National Accomplishments

Nutrition Textbook Revision

Anna Sumabat Turner, M.Ed., CFCS-HNFS was the National Chairman of the Nutrition, Health, and Food Management Community in 2011-12 and served as the lead editor for the complete revision of *FOOD: A Handbook of Terminology, Purchasing, and Preparation, 12th edition (2015).*

Lorna Williams, former WIC Nutritionist and former FACS teacher at Easley High School, assisted by revising two chapters. This book is used by Food Science, Culinary, and Food and Nutrition students and professionals.

Pre-PAC Assessments

Dr. Eleanor Able Glover worked with the AAFCS Certification group to initiate the Pre-Professional Assessment and Certification (Pre-PAC) program. These are eleven technical skill assessments aligned with industry-recognized standards to measure technical skill attainment of high school students.

Chair, Public Affairs and Policy

Worked successfully to help save four university programs, resulting in three of the four being kept intact to qualify for AAFCS Accreditation.

AAFCS urges state affiliates to contact **U.S. Representatives**, **U.S. Senators**, and the **President of the United States of America** to let them know that increased federal investment in education must be a top priority.

Read **"How to Write Effective E-Mail to Members of Congress"** written by Marlowe & Company, a government affairs consulting firm in Washington, DC These tips apply also to writing letters to members of Congress.

Health Care Forums

AAFCS launched health initiative and conducted several health care forums with the Kettering Foundation, with more planned for the future.

Carl D. Perkins Act

AAFCS played an integral role in the re-funding of the Carl Perkins Act, and was directly responsible for ensuring that family and consumer sciences programs are a permissible use of Carl Perkins funds at both state and local levels.

Childcare Legislation

AAFCS lent strong support to federal childcare legislation that supports incentives for businesses to create childcare centers for employees, and make accommodations for individuals in welfare to work situations.

Dietary Guidelines

The Association provided comment on the new dietary guidelines, and participated in a recent briefing sponsored by Senators Jeffords and Kennedy that discussed safe and productive activities for children when out of school. The senators were informed about the AAFCS Project Home Safe. AAFCS will continue to monitor developments in this area and provide leadership as opportunities arise.

Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination

AAFCS went on public record urging congressional ratification of the U.N. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.

Healthy People 2010

The Association contributed to the Healthy People 2010 Objectives dialogue by responding to the Healthy People 2010 Objectives: Draft for Public Comment. The Association response highlights the well-established family and consumer sciences delivery system as a vehicle for delivering nutrition and health information.

State Accomplishments

Nutrition Task Force

Representatives of SCAFCS served on the South Carolina Nutrition Task Force established by Inez Tannenbaum, a previous State Superintendent of Education. The group made recommendations to improve nutrition in South Carolina schools.