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Western Kentucky University Change Of Department Name Approved By Academic Council

According to Dr. Carl Hall, Head of the Department of Home Economics and Family Living since July, 1991, the name of the department will be--
Consumer and Family Sciences.

He and the faculty believe that this will be a positive step in working with prospective students, businesses and industry. The Administration and currently enrolled students strongly favored a name change.

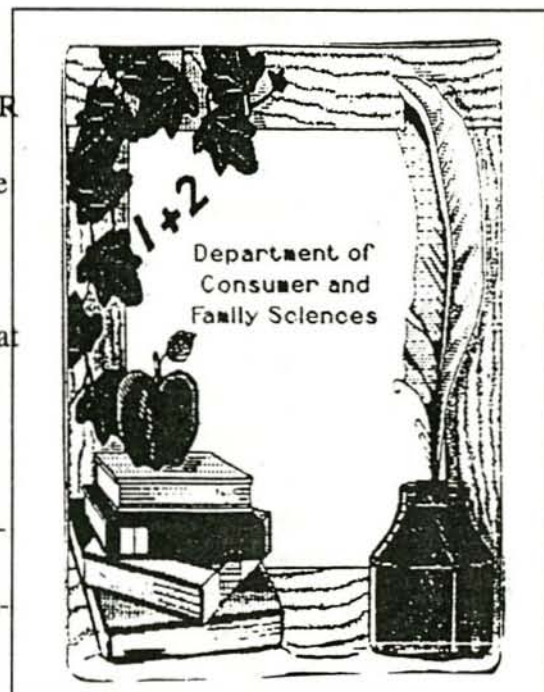
The new name is among several names being used by institutions of higher education across the country. Name of the department has been studied and

discussed extensively in the department for the past three years. The name CONSUMER AND FAMILY SCIENCES was chosen as most descriptive of our programs and most appropriate at this time.

Although we realize that many alumni may have strong feelings about retaining the name, HOME ECONOMICS, the new name will convey a contemporary image of department programs. According to Dr. Hall changes in the department and curricula will make students more competitive in the job market.

HOME ECONOMICS AND FAMILY LIVING CURRICULUM

The Home Economics and Family Living Department is in the process of an extensive curriculum revision. The process has involved a thorough review of all programs, the development of knowledge base documents, and restructuring of all



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curricula. Concomitantly, the departmental mission statement has undergone revision and a new departmental name was chosen.

Each of the revised programs will include a common body of knowledge which unifies all programs in the department. Additionally, each major will have a common body of knowledge, as well as a block of specialized courses unique to each option in the major. The proposal calls for collapsing the current seven majors into five majors. These include:

- 1) TEXTILES AND APPAREL MERCHANDISING
- 2) INTERIOR DESIGN
- 3) DIETETICS
- 4) HOTEL, RESTAURANT, TOURISM MANAGEMENT
- 5) HOME ECONOMICS EDUCATION

Members of the faculty are excited about the changes and anticipate that the new updated

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curriculum will be ready for implementation with the opening of the Fall semester.



These changes were approved at the March 25, 1993.

Academic Council meeting.

WKU Alumni Cookbook

The alumni organization has found a way to preserve through food part of its history while helping ease the pain of university budget cuts.

“The Heritage Collection” is a book of recipes from alumni. “We originally put the book together because a 1942 alum had recipes from one of the department’s first instructors and wanted to preserve them,” said Cynthia Jones, who along with Charlene Manco was a co-chairman of the cookbook committee.

In addition to recipes, which include the name of the person submitting the recipe, the year that person graduated or the year to which the recipe dates and the city in which that person now lives, the book contains a

history of the department, including photos of early classes. These recipes date from 1911. "when domestic economy classes were taught by Miss Iva Scott and Miss Betsey Madison at the Normal School," according to the book's forward.

Proceeds from the cookbook, which sells for \$10.00 (or \$12.50 if mailed), will benefit the department. They are available through the department, Bowling Green Municipal Utilities, Service One Credit Union, and other area businesses.

Sale of the cookbooks is steady and excitement is beginning to build. Members recently participated in the Charity Bazaar at the Greenwood Mall and enjoyed a successful weekend of book sales. Plans are currently being made for the same type of event at the Owensboro Mall on Saturday and Sunday April 24-25 according to Cindy Jones. Cooperation of every alumni member is needed in selling

these cookbooks. The alumni organization is eager to retire the debt in order to begin purchasing items needed in the department.

