

Fact: No incoming freshmen have declared majors in Family and Consumer Sciences Education in Ohio this fall.

Fact: Vacant positions for FCS teachers are going unfilled this fall and FCS programs are closing.

We are at a critical crossroad in Ohio. Family & Consumer Sciences education in Ohio has faced a variety of challenges the last several years. We are now at the tipping point with the future of FCS education hanging in the balance. Your participation in the solution is crucial!

What is being done? What can you do? Come hear these challenges addressed by a panel, ask questions, share your thoughts.

**Panel members**: Moderator: **Sandra Laurenson**, Legislative Chair for GCAFCS, Public Policy Co-Chair for OAFCS; **Mary Jo Kohl**, Education Program Specialist [including FCS], Ohio Department of Education; **TBD**, Representative for FCS Teacher Education; and **Tom Speaks**, Principal, The Impact Group, a PR/marketing firm hired by OAFCS and OATFACS.

## Schedule:

4:30 Registration 5:00 Welcome & Dinner

6:00 Program

Two roads diverged in a wood, and I —

I took the one less traveled by,

And that has made all the difference.

From "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost

## FCS at the Crossroad: Literally Do or Die

## Thursday, September 25, 2014, 5:00-8:00 pm

Behind The Woods Party Center 21919 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River OH 44116

## **Registration Form\*\***

| NAME   |                   |          |  |
|--|-------------------|----------|--|
| School/Organization  |                   |          |  |
| ADDRESS  |                   |          |  |
| CITY   | ZIP               | PHONE    |  |
| E-mail (print please)  |                   |          |  |
| Registration Details   |                   |          |  |
| GCAFCS members   | @ \$25.00         | Total \$ |  |
| OAFCS members  | @ \$25.00         | Total \$ |  |
| OATFACS members  | @ \$25.00         | Total \$ |  |
| Non-Members/Guests   | @ \$28.00         | Total \$ |  |
| Students   | @ \$15.00         | Total \$ |  |
|  | Total Enclosed \$ |          |  |
| Guest Name(s)  |                   |          |  |
| Please check your menu choice(s): Chicken Tosca Roast Beef               |                   |          |  |
| Crab stuffed Orange Roughy Penne Primavera                               |                   |          |  |
| Check if you need: PDUs Attendance Validation for Prof'l Devt.           |                   |          |  |
| ** Reservation Deadline: Monday, September 15, 2014                      |                   |          |  |
| Make check payable to the GCAFCS. Send to:                               |                   |          |  |
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| Questions?  Program: Sandy Laurenson, Laurenson1@gmail.com, 330-468-3955 |                   |          |  |

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