



President's Letter

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Greetings,

Keep warm and keep safe!

We have a busy schedule this year :

- *making table favors for the state meeting in September
- *making table favors, badges or nametags, centerpieces for the fall Northeast District meeting in Seymour. Outagamie County is host.
- *our quilt show in November
- *each member bring in one new member

Good luck everyone and stay healthy.

Lois M Dalke

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President



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Dear HCE Members,

From A to Z – yes the times they are a changing at the Extension office in Outagamie County.

Area Extension Director is named. Mr. Chris Viau has assumed duties for Calumet, Outagamie, Waupaca and Winnebago County. We have various new staff as well. Check the back page of the newsletter for the updated information of Extension staff.

Breakfast on the Farm is June 9, 2019 from 8 am-noon at Steffens Dairy Farm, N5220 Mullen Road, Seymour.

Children Caught in the Middle is co-taught monthly in Outagamie County for parents that are co-parenting.

Department of Family Development Academic home, continues on with the transition with many different meetings and discussions as we plan our future.

Extension's new name is UW-Madison Division of Extension Outagamie County.

Food Preservation work continues on, more information will be available in the summer/fall with current up to date research-based educational materials.

Go, Go Grow! Variety is the spice of life with programs, teaching, meetings and faculty governance.

Home and Community Education Association has some great programs coming up this spring/summer.

"It's All Relative", a support group for relatives caring for and raising children, meets monthly and we work with the Department of Health and Human Services in planning educational programs.

Joy Conference 2019 was a success and we are planning for the 2020 event – Feb. 1, 2020.

Knowledge base expands in Aging and Lifespan education.

Loving the work I do!

Money Smart Week is March 31 – April 6. Some great programs on credit, social security and spending plans. We start with a day at The Building for Kids.

NAMI- Taking Care of You class is offered in March during four, two hour workshops.

Outagamie County is part of Area 10 which includes Calumet, Outagamie, Waupaca and Winnebago.

Professor Committee – we are in the midst of annual faculty reviews right now of our department members.

Quality programs are a priority.

Research and Scholarship includes a co-authored journal article for the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

Senior Task Force service in the Village of Hortonville, includes looking to needs of the community and planning future program outreach.

Advisors Corner Continued

Taking Care of you programs offered to Child Care Providers for 8 Registry (professional development) hours.

University of Wisconsin Madison Division of Extension Outagamie County.

Volunteers – critical to our outreach in the county.

Who Gets Grandma's Yellow Pie Plate? Continues to be taught in the community as part of the Caregiver Coalition Speaker's Bureau. A first was working with a Real Estate Team who sponsored a lunch and learn, and being videotaped for a webinar all at the same time.

EXcellence in program outreach is a priority.

You are a joy to work with!

Zoom has opened new technology opportunities – meeting via video. Less driving=mileage saved. Offering new opportunities for adult education outreach and making this tool effective.

An additional note: My email address has changed! Please use Karen.Dickrell@wisc.edu if you want to email me.

Sincerely,

Karen Dickrell

Liaison to HCE

Family Living Educator

Human Development and Relationships Institute

Thank You

We received the thank you card on the right from Pillars for our recent donation from money collected during the HCE Holiday Gathering.



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Dear Ladies from HCE,
Thank you so much for your
generous cash donation to
the Pillars Adult Shelter.
Your giving truly makes a
difference in the lives of
others.

Sue

Pillars Volunteer

Upcoming Events

March

- 31 Financial Literacy Free Day | The Building for Kids, Appleton | 10:00 am- 5:00 pm
Money Smart Week to include a story time with storybooks provided for children.

