



HCE Connection

Manitowoc County Association of
Home and Community Education



October 2019-November 2019

President's letter...

Well, fall is here and looking forward to all the color changes and getting ready for winter. My garden is giving me plenty to do with making salsa, canning and freezing items. Hope everyone is doing the same.

WAHCE State Conference will be over and hosting in Manitowoc makes me proud to show off our communities. Setting up and organizing the tours to show off the Farm Discovery Center, Lake Orchard Aquaponics, Pinecrest Historical Village, Woodland Dunes, West of the Lakes and Washington House and downtown Two Rivers has been one of the highlights for me. Hope many of you attended, met old and new friends, and learned new things. We will look forward to sharing many things in the upcoming year with our Focus Studies and reports at meetings.

We have many things coming up the next few months. In October, we have the International presentation on Saturday, October 5th at 1 PM this year. Northeast District Association Fall meeting is October 16th in Seymour with the theme being, "Changes, Chances, and Challenges." More information on these events are in the newsletter. Our County Fall Association meeting is November 6th in St. Nazianz. Looking forward to some good songs and memories to be had. Then the holidays will be upon us and then the winter will be good time to continue working on cultural art or Stitches of Love projects. I have one cultural arts project done and working on a second. Judy is so proud of me.

The New Year will then be upon us. Work on the 2020 programs are under way and ideas and suggestions are always welcome. If there is a subject, you think we should be learning more about let a Board member know and we will try to work things in. Our Community Outreach VP, Cindy Christianson, is looking for a group or organization that we could work with or assist in their missions to go along with ours.

Our Board is also looking for some new members or people to help keep our group be a strong influence in the community. We continue to be one

of the largest membership counties in the state and need help to keep it that way. Just a few hours a month is all we need for you to share your point of view and experiences. Please contact myself or any Board member for more information. I know we have many talented people out there.

Amy Kohlman
Manitowoc County HCE President

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat. Oct.5th	Study Focus: Let's Travel to Singapore Extension, Manitowoc County, Room 300 1:00 PM
Wed. Oct. 16th	North East District Fall Meeting New Life Methodist Church 721 Pleasant Way, Seymour Registration 9:00 AM
Wed. Nov. 6th	Manitowoc HCE Fall Association Meeting Meats Opera House 204 S. 4 th Ave., St. Nazianz 9:00 AM-Registration 10:00 AM-Meeting
Tues-January 28 th 2020	HCE Board Meeting Extension, Manitowoc County Office Room 300 1:00PM

<h3>2020 - Program Book</h3>

Please be sure to submit names, dates, event & contacts for the 2020 Program Book to Amy as soon as possible

International Day “Let’s Travel to Singapore”



Date: Saturday, October 5th
Time: 1:00 PM
Location: Extension, Manitowoc County Office
Room 300

Description: Our presenter will be Kathy Bohan (daughter of HCE member Jeanette Klauck). Kathy’s husband was offered a job in Singapore and they ended up living there for 9 years. Her presentation will discuss how and why Singapore, a small island at the end of Malay Peninsula, became the powerhouse it is today. She’ll also share her experience of living in Asia as an American. Please join us!

North East Fall District Meeting “Changes, Chances and Challenges”

Date: Wednesday, October 16th
Time: Registration at 8:00 AM
Presentation at 9:00 AM
Location: New Life Methodist Church
721 Pleasant Way, Seymour
Cost: \$15.00



Description: Our presenter will be Carla Goffard, who had a major health scare and through the challenges she faced, she learned to change her life through taking more chances.

Please let Phyllis Hickman & Amy Kohlmann know by October 2nd if you are planning to attend so you can car pool!

Manitowoc HCE Fall Association Meeting

Family Style Chicken Dinner

Date: Wednesday, November 6th
Time: Registration at 9:00 AM
Meeting at 10:00 AM
Location: Meats Opera Haus
204 S. 4th Ave., St. Nazianz, WI
Program: A Touch of Harmony Barbershop Quartet
Cost: \$15.00 due Oct. 15, 2019



(Make check out to Manitowoc County HCE-with list of names & mail to Patricia Broecker, 205 Oakwood Dr. Apt A, Manitowoc, WI 54220)

There will be a White Elephant & Silent Auction. Each member should bring two items for the auction. Proceeds benefit HCE's Scholarship Fund.

Spring Salad Supper Review

On May 1, 2019 we gathered at First United Church of Christ in Manitowoc. Approximately 70 members and guests attended. We had an amazing variety of salads and fixings. Thank you for your attendance and donations for the Salad Supper, Silent Auction and Bake Sale. Proceeds will go to the scholarship fund. Thank you to all of you who helped with the success of the event.

