

St. Croix County Association for Home and Community Education



From the Presidents Desk

Summer is over so now maybe I can sit down for 5 minutes. July was a very busy month with the fair and my NVON trip. I enjoyed Springdale, Arkansas with my daughter Jennifer and 15 other HCE members from Wisconsin. Workshops, food, entertainment, hospitality, and weather were all great. I really enjoyed the workshop on communication, no handouts, but I think I can relay the information in future newsletters. I also went to 2 workshops on eating healthy.

Jen and I went on 2 tours, a train ride and a trip to Crystal Bridges Art Museum. The train ride, which included supper, is part of the Arkansas/Missouri rail system and is over 500 miles in length. Crystal Bridges also has a hiking trail and I wish we could have stayed longer. Our bus driver was kind enough to point out some of the sights of Springdale to us such as the first store Sam Walton opened that later became Walmart. Other businesses that have their home here are J.B. Hunt Trucking, Cargil, Tyson Foods, Nano Tech, and others. Springdale is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest city in Arkansas and is also a college town.

From September 15<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> I was in Manitowoc for our State Conference. 285 HCE members were in attendance and I felt the conference went well. I spent most of the time working with cultural arts which was also very successful. We have 2 medallion winners from St. Croix County. Lois Burri won with her Chicken Farm counted cross stitch and Carol Keller won with her Winter Wolf embroidery. Lois also won a People's Choice award. Our other entries were Phoebe Shourds – red, Char Croes – blue, Linda Sutherland – blue, Betty Rudesill – a blue and a red, Mary Hampton – red, Carol Kobernick – red, Merlee Jensen had a good bonus entry but it did not win. Congratulations ladies. We had 413 entries from 45 counties which included 25 bonus entries and 15 entries did not make it to the show. We had 20 donations for the raffle.

The only workshop I was able to attend was on stress and resilience. I have the handout and will pass on the information at our Spud Spectacular. I must not have listened very well because I came down with a nasty head cold after getting home.

One last thing to mention is a welcome to Phoebe Shourds as our new State Cultural Arts Chair. Congratulations.

Linda Sutherland St. Croix County President

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Submitted by: Stephany Bourdon

### St. Croix County Executive Board Meeting

Tuesday, September 10; 2:00pm Agriculture & Education Center

Opened meeting with creed and pledge by President Linda Sutherland.

Roll Call; Absent were Donna Wilcoxson, Lois Burri, and Carol Kobernick. Guest Merlee Jensen-donated some door prizes for Fall Council.

Secretary Report; Stephany B. No additions or corrections. Phoebe made a motion to approve minutes, Stephany 2nd.Motion carried.

Treasurer s report; Phoebe S. Asked if we wanted to continue the Kwik Trip cards purchases which is a small fundraiser for us. Phoebe will order more cards. Discussed report, fair sales etc. Report will be put on file.

President's report; Linda S. Typed report turned in. Linda read us that 17 people from WI were at NVON in Arkansas in July. She went to 4 seminars and brought some items from there to show, also said the Arkansas quilts place and Crystal Bridges were attractions there. Linda has agreed to take over the District Directors Office for next year and the rest of this year. She also worked on 2020 State Convention Logo and invitation to that convention. Also will purchase a few clipboards for county fair next year as they worked well.

Phoebe thanked Linda for taking over the fair for 5 days while she had surgery and all the work it involved.

Committee reports; At State Convention, International sales will have one day in the hallway to sell things.

International Nite/Fall Council; Eunice has a game and plan to go with the European theme and will serve cookies and hot chocolate. The registration is \$10.00 for dinner of either chicken alfredo or manicotti, along with salad, breadsticks, a vegetable, coffee and lemonade. Registration is at 5 pm. Dinner at 5:30. During registration people can visit the various countries represented and taste and sample things from there. Thirteen countries will be represented. We will donate \$1 per person to the building for cleanup services and setup. After dinner, we will have a brief business meeting and talk about the countries on display. Linda S. will be MC, need microphone for meeting. We also need to elect a Vice President for the county board if possible at this meeting. Please send \$10 fee for dinner to Phoebe Shourds, address in program book.

County Fair recap; Maybe in October, go thru books and discard any musty smelling or moldy deteriorating books.

Farm City Day; good attendance.

