



Epsilon Sigma Phi Grants Committee
2012-2013 Annual Report
April 18, 2013

Committee Members: Pattie Carroll (WNEP), Christine Kniep (Family Living), Colleen Pulvermacher (4-H & Youth Development), Kay Buelke Schroeder (Retiree), Patrick Nehring (CNRED) - Chair

Grant Award Categories:

Professional Development Grant

This is a general fund that provides up to \$2,000 per person for in-depth, focused, professional development opportunities such as formal coursework, internships, workshops or conferences with a specific subject matter focus.

Marvin and Ellouise Beatty Award

One award of up to \$2,500 annually is made to an exceptionally promising and/or productive individual in UWEX-Cooperative Extension to aid the recipient in the development of his/her career as an adult educator.

Henry L. Ahlgren Award

Provides up to \$5,000 annually for individuals or groups whose work helps to perpetuate the family farm in Wisconsin. It supports professional development that improves the ability of Extension educators to work in agriculture and natural resource areas such as farm succession, modernizing family farms, or protecting the environment.

J. Mitchell Mackey Award

An award of up to \$1200 to support professional development of promising faculty or staff in Youth Development.

Ellen Fitzsimmons Award

Provides up to \$1200 annually to support professional development of promising/productive faculty or staff.

ESP National Conference Grant

Provides up to \$1200 annually to assist UWEX faculty or staff in attending the National ESP Conference.

ESP Grants Awarded - August 2012 through February 2013

Henry L. Ahlgren Award

- Dunn County Agriculture Agent **Katie Wantoch** and Polk County Agriculture Agent **Jennifer Blazek** to attend the 2013 Extension Risk Management Conference

Marvin and Ellouise Beatty Award

- Grant County Family Living Agent **Bev Doll** to attend the National Institute of Financial and Economic Literacy offered through Edgewood College

Ellen Fitzsimmons Award

- Walworth County Nutrition Agent **Karie Lutz** to attend a First Semester Spanish course through the University of Wisconsin's Independent Learning

ESP National Conference Grant

- Lafayette County CNRED Agent **Cara Carper** to attend the 2012 National ESP Conference
- ESP Retiree **Linda Kustka** to attend the Galaxy IV Conference (includes the 2013 National ESP Conference)

ESP Professional Development Grants

- Nutrition Education Program Specialist **Gayle Coleman** to attend the Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior Annual Conference
- Rusk County Agriculture Agent **Richard Toebe** to take a Understanding and Managing Animal Resources Graduate Course from Colorado State University
- Iowa County Family Living Agent **Ruth Schriefer** to attend the Galaxy IV Conference
- Price County Family Living Agent **Barbara Haynes** to attend the National Urban Extension Conference

Total funds awarded between August 2012 and February 2013.....\$10,100

The next deadline to submit an application for a professional development grant is August 1, 2013. The application can be found on the ESP website, <http://blogs.ces.uwex.edu/esp/grant/>.

With urging of the Committee, Green Lake County Agriculture Agent Nav Ghimire applied for and received a National ESP Richard R Angus Professional Development Scholarship to attend the Association of International Agricultural and Extension Education (AIAEE) Conference.

Respectfully Submitted, Patrick Nehring, ESP Grants Committee Chair