





Immediate Past President's Message

GREETINGS KAFCS MEMBERS!

As we welcome the official start to summer, I hope each of you are enjoying all the fun that summer brings. KAFCS has had a wonderful year having our fall workshop at Shaker Village and then the 100th Annual Meeting at Keene Trace Golf Course. This year included lots of planning and excitement as our association was able to celebrate such a milestone! During the Annual Meeting, we were able to reflect on our rich history, today's work and look forward to our bright future ahead.

The annual planning committee tried to determine what symbolized a 100th anniversary. In our research, we discovered a 10K Diamond is used to celebrate. One definition of a diamond is a meaning of unconquerable and enduring and it is used to symbolize the constant flame of love. Sounds perfect as we all have a love of Family and Consumer Sciences and diamonds too!

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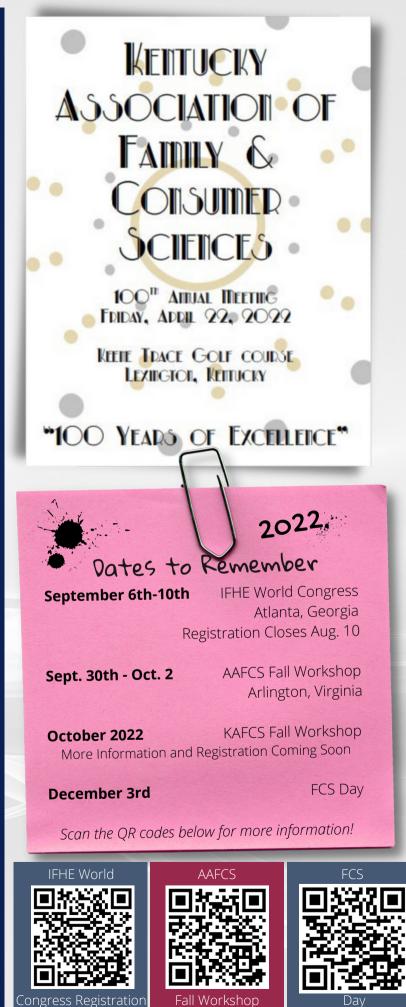
Mrs. Liz Mullens, AAFCS Immediate Past President joined us to speak at our opening session on the topic of "Learning from our Past, Living in the Present, and Planning for the Future." Representatives from professional organizations, university programs and the state department brought greetings and provided updates from their respective programs.

During the annual meeting, we looked at the 4 C's that determine a diamond's quality: cut, color, clarity and carat. To look at the clarity of our organizations so we could better understand our past and look forward to our future, we had a panel of FCS Professionals share about their own FCS experiences, memories and to give us some advice to help us plan for the next 100 years. Our second step in looking at a diamond was the color. Even though diamonds are colorless, FCS is full of color. Ms. Brooke Jenkins and Ms. Jeannie Najor with the UK Nutrition Education Program showed us lots of color as they spoke on Charcuterie the MyPlate Way. Attendees left with lots of ideas for making their very own charcuterie board.

At the awards dinner, we looked at the cut of a diamond. The cut refers to how well a diamond's facets interact with light as well as the actual shape. We know that our members are a cut above the rest and come from a variety of FCS backgrounds. It was an honor to celebrate some of our members on their well-deserved recognition. The last C of a diamond is the carat. This is the weight of a diamond. A diamond's price increases with carat as larger diamonds are rarer and more desirable. We learned that two diamonds of equal carat weight can have different values depending on the other three factors.

Just like a diamond, our organization's value is determined not just by one factor but by all of our members. Each member is a diamond to our organization. Just like diamonds, our members are beautiful, rare, cherished and unique. It needs all of us with our specific abilities and strengths to unite to help us move forward so in another 100 years KAFCS members can continue the celebration!

I have been honored and blessed to serve as your President this past year! I will cherish the memories and look forward to the great things in store for KAFCS!





2022 KAFCS ward Winners

KAFCS Leader Award Rafnn Niller

In addition to serving as the KAFCS and KATFCS president, RaAnn has served on the National FCS Coalition. She currently serves as the Treasurer for KY FCCLA Alumni & Associates and she is currently serving as the adviser to the KY FCCLA State President.

Friend of KAFCS Award Ann Wail Ann Vail served on the American Association of Family and

Ann Vail served on the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Accreditation Council from 2011-2014 and has been on numerous committees and task forces in the AAFCS and KAFCS as well as the Council of Administrators of FCS.

KAFCS Wiley-Berger Award Grace Angotti

Grace served as the Carroll County FCS Extension Agent from 1997 to 2014. She was active in AHEA-American Home Economics Association and was instrumental in the structure and moving forward to become AAFCS-American Association of Family Consumer Sciences.

KAFCS New Achiever Award Angela Gott

Angela graduated from the 2021 cohort of the AAFCS Leadership Academy and has been helping to support emerging FCS professionals across the state through her leadership project, FCS Huddle.





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