

CONTEMPO

CONNECTING PROFESSIONALS AND TOUCHING LIVES



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CA-AFCS Members,

Spring signifies new beginnings and energizes us to create. For those of us who are educators, we are creating a culture of encouragement as every student has the potential and ability to accomplish their goals. Additionally, we must strive to focus on students' positive behaviors and actions in order to exercise the values of Family and Consumer Sciences. Family and Consumer Sciences is the science of living well and represents the essence of our being. It is integrative, and holistic, driven by a deep commitment to individuals, families, and communities. Plus, it is important across the lifespan and through environmental contexts. Students' continued interest in the areas of family studies, nutrition, apparel, and interiors is a testimony to the strength that family & consumer science education brings to the lives of students. Students in all of these areas are learning about quality-of-life issues and how they can take part in making a difference for those whom they will serve. This bodes well for the future of these students and for those who will reap the benefits of their knowledge and expertise in whichever of the sciences they are involved in. We celebrate our educator members along with all of our members!



The Team @ *Contempo*

Grant Opportunities

Do you have an idea for a seminar, conference, research topic, or special activity related to FCS or a special activity related to a community problem?

The Grants and Scholarship Committee (Extended Education Fund) offers applications for grant proposals for members and new officers for their professional development.

- Grant proposals can be funded up to \$2,000.

For questions on grant application or guidelines, please contact:

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- Grant Application 2023 ([pdf](#)) (due December 1, 2023.)
- Leadership Development Stipend info ([pdf](#)) due December 1, 2023.)
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Scholarship Recipients



Premita Pradhan, a dedicated and compassionate individual, is an MSc Gerontology student with an undergraduate degree in Bachelor of Dental Surgery. She has always been passionate about improving the quality of life for the older adults in her community, which led her to pursue a Master of Science in Gerontology at a renowned university in California.

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Sharona is a graduate student in Human Nutrition and a dietetic intern in Medical Nutrition Therapy at California State University, Northridge. She is interested in learning more about behavior modification, mental health, and public policy. She would like to apply her knowledge to be a future well-rounded dietitian that can impact her community members one-on-one, as well as populations on a larger scale.

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Madison is a third-year student at SFSU double-majoring in Apparel with concentrations in both Design and Merchandising. She adores everything fashion has to offer, from creating garments for others to wearing her own handcrafted art. She intends to one day establish her own label that upholds rigorous sustainability standards, fair labor practices, and responsible sourcing of materials.

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Su Thawtar Nyunt is currently studying Interior Design at San Francisco State University. She loves creating art and designing the interiors of rooms and houses. After she graduates, she would love to settle in somewhere in California or on the East Coast to become an interior designer.

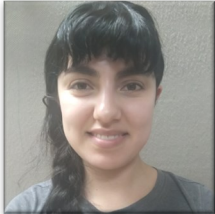
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Allie's interests fall within the fashion industry, She's always creating, designing and coming up with ideas! She has many plans for the future: have her own label, magazine, be a creative direction for a brand, travel, and live in NYC! Creating constantly, sharing that with the world, and making others feel good is her lifelong goal.

Marguerite Fenner Scholarship
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Scholarship Recipients



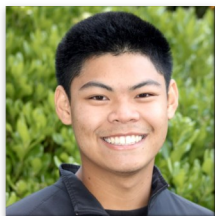
Alondra is a WIC degreed nutritionist pursuing her dreams of becoming a registered dietitian. She completed her didactic program in Dietetics from California State University, Northridge and enjoyed her leadership roles in a variety of student organizations, but especially in the Student Dietetic and Food Science Association (SDFSA) and the Kappa Omicron Nu Honor Society (KON). She will be starting an online MS in Clinical Nutrition at University of Wisconsin-Madison in Fall 2023.

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Lindsay is a nutrition major, minoring in food science at California State University, Long Beach. Her areas of interest include a wide array of topics such as product development, food sensitivity and allergies and nutrigenomics. Her objective is to acquire a holistic understanding of subjects such as these in order to become a well-rounded dietitian who can positively impact both individuals and communities.

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Ryan Perez is a first-generation Filipino-American student currently in his first year at Cal Poly Pomona, majoring in Apparel Merchandising and Management. His future goals involve providing basic necessities such as food, clothing, housing, and shelter for displaced and homeless individuals and implementing a system of repurposing and distributing excess clothes and materials that will not only reduce waste in the fashion industry but also allow those in need to be comfortable and protected.

