Presidents Message

The plans for HCE Day are finalized, see information in this newsletter. Remember to bring your own plates, cups, silverware and please a serving spoon with your pot luck dish.

Check out the new cultural arts registration form, be sure the read the rules - a few change each year. Have fun with the bonus category, “Spring Into Action!”

The project for January 23 didn’t go well. It was very snowy. If any of you are interested, Nancy would repeat it some time, or perhaps come to your club.

We are always looking for new members. If you know of anyone interested, let us know and we will talk with them.

Hope many of you will join us on March 6 & 8 at Loyal City Hall as we are sewing Comfort Cart quilts again.

Stay warm, spring is coming,
Lois Becker, President
Comfort Cart Quilts

The HCE is once again going to make Comfort Cart Quilts for the St. Joseph's Ministry Health in Marshfield. The quilts go on a comfort cart that is used in some patient’s rooms.

We will be getting together on Tuesday, March 6 and Thursday March 8, at the Loyal City Hall, from 9 am-3pm. Bring a sack lunch if you plan on staying all day or just come and help as long as you can. All help is welcome and NO experience is necessary. On the job training provided!

The quilts are 40”x60” and are made of cotton fabric with a light batting filler or just a fleece back. If anyone has cotton fabrics or light fleece or batting that they would like to donate please do. If you would like to bring your sewing machine please do that also.

If you cannot come to help and wish to make quilts on your own, they will be collected on April 7 at HCE Day.

This day, as are all HCE events, is open to the public. If you have any questions please call Joanne Trunkel at 715-267-7264 or Lois Becker at 715-255-8307.

How to Increase Membership

From West District Membership - Louise Buchholz

These are ideas presented to increase our membership:

- Make a trifold of your activities and display them in public places
- Invite new people to your special events
- Big emphasis on having a county brochure available that tells people who we are
- Emphasis on we a Home and Community Education - get away from Extension Homemaker label
- Explain our connection with Extension
- Put our brochures in every possible place - doctor’s, dentist offices, Senior Centers, other groups of people (Red Hatters, Garden Clubs, Quilt Guilds), Extension offices.
- Use local media - radio, TV, newspapers - sharing the thing that you do
- Invite potential members to fun activities or lessons that you are having.

Learning Center Project Classes

A report from the state International Committee Suggested for 2018: The committee has suggested that we do a 25 cent per person collection and the money will go to the new “Learning Center” project for classes for adult women in Haiti.

They have almost no opportunities to learn and there are many things they could learn to better the health and wellbeing of their families. With this year’s money, $450 has been set aside for classes.

You could collect 25 cents from each member at your March meeting and we will collect it on HCE day, or if you prefer you can send in by May 1 to the county treasurer and mark it as the “25 cent project”.

Thank you in advance.  June Noeldner, Inter. Chair.

Collection for HCE Day

This year, at HCE day, we will be taking up a collection for the House of Mercy, which is the Clark County Transitional Living shelter, in Loyal.

Some of the things they need are:

- Pillows and towels, these can be new or gently used
- Laundry soap
- Cleaning supplies
- Totes for storing clothing and other things
- Diapers- sizes 4&5
- Kwik Trip cards ($10 suggested)

Remember!

We also need cookies for Farm Safety Day. Please bring your donations to HCE Day or drop them of at the Clark County UWEX.
Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by President Lois Becker at the ADS in Greenwood. The meeting began with the Flag Pledge and Creed. Other members present included: Joanne Trunkel-VP for Program and Community Outreach; Deb Gries-Treasurer; Diana Schuette-Wisconsin Bookworms; Mary Kipp-Secretary and Nancy Vance, Family Living Agent and HCE Advisor. The Secretary’s report was read and placed on file.

Deb Gries presented the Treasurer’s report which was placed on file.

