



HCE NEWSLETTER

June/July 2017

St. Croix County Association for Home and Community Education



Greetings HCE members,

Spring has sprung!! Yeah!! Didn't the Honey Doers club do a fantastic job for Spring Council? I can't wait until I can get the garden planted after Memorial Day. By garden, I mean flower beds and planters. My husband, Bill, plants all the veggies. If you attended a "Garden Gig" previously, we learned about container gardening. So Bill and I are attempting to continue doing some container gardening in our old horse water tank and an old freezer. We fill them with hay &/or straw. We tried tomatoes and green peppers. We even tried some Butternut Squash hanging/draping over the side. This worked pretty well. I loved the part about not having to weed the garden. Woo Hoo!

On April 27 eight (8) members from St. Croix County attended the NW District Meeting held in Stone Lake, WI. It's very interesting to find out what other counties are doing in our district. FYI: JoLane Anderson, our new County Marketing Rep, accepted the NW District Marketing Chair position at this meeting. They had a Master Gardener as the guest speaker. She was very good; gave us a T/F test to see how much we knew about gardening etc. It was fun, and I think all us learned something from it.

At the NW District Meeting, we also found out that St. Croix County will be hosting the 2018 NW District HCE Spring Meeting. I asked the board members at the last council meeting if they would like to form a committee now to gather the needed information to accomplish this. We now have five (5) people who volunteered to be on this committee. We would welcome anyone who would like to help or be on this committee. Please let me, or someone on the council, know if you are interested in this committee. We need more ideas from you, the members. If you know of an interesting speaker (s) from our county, or have an idea of where we could hold this meeting, it would be very helpful. There were 55 HCE members at the meeting in Stone Lake. I would expect the number to be a little higher in our county though. Hopefully, more details will be in the next newsletter.

If you haven't signed up to help at the County Fair, there is still time to do this; just let Phoebe Shrouds know. I'm sure she will have lots of information for us about the fair within this Newsletter. Did you know that Phoebe was our "go to" person in working with the Masters Gardeners of Pierce and St. Croix Counties to organize and get Fair Board approval for our combined joint efforts at the HCE building on the Fair grounds? Thanks Phoebe for a great job and for all you do.

I went to another Meet and Greet this week. I so enjoy doing this. It's great to visit with other HCE members at different restaurants and learn what's happening in clubs and around our county, as well as possible finding out what the council is doing/planning. We are not doing the color books at the Meet & Greet, but if you would like to purchase one, they are still only \$4. I've attended 4 of the last 5 meet & greets, so if you would like to get to know me better, possibly or have me explain anything that the council is doing, come along and join us on the 4 Wednesday of the month at 11:30 somewhere. I'm sure Joan Brown will have the schedule farther on in this newsletter.

Hopefully, I will see you at the County Fair. I can hardly wait to see all the cultural arts winners items displayed and all the booths and silent auction items and books in our HCE Building.

Wanda Breitbach, HCE Co-President, St. Croix County

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Executive Board Meeting
May 8 2:00 pm
Ag Services & Education Center

Meeting was opened with the Creed

Roll Call: Marie Nelson, Betty Lee, Donna Wilcoxson, Jean Kelley, Joan Sprain, Linda Sutherland, Mary Hampton, Phoebe Shourds, Wanda Breitbach, JoLane Anderson. Missing: Maggie Hall, Eunice Hop and Lois Burri.

The meeting was called to order by our President, Wanda Breitbach.

Secretary Report: Approved by Phoebe Shourds and second by Donna Wilcoxson.

Treasurer Report: Approved by JoLane Anderson and second by Linda Sutherland.

Committee Reports: Scholarship — There was some discussion on having nieces and nephews be eligible also. Discussion on older contestants that want to go to school later or on to more schooling. This topic was tabled for discussion and vote at Fall Council.

Volunteer Report — Phoebe Shourds, our volunteer, reports with hours we volunteered for H.C.E. and also the Move and Groove reports for Women Walking the World.

