Karen Goebel Receives Bachtel Award.

Sue Turgeson

NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Susan M. Turgeson, CFCS, of Menomonie High School in Menomonie, Wisconsin, has been named American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) 2009 National Teacher of the Year. Turgeson was presented this prestigious AAFCS National Teacher of the Year award at the AAFCS 100th Annual Conference & Expo in Knoxville, Tennessee, on June 25, 2009.

The AAFCS National Teacher of the Year award recognizes exemplary teachers who utilize cutting-edge methods, techniques, and activities to provide the stimulus for and give visibility to family and consumer sciences elementary and secondary education. The National Teacher of the Year is selected based upon the following criteria: integration of FCS with the core academics and educational standards; exemplary level of professional commitment to FCS; goals and outcomes of the program; sustainability of the program; creativity, innovation, and progressive techniques in the program; ability to sustain funding and overcome obstacles or challenges; positive influence on the lives of students; relevancy and timely impact on the students, school, and community; and increasing the visibility, recognition, and support of the FCS profession within the community.

Said Turgeson, “It is a tremendous personal honor to be recognized by my profession, but this award also recognizes the support I have received from my school district and community. I am so fortunate to have had the opportunity to develop and implement this program utilizing many partnerships. This award has extra special meaning to me this year as AAFCS celebrates its 100th anniversary and its founder Ellen S. Richards. Ms. Richards was a pioneer in the field of food science over a century ago and I am humbled to be a part of her legacy.”

In 2001, Turgeson implemented her award-winning Food Science course for 10th

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Karen Goebel

Phi U Advisor of the Year

Karen Goebel has been honored as recipient of the 2009 Bachtel Collegiate Advisor Award in recognition of her leadership and accomplishments of the chapter plus demonstrating excellence as a collegiate advisor.

Nominated by the Nu Collegiate and Madison Area Alumni Chapters for her commitment to students and the profession as well as insight, ideas, advice and sense of humor. She is generous in sharing her times and creative energy.

Karen’s promotion of scholarships and highlighting student’s accomplishments has resulted in the Collegiate Chapter receiving more national scholarships/awards than any other University. At the local level, thanks to fund raising efforts, 2 to 3 scholarships have been awarded each year.

The strong belief that you should be “givin’ while you’re livin’” has resulted in the establishment of several endowment funds: The Goebel-Young Leadership Award with AAFCS, the Goebel Undergraduate Leadership Award with Phi U, and the Groves Conference on Marriage and Family Student Award.

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Message from The President

Nearly one hundred years ago, men and women met at Lake Placid, New York to set the course for a new discipline. They were interested in elevating the many areas in domestic sciences, arts and economy to a level of a recognized discipline, with a rigorous, scientific, prescribed course of study at the college and university levels. Led by Ellen Swallow Richards, their intent was to begin the process of applying scientific research and study to solve some of the practical health, safety, nutrition and quality of life problems to the times in the home as well in communities.

The key word heard throughout the 2009 AAFCS annual conference was “sustainable.” This word was incorporated into the conference theme “Celebrating the Past, Sustaining the Future” and was also addressed in many of the keynote and concurrent sessions. As we look at the many changes impacting our lives, how do we live a sustainable life? And more importantly, how can we educate individuals and families we work with about sustainability?

Sustainable living can be defined as “a life that is deeply satisfying, fulfilling, and appealing because it is socially, environmentally, and economically responsible.” It's about making changes and informed choices, even small ones that improve the quality of our lives and of the planet for future generations.

Sustainable living is an ongoing learning process based on our individual definitions of quality of life. It's about making decisions that make sense to us, given our needs and values. It's about living with intention. It's about being fully aware of the consequences of our decisions, both positive and negative. To live a sustainable life requires being more deliberate in making choices. Due to busy lives, it can be challenging to take the time to think about our values, deepest beliefs, and the consequences of our actions and to act accordingly.

While the group who met in Lake Placid, New York, many years ago, probably did not use the word “sustainable” in their conversations, the values they held and the commitment they felt for the study of domestic sciences in some ways focused on being sustainable. In our professional roles, we help individuals, families and communities make informed decisions about their well-being, relationships and resources to achieve optimal quality of life. Look for opportunities to incorporate the concepts of sustainable living into the teaching and conversations we have throughout our professional lives as well as our personal lives.

