found at <http://www.stepsstonesdc.org/donate.html>. Bring any items you wish to donate with you to the conference and the students will collect them and deliver to Stepping Stones on behalf of WAFCS. Thanks for your help!

## How Can You Participate in World Home Economics Day 2015?



Press Release

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

### **World Home Economics Day 2015**

"Home Economics Literacy: Skills for families and consumers"

The International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE), World Home Economics Day (WHED) is acknowledged on March 21<sup>st</sup> each year. It aims to promote the IFHE and the Home Economics profession.

Celebrating WHED 2015 provides an annual opportunity, to communicate the importance of Home Economics Literacy, in promoting family and consumer wellbeing, throughout the world. The essential life skills offered by Home Economics education is transformative.

Home Economics Literacy is the multidisciplinary expression of several literacies such as food literacy, health literacy, financial literacy, consumer literacy and environmental literacy.

There is a strong relationship between Home Economics Literacy and the United Nations' Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs). The SDGs build upon the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and converge with the post- 2015 development agenda. They recognise the relevance of education for girls and women, according to local contexts and attainment of specific, regional and local goals. Education has a significant role to play in:

- Poverty eradication
- Promoting sustainable patterns of consumption and production
- Protecting and managing the natural resource base of the earth.

This year, WHED will promote, "Sharing food: making healthy and sustainable choices", activities via social media.

Sharing food by Growing, Giving or among Groups is a universal experience. It includes actions such as, growing and preparing food produce; giving food produce; and preparing family or community meals.

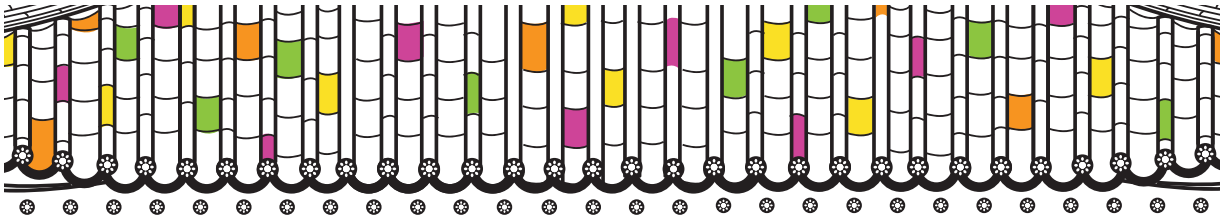
How can individuals, families and communities participate in WHED 2015?

- Take action to share food and make healthy and sustainable choices.
- Register your participation now
- Share your story via Twitter: @IFHE\_Home\_Ec #WHED2015

#sharingfood

- Celebrate WHED 2015 with colleagues at the joint IFHE, University of

Malta and European Association of Home Economics International conference in Valetta, Malta 19<sup>th</sup> -- 21<sup>st</sup> March. <http://www.um.edu.mt/events/ifhe2015>



## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### XXIII IFHE WORLD CONGRESS 2016 Daejeon, Korea Sunday July 31 – Saturday August 6, 2016



The International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) invites the submission of abstracts for the XXIII IFHE World Congress 2016 addressing the theme: **Hope and Happiness.**

#### Guidelines for Submission:

All proposals for presentations (oral and poster) and exhibits require submission of an abstract at [www.ifhe2016.org](http://www.ifhe2016.org)

For submissions involving more than one presenter, the abstract is to be submitted by:

- The first author for individual papers, posters and exhibits
- The program committee chair for program committee workshops
- The symposium chair for all proposed symposia and panel or roundtable discussions

#### Criteria for Acceptance of Abstracts

- An individual may only submit two abstracts as a first author.
- The abstract should be a maximum of 300 words and identify up to five key words.
- Presentations (Individual papers and posters) will be selected on the basis of merit and relevance to the Congress theme and/ or the field of Home Economics and should have significance for individuals, families and households.
- All full papers must be previously unpublished.
- Research papers must be based on scientific research and identify the Aim, Method(s), Results/findings, Conclusion and add to the body of knowledge in the field of Home Economics.
- All presenters must register and pay a full Congress registration fee by no later than 31 March 2016; otherwise the paper/presentation will be removed from the program.
- Responsibility for transport of accepted exhibit items to and from Congress lies with the individual artist/exhibitor. All such items must be the original work of the attributed artist/exhibitor.

#### Types of presentations

**Individual paper:** A 15-20 minute presentation (including time for questions) within a concurrent session block of 90 minutes. Although independent of other presentations, individual papers will be programmed according to the thematic stream and key words nominated by the author(s).

*Note: Full paper refereeing is available to all presenters (see Submission deadlines). Papers should be 4000 – 6000*

*words in length and include the title, with no identification of the author/s throughout the uploaded document. Acceptance of papers for full presentation makes them eligible for publication in the International Journal of Home Economics, subject to the discretion of the journal editor. Best paper awards will be presented to those peer reviewed papers with the best ranks provided by experienced reviewers.*

**Poster:** Author/s will be required to be in attendance at the Congress for a specified period for discussion of their poster. Specifications for posters will be confirmed upon acceptance.

