



# BCAHCE

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Burnett County Association for Home and Community Education Newsletter

## Letter From The President

Dear Burnett County HCE Friends,

Happy New Year. It is hard to believe 2015 is over and now 2016 has begun. I am so proud of all the volunteer work our members accomplished. We have added several more activities that give more happiness to our Burnett County friends. The best part is we benefit ourselves by feeling happier to “do good” for our Burnett County folks - young and old.

I had the opportunity to deliver Educational Games to one of the county Head Start schools in December. The teachers were so pleased and thankful for the gifts. It is great to see their smiles. These gifts were made by members from one of our clubs.

We are pleased to see more members attending our County Board meetings. It is our best way to communicate the news we learn from our District and State meetings. If a member does not attend, we wonder what we missed!

Burnett County members plan to start a new project: “Stitches of Love.” Projects selected are pillow cases for our area and little girls’ dresses for international needs.

Keep warm this winter. It looks like we will have a short winter this year. Bless us.

Your County President,  
*Muriel Anderson*

### ***WAHCE Members Pledge***

I will treat others in a respectful manner.

I will assume the best of others.

I will listen and make an effort to understand and respect the other’s point of view.

I will accept assignment(s) with an open mind, a willingness to learn, and be mindful of deadlines.

I will be dependable, recognizing the commitment and responsibility to my volunteer assignment(s).

I will speak and act in a way that does not demean or offend others.

I will be respectful of our leadership.

*Newsletter Editor:*

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Burnett County HCE President

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## Future Meetings

### **Northwest District Spring Meeting**

Thursday, April 21, 2016  
Peace Lutheran Church, Poplar, WI  
Hosted by Douglas County members  
Invitations will be sent in February.

### **WAHCE State Conference**

September 12-14, 2016  
Eau Claire Plaza, Eau Claire, WI

### **Northwest District Fall Meeting**

Thursday, October 20, 2016  
Menomonie, WI  
Hosted by Dunn County

## HCE Upcoming Events

### January

- 1 - Articles due to Update
- 1 - UW-Extension office CLOSED
- 12 - 12pm, Odds 'N' Ends Meeting
- 26 - 10am, Harmony Meeting

### February

- 4 - Early Readers
  - 9:30am, St. Croix Tribal Head Start
  - 10:45am, Mina Copeland Head Start
  - 12:50pm, Mina Copeland Head Start
  - 1:10pm, Mina Copeland Head Start
- 9 - 12pm, Odds 'N' Ends Meeting
- 15 - President's Day, UW-Extension office CLOSED
- 28-May 28 - On the Move & In the Groove
- TBA - Harmony Club Cedarwood Valentine Luncheon

### March

- 3 - Early Readers
  - 9:30am, St. Croix Tribal Head Start
  - 10:45am, Mina Copeland Head Start
  - 12:50pm, Mina Copeland Head Start
  - 1:10pm, Mina Copeland Head Start
- 8 - 12pm, Odds 'N' Ends Meeting
- 13 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 15 - 11am, Executive Board & Program Chairs Meeting, Room 165, Harmony Hosts Program
- 22 - 10am, Harmony Meeting
- 25 - UW-Extension office CLOSED

## From the HCE Advisor

The New Year is slowly nearing; many people are indulging in a time for reflection of their life choices. New Year's Resolutions are the perfect opportunity to reevaluate our current levels of involvement in the activities that fill our days.

With regards the retrospection, how was 2015? Did you keep your resolutions? I encourage everyone to evaluate the things that bring you joy and pleasure. Does being a member of Burnett County HCE make you look back and smile at your years of involvement? As you look forward to 2016 do you see your involvement with HCE continue to bring a smile to your face? Do the things that the organization did in 2015 reflect the other things in your life that make you smile? If you could set a New Year's resolution for our organization, what would it be? I am curious to know what each HCE member would set as a resolution for our organization. When you get together with your fellow HCE members, I encourage you to ask them what they see as the goals and opportunities to strive for as an organization. As Burnett County HCE members, set goals now to continue to be the organization that brings a smile to your face.

