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Deadline for the Spring Newsletter: March 2, 2012

Please submit articles on time, to Pamela Kirkley (pamela.kirkley@nicholls.edu), as late entries affect our ability to get materials organized and printed. Be sure you indicate IFHE Newsletter Spring 2012 in your subject heading.

A Message from the President Mary Warnock

The IFHE-US Board and Business meetings were held in conjunction with the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Annual Conference in Phoenix, AZ during June (2011). For those attending, thank you for taking time to come and share your ideas concerning upcoming activities. If you missed the meeting, let me share some highlights.

- An election must be held before the end of 2011 to fill the positions of Recorder and President. If you would like to nominate persons, or yourself, send those nominations to Helen Brittin (helen.brittin@ttu.edu), chair of the Nominating Committee. According to the IFHE-US By-Laws, the ballot is to be made available before December 1, 2011. IFHE-US has outstanding members. I encourage you to submit nominees for these two positions.
- Membership dues, made payable to IFHE-US, should be sent directly to Martha Dallmeyer, Director of Finance. If you should have questions, her email address is located on the front page of this newsletter under the listing of officers. A related topic concerns the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between IFHE-US and AAFCS. Dues are discussed within this document that is currently being revised by an ad hoc committee of IFHE-US chaired by Joanne Pearson, in association with Jenny Schroeder, AAFCS Board Director-at-Large Liaison for IFHE-US and IFHE. More information about the MOU will be shared in

the spring 2012 newsletter.

- Preparations are underway for the 2012 Leadership Meeting that is to be held during February in Bonn, Germany. Go to www.IFHE.org and IFHE-US.org for information about this meeting, as well as the IFHE World Congress to be held in Melbourne, Australia.
- Mary Andrews, IFHE-US Past President, is the web master for the IFHE-US.org web site. It is fabulous! Take a look. There is lots of information plus pictures. Kudos to Mary for an outstanding job!!
- The position of "Membership Coordinator" was discussed at the IFHE-US Board meeting. This duty is to be undertaken by the Past President beginning in 2012 following the World Congress in Melbourne, Australia. The IFHE-US By-Laws are being reviewed and revised to accommodate this action.
- The Cultural Event held at the Bashas' Art Gallery was a huge success. Thank you, Sharon McManus, for organizing this very educational evening. The western art exhibit and speaker were WONDERFUL! See inside for more information.

As you can see, IFHE-US has been quite busy since the last newsletter (spring, 2011). I do hope that you will enjoy this edition of IFHE-US Connection and use it as a way to connect with other professionals, stay abreast of international home economics activities, and "give back" to enhance the quality of life for others. •

Spotlight on Audrey Jones-Drayton



Audrey Jones-Drayton is the Head of Division, Human Ecology (ag.) at the Samuel Jackman Prescod Polytechnic, Barbados. She holds a trained teachers' certificate with a major in Home Economics from the Lillian Dewar College of Education, Guyana, a Bachelor of Education Degree from the College of Arts Science and Technology, (UTech) Jamaica majoring in Clothing, Housing and Design, a Master of Education Degree in Teacher Education from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica and post graduate qualifications in Educational Administration from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Barbados. Ms. Jones-Drayton has attended numerous local, regional and international study tours, workshops and conferences for professional development.

Ms. Jones-Drayton began her teaching career over thirty six years ago in her native Guyana but spent most of those years in Barbados. She is well known around the region as a teacher trainer and Home Economics educator having conducted training throughout the Caribbean. She has taught at both the secondary and tertiary levels and is a retired Chief Examiner for the Caribbean Examinations Council examination in Clothing and Textiles.

Ms Jones-Drayton is one of the writers of Home Economics text book series published by the Caribbean Association of Home Economists and is a contributor to their recently published recipe book. She has over the years contributed articles to the CAHE quarterly. She is a member of the International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) and has been a member of the Caribbean Association of Home Economists Inc. for the past twenty-nine years. She is the current President of the Association.

In addition to her professional activities Ms Jones-Drayton is involved in the Cooperative Credit Union Movement. She also serves on several committees and boards at the community level and within the Church of the Nazarene, Barbados District. Her hobbies are traveling, photography and gardening. •



The Washington State officers at the dinner: Carolyn Blount, Ruth Norman, Alberta Hill Sharleen Kato



Juanita and Marti at the sales table

Native American Cultural Evening Delights Attendees

A record number of members, family, and friends attended the Native American Cultural Evening in June. It was a privilege to visit Bashas' Art Gallery in Chandler, AZ with over 3,000 pieces of Western American and Native American art. Bashas' has invited each of you to visit the gallery again when in the area. More information can be found at www.Bashas.com/ourcommunity/BashasArtGallery.aspx Dr. Joe Hiller, assistant dean for American Indian Programs

in the College of Agriculture at the University of Arizona in Tucson, introduced us to "Indian Country 101". He is a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe. Originally from Wounded Knee, South Dakota, his early schooling was at the Red Cloud Indian School on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation: www.redcloudschool.org/giving/giving.htm. This event raised \$5,357 for the IFHE-US Development Fund.

IFHE UPDATE

Joanne Pearson, VP Region of Americas

Plans are coming together nicely for the upcoming IFHE XXII World Congress to be held in Melbourne, Australia next July 16-21, 2012. The second announcement for the meeting, with details about daily keynote speakers and educational sessions, costs, housing options, and cultural excursions, are included on the Congress website: www.ifhe2012.org. Registration for the meeting is also open on the Congress website, with earlybird registration rates until March 31, 2012. Please note also that the call for abstracts has been extended from September 1 to October 15.

