



CHI EPSILON SIGMA

Life, Loyalty, Learning

ALPHA CHAPTER ~ THE NATIONAL EXTENSION SUPPORT STAFF FRATERNITY

Hello CES Members,

CES President's Note

The year is flying by so fast but so much is still left to do. Our Membership Drive is about to start, and I want to remind our members to reach out to new support staff and express the value of becoming a CES member. This professional organization is only what we make it, so let's make it a good one.

New CES Logo: A few things have aspired since the last voting of the new logo. Missed communication between me and marketing on the logo we approved left us scrambling to find an alternative logo. The original plan was to tweak the old logo that came up blurry and to include CSU by removing OSU from the logo. We could not use anything that resembles Ohio State likeness or any element of Ohio State brand, including logos, colors, fonts, or an outline of the state of Ohio. We also wanted to keep within the same design elements as our other CES chapter states. In the long run, the new logo is approved by marketing and can now be added to brochures, websites, and much more. Special thanks to Julie Evans for her creative touch on the classic first version of our logo.

New CES Awards: In order to make awards attainable by all CES members, including new ones, the Distinguished Service Awards will be available this year. Please look for information on these new awards and please consider nominating someone for these awards as well as other awards offered by CES.

New CES Brochure: special thanks to Paige Matney for working up a classic new [brochure](#) to promote CES... please share broadly!

Annual Conference: It sounds like CES and TERSSA will be able to set up a table displaying the benefits of joining. If anyone wants to reach out to the board members and share some of the reasons why you feel the associations are beneficial, please do so. I want to encourage everyone to attend Annual Conference, and all our members (Honorary and Retirees too) to attend the CES Annual Meeting. More info to come.

CES Board: Be thinking about joining the CES board as I promise you, you will take away professional experience and friendships that are immeasurable.

Thank You,

Patty Corfman



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CES Awards Nomination Process: Paige Matney, CES Membership Secretary, Chair CES Extension Support Staff Excellence Award Selection Committee

Wow... it's so hard to believe we're already gearing up for our membership drive, and annual meeting! Check out the following awards each CES member has the opportunity to win below!

Chi Epsilon Sigma Membership Drive: Remember, the CES membership drive is held in conjunction with the JCEP membership drive in October. Be on the lookout for more information from Paige when the membership drive is open!

CES Extension Support Staff Excellence Award: Do you know a CES support staff member who excels in responsibilities and is a superior support staff member? Consider nominating them for the one time, \$1000* award.

Nomination form, and more information can be found here: [CES ESSEA](#)

Completed nomination packet must be submitted to Paige Matney, Matney.30@osu.edu by 11:59pm, November 1st.

Dorothy Rex Inspirational Award: Established by founding member of Chi Epsilon Sigma, Dorothy Rex, who was Ohio's first president of CES. This award is given each year, in her honor, to an individual who has been inspirational in their Extension position.

Nomination form, and more information can be found here: [CES DRIA](#)

Completed nomination packet must be submitted to Paige Matney, Matney.30@osu.edu by 11:59pm, November 1st.

NEW THIS YEAR!

Chi Epsilon Sigma Distinguished Service Awards: The goal of these awards is Annual recognition of staff members in each career category who excels in all aspects of job performance.

Award Categories:

Early Career – 0 – 9 Years of Service

Mid-Career – 10 -19 Years of Service

Advanced Career – 20+ Years of Service

Nomination form, and more information can be found here: [CES DSA](#)

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All awards will be announced during the extension annual conference awards ceremony.

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to reach out to Paige!

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Support CES: Cash donations can be made to the CES fund:

<http://go.osu.edu/CESGiveNow>

CES Fundraiser Committee Update: Terri Fisher, CFAES Staff Advisory Council Liaison, Chair CES Fundraiser Committee

We are getting ready for the Silent Auction at the December 5-7, 2022 Extension Annual Conference in support of the [Support Staff Excellence Award](#)! We would be very grateful to have additional volunteers this year, as we are confirmed to be in person! Please email Terri Fisher at fisher.456@osu.edu if you would like to serve with us. Please indicate if you would like to part of the committee, or prefer to be hands-on at the conference only.

Now is a great time to start planning your donation submission, if you would like to participate in that way. Here are some tips to help get started:

- Fair time has arrived! Snap up any unique items that might be showcased at your county's fair!
- Share your special talent! Do you sew, do woodwork, paint, make jewelry, bake, etc.?
- Promote your business! Are you an independent seller for a company that sells purses, jewelry, makeup...?
- Promote your community! Know of local/statewide businesses that would love to donate products or gift certificates for some additional publicity around the state?
- Team-building opportunity! Whether you are a county- or state-based office, consider this an opportunity for a fun team project and donate a themed basket or individual item. If there is something unique about your county, consider that as a theme. We would be honored to have a donation from every county/office!

We will be reaching out for donation confirmations in October. Thanks again for your support.

CFAES Staff Advisory Council (SAC) Update: Terri Fisher, CFAES Staff Advisory Council Liaison

The [2022-2023 CFAES Award Nominations](#) are due by November 30. Please consider nominating an outstanding colleague for one of the [Staff Advisory Council Awards](#).