“What treat the world well. It was not given to you by your parents, it was lent to you by your children” – Kenyan Proverb

The WAFCS Web Site
www.wafcs.org is worth a look
See past Newsletters • Foundation info,
photos of friends and colleagues,
& much, much more
Support the Centennial Campaign Through 2010

How will you lead the way into our profession’s new century? What made a century of progress in Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) possible? What about progress in this new century? Who will be the leaders, teachers, and agents of change? Where will advances be made in your area of FCS? Three elements of change needed to achieve progress will be supported through our AAFCS Centennial Campaign: leadership, civic engagement on public policy issues, and scholarly research.

Consider supporting the Centennial Campaign with a gift that reflects your personal and professional commitment to FCS in its second century. The ambitious campaign goal of $850,000 was announced at the AAFCS 99th Annual Conference in Milwaukee and continues throughout the centennial celebration, 2008 through 2010. We look forward to adding your name to the distinguished honor roll of donors leading the way into the next century of our profession.

The first three funds are endowed, meaning that only the earnings of the fund will be awarded/spent. Any money remaining in the Centennial Celebration Fund as of December 31, 2010 will be divided among the other three funds. Donations made to a specific fund will stay in that fund and will not be used to fulfill the campaign goal of another fund. You may choose to support one or more funds or divide your gift evenly among the Centennial Campaign Funds.

Goebel-Young LEADERSHIP TRAINING Endowment Fund–$200,000 Campaign Goal

This “local favorite” is named for two Wisconsin leaders & benefactors, Karen Goebel and Louise Young. The endowed fund provides a substantive annual grant that trains new generations of leaders through the annual AAFCS Leadership Conference and other leadership development programs for practicing professionals.

Chalkley-Fenn Public Policy Endowment Fund–$225,000 Campaign Goal

A $10,000 award allows an AAFCS member to have a 10-week experience at AAFCS headquarters with access as a visiting fellow to opinion leaders and decision- and policy-makers. She/he is able to focus on affecting public policy change at the national level and fostering civic engagement on public policy issues among the AAFCS membership nationwide.

Scholars Research Endowment Fund–$275,000 Campaign Goal

Research advances the application of FCS concepts and the study of the profession itself. For members to carry out the AAFCS mission, a scientific basis for practice is critical. Initially, each practicing professional recipient will receive a minimum of a $5,000 award. Research funded will be shared with members and used to promote the AAFCS mission.

Centennial Celebration Fund–$150,000 Campaign Goal

These gifts will be used for AAFCS Centennial Campaign-funded projects. The result will be a tribute to pioneers who built our profession and to launch a second century for AAFCS that invests in scholarship, research, leadership and advocacy.

Any donation is appreciated and demonstrates your commitment to the profession.

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through 12th grade students to stimulate students’ interest in science, increase the number of females studying in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields, address the need for food science professionals, and integrate core academics with the family and consumer sciences curriculum.

Aligned with state standards in science and language arts, as well as with state and national FCS standards, the course utilizes a variety of innovative teaching methods and engaging activities to help students understand science concepts. For example, Turgeson encourages students to think like a scientist when they participate in a decoding lab where all recipes are converted to Wingding symbols from a Word document. Students use information they already have, like basic measuring knowledge, kitchen equipment, and ingredient information, and apply that to what they have been given to create new information. During her carbohydrate unit, the concept of crystallization is enhanced by making candies and working with food styling and photography. She uses a segment of the movie Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory to help students identify food science principles related to candy making, such as food safety/sanitation, preparation techniques, research and development, and proprietary rights.

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For her cutting-edge program, Turgeson uses Moodle, an online software program that allows her to upload documents, provide links to websites and videos, and communicate efficiently with her students. She uses it to supplement her course now and may use it as a distance education tool in the future. With this in mind, she is developing PowerPoint and video versions of her lab experiments.

Close to 400 students, 50% male and 50% female, have taken Turgeson’s course and learned the concepts of food science. After completing her course, students have gone on to take advanced science courses in high school, been more confident about their abilities, pursued post-secondary education in a food science-related field, and become involved in the food science competitive events in either Science Olympiad or the National FFA Organization.

“She helps us to teach ourselves by not giving us the answers, but helping us to find them,” said Brianna Passofaro, one of Turgeson’s students. “Making sure that each day is a productive day, we do a variety of different activities. From cooking in the kitchens, to learning about the food and culture of other countries around the world, to guest speakers from places such as Swiss Miss. Each day of a class with Mrs. Turgeson is fun and full of excitement.”

