

# FACSE

the FACTS

## Remember

*Fall Conference*

October 24 & 25

*Pre-Conference*

October 23

*Wenatchee*

*Convention*

*Center*

*Linking*

*Cultures:*

*Enriching*

*Lives*

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## Message from Michelle

Good day to all the fabulous people I work with! As your new, incoming president I am so excited about the upcoming events planned for our organization!

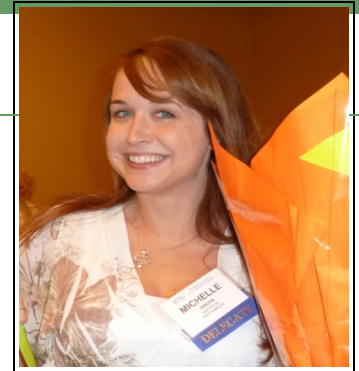
We have been diligently working to provide a new twist on fall conference that is sure to surprise, thrill, and educate our attendees on cutting edge issues! It has been a great deal of work, but I know that it will be a conference that no one will soon forget!

Conference registration is available on the website [www.wafacse.org](http://www.wafacse.org), under the "Upcoming Conferences" tab. Please take a second to browse the website as well. There are many resources available to you there. In addition, we have a Facebook

page! Just look up Washington Association of Family and Consumer Science Educators. It is a great place to connect with everyone!

When I came into President-elect half way through last year, I had no idea what a big job I was taking on. However, I would like to take a moment to thank everyone who has helped me with all the many tasks that it takes to plan and facilitate conference and meet the many needs of our members.

I am so blessed to be working with so many wonderful people and it makes my job, although very busy, an exciting and joyous experience. If there is anything that I can do to help any of you in any way please do not



hesitate to let me know.

On a personal note, I have made it my yearly goal to make sure that I take care of myself. Many of you have probably heard me rave about how much I love ZUMBA! I would love to encourage you all to try to take care of yourselves as well. We do amazing work and help change the lives of MILLIONS! Pat yourself on the back and treat yourself to something every day.

Best Wishes,  
Michelle Green,  
President WA-FACSE



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## Greetings from the Program Development Committee

The purpose of our committee is to help assist and alleviate what is impossible for the President and President – Elect to do alone.

Following the conferences, we receive the evaluations and use

those comments and suggested topics for future meetings, helping to arrange for the breakout session speakers, and provide additional support as needed. We are the "gofers". This committee is a great one to serve on

as it provides insight into all the key elements that make our organization great.

The Chairperson for 2011-12 is Dottie Record, and she would like to have more members on this committee.

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# FACSE the FACTS

## Tricia Littlefield Selected FACSE Teacher of the Year

*Tricia's students provide childcare, registration assistance and teach about appropriate interaction with children at evening Kindergarten success programs.*



Tricia Littlefield from Bonney Lake High School was selected as this year's FACSE Teacher of the Year.

Pam Marshall Stoner of Sumner's Early Learning Center stated, "The success of my programs is highly dependent on Tricia and her skills as a teacher in her high school classroom. What she does for families in our community is invaluable and she is appreciated not only by me, but by the families and staff that I work with." Tricia's students provide childcare, registration assistance and teach about appropriate interaction with children at evening Kindergarten success programs.

Teen parents are provided resources within the community and at school, as well as the opportunity to work at the on-site childcare to better prepare them for their multiple roles.

Students also have the opportunity to earn industry certification and college credit in Ms. Littlefield's courses. In Careers with Children, students earn the

professional 20 Hour STARS certification to prepare them to enter employment at a childcare center ready to work, ahead of most applicants. Careers in Education students learn about the profession of teaching and spend time in classrooms working with students and mentor teachers while earning college credit.

Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is an important component of Tricia's courses. Through a co-curricular approach students learn important workplace and leadership skills which are applied through service projects, leadership and competition events. Students have participated in blood drives, collected for the food bank, Children's Miracle Network and Children's Hospital. Through these projects, students have shared their experiences at state FCCLA conference, with two champions making it to the national competition. She is currently the advisor to a state officer.

Tricia not only contributes to her local community, she pro-



vides educational and professional support at the state level to Family and Consumer Sciences (FACSE) Teachers. She has served on the FACSE Board, provided workshops at conferences and mentored new teachers.

"She is constantly seeking ways to improve student learning. She is a devoted, inspiring, hard working, professional educator. She is constantly looking for ways to improve student learning," stated Bonney Lake Assistant Principal Sharon Fochtman.