The Heritage Collection cookbook was recently featured in the DAILY NEWS. The article has increased community awareness of the fundraising project and has stepped up the sale of the cookbooks.

PUBLIC POLICY ADVOCACY--SO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFER- ENCE

The importance of public policy advocacy cannot be over emphasized; however, the consensus is that state level advocacy is crucial. Nationally recognized advocate, Nancy Amidei, has prepared a 62 page guide on state level advocacy. The booklet "So You Want to Make A Difference: A Key to Advocacy" contains example of successful health and human service advocacy efforts, plus materials that can be copied for use as hand-outs at advocacy

workshops or membership meetings. Examples of these include: "Policy Advocacy--The Ten Minute Version." lobbying rules for 501 (c) (3) organizations, one foundation head's argument in favor of greater foundation support of advocacy, and a 10-step "advocacy fitness" plan.

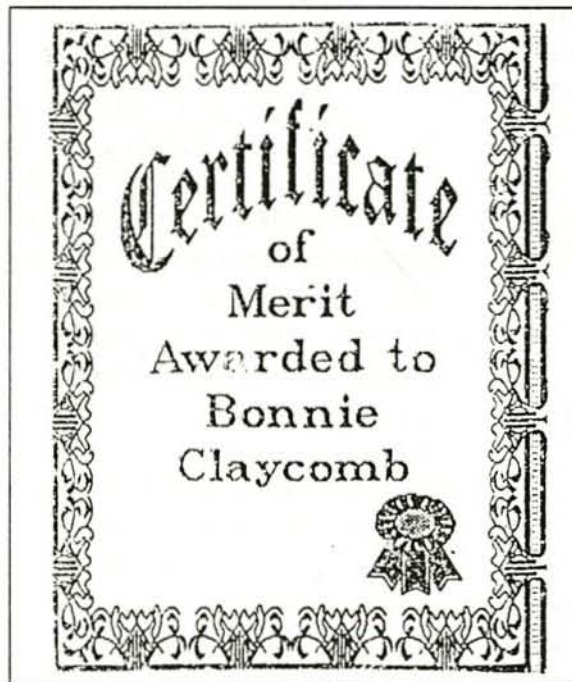
According to Kathleen Sheehan, AHEA Director of Public Policy, Amidei's book is a good companion piece to AHEA's publication The Legislative Process: Becoming an Effective Advocate: which can be purchased from AHEA for \$8.00 (publication #0092-01). Karen Hendricks, Director of Government Affairs for The Association of Junior Leagues, says the Amidei book is "Just what I've been waiting for."

To obtain copies of "So You Want to Make A Difference: Key to Advocacy" forward your order to: OMB Watch, 1731 Connecticut Ave., N. W., Washington D.C. 20009-1146. Make check payable to OMB Watch \$9.00 per copy for \$6.95 when ordering 10 or more). If you qualify as a child advocate a reduced rate is available. For

more information contact: OMB Watch (202) 234-8494.

Alumni News

Nora V. Sweat, (B.A. '70, M.S. '76) has



been named American Vocational Association Region 2 Vocational Education Teacher of the Year. Region 2 is made up of seven southern states, including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. Nora teaches home economics at Central

Hardin High School in Cecilia, Kentucky. She is the immediate past treasure of Central District KHEA, received the KHEA Teacher of the Year Award in 1987, and is one of the five finalists for the American Vocational Education Teacher of the Year Award, was honored in Atlanta, October, 1992, at the Region 2 meeting. She will represent Region 2 at the AVA Convention in St. Louis, Missouri.

Bonnie Claycomb, Home Economics Teacher at Caverna High School since 1971, was presented the Western Kentucky University Outstanding Alumni Award on July 24, 1992, in Lexington at the Kentucky Home Economics Teachers Conference. Bonnie has long been recognized as an outstanding teacher and community leader. Among her most recent accomplishments is a term as national president of the National Association of Vocational Home Economics Teachers. She is currently serving as co-chair of two KHEA committees.. Mentoring of Young Professional (with Marilyn Bailey) and 1993 Annual

Meeting Arrangements (with Joan Veazey).