Peggy Neuser, East Center Chair
Eileen Fictum Co-Chair North Center
Jan Schramm Co-Chair North Center

Submitted by Jan Schramm

Nitrate Water Screening

Thanks to Extension, Manitowoc County HCE members and husbands who worked with Manitowoc County Soil and Water Conservation Department to screen well water for nitrates at the Manitowoc County Fair. This is a free service with no obligation for the recipient. Those volunteers were...



Front to back: Tara Wachowski, Peggy Siewert, Jan Siewert



Left to right: Jan Schramm, Linda Verlinden



Left to right: Pat Brocher, Tara Wachowski, and Francille Demmom



Left to right: Phyllis Hickman and Judy Yanda

2019 Samples by Manitowoc County Town

Town	# of Samples	Below 2.0 mg/L		2.1 – 9.9 mg/L		Above 10.0 mg/L	
		#	%	#	%	#	%
Cato	16	2	12	3	19	11	69
Centerville	3	3	100	0	0	0	0
Cooperstown	7	0	0	3	43	4	57
Eaton	2	1	50	1	50	0	0
Franklin	15	6	40	5	33	4	27
Gibson	18	9	50	8	44	1	6
Kossuth	37	12	32	20	54	5	14
Liberty	8	6	75	2	25	0	0
Manitowoc	12	10	83	2	17	0	0
Manitowoc Rapids	18	15	83	2	11	1	6
Maple Grove	8	4	50	2	25	2	25
Meeme	6	5	83	1	17	0	0
Mishicot	7	7	100	0	0	0	0
Newton	18	17	94	1	6	0	0
Rockland	6	2	33	3	50	1	17
Schleswig	2	1	50	1	50	0	0
Two Creeks	1	1	100	0	0	0	0
Two Rivers	8	7	88	1	12	0	0
Manitowoc Co. Totals	192	108	56	55	29	29	15

*205 samples were recorded this year. However, the chart does NOT include tests from outside of Manitowoc County or results from water samples that were treated with a nitrate reduction

Free Nitrate Water Screening

This year approximately 205 county wells were tested. Last year 105 were screened for nitrates. We were very excited with the results. Thanks to the HCE members, who volunteered to assist the Manitowoc County Soil and

Water Conservation department, under the direction of Jerry Halverson. The volunteers were, Jan and Bill Siewert, Peggy Neuser, Jan Schramm, Linda Verlinden, Fran Demmon, Pat Broeker, Ruth and Charles Kolb, Mary Ellen Hintz, Marge Bodini, Marge and Jim Droelich, Ellen Stecker, Helen Issacson, Judy Yanda, Emile Luebke, Ruth Behnke, Phyllis Hickman, Cheryl and Don Domrath, Barb Ruffel, Connie and Allan Meiselwitz and Shirley Oswald.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who did the screening and brought their own well water to test!

The new equipment was easy to use, with assistance from the Soil and Water staff. Five staff members assisted us at various times.

We also had great coverage from the local newspaper!

Submitted by Shirley Oswald

Stitches of Love

Please remember to continue making chemo hats for cancer patients and baby caps for the local hospitals.

Salad Supper Minutes

Manitowoc County HCE Spring Association & Salad Supper Meeting
Minutes
May 1, 2019

Spring Lights Up My Life

Amy Kohlmann called the HCE Spring Association Salad Supper to order at 5:30 PM. Peggy Neuser, East Center Chair, welcomed us and said a prayer before we ate. A delicious salad supper followed.

The HCE Meeting was called to order at 6:38 PM. by Amy Kohlmann. Peggy Neuser led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and our HCE Creed. Linda Verlinden, Secretary, did the roll call of the clubs. We had 51 club members, 11 individual members, and 10 guests for a total of 72 people. There were

no additions or corrections of the secretary's minutes as printed in the newsletter. Phyllis Hickmann, our treasurer, gave the financial report. There were no additions or corrections to her report. We voted to send the monies from our Pennies for Friendship for the clean water filters.

Nancy Oehldrich, our VP of Programming, gave her report. We had 19 people at the "Understanding ACE's" Study Focus in February. In March we had 23 members and 4 guests for "Keeping Your Credit Report in Check". In April there were 24 members who learned about "Taking a Picture on Mariner's Trail." She thanked us all for coming to the study focus groups. Nancy was thanked for getting all of the speakers.

Amy Kohlmann reported on Family & Community Life since Cindy Christianson could not attend. Amy introduced Lia Haile, a 9th grader, who started the Hopeful Hearts. She told us it all started when she met a blue-eyed boy named "Joey. He and his mom were residents of Hope House and it was his birthday. His mom was unable to give him a party or buy presents. So Lia decided to go back and give him a birthday party and that's how Hopeful Hearts was started. That mom and boy became a family there and not just a "homeless family!" Amy asked for ideas for next year's project for Family and Community Life. Call Cindy Christianson or Amy Kohlmann with your ideas.