**Workshop:** IFHE program committee chairs are encouraged to coordinate sessions that showcase and further their work and achievements since the previous IFHE World Congress and into the future. Chairs should submit an abstract as 'first author' and list other presenters as 'other authors'.

**Symposium:** IFHE invites proposals for group presentations focused on a relevant topic or issue. These 90-minute sessions may take the form of a symposium, panel discussion or roundtable forum. Proposals should be submitted by the session chair, with co-presenters listed as 'other authors'. Time should be allowed for questions, the drafting of conclusions and/or audience participation.

**International collaboration:** This is a supportive, facilitated session for those involved in research who may be seeking international collaboration for their projects. Each presentation will be strictly limited to five minutes as researched share their proposals, progress and future requirements for the continuation of their projects. At the end of the 90-minute session, time will be allocated for the sharing of information, ideas, business cards and general networking. Abstracts will outline the research projects

and pinpoint the potential benefits of international collaboration to the particular project.

**Exhibit:** IFHE invites exhibits that display and showcase the field of home economics, including textiles and culinary arts. All proposed textile exhibits are to relate to the specific theme of 'Hope and Happiness'. The Textile Challenge will consist of country maps, made with textiles from each state/province/region of that country. Countries without a textile industry may be represented by fabric showing country symbols, such as animals, flowers or geographic/historic sites. Maximum dimensions are one square meter. Abstracts for textiles exhibits should be set out with the following subheadings: Materials; Techniques; Inspiration. Each textiles abstract should be accompanied by a photograph or preliminary sketch of the exhibit. Only one map per country may be submitted, but any number of people may work on it. (Further information is available from the Textiles and Design Program Committee Chair.)

#### Submission Deadlines

**May 1, 2015:** Closing deadline for abstracts where a full paper is to be submitted for refereeing (notification of acceptance for full paper submission will be sent by 30 May)

**July 1, 2015:** Closing deadline for submission of full papers to be refereed

**August 31, 2015:** Closing deadline for all other abstracts

**December 15, 2015:** Notification of acceptance of all Congress presentations

**March 31, 2016:** Registration deadline



# Bits and Pieces..

## *Fifty Shades of Gray*

As you know, there has been much publicity about the release of the movie “Fifty Shades of Gray”! Everyone is putting in their 2 cents worth of opinion about the movie. The Dibble Institute newsletter shared this - Fifty Shades of Gray Discussion Guide for Parents <http://www.miriamgrossmanmd.com/parent-survival-guide-to-fifty-shades-of-grey-part-i/> This is great information for parents and anyone who deals with pre-teens and teens.

## **From AAFCS..**

One of the new benefits with professional membership in AAFCS is the access to **free webinars**. I (Janet Powell) recently participated in “Developing a LiveBinder as a Teaching Resource in Family and Consumer Sciences”. It was amazing! I learned so much. Daila Bufford with AAFCS says spots are filling up quickly in the webinars so if you see one you are interested in, be sure to send in your registration right away. The next one coming up on March 4 is **Elder Financial Exploitation Within the Family System: What Family Members' Experiences Reveal about the Causes, Consequences and Perpetrators**

Our own Karen Goebel will be a part of this webinar. Also Cindy Jasper from UW-Madison laid groundwork for the research with a grant from the WAFCS Foundation. So, proudly we have two from Wisconsin participating in the webinar.

## **Update your Information on the AAFCS website**

Have you updated your information on the AAFCS website? It is very easy to do now with the new software recently installed. Go to [www.aafcs.org](http://www.aafcs.org) → myAAFCS login - (user name is your email address, password is your membership number) → Login → Customer Profile and Preferences → Individual Profile → Contact Information, etc. → Edit → Confirm

Editor’s note: Your updating will be very helpful to me to have accurate information for contacting you and publishing the WAFCS Directory. Thank you!

**Early Bird Registration (until April 15) is open for the AAFCS Annual Conference in Jacksonville, FL.** The format will be a little different this year. Two meals will be included with registration. The Wednesday evening opening event for everyone will be a Sun and Sandal gathering. This will include food, a silent auction and a celebrity chef. Friday will include a day-long “Summit for Action” with a working lunch. The theme is looking at the educator shortage. Saturday morning will begin with a 1 mile “Fun Run Walk or Roll along the Water”. Saturday from 11:30 to 1:30 the Pacesetter meal (included with registration) will take place.

**If you are planning to attend the annual conference in Jacksonville, please email Janet Powell at [janetmpowell38@gmail.com](mailto:janetmpowell38@gmail.com).** We want to be sure we know of everyone who intends to go as the Wisconsin Affiliate has excellent attendance and we have a terrific time together. Hope you can join us!!

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We are here to serve you. Contact information can be found on the WAFCS website at: [www.wafcs.org](http://www.wafcs.org). Let us know your desires and concerns.