

FACETS NEWSLETTER

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Farm to School Fundraiser

As you know, MAHE has had an active role in launching the Farm to School Healthy Choice Fundraiser (www.farmtoschoolmanitoba.ca).

The project has been a tremendous hit throughout the province and has been a great benefit to MAHE as well.

Results of 2010

Here are some of the highlights of the program in 2010. Please email Kathie Fedora, PHEc at farm2school@mahe.ca for a copy of a complete presentation about the project and how it works.

We had a 70% response rate of schools participating. While there were a couple of delivery kinks, all respondents were very positive about the program and 100% want to participate in 2011. All partners and funders are also excited and want to see more veggies in more schools.

An exciting project that is a win/win for everyone.

Plans for 2011

All indicators are that the project will run once again in 2011, and MAHE will continue to play an important role in coordinating and promoting the project. This year, we'll need your help as well. We're looking for your help in promoting this project to as many schools as possible.

We need your help in networking with the school community and encouraging them to be a part of this great alternative fund raiser. When you share some of the positive feedback and results that you just read, you'll

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discover it's an easy "sell". So, work your networks and help spread the word that Manitoba Home Economists are part of a great initiative that is bringing local, fresh, nutritious veggies into schools all across the province. It doesn't matter how remote a school is – the project will get the veggies there by truck, train or plane – whatever it takes. Get your schools to Enroll Now at www.farmtoschoolmanitoba.ca.

The program will likely run from September to December 15 this fall. While there is not deadline for registering, schools are encouraged to sign up now, so they will receive timely information about the roll out of the program this fall.



Board Update

The MAHE Board is on fire! Everyone is revved up and doing an amazing job of working in, on and outside of the organization to give MAHE and home economists the profile and services they deserve.

On February 17 we had an in-person Board meeting where we had a chance to reflect on the year to date and what lies ahead. We had great discussion and are looking forward to more strategic planning in our May meeting.

Here's a snapshot of what everyone's up to: Joan Butcher is working on revising our Policy and Procedures to match our new way of doing business.

Diana Mager is heading up the MAHE TV and MAHE Blog initiatives. Watch for more details as new and exciting things will be coming up shortly.

Myrna Grahn has a great line-up of programs and activities in the works – check them out in this newsletter.

Lindsey Mazur is working her magic at the Faculty to build our profile for both students and staff.

Carly Ducheminsky is our energetic student rep who's networking with other students and building a positive image for MAHE.

Tarah Jakubowski has produced a second newsletter and is formulating plans for

keeping up communications with all our members.

Debora Durnin-Richards is strategizing for next year and updating procedures for the Complaints Committee.

Linda Hogue continues to take care of all the details when it comes to her duties as Registrar and Administrative Service Provider.

Carla Falkevich is conquering the world of finance and keeping our finances in order.

Ann Halbesma is recording it all and ensuring our Association Awards are being managed successfully.

Of course, this amazing team is supported by other volunteers across the province. Thank you to all of you.

If you want a piece of the action, just call any one of us! The program will likely run from September to December 15 this fall. While there is not deadline for registering, schools are encouraged to sign up now, so they will receive timely information about the roll out of the program this fall.

Thank you Winnipeg

A big hearty thank you to what was formerly the Winnipeg Branch. The Branch recently officially closed its bank account after settling all of its affairs. MAHE was the grateful recipient of \$17,649.28 as a result. THANK YOU! Rest assured, we will honor this gift and use it wisely.

Call For Nominations

Excellence in Teaching Award

The Excellence in Teaching Award is bestowed annually to a teaching member of the Faculty of Human Ecology, or the Faculty of Education (Hone Economics/Human Ecology), University of Manitoba, to honour an individual who has displayed a high quality of teaching ability.

Nominations may be made by fourth year and graduate students enrolled in the Faculty of Human Ecology.

Please contact Ann Halbesma PHEc, Awards Chair for nomination forms and details at 204.222.2554 or halbesma@shaw.ca



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Nomination Deadline: April 11, 2011

WANTED

Looking for 3 to 4 PHEc guests to regularly appear on Breakfast Television. Please contact Diana Mager at dmager@hydro.mb.ca



On Behalf of World Home Economics Day, the Manitoba Association of Home Economists Presents...

"The Social Network" - The Good, the Bad and the Educational

And the Nominees are....

You!

This year's World Home Economics Day will be celebrated in Winnipeg on March 21, 2011. We will be featuring Megan Batchelor from CityTV and Susie Parker, Social Media Strategist, who will enlighten us with information regarding Social Networking – safety, the benefits, the risks, and the value. We will also be highlighting different organizations from within Manitoba whose focus is on families. Come to be presented with information on "The Social Network" - *The Good, the Bad, and the Educational*.

5:30 Registration and Cash Bar
6:00 Welcome and Dinner
7:15 Networking
7:30 Information Session/Speakers

Our menu is as follows...

Mixed Field Greens Salad, Strawberry Poppyseed Vinaigrette
Supreme Chicken Nouvelle / Vegetarian Manicotti
Pomme Bearny
Prince Edward Classic Mix
Baked Apple Caramel Cheesecake, Caramel Swirl

Cost of dinner and information session: \$45
Speaker & Information Session only: \$15
Event will be held at the Holiday Inn Airport West – 2520 Portage Ave, Wpg

Please RSVP by March 17, 2011 to jenna.fehr@gmail.com or 204.362.3745.
Cheques can be mailed to *MAHE - Box 582, Station Main, Winnipeg, MB, R3C 2J3* or presented at the day of the event.