Jeffries selected 2016 Professional-of-the-Year for the State of Texas
(Redemption presented by the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences - Texas Affiliate)

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“She was responsible for helping the architects design and select materials suitable for a “state of the art” new building for the Department of Human Sciences and Nutrition,” stated Minne Cyrus, an adjunct professor at PVAMU.

Dr. Nancy Granovsky of Texas A&M University spoke of how Jeffries has facilitated a closer working relationship between professionals from the two Extension Services in Texas. “Most recently (Oct., 2015) she coordinated the local arrangements for the Southeast District meeting of AAFCS-TX, held at Prairie View A&M University and assisted District Chair Angela McCorkle in planning a very interesting program that highlighted teaching, research and extension activities at PVAMU, thus introducing participants to an institution few were familiar with and increasing collegiality with several PVAMU faculty members,” remarked Granovsky.

Jeffries was escorted to the banquet by her husband Rod and their 6th grade son, Roderick Andrew Jeffries II.

“This honor is the highest bestowed by the association and is very well-deserved as you’ve contributed to many successful family and consumer sciences programs,” remarked Dr. Karen Alexander of Texas Tech University.

(Bryan/College Station, TX). Imagine having: no one to teach FCS courses in public schools and colleges, zero skills in managing your budget, to boil water every day before consumption, using your skills to create and manage a thriving business, and to use recyclable supplies in building and decorating homes. The 98th State Conference of the AAFCS theme, “Sustaining Texas Families, Individuals and Communities,” focused on topics such as these.

The Best of Texas Awards Banquet is held at the conclusion of the conference recognizing achievements of FCS professionals in several categories. 4-H Program Specialist, Dr. Joice A. Jeffries received the 2016 Professional-of-the-Year award for the State of Texas!

Members of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) are nominated for the award and screened by the Awards Selection Committee. According to the State Association, “Nominees should have made major contributions to the family and consumer sciences profession, displayed leadership abilities, been active in the association, and be highly respected by her/his peers.”

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