DIRECTOR’S REPORTS: Joanne Trunkel discussed the Comfort Quilts which were made in the past and donated to Marshfield Medical Center. The dates to make more quilts are March 6 and March 8 at the Loyal City Hall from 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m. She said that she received a call from the Marshfield Medical Center requesting more Comfort Quilts.

WISCONSIN BOOKWORMS: Diana Schuette reported that she is part of the Literacy Early Readers Committee and did participate in a discussion by WIS/Line.

HCE DAY: Will be held on April 7 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Loyal. The guest speaker will be Pastor Asafa from the UCC Church in Greenwood. She will speak on Madagascar—her home country. The Owen Clubs will host the Day. The theme will be “Bloom Where You Are Planted.” Mini-Sessions have been planned and will be described in the next newsletter. Betty Loos will be presenting the 50 year Club and Membership Awards at HCE Day. It was decided that donations this year will be collected for the House of Mercy in Loyal. Suggested items will be in the Newsletter. Members are also asked to bring cookies for Farm Safety Day.

Diana Schuette made a motion to raise the fee paid to the Cultural Arts Judges, the Main Speaker and the Mini Session presenters for HCE Day to $15.00. The current amount is $10.00. Joanne Trunkel made a second to the motion. Motion carried.

MARKETING/MEMBERSHIP: Lois Becker discussed ideas on ways to introduce others in the community to HCE. One suggestion was to invite a friend to HCE Day. She will outline other ideas in the Newsletter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TOUR: Joanne Trunkel reported on the tour to the Palace Theatre in Wisconsin Dells on Friday, April 13 to see the Highwaymen. Registrations are due by Friday, March 9.

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**Growing With**

## Bloom Where You are Planted

### HCE Day

**Saturday April 7th, 2018  8:30AM-1:30PM**

**Trinity Lutheran Church**

201 N West St, Loyal, WI

*Remember to bring plates, cups, silverware, and a serving spoon!*

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**To register, fill out this form and send to Debbie Gries: W476 Chickadee Rd, Loyal, WI  54446**

For more information call Lois Becker: 715-255-8307 or the Clark County UWEX: 715-743-5121

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### Name ____________________________________   Phone # __________________________________

### Address _________________________________

Choose your Mini Session. Place 1 by your first choice, 2 by the second, and three by the third. Seating is first come first serve.

- **Homemade Birthday & Sympathy Cards - Lori Hendrickson**
  
  Participants will make 1 birthday and 1 sympathy card using rubber stamps and accessories, pre-cut paper, and adhesive. Envelopes included.

- **Apple Strudel - Joanne Trunkel**

  Have you ever wanted to learn how to make a delicious apple strudel the traditional Slovenian way, well now is your chance. I will show you how. Samples and recipe included. There is no class limit size and the cost is $1 per person.

- **Let’s Have Fun Together- Nancy Vance**

  This workshop will explore activities that you can do with grandchildren and younger members of your family that will help them learn about your life as you learn about their life. This is a hands on workshop and you will leave with some great ideas and projects that you will want to start right away.
Bloom Where You are Planted
2018 HCE Day Agenda

8:30 AM
Registration and Coffee Time
Collections
Cultural Arts Registration

9:00 AM
Welcome - Lois Becker, President
Pledge & Creed
  Bookworm
  Dairy Bar
  Scholarship
  International
50 Year Members
Educational Awards
Announcements

9:30 AM
Mini Sessions
Homemade Birthday and Sympathy Cards
Apple Strudel
Let's Have Fun Together

10:30 AM
Break

10:45
Guest Speaker - Pastor Asafa: Life in Madagascar

11:45
Cultural Arts Viewing and Potluck Lunch

1:00 PM
Vote for Cultural Arts Awards
Door Prizes
Prayer
Evaluations
INTERNATIONAL/CITIZENSHIP: Lois Becker discussed the International Plan for 2018 to ask each HCE member to donate 25 cents for the women of Haiti. The money will be used to help fund the learning center. Adult women are in need of instruction in good nutrition, safe water, and other areas. NEW BUSINESS: The project "HOW TO PREVENT FOOD WASTE" will be presented on March 20 at the Loyal City Hall at 10:00 a.m. The West District Meeting will be held on April 23 in Wisconsin Rapids. Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Mary Kipp, Secretary