*- Beth Rank*

## Executive Board Minutes

The September meeting was called to order by President Muriel Anderson and the secretary's report was read. Motion to accept by Karen Brooks second and carried. Treasurer's report read by Judy Marek. Change was made to report by changing Wisconsin Bookworms™ to just Reading Program. It was agreed that the reading program is okay financially. Muriel mentioned a 4-H foods award from the HCE. An award of \$10 each to two recipients. Board was not sure about this. Muriel will contact Beth Rank to discuss this in more detail. Report filed for review. There were no Historian or International reports given. Muriel did mention an article about the Nicaragua Project and what

the needs are. Clubs can make copies and give to members for their next meetings. No Marketing report given. For programming, Diane Medaglia mentioned that the Fall County meeting on November 17 might be changed from Government Center to a local restaurant. LaVonne O'Brien sent around a thank you from one of last years recipients for her scholarship report. Reporting on the new Early Readers Program was Judy Marek. She sent around some of the books for the members to look at. If we order through Scholastic book orders there will sometimes be bonus books. Free books for ordering in bulk. Diane M. made a motion to

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donate half the books to Webster and half the books to Grantsburg public libraries. They would be donated with HCE stickers placed inside. Karen B. second. Motion carried. Karen Brooks gave the Finance report for Early Readers. She applied for a donation from the Voyager Village Craft Sale. The Lions' Club could be a potential donor as well. Odds 'N' Ends will donate \$100 and Harmony will vote at their next meeting. Beth Rank has said that she will be asking local financials for a grant to purchase one of the books about money. Karen mentioned that she is thinking about stepping down after so many years of Finance. Beth Rank, advisor and Family Development Educator, was not present but sent report. She was not able to attend State conference. Muriel will get materials at the District meeting. Beth mentioned the newsletter and the amount of information. Muriel thanked Amy Kopecky for her pictures that she submitted to the newsletter. As President, Muriel gave a report on things she heard about State conference. 401 members attended. 72 were 1st timers and 7 men attended. 178 items were donated to the silent auction so that \$3,255 was raised! They also collected \$475 for Pennies for Friendship. Please note that the cost of the Update newsletter will be going up due to postage costs. Unfinished Business: Discussion from last meeting regarding changing the County HCE Board meetings. Diane made a motion that the Burnett County HCE Executive Board won't have a meeting in January 2016. LaVonne second and motion was carried. Muriel reminded everyone to keep track of HCE volunteer hours. Today's would count! Suggestion was made to put them in our HCE program books. Great idea! Items for Nicaragua that are collected can be brought to Muriel and she will drop them off in Stevens Point when she goes. Thank you, Muriel! Reminder of the November 17th County Fall meeting 11 am at a location TBA. Harmony will decide at their meeting as previously stated. Other unfinished business that was mentioned was the details for the Northwest District Fall meeting to be held at Chippewa Falls on Thursday, October 22. The cost is \$8.00 and the registrations that were handed out need to go in one packet together from each club. Muriel handed out maps so members won't get lost. Pretty tricky sometimes! New Business to note: Northwest District HCE secretary is needed. Board needs to elect new club officers before October 31 to take office January 1, 2016. Judy Marek made motion to adjourn, second by LaVonne. Closed with the HCE prayer.