Recent awards presented WKU Home Economics alumni at the 1992 KHEA annual meeting at Barren River Resort Lodge March 25-26 included the following:

KHEA Leader- Bonnie Claycomb
KHEA New Achiever - Marilyn Bailey
KHEA Outstanding SMS student- Stephanie Ritter.

We were proud to see Martha Jenkins and Joyce Rasdall on the KHEA Ballot. Romanza Johnson was recently presented the Kentucky Outstanding 4-H Alumni award. Reesa Carver is on the Ballot for KHEA Secretary.

Departmental News

The annual Student Gala for the department was held in Downing University Center on Thursday April 8, 1993, at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the Gala is to recognize the outstanding students in the department. Leigh Knight was recognized in Foods, Nutrition & Institutional Administration;

Joella Lynn Brewer in Home Economics Education, Wai Wong (M.S.) and Lynette Allen in Interior Design; and Angela Briley and Tina

Thaxton in Textiles and Clothing Merchandising. Scholarship recipients were also announced at this time. These recipients and awards were:

Beta Delta-Phi
Upsilon Omicron
Scholarship
Penny Houchens,
LaWanda Adcock

Susie Pate-Phi
Upsilon Omicron
Scholarship
Cindy Smith
Adams , Ginger
Lewis

Evadine Parker-
Phi Upsilon Omicron Scholarship..... Tina Thaxton

Marie Adams Academic Achievement Award Anna Roper

Susie Pate Service Award Tina Thaxton

Beta Delta Alumni-Most Active Initiate AwardGinger Lewis

National Chapter Honor Roll, 1991-92 Chapter of Distinction (1 of 2 in Nation) Beta Delta Chapter
Lucile Stiles Scholarship Award..... JoElla Brewer

Each organization in the department was represented at the Gala by the



organization's president. A reception was held in Downing prior to the program for those attending the Gala.

Students enrolled in Restoration of Historic Interiors have been developing an interpretive plan for the old kitchen at White Hall, an historic site operated by the Kentucky Park Service. The course, taught by Dr. Marilyn Casto, is crosslisted with the Folk Studies program and has a lively mixture of Folk Studies program students and Interior Design undergraduates.

White Hall, a structure with a most colorful history, belonged to the abolitionist Cassius Clay. As the residence of notable Kentuckian, it holds a prominent position in the state's history. The plan created by the students will be used to furnish and interpret the detached kitchen as an integral part of the site.

In January, the class traveled to White Hall, near Richmond, Kentucky, to examine the structure. Mrs. Brooks Howard and Mr. Ron Langdon from the

Park Service also visited Bowling Green to speak to the class.

The project offers the students an opportunity to learn from the constraints of a real project. Students will have the satisfaction of knowing their work has helped the Kentucky Park Service and the state will benefit from their expertise.

Jeannie Thorbeck, a senior from Evansville, Ind., and Joyce Rasdall, an interior design professor, had an interior design entry accepted for viewing at a national design showcase entitled "Socially Responsible Design." Thorbeck and Rasdall's four-slide entry features a proposed redesign of the Bowling Green Towers senior adult housing complex. The exhibition opened January 29 at Pratt Institute's Manhattan Gallery in New York City and reopened March 4 at the Reubelle & Norman Schafner Gallery in New York City.

Letter From Home Economics Alumni President

Dear WKU Home Economics Alums:

The WKU Home Economics Association is functioning. I would like to urge you to fill out the form below, send in your dues and become a member! We need you. Our association can give support and help to the Department and the Alumni Office by providing an updated list of addresses, speaker's bureau, and strength to our profession.

On June 19, 1993, we will have our annual Alumni meeting and luncheon. Do mark your calendars to come to Greenwood Executive Inn in Bowling Green at 11 a.m. Following the luncheon we will have a business meeting and the election of officers, so do try to attend.

The Heritage Collection was sold at most Houchens' stores on Wednesday, April 14, as a part of Hilltopper Day. Thanks to all our Alumni who participated and made this endeavor a success!

Sincerely,


Romanza Johnson

**Clip and mail to Mrs. Helen Kelley, 518 Brentmoor Drive, Bowling
Green, Ky 42104**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Year Graduated _____

Phone _____

_____ YES, my check for \$5.00 is enclosed for membeship.

_____ Yes, my check for \$12.50 is enclosed for a copy of the WKU Home Economics Alumni cookbook.

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