May address at Fall Council the possibility of finding a way to pay for printing of our materials. The bill for 4 months was \$500 for 87 people, mostly postage. But printing and paper costs have gone up too and also may have to do this ourselves in the future. May have to talk of raising dues to pay for all of this. Our dues are much lower than many counties in the state. And someone may have to take it on to print newsletters or share one per club, or get newsletter online if possible for some.

State Conference Manitowoc; each is in charge of their own expenses, must have letter with exemption on it to not pay tax. Also must use code WAE when checking in. Eleven people from our county are going.

Northwest District Meeting; Oct. 10, Bethany Lutheran Church, Siren, WI. Four to six people are attending from the board.

November Planning meeting Executive Board Meeting; November 12, 2019, at noon, potluck. Bring ideas.

HCE week November 3-9. Would like to do something to bring awareness to HCE and attract new members. Also need moneymaker ideas, outings, lessons. It was mentioned that Heritage Day will be on Sat. Sept.28th only this year. All buildings will be open and activities will be going on.

Logo and invitation to 2020 WAHCE State Convention in Hudson, WI The theme will be "2020 Vision, Celebrate 80 years". Linda S. showed us two possible logos she's worked on, very clever, and a song and poem the members that attend from St. Croix County this year at the convention will perform to invite members to Hudson next year.

The bags and scrubbies our county is working on to give to attendees of 2020 convention are going well. Linda is picking up some more yarn and would like to have another session of making them too. Good job Linda working on the logo and invite!

Next Meet and Greets are; Sept.25, Phoenix, Baldwin. Oct. 23, Keys Café, Hudson and Nov.20, Parkside, Hammond.

Meeting closed with prayer.

Submitted by Stephany Bourdon St. Croix County HCE Secretary 9-10-19

#### REMINDER

Please submit your dues, the club roster and your officers to Phoebe Shourds by the end of October. Please do not send any of these items to the Extension Office this year due to upcoming changes.

Please send Dues, Club Roster and Officer List to Phoebe at: 401 Highway 65; River Falls WI 54022





Dear HCE.

Thank you so much for this awesome scholarship opportunity! I really appreciate your committee and what it stands for. Thanks to you, my transition into college will be easier. I look forward to college and what the future has in store for me.

Thonks again i Paige MeMonus

## St. Croix County HCE Fall Council, September 26, 2019

American Legion Hall, New Richmond, WI at 5 PM

Meeting called to order by President Linda Sutherland, pledge and creed recited.

**Roll Call**: 36 present, {30 from clubs, 6 individual, 1 guest}

**Secretary Minutes**-Stephany Bourdon; Phoebe S. made a motion to approve minutes as read, Jean K. 2nd, motion passed.

**Treasurer s Report** - Phoebe Shourds- Phoebe passed out copy of report. The County Fair did good this year. We sold 8 creamery books but did better last year. She has Kuik Trip cards for purchase as a fundraiser. Talked about printing costs of our newsletter and program book etc. We have to figure out what to do for next year's printing as Melissa, our secretary, is leaving end of Oct. for a new job. And we will be responsible for our own way of getting it done. Need an email address for each club or phone number to contact in case something needs to be rescheduled or relocated etc. Dues are due to Phoebe by end of October. Motion made by Jean K. to accept report as is, Greta 2nd. Motion carried.

Introduction of Board Members and Club Presidents and Presidents Elect—Given a HCE notebook as gift.

Cultural Arts—Linda Sutherland had a good show at State Convention. List of winners will be in newsletter. There were 413 entries and 25 in the bonus category. Carol Keller got Medallion and blue ribbon for her picture of a wolf. Lois Burri got 2 Medallions and people choice award. Congratulations to both of you and to others who won ribbons at state. There were 20 items also raffled off, which made \$915 on Cultural Arts raffle; enough to pay for it.

International - Jean Kelley talked about still supporting our Nicaragua partners with supplies. A shipment is going in November; get them to Jean or Phoebe. Also accepting flutes and recorders for Nicaragua, baking items {bowls, meas. spoons, pans} and really in need of treadle sewing machines as electricity is hard to come by there for making clothes. If you know of any fire dept. with out of date gear, or buses or ambulances, etc. they can use them there. If you wish to go on the learning centers tour to Nicaragua with Jean and Wanda, it is about \$1200 for 10 days, good hotels, good transportation, meals, and is for any age. As long as you're willing to help teach something or be a helper at these, you're welcome to come. Also supporting an effort in Africa for women's cycle supplies, how to make them. Cooking, sewing, beauty/hairdresser supplies are needed for learning centers. Heritage Day is Sat. Sept. 28 where all the buildings will be open, many vendors, and farmers market.

