Subject: Dean's Update

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From: CFAES Office of the Vice President and Dean

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CFAES Community,

Total attendance at our 2023 Farm Science Review was 116,786 visitors including 7,733 students attending from 210 schools. Thank you to everyone who made the show a success and to those who provided meaningful and educational engagements with university and state leaders, industry professionals, visitors, and students.

In the spring of 2022, CFAES launched a Student Climate Survey. The final report has been completed and we would like to share the results with the CFAES Community. We invite you to attend one of three **Student Climate Survey Town Halls** for an opportunity to engage. The town halls will take place via Zoom and registration is required. Please register for an option that works best for your schedule.

- Tuesday, September 26, 9:00 -10:00 AM Register here.
- Thursday, September 28, 2:00 -3:00 PM Register here.
- Tuesday, October 3, 4:00 5:00PM Register here.

Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the session. The entire report can be found at: https://cfaesdei.osu.edu/cfaes-dei-action-council.

The Ohio State University Office of The Chief Wellness Officer will be hosting a Wellness Speaker Series, Finding the Silver Lining Through Character Building Times. This monthly event can be attended in-person and online and features experts and individuals who have overcome many relatable adversities and will share their stories and practical resilience-building strategies to overcome obstacles while prioritizing wellness. Attendees will have the one-of-a-kind chance to be inspired, forge relationships with people with similar experiences, learn valuable coping skills to manage stress and anxiety, and explore a holistic approach to improving overall well-being.

The inaugural event on **September 27** in Heminger Hall 100 from 4:00-5:00 PM will feature world-renowned screenwriter, author, and distinguished literature professor, Angus Fletcher. Fletcher is also an expert in Neuroscience and through his talk, The Healing Power of Your Own Story, he will share insights from research and his personal experience on processing grief, recovering from trauma, increasing joy, regaining confidence, and stimulating creativity. Register now and attend for your chance to win an exclusive raffle prize and the opportunity to be a part of a conversation that has the potential to change your life forever.

Ohio State's <u>Lifestyle Spending Account (LSA)</u> reimburses employees up to \$125 quarterly for eligible expenses related to health, fitness, family, emotional and social wellness. The third quarter ends September 30. Employees have until October 15 to submit reimbursement request documentation for eligible expenses incurred July 1 – September 30, 2023. Unused LSA funds do not carry over to the following quarter.

Sincerely, Dean Cathann Kress

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