In my role with the college [Staff Advisory Council](#), I am privileged to work with folks from of all the departments in our college in support of the CFAES Core Goal "To be the standard of excellence for colleges of food, agricultural, and environmental sciences." As always, please feel free to reach out to me or any of the Extension [SAC reps](#) with your ideas, questions and contributions for college leadership! Thank you.

Sister Chapters: Vickie Snyder, CES Annalist, Chair Outreach Committee

[BETA Chapter News](#) – from Arkansas
[Gamma Chapter News](#) – from Kentucky
[Epsilon Chapter News](#) – from Louisiana

2022 Secret Friend Activity:

If you haven't heard from your secret friend in a while, please alert me to find out if they are still with OSU Extension.. we have had some leave that affected our matches...

Meetings with Admin

President Patty and Vice President Christina act as our liaisons to Administration - they represent US - support staff! This meeting with ADMIN tells the heartbeat of our organization- are we healthy and vital and giving our best? What are the pressing needs of support staff? Please email Corfman.4 and Byrd.282 with topics/questions and/or solutions.

The Extension & Research Support Staff Association

TERSSA National Conference
September 20-23, 2022 - Kitty Hawk, NC

Current Participating States: Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina and Virginia Tech

www.TERSSA.org



OJCEP: Ohio Joint Council of Extension Professional Committees:

Executive	Scholarships, Grants and Recognition	Professional Development
Personnel	Resource Development and	Membership Recruitment and
Global Relations	Management	Retention
Marketing	Public Issues	

Constitution & Bylaws (our governing documents): Beth Young, CES Past President, Chair CES Constitution and Bylaws Committee

[CES Constitution and Bylaws](#)
[CES Standing Rules](#)

CES 2022 Executive Board – contact us:

President – Patty Corfman.4, OA, OSU Extension Operations, Columbus

Vice President – Christina Byrd.282, OA, Franklin County

Treasurer – Chris Comden.1, OA, Defiance County

Secretary – Katie Gorrell.42, OA, Paulding County

Membership Secretary – Paige Matney.30, OA, Lawrence County

Annalist – Vickie Snyder.252, OA, OSU Extension Operations, Caldwell

Historian – OPEN

CFAES Staff Advisory Council Liaison – Terri Fisher.456, OAA, Extension Administration

Support Staff Liaison – Lori Moff.1, OA, Mahoning County

Past President – Beth Young.1414, OA, Butler County

Next CES Meeting Date: **October 10**

10AM - Zoom link will be shared out to all members from President Patty Corfman.

Chi Epsilon Sigma Webpage

CES Purpose: The purpose of this Fraternity shall be to maintain the standards and ideals, uphold the morale, prestige and respect of Ohio State University Extension Support Staff, to develop an effective working relationship and a spirit of fraternal fellowship among the present and emeriti employees of Ohio State University Extension and to encourage professionalism within Extension.

Committee Sign Up!! 10 committees led by CES Officers as chairs.... Start here to make a difference! [Volunteer on a CES Committee Webform](#)

CES Committees offer opportunities for sharing the load, learning about Chi Epsilon Sigma, stepping out in personal and professional development, taking steps toward leadership and stepping out of our comfort zones...10 committees, sign up for more than one!

<i>CES Annual Meeting Committee</i> – Shall plan the details of the CES Annual Meeting held in conjunction with the OSU Extension Annual Conference.	Oversight by the CES President CES Executive Committee
<i>CES Nominating Committee</i> – Shall secure nominations from the CES membership and prepare a slate of all CES officer positions to be presented to the membership prior to the CES annual meeting.	CES Vice President CES Historian
<i>CES Membership and Annual Meeting Scholarship Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for soliciting applications for the CES Annual Meeting (1) and CES Membership (6) scholarships.	CES Secretary CES Annalist CES Membership Secretary
<i>CES Budget and Finance Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for developing and proposing the budget.	CES Treasurer Input by the CES President CES Past President CES Vice President
<i>CES Extension Support Staff Excellence Award Selection Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for coordinating this annual award including publicity, selection, securing the plaque and processing the paperwork for payment of this award.	CES Membership Secretary CFAES SAC Liaison CES Treasurer
<i>CES Outreach Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for keeping contact with other state CES chapters and promotion in new states.	CES Annalist CES Past President
<i>CES Recognition Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for securing nominations and overseeing the selection process for the CES Members Years of Service Awards, New Member Induction, and Dorothy Rex Inspirational Award. Explore other opportunities for recognition.	CES Historian CES Membership Secretary
<i>CES Fundraiser Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for all CES fundraisers.	CFAES SAC Liaison CES Treasurer
<i>CES Professional Improvement and Activities Committee</i> – Shall explore educational opportunities for professional development-and will promote to support staff. Activities will also be explored to build CES membership relations.	CES Support Staff Liaison CFAES SAC Liaison
<i>CES Constitution and Bylaws Committee</i> – Shall be responsible for reviewing proposed changes and updating the CES constitution and bylaws and standing rules.	CES Past President Input by the CES President CES Vice President