**State Convention**— Linda S reporting that 285 attended. Some members spoke of their favorite classes; Wanda, hoot-nanny with homemade instruments, brain health, nutrition-Deanna, and butterflies. Stress and resiliency, Linda S. Food marketing, Wanda would like to do a lesson on it at Spud Spectacular. Alpacas, making wool, cake decorating. Char Croes. Container gardening, grant writing {where to source a grant from for a program for youth by using grants, Phoebe. Growing lavender, Merlee J.

**Marketing**—Wanda B.- has new items, notebooks teal, calendar refills, pens, new shirt purple, deskmates with post its etc, car window breaker/seat belt slasher, coin purses, and charms for bracelets.

**Planning Committee**—for Spring and Fall Councils. Spring Council will be done by Honeydoers club, probably at Hammond Town Hall again. Fall Council; Joan Brown will look into cost and availability of Roberts, WI park building and Warren Town Hall.

**Vice President**—Need a vice president if anyone will take the job. Wanda B. will take marketing chair job for county, also is district one.

Administrative Assistant—Melissa is leaving Oct. 18.We need to talk about the possibility of raising dues to pay for postage and printing of our materials. Cannnot vote on until Spring Council. May have to hire someone to print newsletter and programs. Looking for ways to reduce costs. An option, may hire Melissa to do this. Will work on budget at planning meeting in November.

**State Convention**—State Convention hosted by NW District in 2020 in Hudson, WI. Phoebe S. talked about 2020 convention. Need hostesses to collect tickets. Nine counties are involved. St. Croix Cty.is to provide hostesses. This convention will be talked about at the District Fall council in Siren, WI on Oct. 10. We have 96 registration bags already. Linda Sutherland says she has 24.We will talk about having another session to make scrubbies and bags.

**Scholarships**—Question about scholarships; funds are decreasing, when they are gone, no more scholarships. Scholarship money can only be used for this. Option, to have only one scholarship for \$750.Majority wants this. Must be a grandchild or child of a member to receive it. Motion made by Victoria Lee, Joan B. seconded. Motion passed.

Meeting closed with prayer

Submitted by Stephany Bourdon, St. Croix County HCE Secretary; 9-26-19

**Travel the Countries:** After meeting we learned about countries around the world with displays, speakers and samples of their food. Was very interesting and entertaining.

# **Calendar of Events**

Oct	10	Fall District Annual Meeting	Bethany Lutheran Church, Siren 9:30am
Oct	23	Meet & Greet	Keys Café & Bakery, Hudson 11:30am
Oct	31	Dues, Club Roster, Officer List - due to Treasurer (Phoebe Shourds)	
Nov	3-9	HCE Week	Publish a newspaper article
Nov	12	Potluck - Planning Meeting/Elections	Ag Center 12:00 – 3:30pm
Nov	20	Meet & Greet	Parkside, Hammond 11:30am
Nov		Items to Family Resource Center	On going

## **Meet and Greet Opportunities**

Wednesday, October 23 at Keys Café & Bakery 840 Carmichael Road, Hudson

Wednesday, November 20 at Parkside (note date change due to Thanksgiving)
555 Davis Street, Hammond

NO MEET & GREET in DECEMBER

Meet and Greet gatherings are at 11:30 am.

Committee: Joan Brown 715-749-3302 and Wanda Breitbach 715-248-3806

\* Please call Joan a day before to RSVP for head count for the restaurant \*



# Ag Services and Education Center Hours of Operation:

Monday—Friday 8:00 am—4:30 pm 715-531-1930



# Home & Community Education Northwest District Meeting October 10, 2019

# **Bethany Lutheran Church**

24096 1st Ave, Siren WI 54872

9:30 – 10:00 Registration 10:00 – 12:30 Meeting 12:30 Lunch Crafts to follow

\$12.00 per person

#### Craft choices:

Candy Turkey Favor \$1 Leaf Mobile \$1 Painted Seasonal Ceramic \$1 Quantities limited, please rank selections below (1, 2 or 3)



# Send Registrations to the

# Burnett County UW Extension office by October 1st

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2019 Northwest District Meeting Registration HCE - Building Community Together for Tomorrow \$12.00 per person			MAIL TO: UW Extension Office 7410 County Rd K, #107	
Name		County		Siren WI 54872 Or drop it off at the Government Center
Address		_		<u> </u>
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