April

- 2 Let's Talk Credit, Money Smart Week Event | Kaukauna Public Library | 6:00 pm
- 3 Social Security: Everything You Need to Know, Money Smart Week Event | Menasha Public Library | 6:00 pm
- 4 Map Out Your Money Journey, Money Smart Week Event | Appleton Public Library | 6:00 pm
- 8 Spring Association HCE Meeting and Potluck | Extension Outagamie County
11:00 am Meeting
12:00 pm Potluck
1:00 pm Program: Caring Connections Presented by Karen Dickrell
- 18 Country Apples Meeting | Center Town Hall
12:00 pm Lunch
Meeting and Educational Focus: The Power of Protein
- 23 Northeast District Meeting hosted by Brown County HCE

May

- 6 HCE Banquet | River Rail, Shiocton
Hosted by Never Idle, Cost: \$17 per person
4:30 pm Silent Auction and Social
5:30 pm Dinner
Preregister by April 26
- 21 Nature Program and Picnic | Thousand Island Environmental Center, Kaukauna
12:00 pm Bag Lunch Picnic
Back to Nature Experience
Preregister by May 14
- 17 2019 Country Apples Trip | A New Musical-Palace Theatre, Wisconsin Dells
Preregister by April 6
- 28 Extension Education Committee Meeting | Highway Department, Little Chute | 9:00 am *HCE Executive Board members presenting.
- 30 Newsletter Deadline

Upcoming Events

Country Apples April Meeting

April 18 | Center Town Hall | 12:00 pm

Our April meeting we will host Sarah Agena from the Wisconsin Beef Council. She will talk about The Power of Protein and make a meat dish. Everyone is invited. Lunch will be served at noon with the program to follow. Please RSVP to Judy Shafel 740-6059 or 986-3810 or jashafel2@charter.net.

Kewaunee County HCE Trip

June 18-20 | Geneva, IL

We have been invited to join the Kewaunee County HCE for their tour of Geneva, IL. Stops will include the McCormick House, Fabyan Villa, a trolley tour, a visit to the Jelly Belly factory and more! The cost for the trip is \$320 (based on double occupancy). For more information contact Lois Dalke at 833-2855.

Announcements

HCE Spring Banquet



You are cordially invited to the annual

HCE Spring Banquet

May 6, 4:30- 7:30 pm
River Rail, Shiocton

4:30 Silent Auction
5:30 Dinner
6:30 Entertainment

Tickets can be purchased at the Spring Association meeting on April 8 or by contacting Jeanne Baum at 731-9140.

Deadline for ticket purchase is April 26.

Executive Board Report

Cultural Arts

Through the Giving Bees we made 58 pillow tops that were taken to The Lords House of Hope Orphanage in Kenya. The children did art work and wrote messages for their sponsors in the center of the pillow tops. They were brought back and we put the backing on and they will be given to the sponsors at a banquet in April. The kids enjoyed the project.



Quilt Show

Our Quilt Show is set for November 1-2, 2019. We currently have 2 vendors committed and 3 more saying they are interested. We will be sending out more letters by the end of March. We are hoping to have 9 vendors .

A form to register to display your quilt in the show can be found on the website: <https://counties.extension.wisc.edu/outagamie/files/2019/03/HCE-Quilt-Form-2019.pdf> or you can call 832-4763 to request one. We have room for 80 quilts.

The Giving Bees will be making a quilt to be raffled at the show. Proceeds will help cover expenses.

Scholarships

The Scholarship Committee met on Tuesday, March 5. We had two applications to review. They were both highly qualified. The applicants will be notified by mail with the results. The awards will be presented at our Banquet May 6 at the River Rail.

Charity Workshop

By Linda Biese, Chair of the Giving Bees

We have not started working as a group yet this year because of our lovely weather. We hope to get going in April. We are asked to make a 12# weighted blanket for the CP center. We are also working on our Patriotic Quilts we give away in November.

I have been working on changing pads for babies, several quilts and calendars for our Picture Perfect project. There are always projects to do.

Family Learning Day

By Linda Biese

On Saturday, February 16, I participated in the Family Learning Project Day. We had a class on A Simple Quilting Project. I showed them how to do a Disappearing 9 Patch quilt square. We used 6" squares and made a 16 1/2" quilt square. They will be able to use it for a pillow top, trivet for the table or use in a quilt. We had seven participants. They all seemed to enjoy the day and several were able to complete two tops. We are invited back next year and will be working on a simple table runner.



