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This edition’s streaming presentation is by Lisa Leslie, discussing the Young Investors Program. The presentation provided syncs streaming video of the presenter with her PowerPoint slides. Viewing the presentation requires the Microsoft Explorer browser, Windows Media Player 9 and a relatively fast Internet connection. However, for those using dial-up access, a modem version is also supplied, which plays an audio version of the presentation synchronized with the PowerPoint slides.

Comings and Goings June -- Young Investors Program (Video version)
http://training.ifas.ufl.edu/ComingsGoings_June08/index.html

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Meet Your Specialist – Larry Forthun

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Larry Forthun came to the University of Florida from Penn State University - DuBois, where he was an Associate Professor of Human Development and Family Studies. His specialties are Intergenerational Programming and Youth Development. He also take special interest in prevention/intervention for at-risk and troubled youth and studying adolescent and emerging adult risk-taking behavior. In 1999, he received his degree in Human Development and Family Studies from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX.
“Although I am new to extension, I have worked closely with county extension faculty in a variety of ways. I have spent the last 10 years training the next generation of human service workers at Penn State University where I worked closely with county extension faculty who supervised my students during their internships. I also worked closely with county faculty on community-based prevention and intervention activities to promote healthy families and communities. I found these experiences extremely rewarding and came to understand the important role of research/extension in supporting healthy child and family development. I am pleased to assume my new role as an extension specialist in intergenerational programs and look forward to developing new friendships and partnerships with faculty across the state and the nation.

I was born in North Dakota and raised in Idaho (Famous Potatoes), while my wife is a full-blooded Floridian. Her family remains in Leesburg, FL and my 2 children are weary of meeting all the new extended family members. They’re not used to all of the attention. We’ve found Gainesville to be a great place to live and have found everyone to be very welcoming.”

2008 Extension Professional Associations of Florida Meeting – As you may know, the 2008 Extension Professional Association of Florida Meeting is scheduled for August 11-14, 2008 in Orlando, FL. The early-bird deadline for the 2008 EPAF Conference is fast approaching. Please register online at http://efap.ifas.ufl.edu. After the early-bird deadline of July 14th, the cost of fulltime registration will be $300.00. Information about the Opening Session at the Osceola County Extension Office and a tentative agenda can also be found on the website. For general conference information contact Mike Sweat at msweat@ufl.edu; hotel and facilities - Martha Maddox at mmaddox@ufl.edu or registration questions- Judy Butterfield, jrbu@ufl.edu

Award of Excellence in Graphic Design - Tracy Zwilinger Bryant is the 2008 recipient of the Association of Communications Excellence (ACE) Award of Excellence in Graphic Design. This award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated excellence in a special interest area as well as leadership and involvement in ACE.

Ms. Bryant is the supervisor and leader of the IFAS Communication Services graphic design work area and is the senior designer with the responsibility for conceptualization and design of such communication products as IMPACT magazine, the Extension Annual Report calendar, and the Annual Research Report, and provides solutions from concept to completion in the production. As a member of the IFAS Extension Bookstore Marketing Committee and the ICS Marketing Committee, she serves as the chief graphic and visual design consultant. She has been recognized by her professional organization, ACE, as well as the University of Florida Communications Network for her work on a number of outstanding communications projects. Ms. Bryant currently serves as the Florida ACE State Representative.
As a member of the Management Team for the communications unit, Ms. Bryant confers with IFAS administration, and university relations personnel to determine and create the graphic and print standards to which UF/IFAS publications, documents, posters, exhibits and Web sites must adhere in order to be successful and well received by the public through the writing and publishing of guidelines that all UF/IFAS employees must follow before they design, produce, print, or publish educational information.

4th annual 4-H/Air Force Aim High Award - Georgene Bender from the University of Florida was selected as the 4th annual 4-H/Air Force Aim High Award winner to be presented at the 2008 Galaxy III Conference in Indianapolis, IN on September 17th. Georgene has worked closely with MacDill AFB on several 4-H initiatives and camps. She is also the main support for the OCONUS bases in England and has served on the training teams that have delivered 4-H and Youth Development sessions and technical assistance at the YDC and to bases in Europe.

New Faculty – Please welcome the following new faculty:
Timothy Gaver, Citrus Extension Agent II, St. Lucie County, 6/16/2008
Whitney Cherry, 4-H Extension Agent I, Calhoun County, 6/20/2008
Derek Barber, Livestock/Nat. Resources Extension Agent II, Columbia County, 6/27/2008

Please welcome Pamela Allen to her newly appointed position as County Extension Director and Extension Agent IV in Escambia County.

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