Memorandum To: All County Extension Agents and Extension Agents, Southeast Extension District 9

From: Dale A. Fritz, Ph.D., District Extension Administrator

Subject: Personnel Updates - Southeast Extension District 9

Congratulations to...
- Bill Holcombe, Galveston CEA-4-H, for receiving promotion to Level II in the County Extension Agent Career Ladder System. This promotion was effective on September 1, 2012.

Transfers
- Dr. Billy Zanolini, Madison County Extension Agent – Agriculture and Natural Resources, has accepted a transfer to the Extension 4-H Specialist – Livestock and Agriculture Projects position. He will start at the State 4-H Office in College Station on September 17, 2012.

- Ruthie Huddlen, District 9 Office Manager, has accepted a transfer to the District 4 Office Manager position at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Dallas. She will start in Dallas on September 17, 2012.

Appointments
- Michael Potter has been appointed as the Montgomery County Extension Agent – Horticulture, effective September 17, 2012. He previously served as the Nueces County Extension Agent – Horticulture in District 11 and holds Master of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees in Agriculture from Texas A&M University - Kingsville.

- Sandra Schultz has been appointed as the District 9 Office Manager effective September 20, 2012. She fills the position previously held by Ruthie Huddlen. Sandra currently serves as an Administrative Assistant for Dr. Pete Gibbs, Associate Director for State Programs. Previously, she served as Administrative Assistant for Dr. Bonnie McGee, Associate Director for 4-H, Youth Development, and Human Sciences; District 9 Support Staff member for Entomology, Animal Sciences and 4-H; and secretary and student work in the Burleson County Extension Office.

Please welcome this new agent and District Office Manager to Southeast Extension District 9.
Open Positions in District 9
The following positions are currently open in Southeast Extension District 9. If you have an interest in transferring to one of the open positions please let me know and apply at GreatJobs website. Also, if you know of any other agent in the state who may be interested in transferring to the best District in the State, please let them know of these vacancies. In addition, if you know of any individual who may have an interest in working for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension or the Cooperative Extension Program at Prairie View A&M, please let them know of these vacancies.

- Brazos CEA-4-H
- Brazos EA-4-H-CEP – interviews conducted
- Fort Bend CEA-AG/NR – interviews scheduled
- Grimes CEA-AG/NR – Candidate identified and will meet Commissioners Court on September 25.
- Grimes CEA-FCS – interviews scheduled
- Harris CEA-4-H
- Harris CEA-Hort
- Harris EA-AG/NR-CEP
- Liberty CEA-AG/NR - Candidate identified and will meet Commissioners Court on September 25.
- Madison CEA-AG/NR
- Montgomery CEA-FCS – interviews conducted
- Waller EA-AG/NR-CEP

Congratulations is extended to these agents for receiving awards at recent Agent Association Meetings.

Texas Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences Annual Meeting in Horseshoe Bay

- Amy Ressler, Burleson County Extension Agent – FCS, Excellence in Community Development Award
- Dianne Gertson, Fort Bend County Extension Agent – FCS, Educational Curriculum – Club Nutrition Award

Texas County Agricultural Agents Association Annual Meeting in Lubbock

- Keeton Ehrig, Lee County Extension Agent – AG/NR, Early Career Award
- Dr. Billy Zanolini, Madison County Extension Agent – AG/NR, Specialist Association Agent Award for Distinguished Achievement in 4-H and Youth Development, and Outstanding County Agent Award from the Texas Sheep and Goat Association

Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents Annual Meeting in Round Rock

- Shamaine St. Julien, Harris County Extension Agent – 4-H, Achievement of Service Award, Search of Excellence – Team Award, and Excellence in Volunteerism – 4-H – Team Award
- **Michelle Mihalek**, Montgomery County Extension Agent - 4-H, Distinguished Service Award

**Epsilon Sigma Phi - State Awards**

- **Elizabeth Trejo**, Harris County Extension Agent - FCS - Distinguished Service Award
- **Amy Ressler**, Burleson County Extension Agent - FCS - Mid-Career Award
- **Terrie Looney**, Jefferson/Chambers County Extension Agent - CMR - Mid-Career Award
- **Caroline Cruz**, Montgomery County Extension Agent - UYD - Early Career Award and Diversity/Multicultural Individual Recognition
- **Ruthie Huddlen**, District 9 Office Manager - Meritorious Support Service Award
- **Vincent Mannino**, Fort Bend County Extension Director - Administrative Leadership Recognition
- **Dr. Dale A. Fritz**, District Extension Administrator - Continued Excellence

If you have questions or comments, please let me know.

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