Women Walk the World — Both reports are due by the end of May

Fair — Phoebe shared ideas for decorating the H.C.E. building. Jean Kelley reported on eye glass cases from mens ties for a fundraiser for the fair or a white elephant auction at the fair. If you have things for the fair, bring to Jean Kelley.

Book Worms — Betty Lee reported on reading at the park.

Cultural Arts — Linda Sutherland, four counties for cultural arts; eight entries for our county.

Deer Park — Char Croes filled out a report for the Chemo Hat projects that were done for chemo patients.

Fidget Mats — Linda Sutherland is thinking about having the next meeting to be at her house for making the mats.

District Manager of Marketing — JoLane Anderson is our new District Manager of Marketing and seems to be very good at it.

Northwest District—Wanda Breitbach said it is going to be in our County (St. Croix County) next year. Linda Sutherland suggested we get a committee together to plan it.

Take Time for Tea — Wanda informed so far ten members have signed up and they will carpool from the Ag Center in Baldwin.

Closed the meeting with the Prayer.

St. Croix County HCE Spring Council Meeting

Friday, April 21; 9:30 am—2:00 pm

Hammond Town Hall

Roll Call: Woods & Hills 6, Honey Doers 10, Glover 2, Warren 3, Deer Park 4, Happy Valley Hour 2, Lincoln 1, Pleasant Grove 2, Springfield 2, Nike Neighbors 4, McKinley 1 and Individuals 1

Meeting was called to order by Wanda. We said the creed. JoLane Anderson became a new member on the Executive Board and has been and still is doing a great job on the board.

Treasurer Report: Phoebe Shourds talked about Kwik Trip etc. Donna approved the report and Eunice second it.

Old Business: Joan Sprain talked about changes occurring with area director and county positions and area positions.

Mary Lestrud has retired completely.

Phoebe talked about Kwik Trip cards for every five cards we get 15%.

Phoebe also talked about Moving and Grooving and our hours we volunteered. We are to get both reports in by the end of May.

Taking Time for Tea: Wanda talked about this event. We are to let her know by May 13th and they will meet at the Ag Center to carpool for rides.

Cultural Arts: Linda Sutherland discussed Fidget Mats. They have made quite a few. Linda has done a great job with doing these mats. Thank you Linda.

New Business:

Fair—Phoebe Shourds. St. Croix Master Gardeners are approved on the H.C.E. Building and will be working with us and will be helping to improve the outside of the building. They will take out a tree and build up around the building to help with all the moisture outside the building.

Fair Board—Gift baskets for every club for silent auction.

Pennies for Friendship: Helps women in other countries also zero hunger.

Eunice Hop: Volunteer project helping in Nicaragua. A.C.W.W.—Growing rice in India and water project.

Char Croes: Reported on chemo hats Deer Park and other churches did. Char filled this out for State. Discussed club Community Service award—one per county.

Joan Sprain had an idea to put recipe online.

Scholarships: Donna Wilcoxson, there were two applicants; Rural School Book Scholarship awarded to Bailey Peterson, granddaughter to Louise Peterson. H.C.E. Scholarship was awarded to Annika Johnson, granddaughter to Linda Johnson. Wanda Breitbach suggested scholarship forms having other relative to be able to apply. Linda Sutherland also asked about older students that want to go later or go on to more education if they could be eligible. Jean Kelley also asked for older and younger college students. We will vote on this at Fall Council.

Joan Brown: Meet and Greet upcoming events, Table 5 in New Richmond and West Wind in River Falls. Call Joan if we want to go.

Nicaragua Project: Jean Kelley talked about Linda Pracht starting it and how she started sewing centers. Wanda and Jean talked about their trip there and how they live.

State Conference: Make sure to book your room.

Honored Members: Lois Hall, 73 years; Georgia Hoberg, 50 years; Joan Richie, 25 years. Congratulations to all of you ladies.