Executive Board Report

For the past 21 years, Outagamie County has been involved in the statewide Wisconsin Bookworms Program. We worked with WAHCE (state), Wisconsin Public Television, Extension (county) and UW-Oshkosh Head Start. In those 21 years we have given out 41,640 new Scholastic Books, to over 6,000 children and raised \$120,000 in funds to pay for the books.

Each year our volunteer readers have given over 165 hours to reading time to 330 children in 17 classrooms. The volunteers go into the classrooms to read to the children, do activities with them and give them their very own book. Each child receives eight books per year.

We want to thank everyone who has made this literacy program possible for all these years. We could not have done it without all the organizations, businesses, clubs and HCE members who contributed to pay for all the books. Our Quilt Raffle, which members donated prizes to, sold and bought tickets, was our fundraiser each year.



For the past 21 years, the County coordinators of the program, who did a great job, were Judy Asman, Ruth Biese, Marcie Suprise and Marjorie Zibell. Our advisor, Karen Dickrell, has been a big help to us throughout the years. Also, thank you to all the faithful volunteer readers, who gave of their time, talent and love of reading for the children.

We are proud of all our accomplishments in the Wisconsin Bookworms program, but all good things must eventually come to an end. We are discontinuing the program and will be reading our last book in April. The funds left in the account will be used in future literacy projects. The Early Reader Literacy Program Chair, Dorothy Paltzer, is working with the county on a program called "It's All Relative" which promotes reading.

It has been a wonderful experience working with all of you. Now, on to our next adventure.

Wisconsin Bookworms Coordinators,

Judy Asman and Marcie Suprise

Feature Report: HCE Scholarship

We received the following letter from Derrick Diedrich, 2017 recipient of the HCE scholarship:

Dear Outagamie County Home and Community Education,

I am writing out of the great appreciation I have for my reception of the HCE Scholarship. Because of your generosity, you have helped me to complete three amazing semesters so far! There has been so much good that has come out of my college experience and I cannot thank you enough.

I am excited to update you on everything that has happened while I am at St. Thomas, because being a recipient of your scholarship has helped me to experience all these amazing opportunities. For the last year and a half, I have been active on Student Government and the Freshman Class President and this year as the Spirituality Committee Chair. I have been able to build relationships that represent students in both roles and work to make my campus a better place for students. This past summer of 2018, I worked as a leader of a youth mission called Love Begins Here. LBH is a program that helps middle and high school students discover their faith in northeastern Wisconsin by doing localized service for those in need. Throughout the summer we were able to have an impact on over 500 people in our communities. This year, I was selected to be one of the eight Peer Ministers who work on Campus to build relationships with students, lead retreats for faith-based programs and be a champion for any student who needs it. Lastly, I have other positions as a Tommie Ambassador to prospective students, the social media leader for Badger Boys State and a job as the Mascot for St. Thomas.



Everything that I do on campus complements my studies as I have finally decided on working toward a Marketing degree with a minor in Catholic Studies. My dedication to academics is also seen by my being on the Dean's list two out of these past three semesters. As of right now, I am preparing to take on a summer internship in Marketing and applying for a study abroad program in Rome.

I am beyond blessed and couldn't be more grateful for your contribution. Please keep me in your thoughts and prayers as I continue to work hard in my studies and as a leader in my community.

With Gratitude,
Derrick Diedrich

Feature Report: Country Apples

The Country Apples club had four members that were unable to join due to new living locations and health issues. To keep contact the club is sending cards throughout the year, thanks to members donating cards and remembering to bring the cards to meetings so we can all sign them.