**HCE Tour**

Join the Clark County HCE as we travel to the Palace Theater, in Wisconsin Dells, on Friday, April 13, 2018 to see the Highwaymen. Perhaps the greatest group in Country Music history, the original Highwaymen, formed in 1985, consisted of Kris Kristofferson, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings and Johnny Cash. This recreation (with Willie, Waylon, and Johnny) of the amazing, never to be seen again band, continues the legacy. You will witness first-hand the friendship and comradery that existed between these legends, reliving one of the greatest moments in Country Music history.

Before the show, we will enjoy a wonderful lunch of potato soup & cornbread, country fried steak & gravy, potato, vegetable and peach cobbler for dessert. Coffee, tea, or iced tea are included with the meal. A cash bar is available for any other beverages.

The cost of this trip, which includes dinner, tax, tip, show, and bus driver tip is $72 for HCE members and $77 for non-members. The deadline for this trip is Friday, March 9.

The pick-up places and times are:
7:30 am - Spencer - Progressive Travel Garage
8:15 am - Withee - St. John's Lutheran Church
8:40 am - Greenwood - formerly Mayville's
9:15 am - Neillsville - Shopko

We will be making a fast food/restroom stop on the way home.

Please return your completed registration form, and self-addressed envelope and your check made payable to the Clark County HCE, to Joanne Trunkel, N9569 River Ave., Greenwood, WI 54437 by Friday, March 9. If you have any questions please call 715-267-7264.

**HCE Scholarship**

The Clark County Association for Home and Community Educators are again offering three $500 scholarships for students enrolled in higher education at either the University level or a Technical college. Three $500 scholarships are being offered to college or technical school students, originally from Clark County or currently living in Clark County. The students applying for the scholarship must be in the process of, or have completed at least one year of higher education beyond high school, and must have 24 credits by June, of 2018, and a GPA of 3.0 to qualify.

Applications are available from the UW-Extension Office; 517 Court Street, Room 104; Neillsville, WI 54456-1982, or by calling 715-743-5121. The application deadline is June 15, 2018. To receive an application form, contact Shawn Ganther at the Clark County UW-Extension Office, phone number is 715-743-5121, or you can print from the website http://clark.uwex.edu/family-living-and-nutrition-education/family-living/home-community-education/. Deadline for applications is June 15.
Wisconsin Association for Home & Community Education, Inc.
Cultural Arts Show & Contest – 2018 Categories