Another thing to note relative to travel to Australia is that all visitors (with the exception of New Zealand and Norfolk Island passport holders), must have a valid visa before boarding their plane regardless of the length of stay and a valid passport is required to apply for a visa. For people holding a U.S. passport the process is very easy. You can apply for Electronic Travel Authority (ETA) by going through the ETA website (www.eta.immi.gov.au/). There is no visa application charge for ETA applications made online, but a service fee of AUD20 is charged for use of the ETA website. Go to the visa section of the IFHE Congress 2012 website for details.

The major work of the International Federation for Home Economics takes place in the Programme and Council Committees of the Federation. Presently there are eight Programme Committees (consumers and sustainable development; food security & nutrition & health; home economics policies in education and training; household technology and sustainability; institutional and hospitality management; international business; outreach to Central and Eastern European countries; and textile and design)

and ten Council Committees (finance/membership; congress; publication and communication; research; young professionals; United Nations; project assessment; IFHE historic documents; think tank; and senior advisory). Involvement of members from the U.S. on these committees varies by year, although it is preferred that people join and remain continually active for a period of at least four years.

Currently there are 12 active members from the U.S. on the consumers and sustainability development, home economics policies in education and training, household technology and sustainability, outreach to Central and Eastern Europe, and textile and design committees. There are also a total of six members from the U.S. on the following council committees: United Nations, project assessment, and senior advisory.

It is likely that there are more people from the United States who are actively involved, but who are not listed on the IFHE database for either of two reasons: they did not pay IFHE dues for 2011 prior to March 31, or they did not go into the IFHE database to update their information. To get into the IFHE database, log into www.ifhe.org/ifhem. I encourage all members of IFHE to seriously think about how you can contribute to this international federation of home economists, and to then join one of these committees. Thanks to electronic technologies today it is possible to be a very involved member without any international travel. Check the IFHE webpage, www.ifhe.org, to find the name of the chairperson of the committee in which you are interested, and then contact that person or the IFHE office, office@ifhe.org, by email. The committee chair will take it from there to get you involved.

Save the Date

Note: This is a change in date.

Mark your calendar now for Sunday, June 24, 2012 for an Italian Cultural Evening from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at Buca di Beppo downtown in Indianapolis, IN. This will be the 14th annual event sponsored by the IFHE-US Development Fund. When you make travel plans to Indianapolis, be sure to remember that this event is on Sunday. The date which you received earlier is incorrect. Registration information will be available after February 1 at www.ifhe-us.org, www.aafcs.org, or the Spring issue of this newsletter. For more information, contact: Sharon McManus, CFCS, Director, IFHE-US Development Fund at svmcmnus@aol.com or (616) 546-3394.

IFHE-US Development Fund

Sharon McManus, Director

October 2011

Dear IFHE-US Member,

Our present goal is to reach \$115,000 in total assets before the IFHE World Congress in 2012 in Melbourne, Australia. We would like to give \$15,000 in grants at this meeting. We appreciate your contributions and attendance at the Native American Cultural Evening in Arizona to help make this possible.

Our 14th annual educational fund-raiser will be on Sunday evening, June 24, 2012 at

Buca di Beppo in Indianapolis, IN. Mark this date on your calendar to attend this festive Italian Cultural Evening. Registration information will be available after February 1 with AAFCS tour information and on our website ifhe-us.org.

During the coming year, we would like to increase the number of members in the IFHE-US Global Society. Won't you consider including us in your trust or will? Please contact us for additional information.

Your commitment to the IFHE goals and your monetary gifts help us achieve our global mission. We thank you for your ongoing support. All contributions are tax deductible.

With much appreciation,

Sharon V. McManus, Director

Committee Members: Talma Benavides (TX), Nancy C. Billings (AL), Carolyn Blount (WA), Mary Turner Gilliland (CA), Norma Maynard (St. Lucia), Gregg McCullough (OH), Marianne Calhoun McKeon (NY), Marguerite Scruggs (OK), Nancy St. John (VA)

IFHE-US Development Fund P. O. Box 2403 Holland, MI 49422-2403

Yes, I want to support the IFHE-US Development Fund. Enclosed is my contribution of:

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 Other \$ _____

Yes, I want to join the IFHE-US Global Legacy Society.

Please make checks payable to the ***IFHE-US Development Fund***.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Following is a biography of the candidate for the Membership Representative for the Region of the Americas, Audrey Jones-Drayton. The nominating committee consisting of Carolyn Blount, Chair, USA; Marilyn Weber, Canada and Janice Archibald Mason, CAHE are pleased to introduce the candidate to US members through the IFHE-US Newsletter. A ballot follows the article and your vote needs to be returned by November 15, 2011. An e-mail return of the ballot is appropriate.

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BALLOT:

Please return, before Jan. 15, 2012, indicating, your candidate of choice, to the nominating committee:

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(Nominating Committee, IFHE Region of the Americas: Carolyn Blount, Marilyn Weber, Canada, Janice Archibald Maison, Jamaica)

Vote for one candidate.	Yes
Audrey Jones-Drayton	_____
_____ (Write-in Candidate)	_____

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Sharleen Kato, IFHE-US Director of Professional Development and Programs, seeks your input in developing the 2012-2014 Program of Work. Please send your suggestions to skato@spu.edu. Thank you!