Cultural Arts Winners: Bonus Category—Lucille Gedatus. Photography—Phoebe Shourds. Crafts—Melodee Sortedahl. Hand Stitching—Lois Burri. Quilt—Betty Rudesill. Short Story—Melodee Sortedahl (The Hole). Jewelry—Jacelyn Mathison. Sewing—Carol Keller. Knitting—Char Croes (Scarf & Mittens). Heritage Skills—Jacelyn Mathison. Best of Show—Lois Burri (Cross Stitch Eagle).

Program: Guest Speaker was Judy Olson on Dementia. She was at State Conference last year and gave a presentation on how laughter helps you with blood pressure, cholesterol, etc. and laughter started in India. Then we had the team of laughter women with 3 Cheers for H.C.E. The program was fun and enjoyed by all of us. We would like to thank the Honey Doers Club for doing Spring Council again. All of you do a wonderful job. Thank you so much.

Meeting was adjourned and we closed with the prayer.

Cultural Arts

Many thanks to everyone who entered an item in our Spring Council cultural arts show. There were 21 entries including the bonus category. Entries were down this year, (I didn't even have one) but what we had was very nice. These are our participants and what they made:

Blue ribbon winners

Jacalyn Mathison - Heritage skills, needle felting

Char Croes - Knitting, scarf/mittens set

Carol Keller - Sewing, apron

Melodee Sortedahl - Short story, 'The Hole'

Jacalyn Mathison - Jewelry, Viking wire knitted bracelet

Betty Rudesill - Lap/baby quilt, Animal Zoo

Lois Burri - Hand stitching, counted cross stitch

Melodee Sortedahl - Crafts, cards

Eunice Hop - Essay, 'Trip to Panama'

Phoebe Shourds - Photography, flowers

Elizabeth Lee - Hand stitching, embroidery

Lucille Gedatus - Bonus category, 'Three Cheers For Team HCE'



Red ribbon winners

Carol Keller - Cross stitch

Melodee Sortedahl - Crafts, cards

Phoebe Shourds - Photo

Melodee Sortedahl - Bonus category

Mary Hampton - Bonus category

Shirley Hampton - Bonus category

Shirley Grinley - Bonus category

All blue ribbon winners qualify for the state show in September. Don't forget that all blue ribbon winners should bring their item (s) to the HCE building at the St. Croix County Fair by noon on July 19th. Once again, thanks to all who participated.

Respectfully, Linda Sutherland; Cultural Arts Chair

Fall Council / International Night

September 21; 5:00pm

First Reformed Church

Fall Council/International Night will be Sept. 21. We will take a FLIGHT TO ASIA aboard Association for Home and Community Education Airline flight HCE 77 scheduled to leave First Reformed Church terminal in Baldwin at 5:00 P. M. and will return to that hub at 8:55 P. M. Fall council association business will be conducted in flight interrupted by five scheduled stops on the continent of Asia for souvenirs, sightseeing, food, entertainment, and information. Tickets can be purchased at the gate for \$10 at which time you will receive your visas, passport, and boarding pass.

Hi my name is JoLane Anderson and I am the District Merchandise contact. As you see on the picture above, I have just some of the merchandise that I have for sale.

I will be putting pictures of more of the merchandise in each newsletter. If any of the products interest you, please let your President know or call me at 612-889-7788 and I will get it to you.

I will be getting new product at the State Convention so look for coming attractions.

If you have any questions please call me at 612-889-7788



TAKING TIME FOR TEA

E2148 970th Ave, Boyceville; 715-643-2211 Rita Zimmerman, Owner

Are you ready for the Tea Party on June 13th? This event is limited to 20 people; we have 10 members signed up now. If you would like to attend, please let me know ASAP & give me a call at 715/248-3806.

There were some confusing directions in the last newsletter so I'm clarifying them now (Thanks Janice Annis for catching this).

Leaving from the Extension office in Baldwin: Take Hwy 63 North, Turn Right on Hwy 12, Turn Left on Hwy 128 North, Turn Right onto Co Rd G, keep straight onto WI Hwy 170 into Boyceville (which is also Main St), Turn Right onto Center St/Co Rd K, Go about a mile at a curve turning left - BEAR Right onto Stanton St/970th Ave. (970th Ave is also Boundary Rd S for awhile then changes back to 970th Ave.)

