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SPRING NEWSLETTER

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The Family Science Association (FSA) is an independent organization of family science professionals and students who have joined together to strengthen and enhance the Family Science profession.

Spring Reflections

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at the Teaching Family Science conference happening next month in Costa Rica! Our conference co-chairs, Mamta Saxena and Hilal Kuscul have coordinated exciting and engaging programming and activities for us! For those who cannot attend, we will be sure to be in touch after the conference with updates and announcements. We will also post conference presentations on our webpage after the conference so that you can check them out. You can check out previous presentations here.

I hope you are finding some moments of sunshine in your part of the world.

– Laura Evans, President

Become Part of the FSA Team:

Vice President (elected, 2-year term)

FSA uses a mentorship model for the president position where a Vice President is elected and serves for two years prior to serving as President for two years. After the presidential term ends there is a two year Past President term. The Vice President, President, and Past President work collaboratively to coordinate the FSA Board and operations of the organization.

An election for this position will be held from May 30 – June 6 so please express interest to Laura at lme20@psu.edu if you would like to be added to the ballot.

Teaching Family Science 2027 Conference Chair(s)

Are you interested in hosting the 2027 Teaching Family Science conference? Do you have a location you think would be a great fit for the conference (preferably toward the western part of the US)? This is a great leadership opportunity for those who like event planning!

Editorial Team (appointed, 3-year term)

Work with the team who keeps the Family Science Review and the FSA website running! Bring your editorial and/or web expertise to the team OR bring your desire to learn about both to the team. There is a lot to do and we need your help!

If you are interested in these positions or would like to learn more about them, please reach to lme20@psu.edu.

Check out FSA on LinkedIn and Instagram

Thanks to the hard work of our student intern, Alexandria Kenney (see Spotlight below), you can now follow us here:

Instagram: @familyscienceassociation
LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/company/family-science-association

2025 TEACHING FAMILY SCIENCE CONFERENCE:
Conference Theme – Breaking Boundaries in Teaching: A World of Perspectives



[University for Peace Campus,]

The 2025 TFS Conference will be held at the University for Peace campus in San Jose, Costa Rica on June 12-13 (Thursday-Friday). The conference will be chaired by Mamta Saxena and Hilal Kuscul.

Details about the conference can be found on the conference web page here.

If you would like to register for the conference dinner and/or post-conference activities please do so on the conference web page by Tuesday, May 20.

Please be sure to **Check Passport Application Information and Visa and Other Information Here.**

Questions and Concerns Contact Program Chairs at mamta.saxena@oswego.edu and hilal.kuscul@uconn.edu

CALL FOR REVIEWERS: Family Science Review

Family Science Review is seeking reviewers to help evaluate and review manuscripts submitted for publication consideration. This is a wonderful opportunity to provide service to the organization, further the discipline of family science, and support innovative original research and the scholarship of teaching and learning within family science. For more information, please contact our Editor-in-Chief, Karen Lee Doneker (kdonekermancini@towson.edu).

STUDENT INTERN SPOTLIGHT: Alexandria Kenney



This semester we have had Alexandria working with us as a Student Intern focusing on social media as well as updating the conference presentation archives on the FSA webpage. Although her time working with FSA is coming to a close, the gifts she has given us will remain! Thank you so much, Alexandria!

Here's a bit about Alexandria:

I am currently a senior at University of Delaware who is focused on getting a degree in Human Relations Administration. Some of my interests include traveling to new places, being creative, and on the side baking and cooking new things in my spare time. I am currently employed at a restaurant and have worked there for the past 8 years in which I have come across and interacted with all different types of people learning how to manage expectations and human relations based on different cultures that I have met. This has been a great experience over the years, and I have come to love working with people each day.

***Family Science Review* – Editor's Corner**

Interested in learning the editorial process? The editorial team needs assistance and is looking for someone to join the team. The individual will participate in weekly team meetings and have the chance to explore and learn all the levels of the editorial process including formatting and webpage development. Editorial board experience is not required. This is a great opportunity to gain experience. Please email journal@familysciencereview.org if you are interested.

Best Regards,
Karen Lee Doneker, Editor-in-Chief

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If there is something you would like to see in the Family Science Association quarterly newsletter, let us know!