Amy Kohlmann reported that the FLE position is now called Interim-Health & Well Being Educator & HCE Advisor. Robert Burke, our Regional Director, said that there are no open position at this time for our county.

Committee Reports

Mary Ann Rabitz gave the scholarship report. This year 4 students applied. The committee chose two student applicants and one adult. The first scholarship winner was Kathleen Reis from Oregon, WI. She attends Oregon High School. She will attend Justin University to become an architect. Her grandmother, Mary Reif, read her essay. The second scholarship winner was Kyra Rahmlow, from Mishicot High School. She read her essay. She wants to be a teacher and will attend UW- Stevens Point. Marge Hendrickson won the adult scholarship which she will use to attend the HCE State Conference here in Manitowoc. She thanked us and encouraged us to apply for the adult scholarship next year and also for the state level scholarships that are available at the state website.

It was brought to our attention that the scholarship committee was thinking of giving just one \$1,000 scholarship instead of two. Discussion followed. Points raised were we had four applicants this year instead of one, Kyra Rahmlow stated the application was easy to fill out. The HCE Board will decide this issue in September.

Shirley Oswald reminded us of our well water testing at the Manitowoc County Fair on August 21-26. She will pass around a sign-up calendar. People who volunteer do get in to the fair for free. We should wear HCE clothing or HCE pins to advertise our organization.

Nancy Oehldrich informed us that the international program will be on Saturday, October 5th at 1:00 PM. There will be a surprise speaker for that program.

Jan Siewert, newsletter committee, reported that if we are not receiving the HCE newsletter to please let her know. Items need to be submitted electronically or get to herself or Amy for assistance.

Linda Verlinden, Reading Buddies, gave her report. She read the list of 8 books read this year and showed art projects that were done. Reading Buddies read just once a month and spend about a half hour in the classroom reading and doing some kind of art, literacy or science project with the Head Start preschool children. More volunteers are needed. Call her at 683-3432 to volunteer.

New Business

Amy Kohlmann stated that N.E. District Spring Meeting had 52 people present. Jeannie Hlinak, who was the NE District Director, passed away. Teri Madden is now taking over that position as she was the Director-Elect to take over in January.

The triannual meeting for ACWW was held in Australia this April. There will be a presentation at the state conference about this.

NVON will be held in Arkansas on July 23-25th. There will be a bus going. The speaker will speak on seasons of change. Use change to your advantage.

The state website is being updated. The state conference will be here in Manitowoc

Sept.16-18, 2019. Tours will be taken to:

- 1) Farm Discovery and Lake Orchard Aquaponics
- 2) Hamilton Wood Type Museum and Rogers Street Village
- 3) Woodland Dunes and Washington House and downtown Two Rivers
- 4) Pinecrest Historical Village and West of the Lakes Gardens

Volunteers will be needed to ride the buses. Contact Amy.

The Fall NE District meeting will be Oct. 16th at the Seymour New Life Methodist Church.

Judy Yanda gave the cultural arts report. There were 83 entries with 25 people participating. The winner of the HCE hat category was Judy Yanda. The Best of Show went to Jackie Downey for her sweater mittens. Judy read a poem called "Blind Date." The surprise ending was that the poem was about a colonoscopy! Funny, indeed!

Judy gave the Stitches of Love report. 250 dresses were sent to Africa as well as 250 coverlets. 60 cancer hats went to Holy Family Memorial and Aurora Lombardi Cancer Center. Please save your yarn and cloth materials for these and our other projects.

Pat Broecker, West Center Chair, invited us to Meats Opera Haus at St. Nazianz on Wednesday, November 6th, for our Fall HCE Meeting. Registration is at 9:00 AM while the meeting starts at 10:00 AM.

Jan Schramm, North Center Chair, did the drawing for the beautiful flower centerpieces.

Marge Hendrickson & Mary Ann Rabitz named the silent auction winners.

Eileen Fictum closed our meeting with the HCE Prayer.

*Respectfully submitted,
Linda Verlinden, Secretary*

In Loving Memory



Bernadette E. Loose
Age: 87
July 25, 2019
Homemakers Club

Delores E. Dietrich
Age: 88
August 20, 2019
Homemakers Club

Loretta C. Shaeahan
Age: 82
August 29, 2019
Taus Ambitious
Homemakers

LaVerne Jorgensen
Age: 87
September 10, 2019
Taus Homemakers

Manitowoc County "HCE Connection" Newsletter

All Club and individual members are invited to submit newsworthy articles for the HCE Connection newsletter. These can be sent at any time during the year. **All submittals must be electronic.** If you need assistance or access to a computer, please contact the Newsletter Committee or President.

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