When the tar road (970th Ave) ends continue straight ahead on the gravel road as far as you can go to a beautiful newer house, not a Victorian house as I previously stated, sorry. (There could be a sign there at the beginning of the gravel road)

The house inside is more on the line of an Italian style. Be sure to look for your "Knight in Shining Armor" when entering the house. The gardens are beautiful! Feel free to browse around. Lunch will be served promptly at 11:30am so you may browse before or after the luncheon.

If you have questions on the directions you may also call my cell phone: 612-719-6017.

Thanks and hoping to hear from you, Wanda Breitbach

Vivian June Wildasin Obituary

Vivian June Wildasin age 85 of Deer Park passed away Friday, March 31, 2017 at Western Wisconsin Health in Baldwin. She was born the daughter of Maurice and Marjorie (Monroe) Hilyar on June 1, 1931 in the family's home in the Town of Stanton. Vivian would be the 3rd generation to spend their entire life in that home, with the help of her daughter, Pauline. On January 8, 1950, she married Henry Wildasin in New Richmond. Vivian was a faithful member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Deer Park and a member of the homemaker's club. She enjoyed volunteering for Town of Stanton elections and liked her monthly breakfasts with classmates. Every Thursday morning, she would make a trip into Walmart and was known by all the Walmart employees. Vivian was known for her cooking. She loved sharing and comforting family and friends with her gift of good food and baking. Her daughters will remember her apple slices and homemade bread. Vivian loved her family and enjoyed the time with them around the kitchen table and in "The Woods" on her property, where family would gather for bon fires, Labor Day weekend camping, and back in the day school picnics. She also enjoyed gardening, crocheting, knitting and quilting. Vivian is preceded in death by her parents, Maurice and Marjorie; an infant brother and an infant sister; her husband, Henry; and son-in-law, David Lease. She is survived by her daughters, Irene (Fredrick) Olson, Patricia (Howard) Schilling, Vernice Lease, Pauline Wildasin; grandchildren, Marvel Olson, Fredrick Olson II, Becky (Aaron) Malchow, Andrew Schilling, Cassandra (Chad Anderson) Gutting, Kirsten (Joshua Budimlija) Gutting; great grandchildren, Jaiden Patel and Kora June Cisewski. A funeral service was held Friday, April 7, 2017 at 5:00 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church in Deer Park. Visitation was also Friday from 3-5 pm at church. Interment was in Calvary Cemetery in Deer Park. Arrangements are with Bakken-Young Funeral & Cremation Services Beebe Chapel of New Richmond.

Congratulations

Congratulations and thank you to the members recognized at the Spring Council meeting.

Lois Hall—73 years

Georgia Hoberg—50 years

Joan Richie—25 years

Thank you to all members and board members for all you do for your clubs, communities and world. Your hard work and dedication doesn't go unnoticed. Keep up the great work that you all do!

Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to St. Croix County HCE Scholarship recipient:

Annika Johnson was awarded the HCE Scholarship. Bailey Peterson was awarded the Rural School Book Scholarship.



Impact of HCE – 2016

HCE Club Member Contribution Report

To recognize the achievements and contributions of HCE members, each member is asked to complete the following sheet. Information will be compiled into an "Impact of HCE" Report. The dates for the report for 2016 are June 1st, 2015 to May 31st, 2016. Please give your reports to your Club President or your County President so they can be compiled. **Counties will put everything together on the County Form and send to JoAnn Blonien, WAHCE Vice President for Family and Community Life by June 10th, 2016. Thank You!**

Contact information: (will not be shared, for record keeping only)

Club Member's Name: _____

County: _____

Club: _____

In the past year please indicate the number of times you attended and the amount of time you gave for the following:

<u>Event</u>	<u># Attended</u>	<u>Time Spent</u>
County HCE Executive Board Meetings	_____	_____
County HCE Spring Event(s)	_____	_____
County HCE Fall Event(s)	_____	_____
County HCE Educational Sessions	_____	_____
HCE Club Meetings	_____	_____
HCE District Meetings	_____	_____
HCE State Meetings	_____	_____
		TOTAL _____

Please list any fundraising activities you were involved with on behalf of HCE.