The club trip will be a tour of the Amish around Bonduel on Thursday, May 16. Stops include Colorado Aspen Furniture Maker, Bulk Food Store, Bent and Dent/Commodities Store and Sundrop Factory. The guide will do a presentation on Amish schools, weddings and funerals. Lunch will be at the Farm Inn on Main in Shawano. Pick-up and return times and locations are:

Nationwide, Appleton	8:30- 4:00/4:30
Center Town Hall	8:45- 3:45/4:15
Black Creek Park on Hwy 54	9:00- 3:30/4:00

Cost is \$55 for 30 people, if we get 35-40 people there will be a refund.

You are welcome to join us, send check payable to Nationwide Travelers to Judy Shafel, W7589 Park Ave, Shiocton WI 54170 by April 5.

Country Apples HCE has made and donated 1531 lap quilts and 232 large quilts have been given to charities, fire victims and benefits since the club started. Batting for the quilts was purchased thanks to donations from Black Creek Advancement Association and Thrivent Financial.

Bits and Pieces

HCE Membership Means:

- M**otivation
- E**ducation
- M**eetings
- B**elonging
- E**njoyment
- R**esponsibility
- S**haring
- H**elping
- I**nteresting
- P**articipation

The Time for Trees initiative

Now, we're going big. Because going big is what the world needs. The essentials of life are at risk. We need to restore forests, build communities, and inspire people through tree planting as never before. We need to ensure that people have clean air to breathe, healthy water to drink, and a livable climate. We need to take action to help prevent and mitigate storms and disasters from becoming more and more catastrophic. We simply can't risk the urbanization of the world putting people face to face with hot, polluted air without abundant trees to protect them.

To address the essentials of life for humankind, we're excited to launch an unprecedented initiative to plant millions of trees now for billions of lives tomorrow. Specifically, the goal of this initiative is to plant 100 million trees to restore forests and build communities and to inspire 5 million tree planters to carry the mission forward ... all by 2022, the 150th anniversary of Arbor Day.

At our core, we have strength in partnerships — government, public, private, corporate, professional, and nonprofit partnerships around the globe. They are all part of this initiative and looking to us to lead it. Importantly, hundreds of thousands of Arbor Day Foundation members such as you, in every state throughout America, give us strength and great confidence in carrying out the Time for Trees initiative.

Thanks to members and partners, we simply have never been in a stronger or better position to make an impact on the urgent needs of Earth and its people. We are excited. We look forward to sharing our progress over the next few years. And I'm grateful to all of you for becoming part of this great undertaking.

If ever there was a time to plant trees, now is that time. ***This is The Time for Trees.***

With deepest gratitude,



Matt Harris
Chief Executive



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MARCH 30 - APRIL 6, 2019



FOX CITIES EVENT LISTING

Sunday, March 31

12:00 - 5:00 pm

The Building for Kids

Financial Literacy Free Day

Join us at The Building for Kids for this event designed to teach children the basics of Financial Literacy through interactive play. Storytimes at 1 pm, 2:30 pm and 4:15 pm. Each child who attends will receive a copy of the book *Count on Pablo* by Barbara deRubertis*. Admission to the museum and all activities is free.

*While supplies last.

Financial Literacy Workshops

All events are free! Light refreshments available.

Tuesday, April 2

6:00 pm

Kaukauna Public Library

Let's Talk Credit

Would you like to learn more about your credit? This presentation will provide you with great information to help you stay on top of your credit.

Wednesday, April 3

6:00 pm

Menasha Public Library

Social Security - Everything You Need To Know

Tim Gierke has over 30 years of experience helping people with their Social Security questions. As an added bonus, if you open a My Social Security account online at ssa.gov and bring your Social Security benefit statement to the workshop, Tim and his staff will answer individual questions about your own benefits after the presentation.

Thursday, April 4

6:00 pm

Appleton Public Library

Map Out Your Money Journey

Are you tired of wandering your way through life financially? Is savings on your mind, but never in your bank? Is your debt baggage holding you back? Whether your budget needs a small course correction or a complete overhaul, be money smart and join us for this workshop.

Learn more about Money Smart Week Fox Cities and follow us all year!

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