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Annual Report

July 1, 2010 – June 3<u>0, 2</u>011

The American Floral Endowment (AFE) is an independent non-profit organization that funds research and scholarships in floriculture and environmental horticulture for the benefit of growers, wholesalers, retailers, allied industry organizations, and the general public.

The American Floral Endowment:

- Has funded more than \$14 million in research and scholarships over its first 50 years.
- Protects the floral industry by funding research to solve scientific challenges posed by disease, pests and other environmental issues.
- Funds scholarships and internships that help educate the next generation of floral industry leaders.
- Uses only generated dividends from donations to fund research and scholarships. Every donation to AFE continues to give.

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American Floral Endowment Audited Financial Statement July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Assets	6/30/11
Investments	\$14,227,580
Other Assets	\$485,054
Total	\$14,712,634
Net Change in Assets	\$2,203,323
Receipts	
Capital Gains	\$1,789,222
Interest and Dividends	\$227,720
Contributions	\$393,785
Released from Restriction	\$425,857
Total	\$2,836,584
Disbursements	
Grants	\$369,202
Supporting Services	\$264,059
Total	\$633,261

Program Allocations

In 2010-2011, AFE funded the following research, educational grants and scholarships.

AFE is funded **by** the industry, **for** the industry.

PRODUCTION AND POST-HARVEST SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

 Preventing Powdery and Downy Mildew from Ruining Flower Crops, \$50,000

Dr. Mary Hausbeck - Michigan State University and Margery Daughtrey - Long Island Hort. Research Center

 Whitefly Preference for Poinsettia Cultivars: Impact of Plant Host Traits on Whitefly Development, Survival, and Fecundity, \$17,500

Dr. Luis Canas - Ohio State University

 Effect of Pesticide Mixtures in Controlling Arthropod Pests of Greenhouses, \$25,000

Dr. Raymond Cloyd - Kansas State University

 Providing Practical Solutions to Increase Fresh Cut Flower Quality and Vase Life, \$34,000

Dr. Terril Nell - University of Florida

Irrigation Automation in Greenhouses Using Substrate Moisture Sensors, \$12,000

Dr. Stephanie Burnett - University of Maine

Energy Efficient and Sustainable Poinsettia Production, \$15,000

Dr. Robert Lopez - Purdue University

 Silicon Nutrition in Flower Crop Production: Potential for Increasing Rooting, Improved Post-Harvest Performance, and Decreased Disease Incidence, \$14,000

Dr. Neil Mattson - Cornell University

Final research reports from all completed research can be downloaded from the AFE website at www.endowment.org/final-research-reports.html

GUS POESCH RESEARCH FUND

Gus Poesch, renowned floriculture researcher, left an indelible mark on the industry, specifically as a mentor to students. The Gus Poesch Research Fund was created to help recruit high quality floriculture graduate students and fund floriculture research projects at The Ohio State University.

- Basic and Applied Production and Post Production Training for Future Floriculture Faculty, \$12,000
 Dr. Michelle Jones – The Ohio State University
- Floriculture Industry Roundtable of Ohio, \$2,000
 Dr. Claudio Pasian The Ohio State University

PUBLIC BENEFITS RESEARCH

Public Benefits
Research provides
essential knowledge
for a growing and
dynamic floricultural
industry. This
research focuses on
bedding plants, fresh



cut flowers, fresh cut greens, flowering potted plants, and foliage plants.

 The Effects of Longevity Information and Guarantees on Consumer Preferences for Cut Flowers, \$30,000
 Dr. Chengyan Yue - University of Minnesota

Final reports from this study can be downloaded from the AFE website at www.endowment.org/final-research-reports.html

AFE EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The AFE Education Committee annually reviews and approves applications for grants to promote the floriculture industry. The following grants were awarded in 2010-2011.

- National Floriculture Forum \$2,500
- SAF Pest Management Conference \$2,500
- FFA Pathways to Career Success \$2,000
- America In Bloom Symposium \$2,000
- OFA Pest & Disease Conference \$1,500
- Building Capacity of 21st Century \$5,000
- WF & FSA \$2,500

AFE SCHOLARSHIPS

AFE annually administers 18 scholarships to assist students pursuing a career in horticulture/floriculture. The following scholarships were awarded in the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

- Ball Horticultural Company Scholarship \$400
 Keri Livingston, California State Polytechnic
- Harold Bettinger Scholarship \$1,500 Amy Hinkle, Penn State University
- IPM/Sustainable Practices Scholarship \$900 Amy Hinkle, Penn State University
- James Bridenbaugh Memorial Scholarship- \$350
 Morgan Jenkins, Kansas State University
- John Carew Memorial Scholarship \$1,500
 Elizabeth Bridges, NC State University
- Earl Dedman Memorial Scholarship-\$800 Molly Gilbert, University of Wisconsin- River Falls
- Fran Johnson Scholarship \$850 Alicia Wells, Franklin University
- Markham Colgrave International Scholarship -\$3,500 Colleen Brown, The Ohio State University
- National Greenhouse Manufacturers Association -\$450 John Lamont, California State Polytechnic
- Mike and Flo Novovesky Scholarship -\$950 Alicia Wells, Franklin University
- Lawrence "Bud" Ohlman Scholarship \$300
 Jessica Feurback, NW Missouri State University
- James K. Rathmell Memorial Scholarship \$2,500 Jane Christensen, University of Illinois
- Seed Companies Scholarship \$1,800
 Allison Justice, Clemson University
- John L. Tomasovic Sr. Scholarship -\$650
 Staci Hentges, University of Missouri-Columbia
- Edward Tuinier Memorial Scholarship- \$3,850
 Zachary Pernack, Michigan State University
- Jacob Van Namen Marketing Scholarship \$800
 Galt Orminton, Oklahoma State University
- Vocational (Bettinger, Holder & Perry) Scholarship -\$1,100 Joshua Peede, Sandhills Community College

Total Amount Awarded - \$23,200

INTERNSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Vic & Margaret Ball Intern Scholarship

Established in 1992, by Vic & Margaret Ball, this Intern Scholarship Program was made possible with a generous donation. This program was designed to provide floriculture students an opportunity to gain hands-on work experience in commercial production.

