

## **GAFCS Awards and Recognition**

GAFCS is offering a variety of awards to recognize and give honor to family and consumer sciences professionals and other individuals who have made significant contributions toward improving the lives of individuals, families, and communities. Award winners will be recognized at the annual GAFCS conference. Guidelines for all awards and forms are included on the web page. **It is important that all completed applications and supportive materials be presented by December 1, 2011 following the guidelines as printed.**

**Please mail completed applications to:**

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### **AAFCS First Timer Scholarship**

Awarded to a GAFCS member attending the AAFCS annual meeting for the first time. The scholarship covers the cost of registration.

### **GAFCS Undergraduate Student Unit Scholarship**

Any undergraduate student enrolled in a Georgia college or university that is currently a member of GAFCS under the student association is eligible.

### **Julius Benton Professional Improvement Award**

Any GAFCS member engaged in a personal improvement project that enables the individual to develop and share communications and public relation skills which exemplify the goals of GAFCS.

### **GAFCS/ AAFCS New Achiever Award Nominee**

Recognizes emerging professionals who have shown potential significant contributions in the field of Family and Consumer Sciences. Any GAFCS/AAFCS active member who does not belong to the Student Unit\*, who has earned a Family and Consumer Sciences degree, and who has completed three (3) to eight (8) years of service to the field is eligible to receive this award.

### **GAFCS Outstanding Family and Consumer Sciences Professional**

Any Family and Consumer Sciences professional who had demonstrated outstanding contributions to GAFCS and AAFCS at the district, state, and national level is eligible for this award.

### **AAFCS Leaders Award**

The Leaders Award began with the AAFCS 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary when it was established to identify and honor Family and Consumer Sciences professionals who have made significant contributions to the field through their involvement with AAFCS. The Leaders Award guidelines and forms can be found on the AAFCS website.

**Wiley-Berger Award for Volunteer Service Nominee**

This award honors an outstanding volunteer whose work has enhanced the well-being of others. It posthumously honors David R. Wiley, D. Reid, and Agnes Miller Berger for their outstanding contribution to Family and Consumer Sciences.

Please note that some of the awards are national recognition, however the applications will be evaluated on the state level with recommendations for submission to AAFCS. All (AAFCS and GAFCS) applications must be submitted to GAFCS Awards Committee Chair for review. Upon receipt of the applications, those that require forwarding will be forwarded as needed. Should you have any questions concerning these awards, please email Carmen Pedersen, [pedersenc@clarke.k12.ga.us](mailto:pedersenc@clarke.k12.ga.us), or Linsey Johnson, [linseyjohnson@yahoo.com](mailto:linseyjohnson@yahoo.com).