Dawn C. Boyden,  
Awards Committee Co-Chair  
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**Opportunity for students:**

**Fashion Industry Conference**

Formerly Business in Fashion Conference

**Feb. 4, 2012**

at

**The Art Institute of Seattle**

**Keynote Speaker**  
**Stephen Cirona**

**Contests:**

Fashion Writing  
Fashion Construction  
Recycle and Redesign

More information will be available at Fall Conference

## Website Update

There is much happening on the wafacse.org website. Of course, the most pertinent details are found on the "Upcoming Conferences" tab, where you can download information and flyers about the Fall Conference which is being held in Wenatchee this year. You can also go through the registration process and check out all online! It makes things easier and more accurate for our accounting records.

Other updates are happening on the "Awards" tab as we pub-

licize our Summer Conference Award winners, including Dawn Boyden as the recipient of the Ed Erickson Teacher of the Year Award from WA-ACTE. FACSE is well represented at the state level this with four award winners – go check it out to see who won!!

This summer many people contacted me about using our resources page. We are adding to it frequently with newly recommended sites from our readers. The most recent addition was on financial literacy – a

recommendation from a youth group at a small town library.

If you have favorite websites and sources of information, send them on to [mcnerney@charter.net](mailto:mcnerney@charter.net) or [BGruenk@mead.k12.wa.us](mailto:BGruenk@mead.k12.wa.us) so we can post them on our website. Hope to hear from you soon!

Submitted by  
Roxanne McNerney and  
Beth Gruenke

## Get Ready to Vote at Fall Conference

FACSE members will be asked to vote on some updated language proposals for the Constitution and By-laws for our association during Fall Conference in Wenatchee.

These updates are needed to accommodate some changes that have been made to the Executive Board positions for FACSE in the Policies and Procedures manual.

Now the wording in the other two documents needs to be brought into line with these changes, and that needs to be done with a member vote.

The first change is the elimination of a Past President position. A member who is elected to the President-Elect position one year would move to the position of President the second year and then be done with their term of office.

This reduces the overall commitment to two years from three years that was previously required.

It is hoped that more members will consider running for office with this shorter term.

The second change is the addition of a standing co-

chair position for a Webmaster. The organization's increasing dependence on technology necessitates this change.

The Executive Board feels one or two people who have strong technology skills need to be in charge of keeping our website up to date.

The proposed changes in wording are available for review on the FACSE website at [wafacse.org](http://wafacse.org).

Please read them over and come to Fall Conference prepared to vote.



*Be prepared to  
vote on the  
Constitution  
and Bylaws  
updated language  
proposals*

## Networking Committee Needs Your Input

Family and Consumer Science educators, now is your chance to input networking ideas for upcoming conferences.

Many of you expressed interest in the Roundtable discussions at past confer-

ences. We are looking for areas of interest for future Roundtables and would appreciate your voice.

Let us know what you'd like to learn about, for example, information on the new [chooseyourplate.gov](http://chooseyourplate.gov)

Would you like to participate in a tour? Would you like us to set up a game night?

All ideas are welcome.

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## Fall Conference Has A New Look

If you attended WA-ACTE conference, you received lots of great information. I think the workshops and breakout sessions were the best that I have seen, so much so that it was hard to choose which one to go to.

I am looking forward to Fall Conference and hope you have it on your schedule, too. October 23<sup>rd</sup> is for pre-

conference sessions, and the conference on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.

The conference will have a new and exciting look this year. You don't want to miss it!

If you ever want to know what's going on with the FACSE Board, contact me and I can let you know what

we have talked about in the board minutes.

It is a pleasure to serve you as your FACSE secretary.

Hope to see you soon.

Rene' Ketchum  
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FACSE Secretary



## Margie V. Lowrance



Margie Lowrance passed from this world Wednesday August 17, at Presbyterian Hospital in Matthews, North Carolina, following several years of declining health. She was born on July 21, 1921, to Burton and Maggie Lowrance of Cornelius, North Carolina. She was the youngest daughter of nine children, all of whom have predeceased her.

She is survived by two sisters-in-law; five nephews and six nieces. There are 25 great nieces and nephews and 22 great grand nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her long time friend/partner/caregiver of 48 years, Nancy Johnson.

Margie was totally devoted to her family. Each had a special relationship with her over the years. Before moving to Olympia, Washington in 1961, she taught in North Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. She was a program specialist for Home and Family Life Education in the Office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction from 1961 until her retirement in 1986.

She was a consummate educator gaining respect from students, teachers, and school administrators. One of her passions was working in the development of student leaders through the Future Homemakers of America (now Family, Career and Community Leaders of America). She was presented the Distinguished Service Award from this organization.

She initiated the establishment of an inter-disciplinary program for training high-school students for work in the hospitality industry, Project FEAST. She was the recipient of the first Howard B. Meek Award from the National Council on Hotel Restaurant and Institutional Education (CHRIE), and was named *Hospitality Educator of the Year* in 1971. The Restaurant Association State of WA (RASW) also presented her with the Hospitality Industry Award of Achievement in 1971. She was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the WA Vocational Association in 1992, and presented with The Arch of Fame Award by the American Vocational Association in 1993 in recognition of exemplary contributions to the field of vocational-technical education.