(example: bake sale at the bank for HCE))

<u>Fundraising Activity</u>	<u>Time Spent</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
	TOTAL _____

Please list any community outreach activities that are directly related to HCE .

(example: Bingo at the nursing home for HCE))

<u>Community Outreach</u>	<u>Time Spent</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
	TOTAL _____

Please list the value of any **individual donations** (monetary or otherwise) you made for HCE. Note: Club donations will be obtained from Club Treasurer.

(example: crocheted baby blanket for HCE)

<u>Donations</u>	<u>Estimated Dollar Value</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
	TOTAL _____



2017 WAHCE Conference Registration

September 11, 12 and 13, 2017

Glacier Canyon Lodge

45 Hillman Road, Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin 53965

"Here Comes Excitement – HCE In The Dells"



Please print clearly or use address label:

Name _____	Insert your address label here		
Address _____			
City _____	State _____	Zip _____	
Telephone (with area code) _____	E-mail: _____		
Officer or Committee Chair (<u>circle one</u>)	State	District	County
Indicate Office Held _____	First Time Attendee? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Indicate special dietary needs _____			

I grant the WAHCE, the right to use, publish, and copyright my image for educational programs, publications, websites and promotion of WAHCE programs.

Please Sign: _____ Date: _____

Full Conference Registration Fees:

WAHCE Member or spouse	\$50.00	\$ _____
Non-member	55.00	\$ _____
UW-Extension (no cost)		\$ Free _____
Total Meal Package (6 meals)	\$105.00	\$ _____

One Day Fees:

Monday Evening Meal	\$23.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Registration	30.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Breakfast	15.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Lunch	19.00	\$ _____
Tuesday Banquet	24.00	\$ _____
Wednesday Registration	20.00	\$ _____
Wednesday Breakfast	15.00	\$ _____
Wednesday Lunch	19.00	\$ _____

Tour Fee

Tour Fee _____ \$ _____

Late Fee (starting August 12) \$50.00 \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Make check payable to WAHCE, Inc.
and mail with registration form to Conference Registrar:

Darlene Schumacher
2531 Golf Course Road, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
Phone 715-424-2851-- E-mail: darlenschumacher41@gmail.com

Registration Deadline: August 11, 2017

Late fee of \$50 applies beginning August 12, 2017

(Enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you want a receipt mailed to you.)

Turn over to complete registration form.

(Registration Continued)

Name _____

County _____ District: _____

September 11th, Monday Tours 12 – 5PM

- _____ #1 Upper Dells Boat Tour® \$ 28.00
- _____ #2 Al Ringling Theater and Circus World Museum 40.00
- _____ #3 Winery, Apples and Candy 28.00
- _____ #4 Cranes and Aldo Leopold Homestead (a lot of walking) 35.00
- _____ #5 Wild Cats and Mansions 40.00

_____ Need handicap accessible bus for tour

Workshops & Tours **Please number in order of preference 1, 2, 3, 4, 5**

September 12th, Tuesday

8:00 AM

_____ WAHCE Annual Business Meeting

Workshops Session #1: 8:30 – 9:45 AM

- _____ Farming Fine Chocolate
- _____ Getting Youth Outside
- _____ History of Sun Bonnet Sue
- _____ Polar Bear Adventures (Repeat at #5)
- _____ Pruning Shrubs & Small Trees

Workshop Session #2: 10:15 – 11:30 AM

- _____ ***Be Food Wise to Reduce Waste***
(Educational Program)
- _____ Container Gardening
- _____ Cyber Security and Privacy Protection
- _____ Fermentation Fest
- _____ Make A Wool Seasonal Table Mat
(craft)
- _____ Ventures in People, Haiti
(International Workshop)
- _____ Wisconsin Bookworms™ Workshop

Workshop Session #3: 1:15 – 2:15 PM

Learning Center Trek to Nicaragua
(General Session -- all attend)