**November's** meeting was held at Adventures restaurant on November 17. Ten members and Beth Rank were in attendance. Muriel Anderson called the meeting to order and the minutes were read. One correction was noted. Treasurers report given by Judy Marek with balance on hand. Many donations were collected for the Early Readers reading program in the total amount of \$1,100! Also noted that two \$10 awards were given to 4-H members. Committee reports were as follows: Historian given by Amy Kopecky. The display board is back to her so she will return the pictures used to the books. No report from International/Family life. Program/Community outreach report from Diane Medaglia was a request for ideas on future programs. Amy suggested that a space be created in the program books for totaling volunteer hours/\$ donated. She acknowledged Odds 'N' Ends Baby of the Year project and Harmony's HCE Week display in the Webster library as examples of outreach. Diane will call a meeting when the county info is received. Marketing is still vacant. LaVonne O'Brien gave the Scholarship report. She received a form from Webster school asking if HCE is still giving one out. She noted on the form that the recipient must have a relative that is an HCE member. The Early Readers report was shared by Judy M. and Beth Rank. Beth said that she is taking donations for Marvel books that were ordered in error. They are above reading levels of Head start kids. An idea given was that the clubs could purchase some to donate. Muriel told about her experience reading at St. Croix Tribal Head Start. Very surprising and enjoyable! For the Early Readers finance we appreciate all Karen's work gathering donations to support this endeavor! Additional reports- Judy M. told about new info on insurance. Any events the clubs put on, it needs to be noted that it is a county event so that it is covered by insurance. We will discuss further when she gets more info. Also, Judy reminded that the dues need to be collected and given to her by March. At this point in the meeting Beth Rank, Family Living Educator, gave her report. She told the board about the 4-H achievement night, volunteer recognition, and showed us the new updated HCE brochures. Update was given on the Early Readers program from her end as far as her reading and the donations she is hoping to secure. Beth is doing a program targeting children ages 4-7 and their families called "Raising a Thinking Child". Brochures were passed around with information. There was an article in the local paper noting Beth and others making a difference through 4-H camp. Lastly, UWEX will have some changes. She is not sure as of yet what they

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will look like, but will let the board know when more info becomes available. Presidents report as given by Muriel, started with news about the NW District Fall meeting held on October 22 in Chippewa Falls. They updated guidelines that were passed. Some changes were made in cultural arts. "Let's Make Music" will be the theme in 2016. Financial cuts were made in the state budget. 175 new members were added in 2014/15. They honored 253 members who have been members for 55 or more years. The 2016 WAHCE State Conference in Eau Claire will have the theme "76 Trombones" when it is held in September. International report said that school supplies are needed. For the breakout sessions, the ladies took crafts. The Guest Speaker was Mary Geissler who is the Chippewa County Family Living Educator and who also works with prisoners and their families. The Spring District meeting on April 21, 2016 will be in Douglas County at Peace Lutheran Church. An invitation will be sent out in March. Muriel passed out paperwork to the club Presidents and to Beth Rank. In unfinished business: Rates for "Update" will increase in 2016. Harmony already purchased for members. A Chairperson is needed for Membership/Marketing but there were no takers! 4-H Food Award of \$10.00 in which two were given. Beth Rank asked if it was standard. Clubs said yes but that it has not been given out for a number of years. One per year before. Discussion was had about how many to give out.



Fall Meeting, Adventures Restaurant, Siren, Nov. 17

Amy K. moved that we give a maximum of two per year. Karen second. WI/Nicaragua Project was the topic of an article written, in which was printed a list of things they need. Beth said that we could get the information directly from the website and that it could be printed in the January newsletter. Karen asked about what the suggestion is and Muriel said she would like the clubs to gather supplies to send to Stevens Point throughout the year. New Business: Needed are officers and Standing Committees for 2016-17. For the Executive Board: President- Muriel Anderson, Secretary- Georgeann Flatten(2015-16), Treasurer- Judy Marek(2016-17), Advisor- Beth Rank (no term), Standing Committees- Everyone stays! "Stitches of Love" projects for 2016. Harmony club will decide at their meeting about possibly making pillowcase dresses. Meeting was ended with the HCE prayer.

*Respectfully submitted, Georgeann Flatten*

## WAHCE Guidelines for Conducting Meetings

Guidelines of the Northwest District of Wisconsin Association for Home and Community Education (WAHCE) conducting meetings as directed by the WAHCE by-laws and constitution

1. MEMBERSHIP in the NW District shall be composed of HCE members in the ten counties of the district. The counties are: Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Polk, Sawyer, St. Croix, Washburn. VOTING members of the NW District shall be the president of each county or representative, the District Director, the District Secretary, the District Treasurer, and Standing Committee Chairs as stated in #5.
2. OFFICERS shall be director, secretary, treasurer,

and standing committee chairs. TERM OF OFFICE shall be one three-year term to begin January first. A director-elect shall be elected one year before the expiration of the director's term. Members who are serving or have served on a county HCE Executive Board and/or committee chairs are ELIGIBLE to be elected as District Officers. The ELECTION will be held at the Fall District meeting.