Susan M. Turgeson, CFCS, is a Menomonie, Wisconsin resident and member of AAFCS, the Wisconsin Association of Family & Consumer Sciences, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, Wisconsin Family & Consumer Educators, the FCS Education Advisory Committee at the University of Wisconsin-Stout, the Stout Community Association of Career & Technical Education, and various teams and committees for the School District of the Menomonee Area. Prior to receiving the AAFCS National Teacher of the Year award, she was honored with the Wisconsin Association of Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher of the Year award, AAFCS New Achievers award, and Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year award. She earned both her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Congratulations Susan
Attendees at the National AAFCS Conference in Knoxville. Pictured are Amy Turner, Janice Felthous, Carol Anderson, Mary Kennedy, Virginia Hall, Beverly Braun, Judith Knudsen, Donna Dinco, Karen Goebel, Janet Powell, Gretchen Speerstra, Wendy Way, Ashley Hall, Katelyn Christen Nicolai, Carolyn Barnhart, Judith Kreutzer, Diane Klemme, Susan Turgeson, Stephanie Love, Kristin Thum, Judy Rommel, Sue Buck, Danielle Chartier. Barbara George is missing. She had to service the Nasco booth.

Karen Goebel, 50-year member, and Carolyn Barnhart, Chair 2009-10 AAFCS Membership Committee

Celebration Cake on display outside of Saturday Evening Banquet

Donna Dinco, Gretchen Speerstra and Mary Kennedy at the Centennial Celebration Saturday Eve.

WAFCS July Council Meeting

Mary Kennedy, Judith Knudsen, Susan Torgeson, and Bev Braun at the Saturday Evening Centennial Celebration

Reunion photo with Wendy Way

The Light Show
Karen Goebel Award  
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Encouraging students to participate in National Conclave has enhanced the leadership and unity within the chapter. Among the quotes from previous student members are the following:

“I will always remember your passion and enthusiasm for Phi U, for teaching, and for life. Thank you for teaching me the value of connecting and having a good time.”

“I have always appreciated your commitment and dedication to Phi U. Working with you this year has been a wonderful opportunity and an honor.”

“Thank you for your inspiration and hard work”

...AND...

50-Year Member Recognition

Karen Goebel's professional career began as she earned degrees from Purdue and Ball State Universities. Following her teaching at California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo, she completed her Ph.D. in Family Ecology at Michigan State University, where she met her husband, Gerry Campbell. Karen served the University of Wisconsin-Madison/Extension, School of Human Ecology, as Professor and Extension Specialist and was designated Professor Emeritus in 2007.

Joining AAFCS as a student ultimately led to becoming a Board Member, receiving the Distinguished Service Award (DSA), and establishing the Goebel-Young Leadership Fund. Currently chairing the WAFCS Foundation continues to be rewarding.

Karen’s professional contributions include President and Fellow of the American Council on Consumer Interests; Phi Upsilon Omicron -- UW Faculty Advisor and National Foundation Chair; Groves Conference on Marriage and Family-Board; Thrivent Financial for Luthers-Board of Directors.

Significant to her career in Family Resource Management was the development of educational programs on Wisconsin’s Marital Property Reform. This was the beginning of widely recognized contributions in family estate planning, consumer protection, and special health and financial concerns of the elderly. In her retirement Karen continues to teach and serve in these areas for professional and community organizations. Karen attributes much of her commitment and enthusiasm for the profession to her mentors, colleagues in Extension and 4-H.

She has a passion for fundraising and working with students to support the goals of the profession. This frequently means serving as auctioneer at scholarship events where her mantra is “bid high, bid often”, raising funds for state and local student scholarships, travelships and grants for professionals. Also worth mentioning is her devotion to Zonta International Women’s Service Organization and Questers an organization focused on the study of antiques plus preservation/restoration.

When not visiting her mother who is 99 years young and resides in Huntington IN, she can be found biking through the hills of Wisconsin. (Panting and questioning her choice)

SAVE THE DATE
Region 5 Fall Meeting  
Thursday, October 15, 2009

Current Teaching Trends, Tools and Facilities
Presenter – F/CE Teacher/Chef Glee Brechler
Demonstration – Hand Thrown Pizza Margarita

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The WAFCS Teacher of the Year award recognizes an excellent teacher whose educational programs, methods, techniques and activities give visibility to Family and Consumer Education, grades K-12.