She returned to the Charlotte area in the fall of 2003 and lived in Matthews since that time.

Family and friends will gather for a celebration of her life ceremony on Saturday, October 1 at 2:00 pm, Mt Zion United Methodist Church Education Building, Cornelius, North Carolina.

Memorial contributions may be made in her honor to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) in Reston, Virginia, or The Firsthand Fund, Berry College, Mt. Berry, Georgia. Raymer-Kepner Funeral Service in Huntersville, North Carolina is serving the family. [www.raymerfuneralhome.org](http://www.raymerfuneralhome.org)

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*For years, Margie was the unofficial photographer of WAFCS. You could not attend a conference without having your picture taken by her. I'm convinced that when our time comes and we each pass to the "other side," we'll be greeted by a giant flash and Margie laughing behind the camera.*

Donna Graham

### 2011-2012 WAFACSE Executive Board Members



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Nancy Johnson  
Outstanding New  
Professional  
Teacher  
Michelle Green



Outstanding  
Service to  
FACSE  
Roxanne  
McNerney

ACTE Teacher of the Year  
Dawn Boyden



Debbie Handy, Jim Menzies (PEMCO), & Dawn Boyden

Outstanding  
FCCLA  
Adviser

Debbie  
Romesburg



Outstanding  
Service  
Award  
Laura Rohr



Laura Rohr & Rod Duckworth

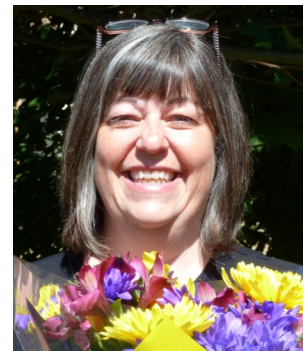
New  
Professionals  
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And  
Diane  
Powell



Program Award for  
Excellence in  
Teaching  
Cindy Kegley



Spirit of Advising  
Award for FCCLA  
Advisers  
Susan Grant



Thank you for all of your hard work for WAFACSE!



Rene' Ketchum, Roxanne McNerney, Michelle Green, and  
Martha Eldred

# 2011 Jump\$tart National Educator Conference—November 4-6, 2011

Hyatt Regency Washington on Capitol Hill  
Washington, DC

### Calling All Classroom Teachers!

- Any Level PreK-12
- Any Subject
- New Teachers and Veterans

If you teach, plan to teach, or want to teach personal finance--as a stand-alone course or incorporated into other subjects--this conference is for you.

Teacher registration opens Tuesday, September 6.

Bookmark our conference webpage to be among the first to register.

Registration Fee: \$350

Includes two nights' private hotel accommodations and all conference meals.

Same price as in 2010. Attendees must arrange and cover their own transportation.

This highly-subsidized program is underwritten by Experian and Wells

Fargo Foundation, supported by other generous sponsors, and offered in partnership with the National Education Association.

The Jump\$tart National Educator Conference offers you:

- A chance to meet and hear from national leaders in finance, government, and education.
- An exhibit hall dedicated to financial education resources.
- Breakout sessions designed to improve your own level of financial literacy, as well as introduce effective resources and techniques for teaching personal finance.
- 15 professional development hours.
- An opportunity to network with fellow education professionals from around the country.
- An intense day-and-a-half, planned specifically to meet the needs of classroom teachers who want to improve their skill and confidence in teaching personal finance--and want to have a good time doing it!

Not a classroom teacher?

Financial literacy organizations might be interested in exhibiting their resources at the 2011 National Educator Conference. Exhibitor Registration is now open. Sponsorship opportunities--which include exhibit space--are also available. For individuals who are not public or private school classroom teachers, there are many general financial literacy conferences, including some conducted by our national partners and state affiliates. The Society for Financial Education and Professional Development conducts its Financial Literacy Leadership Conference in the Washington, DC area just a few weeks before our National Educator Conference.

Contact Dan Hebert if you have questions or need additional help.

### Mary Nagel

Program Supervisor, FACSE

Career and Technical Education

Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction



## Odds and Ends

### *Keep Your Legislators Informed*

Talk to your legislators or invite them into your classroom so they know what you do.



### *Donors Choose Grants for Classrooms*

Mount Rainier High School Exploring Childhood received a grant for \$400.00 to purchase Science and Recycling materials to use with the ECAP preschool.

### *Join GoodSearch.com*

Every time you shop online and search the internet using GoodSearch, a donation is made to Family, Career and Community Leaders of America - FCCLA National .

### Program Development From page 1

New members are always welcome. It is a fun and exciting committee to serve on.

We encourage you to get involved. Contact any of us for more information. We look forward to seeing you all at Conference in October.

Dottie Record

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