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3. NOMINATION COMMITTEE shall consist of the Past District Director as chairperson with two other members appointed by the District Director to be on the committee. Slate of officers shall be presented at the fall district meeting to be voted on at the fall district meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor by any voting delegate as stated in #1 at the time of election at the fall meeting, provided candidates have completed the WAHCE nomination form which is available on the WAHCE website. District Director may appoint an officer should a vacancy occur during the term.

#### ELECTION & INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

Group 1. District Director, Treasurer. (Dist. Director appoints International Chair and Marketing Chair for 3-year term, renewable).

Group 2. Secretary. (Dist. Director appoints Membership Chair, Cultural Arts Chair for 3-year term, renewable).

Group 3. Director-Elect. (Dist. Director appoints Wisconsin Bookworms™ chair for a 3-year term, renewable).

4. ANNUAL DUES per member shall be determined by the State Association and are based on membership as of May 1, the current year, and are payable to the Wisconsin Association for Home and Community Education, Inc. Treasurer by May 15. District dues shall be determined at the fall district meeting. Each county shall be assessed membership dues per member each year based on May 15 membership report filled out by the county treasurer and sent to WAHCE treasurer.
5. DISTRICT STANDING CHAIRS shall be for Cultural Arts, Membership, Marketing, International, and Wisconsin Bookworms™. The District Director shall appoint chairs for a three-year term, renewable.
6. DISTRICT MEETINGS will be held in the spring and fall. Hosting duties are rotated in alphabetical order of counties. Expenses incurred for program will be covered by participant fees and hosting counties. Speaker fees will be paid by the district general funds with prior approval by the district board.
7. EXPENSES for District Director will be paid by the district for conducting business related to district

meetings. Expenses for attending WAHCE meetings called by WAHCE will be paid by WAHCE. Secretary, Treasurer, Standing Committee Chairs will have business expenses paid for conducting business and workshops at district meetings. Registration and transportation will be paid by the District as determined by the state WAHCE.

- A. Expenses of District Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Director-Elect and Standing Committee Chairs are to be itemized on legal vouchers and sent to the NW District Director to be approved, signed, and sent to the NW District Treasurer to be approved, signed, and paid. Vouchers are due on a bi-annual basis: June 1 and December 1. Expenses include postage, stationery, meals, and mileage (as determined by district or state per mile for not more than one car per county except by approval of the District Director.)
- B. Secretary, Treasurer, and Standing District Chairs shall receive \$80 toward state conference expenses one time during their 3-year term, when they attend appropriate workshops. District Directors receive funding from WAHCE to attend state conference.
- C. District Director should have signature on file at the bank.
8. BUDGET for the district shall be submitted by the treasurer to the district director for review and presented for ratification each year at the fall district meeting. Year-end financial report must also be sent to the state treasurer by the designated date.
9. DISSOLUTION of the NW District, if it occurs, will assign all assets to the WAHCE, Inc. or to a school of Home Economics in the University of Wisconsin system for the purpose of educational scholarships after any and all bills are paid.
10. ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER shall govern the district meeting.
11. These GUIDELINES may be changed by a majority vote of the Northwest District voting delegates as stated in #1 at a spring or fall district meeting.

*Submitted by committee: Carol Medchill, Phoebe Shourds, Carol VanHeuklom, Sue Hitz, and Char Croes*

*October 22, 2015*

## Club Notes



### Odds 'N' Ends St. Croix Tribal Head Start Games

These are matching games. There are five pairs per game. Juice can lids were used for the younger class of seventeen children. One hundred-ninety art foam circles were cut and stickers glued on for the other class of nineteen. These were put in small fabric handmade bags and then into decorated lunch bags.



These are home activity games made for Mina Copeland Head Start by Odds 'N' Ends HCE Club. They are finger plays for families to do with their children. This is one of the first steps in children learning. For this project, 80 stockings, 85 trees, and 80 stars were cut out of art foam and hot glued onto craft sticks.



