

Extension Comings and Goings
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New Faculty - Our Extension Family is growing. Please welcome the following new hires:
Heather Futch, FCS EA I, Hamilton County, 6/29/2007
Marina D'Abreau, Environmental Horticulture EA II, Hillsborough County, 7/13/2007
Ernest Terry, 4-H EA II, Alachua County, 7/27/2007

4-H Regional Specialized Agent positions for the South and South Central District have been filled. Congratulations Germaine Pointer (South) and Georgene Bender (South Central).

Resignations - We want to wish the following faculty the best of luck in their endeavors:
Wendy Burton, Bradford County, EA II Livestock, 7/27/2007
Dale Bennett, Wakulla County, CED III, 7/31/2007

Retirement - After many years of service and dedication Dale Bennett (Wakulla County Extension Director & EA III) has retired. We want to thank him for all of his contributions to UF/IFAS Extension.

Meet Your Specialist - David Diehl



David Diehl, Ph.D. [\(photo\)](#)

Department of Family, Youth, and Community Sciences

Dr. Diehl came to the University of Florida from the Orelena Hawks Puckett Institute where he was Associate Research Scientist and Associate Director of the Center for Practical Evaluation. Much of his work involved the application of research and evaluation knowledge in a variety of community settings, including: the evaluation of *Under One Sky*, an asset-based adoption project for youth in the foster care system; the creation of a parent's association for

foster, adoptive, and kinship parents in Virginia; and the evaluation of family support and early childhood programs.

His specialties are program evaluation, with an emphasis on building program capacity to conduct strong and useful evaluations. His other interests include: strategic planning, parent leadership, family support, and asset-based human development. Dr. Diehl plans to work with Extension faculty to identify their needs and develop evaluation resources that are practical, reasonable, and help provide the information they value. In 2000, he received his Ph.D. in Human Development from Cornell University.

He is married to Elizabeth, a landscape architect, and they have three children, ages 6, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, and 12 months—all of whom provide an intense and entertaining education in the realities of child development and family life.

Career Brochure — Are you needing more "A Career with Meaning" brochures? Please contact Liz Perez in the Office of Dean for Extension's office at 352-392-1761 or email at lizann@ufl.edu.

- Stephanie Toelle, chair
Marketing, Recruiting, Screening, and Hiring Committee

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