For Office Use Only:

Registration #: _____

Check #: _____

Workshop Session #4: 2:45 – 4:00 PM

- _____ Being a Healthy Host
- _____ First Ladies' Quilts
- _____ History of Sheep Milk and Cheese
- _____ Reading Takes Young Minds Anywhere
- _____ Spirits of Sauk County
- _____ Trauma – Informed Care
- _____ Treasurer's Workshop

September 13th, Wednesday

Workshop Session #5: 8:30 – 9:45 AM

- _____ ***Small Savings Build Big Dreams***
(Educational Program)
- _____ Beaded Bracelet (craft)
- _____ Food Preservation Inspiration
- _____ Garlic 101: How to Grow Great Garlic
- _____ Palm of Hand Memory Writing
- _____ Using a Moral Compass (Bullying)
- _____ Polar Bear Adventures (repeat)

Workshop Session #6: 10:15 – 11:30 AM

- _____ Creating Scarf Clips (2 projects) (craft)
- _____ Downsizing
- _____ Food Preservation Inspiration (repeat)
- _____ Growing and Caring for Orchids
- _____ Membership Workshop
- _____ Recycle and Upcycling
- _____ Stories of Cranes and Conservation

Club News:

Glover—The May lesson was ten ways to sneak fitness into your day. It was an article from AARP Bulletin. Club members voted to donate \$150 to the Chetek storm victims in lieu of donating to the Christmas Project. Any school supplies, fabric and trims that can be donated to Nicaragua must be received by July 1. Carol Senn conducted the lesson of a seated band exercise program for thirty minutes. Club members discussed more local history. Phyllis shared the steps she had recently taken in studying her husband's family. One member participated in the Fidget Mats. Donna and Phoebe plan to attend Spring Council. Betty shared the quilt she will exhibit. The Meet and Greet is May 24 and several members expressed interest. Betty donated a plaid covered cookbook for the fair. Phoebe is collecting children's books for the fair. Four members plan on attending the Tea Party.

Lincoln—Jody scheduled their trip to Take Time for Tea for June 27 at 3pm. They will meet at Jody's and all ride together. The theme they chose was the Purple Violet Teat. Spring Council was discussed, which Louise and Joan attended. Bailey Peterson, Louise's granddaughter received the Rural School Book Scholarship. Discussion on County Fair to donate books again and will work Thursday, July 20 from 1-3pm. Cleanup is Wednesday for any that can assist. Spring Council was discussed with a reminder to bring a salad for every two attending. Louise and Joan plan on attending. Jody contacted Taking Time for Tea for last week in June with the Pink Rose theme. The May meeting will be held on the 16th at 6pm at Jody's. On June 20, the Vobejda's will host the picnic this year. Members discussed the County Fair with book donation. There has been discussion on doing a generic baby basket for the fair donation. Jody will make some bibs and Mary has a blanket and burp cloths. Joan and others are in the planning stages for a quilt to donate to Family Resource Center for an auction. The club voted to donate \$50.00 toward this project.

Meet and Greet Opportunities

Meet and Greets are held at 11:30 am. Please join us for a great time!

*June 28 at Green Mill
2410 Gateway Ct., Hudson*

*July 26 at Patty's Woodville Cafe
120 South Main St., Woodville*

Committee: Joan Brown 715-749-3302, Wanda Breitbach 715-248-3806 and
Ann Rebholz 715-386-2887

- ◆ Please call Wanda or Joan a day before to RSVP for head count for the restaurant

A variety full menu is offered at all restaurants

**Ag Services and
Education Center
Hours of Operation:**
Monday—Friday
8:00 am—4:30 pm
715-531-1930

Calendar of Events

June	1	Reports Due: UPDATE, Service Awards, MISC	
June	28	Meet & Greet	Green Mill 11:30am
July	10	Executive Board Meeting	Ag Center 2:00 – 3:30pm
July	19-23	St. Croix County Fair/Master Gardeners	Glenwood City 9am-9pm
July	26	Meet & Greet	Patty's Woodville Cafe 11:30am