Retiree Scholarships Awarded at 2014 Galaxy Conference

Stan Chapman, representing retirees, awarded two scholarships of $500 each to Sherry Beaty-Sullivan and Ashley Carroll at the Retiree Luncheon at the Galaxy Conference on March 20 at the Winthrop Rockefeller Institute on Petit Jean Mountain.

Beaty-Sullivan, county Extension agent - agriculture, Howard County, is pursuing a doctorate in Agriculture and Extension Education at Mississippi State University. In her application, she stated, “I feel that learning and education are an ongoing process and by pursuing an advanced degree I will be better able to serve my clientele and this organization.”

Carroll, county Extension agent - family and consumer sciences, Pulaski County, is enrolled in the Registered Dietitian program at the University of Central Arkansas. In her application, Carroll said that she has always had a passion for nutrition and health education and that obtaining registered dietitian credentials will “allow me to be able to further help clients who may have more detailed needs and/or interest in the science of their nutrition concerns and how to practice a healthier lifestyle.”

Thanks for your contributions which make these scholarships possible.

Ruben Johnson and Keith Lusby Inducted Into Arkansas Ag Hall of Fame

The Arkansas Agriculture Hall of Fame inducted six new members, two with connections to the Division of Agriculture, on March 7 at a luncheon in the Ambassador Ballroom of the Little Rock Embassy Suites Hotel.

Ruben Johnson of Magazine, retired state leader for agriculture, held various positions in Extension, ranging from associate county agent to interim director. His greatest accomplishment was the initiation of the research verification program, which took research and applied it to actual farming situations through on-farm demonstrations.

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From the Editorial Board

Thirty-two retirees and guests signed up to attend this year’s retiree luncheon at the Galaxy Conference.

The luncheon featured a talk by John Payne on how Extension operations have changed over the years, followed by the presentation of the 2014 retiree scholarship winners. Stan Chapman presented the scholarships to Sherry Beaty-Sullivan and Ashley Carroll on behalf of the retiree board.

Thanks to all the retirees whose contributions have made it possible to award nine scholarships since 2009, totaling $4,500.

If you have not given or if you wish to donate again this year, please send any amount you wish to give and you’ll be listed and recognized as a 2014 donor during next year’s Galaxy Conference.

Diane Jones and Tom Leslie have agreed to serve on the Extension Cord editorial board. Jones is a retired family and consumer sciences specialist, and Leslie is a retired Saline County staff chair.

They fill positions left vacant by the retirement of Fann Woodward this month and the death of J. W. Lehman in 2010.

The board would like to express appreciation to Fann Woodward for her past service. She has served on the editorial board since the publication of the first Extension Cord in 2001.

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May Birthdays

Rosemary Gardner, May 1
Paul Cooper, May 2
Shirley Shelton West, May 5
Irene Lee, May 9
Clarice Griffith, May 10
Earl Wilson, May 10
B. J. Hankins, May 12
Carol Massey, May 12
Bob Rhodes, May 12
Dianna Cox, May 17
Clyde Stuart Jr., May 17
Harold Williams, May 18
Bill Russell, May 19
Teresa Booth, May 21
LaVetta Perkins, May 21
Kaye Shrout, May 21
Charlotte Freeman, May 22
Mary Kennett Manis Rhodes, May 23
Donald Johnson, May 24
Faye Sutt, May 26
James Peachey, May 28
Larry Smith, May 29
Donald Adams, May 30
Donald Slate, May 30
Darlene Baker Millard, May 31

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Herald D. Mills Dies

Herald Mills, 85, of North Little Rock, died March 24.

Mills was a shipping and receiving clerk in the Little Rock state office from 1983-1984 and again from 1989-96. He was a service assistant from 1996 until 1999 when he left Extension.

Survivors include his four children, Melinda Coleman, Elizabeth Lively, Douglas Mills and Stephen Mills; four grandchildren, one great grandchild, two sisters and five brothers.

Funeral services were March 29 at Park Hill Baptist Church.

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Keith Lusby of Prescott, retired UA professor and head of the Department of Animal Science, oversaw a major renovation and building program in the Animal Science Department where more than $10 million was raised. During his tenure, scholarship endowments, enrollment numbers and faculty positions in the animal science program were increased, making the UA Department of Animal Science a national leader.

The Agriculture Hall of Fame is sponsored by the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce and the Arkansas Farm Bureau.
Retirees Attend Galaxy Conference

Extension retirees with 2014 Retiree Scholarship winner Ashley Carroll.

Fann Woodward surveys the scene. Retirees Don Plunkett, John Payne and Tom Leslie visit with Joe Waldrum. Lanny Ashlock chats with Charlotte and Ruben Johnson.

Honorary and Memorial Gifts

The following honorary and memorial gifts were received to support the professional development opportunities for faculty and staff of the Cooperative Extension Service. This list covers honorary and memorial gifts recorded March 1-31, 2014.

- Cooperative Extension Service Retiree Scholarship
  In honor of Alberta James
  Merritt Royal
  In honor of Bob Reynolds
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Honorary or memorial donations made payable to the UA Foundation, Inc., may be forwarded to the Development Office, Cooperative Extension Service, 2301 South University Avenue, Little Rock, Ark. 72204. To ensure that proper notification is sent, please also include in whose honor or memory the gift is made and the mailing address of the person to receive the notification.

– Elizabeth Childs

Stories Wanted

Did you ever get a strange request for information over the phone at your county Extension office? Did a client bring in something unusual for you to identify? If you have a funny, interesting or inspiring Extension story, we’d like to hear it.

Send your stories to lgoforth@uaex.edu or Laura Goforth, Communications Department, 2301 South University Avenue, Little Rock, Ark. 72204-4940.
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