Requirements:
- Be employed as a full-time Family and Consumer Education teacher, grades K-12
- Be a current member of AAFCS and has maintained membership for at least the past three consecutive years
- Not a current member of the AAFCS Board of Directors, Awards and Recognition Committee or staff
- Submit, using WAFCS criteria, a written report of a current teaching unit or module, semester program or a new program suitable for integration with an existing program. Focus areas include Career Awareness/Job training, Consumer Education/Personal Finance, Creative Dimensions/Alternative Program Design, Family Life/Personal and Social Development, Nutrition Education/Diet and Health.

Nominee:___________________________________________
Address:___________________________________________
Phone:_____________________________________________
Email:_____________________________________________

Please attach a statement (75 words or less) telling how the Nominee has demonstrated outstanding teaching that gives visibility to Family and Consumer Education.

Nominator: ________________________________________
Address:___________________________________________
Phone:_____________________________________________
Email:_____________________________________________

Mail postmarked or email (dinco@execpc.com) on or before September 30, 2009 to:

Donna Sanderson Dinco
3171 Hwy K
Hartford, WI 53027

New Achiever
This award was developed to recognize emerging professionals who have exhibited the potential for making significant contributions in the field of family and consumer sciences.

Requirements:
1) active WAFCS membership
2) active in profession for 8 years or less

Name of Nominee: ______________________________________
Address _______________________________________________
Phone _________________________________________________

In 75 words or less, tell how the nominee has demonstrated the potential for making significant contributions to the field of family and consumer sciences.

Nominator: ________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________
Phone _________________________________________________

Copy or cut and mail before Nov. 1, 2009 to:
Dottie Winger
8405 Oakmont Dr.
Madison, WI 53717

Leaders Award
This award was developed to honor recipients for the impact their work has had on the quality of life of others and for their contributions to the development of the profession.

Requirements:
1) active WAFCS membership
2) over 35 years of age

Name of Nominee: ______________________________________
Address _______________________________________________
Phone _________________________________________________

In 75 words or less, tell how the nominee has demonstrated significant contributions to the field and the results of the nominee’s impact on the quality of life of others.

Nominator: ________________________________________
Address _______________________________________________
Phone _________________________________________________

Copy or cut and mail before Nov. 1, 2009 to:
Carolyn Barnhart, CFCS
E5895 571st Ave.
Menomonie, WI 54751
Apparel, Textile, and Design Community Update

The pink WAFCS “sustainability” group quilt was on display at the AAFCS Art and Design Showcase in Knoxville. I explained to the viewes the 3 areas of sustainability included in the quilt: 1. remembering friends and relatives that have dealt with breast cancer; 2. the use of a sustainable batting made from bamboo and organic cotton; and 3. recycling a pink linen embroidered table cloth for the backing. The quilt has been entered in 3 quilt shows: Kewaunee in August, Madison in September, and Marshfield in October.

The AAFCS ATD community made another fundraiser quilt using sustainable fabrics made from bamboo and organic cotton. Tickets were sold at the convention and the winner was announced at the Art and Design Showcase. If you are interested in participating in next year’s quilt, contact Melinda Adams, community leader for information at madams@uniwtx.edu. The theme for the quilt is “Something old, something borrowed, something blue.”

Also, contact Melinda Adams if you would like a copy of the CD of the entries in this year’s Art and Design Showcase. The cost is $10.00. I will have the CD available to view at the March 2010 Art and Design Showcase in Menomonie. Think about participating in both the national showcase—entries must be submitted by December 20.

Start working on your entries for the March 2010 Art and Design Showcase. Think outside the box when thinking about the 2010 theme: “New Century for FCS: New Challenges, New Solutions”. Beverly Braun, Wisconsin’s ATD community leader bjbraungreenbay@netzero.net

Honor Your Colleagues and Mentors in the Centennial Virtual Hall of Fame!

Who has influenced your life as a home economics/family and consumer sciences professional? Now there is a very visible and exciting way to honor that special person: the AAFCS Centennial Virtual Hall of Fame! To induct your colleague or mentor into the Virtual Hall of Fame, use AAFCS’s online form to make a contribution: https://secure1.podi.com/aafcs/donations.cfm. Your donation will benefit the AAFCS Centennial Challenge Campaign. After you have made your contribution to AAFCS, you will receive a link to the Ball State University website to provide the information about the person you are honoring. Your honoree will be listed in the Virtual Hall of Fame through 2010 and a copy of the posting will be kept at the AAFCS Archives at Cornell University. You will receive notification of your honoree’s installation into the Virtual Hall of Fame. If you have recognized a living person, that person will receive a certificate.