# Club Notes

## Odds 'N' Ends Club Meetings

June 9, 2015

Jan Frazee opened with the creed. Roll call, secretary report read and approved. Jan gave a treasurer's report that was read and approved.

Talked about reading books to kids and names, etc. Discussed music in the park for Siren - food etc., prices, and what to bring.

Closed the meeting with the prayer then Judy talked about nutrition - milk - dairy farmer for health.

*Sec Irene P*

July 8, 2015

We met at Rosie's.

Jan Frazee opened with the creed. Roll call. Secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Discussed food for Grantsburg music in the park.

No old business or new.

We had an ice cream social at Continuing Care Center and Dale Anderson played the music. It was a good time.

Closed with the prayer.

*Sec Irene P*

August was our meeting at the tea at the Fort. Judy and I helped with it.

October 2, 2015

We met at Irene's.

Jan Frazee opened with the creed, roll call: 4, 1 visitor.

Secretary report approved. Treasurer report approved.

We talked about 4-H food awards. We had 2 recipients. We ok'ed for two for this year but will be going back to one like it was.

Muriel reported on State Meeting, annual report from the different clubs' articles and other things.

Closed with the prayer then we had a lesson on cleaning.

*Sec Irene*

November 10, 2015

We met at Muriel's. Three plus one visitor. Roll

call: Muriel had been to Peru.

Judy opened with the creed.

Secretary and treasurer reports were read and approved.

Report about the new baby at HCE week. Judy and Irene delivered gifts to them at the hospital in Grantsburg. It should be in the paper.

Talked about what to do for Christmas, or are we going to give \$50 to Christmas for Kids donation to Interfaith Caregivers. We are also going to do Christmas bingo at Shady Knoll.

Closed with the prayer. We worked on the pin that Muriel was going to do before.

*Sec Irene*

December 8, 2015

Irene's house.

Opened with creed lead by Judy. Had roll call. Muriel, Gina, Judy, Irene.

Secretary report read and approved.

Treasurer's report read, approved, and put on file.

Discussed new things coming up for HCE.

No new business.

Closed with prayer.

Christmas cards ready to give to Shady Knoll and CCC.

*Sec Irene*



**Odds 'N' Ends Music in the Park**

## Club Notes

### Harmony Club Meetings

Our **SEPTEMBER** meeting was held at the home of Karen Brooks. Meeting was called to order by President LaVonne O'Brien and Treasurer Amy Kopecky gave her report. She also collected money from members who didn't bake for the bake sale which was held in August. There was no Old Business to discuss. New Business included information about the Northwest District Fall County Board meeting to be held in Chippewa Falls on October 22. LaVonne mentioned to members about a Foods Award for 4-H as requested by Beth Rank. Diane Medaglia made a motion to give \$10 awards to two 4-H members who qualified. Karen second all in favor and it was carried. Karen gave a report for the new Early Readers reading program. She talked with several groups about supporting with grants, etc. Beth Rank has been a great resource with finding good deals on great books! We will be doing this for 5 months at the two local Head Starts. Next, members discussed the County HCE Fall meeting. Harmony will host but tabled the location decision until Octobers meeting. Joyce Kyle talked about ringing bells for Salvation Army November 21-December. Groups can now sign up online. Also, if giving to that organization and you would like it to go to Faith House it must be earmarked as such. Same goes with the backpack program. Joyce reminded members that a bake sale was to be held November 20-21 for the backpack program. Ladies were told that baked good donations would be gladly accepted. Lastly, Karen sent around a thank you from Indianhead Community Action Agency/Connections for the food and money that was donated by our club. There was a note included that mentioned volunteers are welcome at Connections and are needed! Our meeting came to a close with Karen serving food and telling a great Sven and Ole joke. After which, she showed how to make fake snow that the ladies could use on the outside of jar candles. Perfect for the holiday season. Thanks, Karen!