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Marea Flaherty is in her fourth year as an Apparel Design major with a concentration in design. She started a small business called Ritual Rejoice with her two closest childhood friends. Since then, her professional goal has been to create products that culturally represent its brand, make people feel confident wearing it and bring a sense of community within the products. She hopes that the impact of the business showcases their combined cultural backgrounds.

Marguerite Fenner Scholarship
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Student Name	Bio	Major	Attending University	Student email
Clarissa Alvarez	She is college sophomore; looking to be involved with pre-school or child care. Ellen Ferguson Snyder Scholarship Fund	Child Development	University of LaVerne	clari.alvareztucker@gmail.com
Max Feller	Influenced by family member and sports interests; will be working on becoming Nutritional Physical Therapist. CA-AFCS-SD/San Diego Scholarship Fund	Nutrition/ PT	SFSU	maxfeller2023@gmail.com
Tuyet Bang Huynh	Fund Interest in Culinary Teaching Ellen Ferguson Snyder Scholarship	Food Science	SDSU	banghuynh221204@gmail.com
Jewel Mize	FCCLA Scholarship	Culinary Arts	Centennial High School	N/A
Destiny Tompkins	Already working in Preschool setting. Margaret R. Hollenbeck Scholarship Fund	Child Development	Grossmont Community College	destineeey@gmail.com
Ximena Torres	Interested in becoming a Child Specialist Henry R. Hague, J.D. Scholarship Fund	Child & Adolescent Development	CSU-San Marcos	menatorres203@gmail.com

In Memoriam

Nancy Fisher lost her battle with cancer on January 20, 2023. Nancy was born in Detroit, Michigan, to Paul and Shirley DuLyn. She attended Redford High School and Michigan State University before graduating from the Ohio State University in 1956 with a BS in Home Economics. An active Buckeye alumna, she relished every victory over the Wolverines. Nancy began teaching in Ohio and then relocated to San Diego, California in 1960 where she and her husband (Benjamin Fisher) would make their permanent home and raise their two children, Mark and Tracey.



Nancy's passions included family, creativity, education, and her community. She was a much beloved teacher and her quilting and sewing classes overflowed with many students who would return every semester. Even upon retirement, Nancy remained a sought-after substitute teacher.

Nancy owned a yarn/needlework/quilt shop with a fellow teacher, and they were a fixture in their Point Loma community. She was an avid quilter and recognized for her artful piecing work. She never met fabric that she didn't like and on her various travels, finding that small town quilt store was one of her most treasured quests.

Nancy was also a lifelong student as her creative interests evolved and expanded with time. Her nirvana was a retreat where fellow students would be in an immersive environment as they honed their talents. She developed meaningful friendships and her most recent creative pursuits were in book arts and autobiographical story writing.

Over the years, Nancy was involved in various women's organizations such as PEO and Wednesday Club, education associations, quilt and sewing guilds, as well as her church. She participated in numerous volunteer organizations, and in her later years not only enjoyed ushering at the Old Globe and working at Visions Art Museum, but also being a poll worker. She appreciated the chance to catch up with neighbors while checking them in to vote, and what a win-win that was for her.

The role Nancy most cherished was that of grandma to Kendall and Logan, Mark and Jill's children. She considered herself extremely fortunate to have them growing up near her in San Diego and to participate in their passage to adulthood. Her red and purple attire was proudly on display at their high school functions.

She is survived by children Mark (Jill) and Tracey, sister Martha Krenek, two grandchildren, a niece, and two nephews. A celebration of life is planned for March 18th, 2 PM at First United Methodist Church of San Diego. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests an act of service in Nancy's name.

JUN

[2023 AAFCS Annual Conference](#)

Starts: Jun 22, 2023 08:00 AM (ET)

Ends: Jun 27, 2023 01:00 PM (ET)

Where: Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor

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To read more about an event, please click [here](#).

JUN

[IFHE-US Sharon McManus Cultural Event](#)

When: Jun 22, 2023 from 05:00 PM to 08:00 PM (ET)

Where: Morgan State University, 1700 East Cold Spring Lane, Baltimore, MD 21251

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To register for a particular event(s) click on the **"Register Now"** box of the event(s) for which you wish to register.

SEP

[2023 Fall Leadership Workshop](#)

Starts: Sep 29, 2023 08:00 AM (ET)

Ends: Oct 1, 2023 01:00 PM (ET)

Where: Hyatt Centric Arlington, Arlington, VA

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Ask district leaders for more information on activities specific to your district.