To view the Virtual Hall of Fame honorees, visit www.bsu.edu/fcs/aafcsmembers.

WAFCS State Conference Up-date

Please plan to attend the 2010 WAFCS State Meeting March 12 and 13th at UW-Stout in Menomonie, WI. This year’s conference theme:

A New Century for FCS: New Challenges, New Solutions

The conference will have a variety of educational sessions and activities. Our keynote speaker, Marilyn Peplau, Search Institute, will address possible solutions to current family issues and challenges. Marilyn comes highly recommended as a former high school FACS teacher and counselor. She has worked at the Search Institute for many years, traveling nationwide as a speaker and trainer. For more information about the Search Institute visit: http://www.searchinstitute.org/

Plan on arriving early, March 11th to take advantage of our pre-conference tours. Whether reacquainting yourself to Menonnie, focusing on fashion/fabrics or looking at Dunn County’s sustainability efforts, there is a tour for you!

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Menomonie Country Inn and Suites! So get your proposals ready — see call for proposals in this newsletter.

More information will be forthcoming!!

Excellent teaching materials and quality information for the classroom

http://lancaster.unl.edu/food/food-reflections.shtml
A link to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln extension website. Great reproducible handouts for food & nutrition lessons. Quality powerpoints with colorful graphics sure to capture the attention of your classes.

http://www.nytimes.com/learning/
A link to the New York Times website with lesson plans for classroom teachers. Each article has lesson plans linked to academic standards. A great way to integrate literacy in almost any course and have access to current events related to classroom concepts.

Submitted by Susan M. Turgeon

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Celebrating the Past, Sustaining the Future
AAFCS 100th Annual Conference & Expo, 2009

Reflections by Janet Powell, chair Annual Conference Planning Committee, 2009)

The Centennial celebration conference held in Knoxville in June was a wonderful event. Wisconsin was well represented but I wish all of you could have been there to be a part of this very special conference and celebration. As chair of the Annual Conference Planning Committee, it was exciting to see the various aspects of the program coming together throughout the year and then to experience the complete conference in Knoxville.

Once again, Wisconsin was in the forefront with Susan Turgeson receiving the National Teacher of the Year award. Carol Anderson led a panel during the Super Seminar following and in conjunction with the second general session panel addressing the Sustainability of the FCS Profession. Carolyn Barnhart led an orientation session for First-Time Attendees, Carolyn and Susan Turgeson presented an educational session called “Fifty Successful Ideas for Increasing Student Enrollment and Professional Connections”. Sue Buck, as a member of the AAFCS Board of Directors, was on stage several times introducing others or presenting awards. Bev Braun was busy selling tickets for the Art and Design quilt raffle. Karen Goebel celebrated 50 years as a member during the Pacesetter Dinner. Other Wisconsin members exhibited in the poster sessions or presented in the Research to Practice sessions.

A memorable moment for me was the opportunity to greet and host Doris Christopher, founder of the Pampered Chef and the keynote speaker for the first general session. In preparation, I obtained a copy of her book “Come to the Table, A Celebration of Family Life”. If you haven’t read it, pick it up at the library. It really reinforces the importance of the family meal which is so often neglected in today’s busy world. Doris and her husband have endowed the Family Resiliency Center at the University of Illinois. Outstanding research is being done there in the area of family resiliency. frc.uiuc.edu

Copies of Doris’ handouts can be found at www.aafcs.org Click on the conference logo to find links to the handouts. Informational links from the Soap and Detergent keynote presentation are also listed.

While on the page, access the professional photos taken during the conference. Especially check out the first general session where Susan received her national Teacher of the Year award.

With the conference over, great memories remain. Next year in Cleveland, Ohio we begin the next 100 years of AAFCS with the third and final year of the centennial celebration. Put the dates on your calendar – Cleveland, Ohio, June 24-26, 2010: A New Century for FCS: New Challenges, New Solutions. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

While the experience of chairing the ACPG appeared daunting a year ago, I found it to be one of the most educational and rewarding things I have done in some time. I encourage you to step forward and take on a leadership challenge as well.
Region 3 Meeting

“Difficult Financial Times and Family Resiliency Skills”

Calling all members from Marinette to Bonduel; from Glenbeulah to Marytown; from Neenah to Sturgeon Bay; from Alaska to Luxemburg; from Green Bay to Denmark; from Symco to Omro. Well you get the picture – we have a large district and yes, all of these communities are in Region 3!