Diane Medaglia graciously offered to host the **OCTOBER** meeting at her home so we could learn how to make a pine cone wreath that would be a great addition to our holiday decor. LaVonne called the meeting to order. Minutes were read and treasurers report were given. Amy Kopecky collected money for our Scholarship fund and members were reminded that dues would be collected in November. As Old Business it was noted that no one from Harmony was able to make it to the District Fall meeting. In New Business, Joyce volun-

teered to put the HCE booth in the Larson Family library for the HCE week promotion. LaVonne asked for ideas for a location for the County Fall meeting. It was decided to hold it at Adventures restaurant in Siren. Diane will do favors/door prizes which will be Birch tree candle holders. Very nice! Next, it was decided to ring bells for the Salvation Army on December 5. A schedule was made of one hour time commitments. Joyce let the club know of an opportunity to volunteer at this years' community Halloween party as well. Meeting was adjourned and the wreath making commenced! Great fall activity, thank you Diane!

Harmony club met for **NOVEMBER'S** meeting at Cedarwood Manor with Pat Johnson as hostess. Eight members were present as the minutes were read and treasurers report given. Old Business included LaVonne passing around a thank you card from Karen Brooks and also one from Connections. We discussed how the Fall County meeting went with having it at a restaurant. Consensus was good! The District Spring meeting will be in Poplar on April 21, 2016. For the New Business portion of our meeting, Amy Kopecky brought up that we have 3 foreign exchange students in Webster this year so there is potential for an International Dinner this Spring. We will need to find out if there are any in Siren or Grantsburg and if so would they want to participate. At this time Harmony officers were asked if they wanted to continue in their current position. All said yes with no other nominations. Full ballot passed for the 2016 year! The schedule for ringing bells on December 5 was finalized. The next item to be decided was the location of our December Christmas outing. We will be meeting at Voyager Village restaurant on December 18. Diane will make reservations. Diane made a motion that was second by Bobbie that each member give \$5.00 to Salvation Army in lieu of a gift exchange. All were in favor. Motion passed. January meeting will be at Cedarwood with Amy hosting. Meeting was adjourned and Pat took the opportunity to create our lunch. She showed how to turn an ordinary cracker, meat and cheese tray into an extraordinary one. Into a **TURKEY!** Thanks Pat! What a great idea for a Thanksgiving get together! Merry Christmas everyone and a Happy and Healthy 2016!

*Respectfully submitted, Georgeann Flatten*

# HCE Week Baby

The Odds 'N' Ends HCE (Home and Community Education ) of Burnett County recognizes the first baby born to a Burnett County resident during the official HCE week. This year HCE week was November 1-7.

We do our baby search at Burnett Medical Center. The first baby born during HCE week was Ellie Rose Juleen, born on November 4, 2015 at 7 pounds 5 ounces and 20 inches long. Ellie has a 7 year old big brother named Justin. Her mom is Samantha Hess. Her dad is Carl Juleen.

HCE is an educational organization which at this time consists of two clubs from Burnett County. The organization is statewide. Membership offers opportunities for learning in a social setting, sharing what we learn, and caring to make a difference in our homes, communities, and the world. Membership is open to all who are interested. Contact Jan Frazee at 715-866-4630 or Judy Marek at 715-689-2476 if interested in joining HCE.

Irene Peterson presents a basket of goodies to Ellie Rose Juleen and her parents Samantha and Carl.



Pat Johnson, Harmony Club, and her Turkey Tray that she shared at the November club meeting.

# WAHCE State Board Meeting Agenda Items

November 1-2, 2015

MOTION: I, Judy Bender, move to create a committee to procure funding for all HCE county sponsored early-childhood literacy programs. Seconded by Rose McGrath. Discussion held. Motion Carried

VP of Family Community Life - JoAnn Blonien

Statistics for On the Move & In the Groove were compiled. There were reports from 131 participants in 39 counties. (98,989 points = 61,432 volunteer hours.) Executive Board spent and additional 24,848 hours.

2015 CONFERENCE REPORT - Rose McGrath

MOTION: I, Rose McGrath, move that we make a late registration fee for registration after deadline. Seconded by Jean Morton. Discussion held. Motion carried.

MOTION: I, Jean Morton, move that we make the registration fee for the 2016 conference. Seconded by Veronica Sustar. Discussion held. Motion carried.