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| 3. Sewing | A. Children’s Wear  
B. Adult Wear  
C. Original Design  
D. Wearable Art  
E. Useful Sewn Item  
F. Purse or Tote  
G. Pillow  
H. Sewn item made from recycled materials  
I. Wearable Accessory (apron, scarf, hat, etc.)  
J. Other |
| 4. Knitting | A. Wearable Item  
B. Afghan  
C. Other |
| 5. Crocheting | A. Wearable Item  
B. Dolly/Dresser Scarf  
C. Afghan  
D. Other |
| 6. Hand Stitching | A. Plastic Canvas  
B. Embroidery  
C. Counted Cross Stitch  
D. Other |
| 7. Craft | Six (6) Cards without envelopes MUST be mounted as a group on a flat sturdy display board no larger than 14” x 22”. |
| 8. Heritage Skill | A. Hardanger  
B. Tatting  
C. Woodworking  
D. Basketry  
E. Spinning/Weaving  
F. Felting  
G. Swedish Weaving  
H. Rug Making  
I. Original published book  
J. Other |
| 9. Bed Quilt | Larger than 60” x 80” or 4,800 square inches  
A. Tied  
B. Hand quilted  
Machine Quilted by You:  
C. Pieced  
D. Appliquéd  
E. Embroidered  
Machine Quilted Professionally:  
F. Pieced  
G. Appliquéd  
H. Embroidered  
I. Any other Bed Quilt |
| 10. Lap/Baby Quilt | Smaller than 60” x 80” or 4,800 square inches  
A. Tied  
B. Hand-quilted  
C. Pieced  
D. Appliquéd  
E. Embroidered  
Machine Quilted Professionally:  
F. Pieced  
G. Appliquéd  
H. Embroidered  
I. Any other lap quilt |
| 11. Quilted Wall Hanging | (with hanging sleeve, NO frame) -- One (1) item only no longer than 50 inches  
A. Hand Quilted, fabric  
B. Machine Quilted, fabric  
C. Other i.e., - collage of assembled materials or mixed media |
| 12. Table Topper/Runner | A. Hand Quilted  
B. Machine Quilted  
C. Other |
| 13. Jewelry | A. Bracelet  
B. Necklace  
C. Set  
D. Other |
| 14. Constructed Original Item | A. Clay/Pottery  
B. Wood  
C. Other |
| 15. Painted Object | A. China  
B. Glass  
C. Fabric  
D. Wood  
E. Other |

Poem,  
Non-Fiction, Fiction  
Original, 1 topic; 250-500 words  
Fiction  
Original with beginning, middle and end 3,000 words or less  
Bonus Category – “Spring Into Action!”  
The Fun Category  
Limit of one entry per county. Create a display of your choice. You may use any media to construct your entry.  
Size restriction - base no larger than 10”x10” with maximum height of 20”  
Judging - those attending will vote for their favorite “Spring Into Action” entry  
Have Fun!!!

STATE REGISTRATIONS DUE BY AUGUST 1, 2018
ALL items, including Bonus Category, must be pre-registered. Registration is due August 1, 2018. Any items NOT pre-registered will NOT be judged or displayed. Only one entry on each registration form. Send all forms together immediately after county show. A County may enter a total of 12 entries plus one Bonus Category 19. A county cannot have duplicate entries in any lettered sub-category. The County Cultural Arts Chair must include a self-addressed postcard or email address to verify receipt of registration forms. If you do not receive verification within three weeks, please call or email the WAHCE Cultural Arts Chair.

IMPORTANT: All entrants MUST sign the Registration form. Please read and sign below; entries will NOT be accepted if unsigned. Entrants will not hold WAHCE responsible for any loss or damage to any item submitted for use in the WAHCE Cultural Arts Show. Entrants give permission for their photo, photos of their entry, and/or print copies of their written entry to be used by WAHCE as seen fit.

All work must be done by entrant and completed after last year’s show. It must receive a first place at this year’s county show or fair. All items must be clean or laundered or will be disqualified by the judge. Kits and patterns may be used as long as entrant does all the work.

**Color Coding of Registration Forms by Districts:**
- Central – White
- Northeast – Yellow
- Northwest – Light Blue
- Southeast – Green
- Southwest – Orange
- West – Pink

**Entry Day:** Deliver items Sunday (9/16/18) from 6:30-8 pm or Monday (9/17/18) 9-11:30 am. Judging will begin at 12:30 pm. Members may view the show for one hour after the Monday evening activity and during the day Tuesday. Hours on Tuesday for viewing will be announced or posted. Pickup times will be posted.

Send registration and written entries to:

Linda Sutherland
1594 5th Avenue
715 248-7279 or 715-338-9214
Star Prairie, WI 54026
tagalongacres@yahoo.com

Contact Linda with any cultural arts questions.

Cut on the dotted line and send in the SIGNED completed Registration Form and Claim Check with both parts filled out. You will receive your Claim Check when you bring in the items.

**Registration Form**

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Peoples' Choice # (Official use only) _______________    _________________

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Signature: ___________________________ County __________________ Date: _______________