Face-to-face meetings have been a challenge to organize, professional development monies are shrinking, travel budgets have been reduced and time is more precious than ever. I am proposing a new meeting format of conducting a “virtual” WAFCS Fall Region 3 meeting that would take place via teleconference.

So what is a “virtual” meeting? I am proposing that we have a one hour teleconference focusing our discussion on a timely topic that could relate to a variety of family and consumer professionals in Northeastern Wisconsin.

Our proposed pilot will be: Difficult Financial Times and Family Resiliency Skills.

Proposed Date: Monday October 12, 2009, 4:00 to 5:00 PM. Place to be determined locally.

Equipment: A telephone, preferably with a speaker system that can be muted to block out background sounds, but not necessary – this is a pilot so we’ll see how it works!

Limitations: We are limited to the first 14 people/sites that respond for a telephone line! Working through our Outagamie County phone system we can set up a teleconference for those 14 sites. You would call in to a phone number that will be provided with a pass code. The call would probably be long distance for some of you – you could possibly use a phone calling card to save on expenses. A group of your fellow staff/collaborators could meet in the same room and be on the teleconference; or if you want to travel to Appleton I will host a site at the Extension office. (Of course then you would have mileage…)

Prior to the meeting I will send a power point of the information we would cover as a starting point for the discussion; provide the basic research and then we would discuss implications for our geographic region and possible outreach efforts in our classrooms and community sites. If you are interested in this virtual pilot adventure please send:

- Your Name
- Site you plan to participate from
- Mailing Address (just in case we need it)
- Phone Number:
  - via email, fax or snail mail to: Karen M. Dickrell, University of Wisconsin Cooperative Extension, Outagamie County Family Living Educator/Department Head
  - 3365 W. Brewster Street
  - Appleton, WI  54914-1602
  - Phone: (920) 832-5121 Fax: (920) 832-4783

Student Meeting

The 2009-2010 Student Unit had our first meeting August 5th in Tomah, WI. We introduced ourselves, collaborated plans and ideas, set dates, and also enjoyed a delicious lunch at Perkins Family Restaurant.

We were very productive at our meeting. For the Fall Student Unit Conference, we agreed upon a theme of “Facing the Future” where we hope to concentrate on financial, technological, and occupational issues/concerns past, present and future.

We also brainstormed ideas for fundraisers and service projects. We are currently in the process of solidifying a final course of action, but be sure to look for our final verdict in the following newsletter.

Submitted by Ashley E. Hall, SAFC President, AAFCS-Stout Branch, Chair

UW-Stout’ Conference

Family and Consumer Sciences Educators:
Teaching with Style

Please join us for the 2009 Family and Consumer Science Education Conference on Friday, September 25, 2009.

Choose from concurrent sessions on exciting new information in the field, as well as roundtable sessions presented by classroom practitioners with curriculum ideas to use in your classroom. Exhibits will be available with the latest educational resources and materials.

Special Invitation for High School students to visit UW-Stout.

Bring your high school students interested in careers in Education. They will tour campus, visit classes, and visit with current university students. Click on the Visit Stout Opportunity for more details.

For a conference preview and registration information – visit the following web site:
http://www.uwstout.edu/outreach/fsce/index.htm

Thank you Susan Turgeson for outstanding professionalism and congratulations!

~ Melanie Nelson LZE Owner and CEO
Publisher of lesson plans developed and classroom tested by Susan Turgeson!

The course of mankind’s progress is not a straight automatic line, but a tortuous struggle, with long detours or relapses into the stagnant night of the irrational.”

—Ayn Rand

Every Child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up.

—Pablo Picasso
**Dates To Remember**

October, 10 2009

**Council Meeting**
Hatch Public Library
Mauston, Wisconsin

October 12, 2009

**Region 3 Meeting**
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**Region 5 Meeting**
Madison Memorial H.S.

March 11-13, 2010

**WAFCS State Conference**
Menomonie, WI

June 24-27, 2010

**AAFCS Conference**
New Challenges, New Solutions
Cleveland, Ohio

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