MOTION: I, Lerna Mae Weise, move each county is allotted 12 entries for Cultural Arts and that 3 have to be in the written category. Seconded by Donna Zarovy. Amended motion passed.

REGISTRAR REPORT - Darlene Schumacher

Forwarded the funds to treasurer. Received a lot of good comments. Everyone loved the assigned seating this year; they met new people and loved the space.

CONTINUING BUSINESS

2016 CONFERENCE - Jean Morton

Conference is September 12-14, 2016, at the Plaza Hotel in Eau Claire, WI

2017 CONFERENCE - Sylvia Kriegl

Contract signed for the hotel, Glacier Canyon Lodge, Lake Delton area. Dates are September 10-13.

2018 CONFERENCE - Donna Zarovy/Chris Werner

Dates are September 17-19, 2018 at Country Springs Hotel, Pewaukee, WI. Guarantee 200 rooms.

INTERNATIONAL - Jeanie Hlinak

The committee made recommendations to distribute the donations received this year for international projects. MOTION: I, Jeanie Hlinak, move that we

distribute the donations which we received this year as the International Committee recommends: cinder block stoves, NVON for water filters, Heifer International for 1 camel, 1 heifer, 2 sheep, 2 flocks of chickens, and 1 flock of ducks. Money to Wisconsin Nicaragua Partners for shipping boxes to Nicaragua. Motion from committee so no second needed. After discussion, motion carried

Lylene Scholz - the 2016-2018 International Chair stated her focus will be in the Caribbean and Central America. She showed a quilt for children that can be sewn and sent to Nicaraguan children in the hospital.

MARKETING - Terri Lindbo

Market Place items. The charms, beads, necklaces, and bracelets were a hit! She announced that we were awarded a grant from 4imprint for a product of her choice. She chose 5 tablecloths with our logo. These can be used for many years to come in the Market Place or for other meetings and gatherings.

MEMBERSHIP - Kristy Sand

She held the Membership Wisline on October 18. There was a great discussion on the need for bringing new members into HCE and how could look at doing that. They also spoke about increasing our emphasis on learning opportunities available through HCE. The Outreach for 2016 was also selected.

Work has begun on the 2016 Membership Outreach. Kristy is putting together the guidelines and making them available in the COMMUNICATOR, and will also be sending them to each District Membership Chair, and each county president. These packets will be available for distribution after January 1.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Joan Staffon, incoming president, stated the theme for her term is "HCE - working together can create positive change. Let's make it happen!"

*Submitted by Muriel Anderson, Burnett County HCE President*

## International Notes

### Wisconsin/Nicaragua Project - Learning Centers

The various Learning Centers are in continuous need of supplies. The object of the Learning Centers is to provide opportunities for people living throughout Nicaragua in order for them to improve their lives, to help them earn an income, and be self-sufficient.

Materials needed for the Baking Project:

- Mixers
- Baking pans (round/rectangular)
- Medium bowls
- Plastic/rubber scrapers
- Metal spatulas
- Measuring cups & spoons
- Cake decorating bags
- Couplers and tips for bags

#### Reduce - Reuse - Recycle

For those items you no longer have a use for but are still in good condition, please consider donating them to Nicaragua. Some items you may consider donating:

- Carpentry tools
- Clean stuffed animals
- Gardening tools
- Sports equipment (bats, balls, hats, gloves)
- Backpacks
- Sunglasses
- Educational games
- Sewing supplies
- School supplies
- Wheel chairs
- Walkers
- Crutches
- Canes

#### Oven Project

Many women in Nicaragua have been getting ill from the fumes and smoke in their houses from the stoves they were using to cook on. An oven is available to them with proper venting. The monetary donation for an oven including the base is approximately \$80.00. If you are interested, please send to:

Amy Wiza, Program Director  
Wisconsin/Nicaragua Partners  
1209 Fremont Street  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

Please earmark your donation to "Oven Project" so it get used for this most worthy project.

Contact Muriel Anderson when you are ready to pack up boxes for delivery to the warehouse in Stevens Point. We have special labels. The boxes need to be packed and named with contents like sewing, baking, stuffed animals, etc.

*Submitted by Marcelline Protheroe*





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