



# North Carolina Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences

The Professional Association for North Carolina Cooperative Extension  
Family & Consumer Sciences Educators

## 2015 Award Winners

**Carmen Long      State, Regional and National Winner      *Communications Award: Written Press Releases***

Carmen Long, Family and Consumer Science Agent in Surry County enjoy helping and educating the public. Carmen continues to reach new audiences through media and expanding her already successful programs.

**Lori Ivey      State and National Winner Continued *Excellence Award***

Lori Ivey has worked with Cooperative Extension for the past 20 years. She is passionate about her work and enjoys learning and staying up-to-date in subject matter areas.

**Molly Alexi      State and National Winner *Distinguished Service Award***

Molly Alexi is the County Extension Director with Family and Consumer Science programming responsibilities in Montgomery County. She served as the 2014 NCEAFCS State President and promoted leadership across the state.

**Renay Knapp      State and National Winner *Distinguished Service Award***

Renay is an experienced Family and Consumer Sciences agent whose program focus has been mainly Foods, Nutrition and Food Safety, but is well known for all areas of programming.

**Jeannie Leonard      State Winner *Food Safety Award***

Jeannie works hard keeping citizens safe through education of food service workers, ensures food is properly handled from delivery to service, reducing the risk of food borne illness outbreaks in Davidson County.

**Hayley Napier      State Winner *School Wellness Award***

Hayley Napier the Montgomery County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent offered the "Fit Youth", initiative to at risk middle school age youth. The six-week long fitness and nutrition program showed great impacts.

**Jayne McBurney      State, Regional and National Winner *Social Networking Award***

Financial Capability is often taught in a workshop; those needing it most lead hectic lives. Through social media, "Jayne Makes Cents" provides an avenue to reach bust learners.

**Olivia Jones      *Early Career Award***

Currituck County Family and Consumer Sciences Agent, Olivia Jones developed the overall initiative, "Get Fit Currituck", that has fostered a positive culture of health. Olivia has also developed smaller initiatives utilizing of a variety educational methods, media and technology. All of Olivia's programs work together to increase health awareness and create a community that values their health.

**Morgan McKnight      *Early Career Award***

Morgan McKnight the Family and Consumer Sciences Agent for Brunswick County has only been with Extension since May 2014, and in this short time she has had the opportunity to build the health and wellness of Brunswick County. By offering programs that focus on local foods and nutrition as well as enhancing necessary life skills and targeting limited resource populations.

**Deborah B. McGiffin      Ada B. Dalla-Pozza Professional Development Endowment Award**

Family and Consumer Sciences Agent in Durham County and has been a member of NEAFCS for 4 years. She plans to use this award to further her education in Agriculture Extension and Education with a focus on local foods.

**Lori S. Ivey      Ada B. Dalla-Pozza Professional Development Endowment Award**

County Extension Director in Stanly County with Family and Consumer Science responsibilities plans to use this award to complete the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator Certification Program.

**Submitted by Mary Morris, 2015 State Awards Chairman**