- Tha Cha, University of Wisconsin-River Falls, \$6,000 six month internship at Tagawa Greenhouses, Brighton, CO
- Joshua Craver, Mississippi State University, \$1,500 three month internship at Metrolina Greenhouses, Huntersville, NC
- Erik Edwards, University of Georgia, \$6,000 –
 six month internship at Pacific Plug & Liner, Watsonville, CA
- Kyle Harger, University of Wisconsin-River Falls,
 \$1,500 three month internship at Walter's Gardens,
 Zeeland, MI
- Jacob Kluza, University of Wisconsin-River Falls,
 \$6,000 six month internship at Skagit Gardens, Mt.
 Vernon, WA
- Lola Siboldi, California Polytechnic-San Luis Obispo, \$6,000 – six month internship at Sun Valley Floral Group, Arcata, CA
- Charlotte Vetter, South Dakota University, \$6,000 six month internship at Syngenta/Goldsmith Seeds, Gilroy, CA
- Susanna Whelan, Texas A & M University, \$1,500 three month internship at Molbak's, Woodinville, WA
- Debra Zelle, Iowa State University, \$1,500 three month internship at Aldershots of New Mexico, Mesilla Park, NM



Left, Joshua Craver, Mississippi State University

Mosmiller Intern Scholarship

The Mosmiller Intern Scholarship Program was created in 1975 with earnings from a bequest by the late Colonel and Mrs. Walter E. Mosmiller Jr. This program provides floriculture and environmental horticulture students with an opportunity for professional experience in a retail, wholesale, or allied trade setting.

- Katherine Ashby, Eastern Oklahoma State College,
 \$2,000 Greenleaf Nursery, Park Hill, OK
- Bridget Baker, Kansas State University, \$2,000 Baisch & Skinner, Wichita, KS



Katherine Ashby, Eastern Oklahoma State College

JAMES AND HELEN PHILLIP SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

Established in 2008 by their daughter, Lee Phillip Bell with a \$500,000 donation, this Scholarship Fund honors James and Helen Phillip, founders of Phillip's Flowers in Chicago.



James & Helen Phillip

This scholarship provides annual grants to students who

are interested in the retail sector of the floral industry. While most grant recipients are located in the Great Lakes region, they also are available to worthy applicants throughout the country.

Institutions receiving a grant in the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

- Joliet College, Joliet, IL: \$5,000
- Kishwaukee College, Malta, IL: \$6,000
- College of Southern Nevada, Las Vegas, NV: \$4,000
- Ohio State University ATI, Wooster, OH: \$4,000

PAUL ECKE JR. MS/PHD SCHOLARSHIP

This prestigious, meritbased scholarship has been funded by contributions to AFE from the floriculture industry and other sources. The scholarship honors the late Paul Ecke Jr. who made significant contributions to the industry and believed



strongly in the importance of research and education.

The objective of the Paul Ecke Jr. Scholarship is to assist in funding the education of graduate students who will become leading scientists and educators in the floriculture industry.

Daedre Craig, Michigan State University, \$8,000

2010-2011 MEMORIAL TRIBUTES ESTABLISHED

Tributes can be established with a minimum of \$1,000. Once established, donations can be made to the funds in any amount. AFE always notifies families when donations are received.

Will Carlson

Dr. Carlson was a Professor of Floriculture at Michigan State University for 36 years. During his tenure, he published over 400 scientific articles many of which were about the physiology of ornamental



floriculture crops. He maintained a popular column "One to Grow On" in Greenhouse Grower Magazine for over three decades. Dr. Carlson served as the faculty coordinator for the Michigan Master Gardener program that trained more than 10,000 Master Gardeners. He was responsible for establishing the Horticultural Demonstration Gardens and the Professional Plant Growers Association. He was also was the past Chairperson of the MSU Garden Consortium and a director of the Garden Writers Association.

Douglas Dillon

Dillon was an active member of the industry and a great supporter of AFE. President of Dillon Floral Corporation, in Bloomsburg, Pa., from 1965-1991, Dillon remained active in the business until shortly before his death. In addition to



his service on the Hortica Board, he served as President of the Society of American Florists, and on the Boards of Roses, Inc., the Fred C. Gloeckner Foundation and many others. In 1993, Dillon was awarded the Golden Bouquet Award for his industry and community dedication. A year later, he received SAF's highest honor of being inducted into the SAF Floriculture Hall of Fame.

Ernesto Velez

An AFE Trustee since 2004, Velez believed strongly that the land on which your flowers grow and the growers deserve respect and protection. As Chairman of Asocolflores for an unprecedented seven terms, Velez held the philosophy of social



responsibility and environmental stewardship as he tirelessly promoted Colombian flowers and flower growers. Velez was equally passionate when talking about, and working with, his wife, Lucie. Together they spearheaded the creation and implementation of the Florverde program.

A complete list of AFE Living, Memorial and Corporate Tributes can be found at www.endowment.org.

To make a donation to these or other AFE Tribute funds please send a check to:

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