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Association for Home &
Community Education*



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*If you think you can – or if you think you can't
.....you're right! Henry Ford*

Note from our President:

Summer is finally here. I hope those of you with gardens are getting lots of produce. It is too shady at my place to have a very successful garden. I have one tomato plant in a bucket that I move around in my wheelbarrow during the day looking for sunlight. I finally have one green tomato on the plant. Yay!

The Dunn County Fair and our used book sale are coming up soon. We will be selling books from 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Thursday July 27 through Saturday July 29. We are getting the same room we had last year – across from the 4-H food stand. It is a larger room making it easier to display the books.

We will be setting up for the used book sale at 10:00 pm on Tuesday July 25 and at 12:00 pm Wednesday July 26. Either time would be good for dropping off used books. Extra help for setting up books is always welcome.

In addition to selling used books at the fair, we will have a baked goods sale on Saturday. We are looking for donations of baked goods that can be taken home rather than eaten at the fair. We need to avoid competing with the food vendors. The Executive Board will work out the details the July 13 Board meeting.

Margaret Breisch breischm@gmail.com

ADVANCED DIRECTIVES LEARNING SESSION
Sept. 11, Monday, 1pm, Rm 60, Government Center.
To register, contact Margaret Breisch via email or call her at 715-235-7124.

HCE IS ON FACEBOOK! If you are on FB, please look up HCE Dunn County and give it a “like”. Contains event info, newsletter, and pictures.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 13

July 26- 30

September 11

Executive Board Meeting, 1pm, Rm 60, Gov. Center

Dunn County Fair Used Book Sale

“Advanced Directives”, 1pm, Rm 60, Gov. Center

Our 2023-2024 Books have been ordered for the Bookworms Program. They sound very interesting, and I for one am anxious to read once again to the Pre-K Kids. Their hugs and “Grandma Metta” cheers are a delight to me. The seven books that will be read to them this year and are listed below:

- Amigo by Carlos Zamora
- We’ve Got the Whole World in Our Hands by Tenemos el Mundo Entero en las Manos
- Chicken in Mittens by Adam Lehrhaupt
- Ways to Welcome by Linda Ashman
- The Caring Me I want to Be by Mary DePalermo
- If You Give a Pig a Party by Laura Numerous
- Pete the Cat and the Cool Caterpillar by James Dean

We will once again hold our used book sale at the Dunn County Fair July 26-30. If you have books to donate, you may drop them off July 25 and 26 at the fairgrounds. If this will not work for you call me at

715-879-5105 or email me at hurlburts@markhurlburt.com to make a different arrangement. We will be purchasing 130 book sets this year and each set costs approximately \$20.00. Remember that the giving of these books to preschoolers is an investment in the future.

Hope to see you at the fair, whether dropping books off to sell, or purchasing them for your

reading pleasure. Thank you to all who participate in any way to our program. Normetta Hurlburt, Bookworm Coordinator

International Night Report

April 20 Our focus county was Pakistan. Waqar Azeem, a UW-Stout student from Pakistan, gave a slide show and talked about his country. The event included a pot-luck dinner in which members shared traditional Pakistani dishes. Waqar was asked to select he dishes that best represented Pakistani cuisine. A Pakistani Rice Pudding (Firni) prepared by Judy Dieter was selected best sweet dish. A Chicken Karahi/Handi prepared by Rosalie Werner was selected best salty dish. There was plenty of food and a good time had by everyone.



Spring Fling Report May 4

Patti Stangel from Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release, Inc. brought a baby owl and spoke about restoring injured wildlife back to health. 24 attended the event. A carload of supplies and \$111 in cash were collected to help support the program. The program also included a catered meal and member recognition for years of HCE service.

A special treat was a Cultural & Textile Arts show overseen by our new Cultural Arts Chair Julia d'Angelo-Woodford.





NW District Spring Meeting

Report – April 27 Dunn County members in attendance were Lana Anderson, Geri Bates, Maureen Scott, Julia d'Angelo-Woodford and Margaret Breisch.

Brenna Weston, the new Director of the Polk County Museum spoke to us of how to preserve our HCE, and personal, records and photos.

NW International Chair Jean Kelly reported the 2023 ACWW (Associated County Women of the World) theme is “Orange the World”. The focus is on abuse awareness. We were also told we can bring sewing supplies in shoe boxes to the state convention that will be sent to Nicaragua as part of the Wis/Nicaragua Partnership.

CLUB NOTES - NORTH CENTER

Ideal-May: J. Langlois and S. Marlett enjoyed their experience as April Bookworm readers. J. Thull reported that she attended the Awards Night at Menomonie High School and presented Ben Bystol from Menomonie as the scholarship recipient. Regarding the Spring Fling, there was a brief conversation about changing the event to a luncheon versus an evening event. The NW District Meeting took place on April 27. E. Villeneuve is the Bookworms Chair and reviewed 12 or 14 books for the coming year. The state chair will decide on the final 7 or 8 books. The Book Sale at the Dunn County Fair will be held July 26-30. We chose Thursday, July 26 from 12-3:30pm. Normetta is in charge of the Book Sale. Everyone should be thinking of a fun activity for our August meeting/ outing and bring those ideas to the next meeting. B. Kneer info about Mental Health Awareness Month and also distributed the updated Resource Guide.

Ideal-June: The Book Sale at the DC Fair will be held July 26-30. Each club was encouraged to sign up for ONE shift with 2 to 3 volunteers per shift. Drop off for the book sale is on Tuesday after 10am. Normetta Hurlburt is in charge. After much discussion, it was decided that B. Kneer will host a potluck picnic on Thursday, August 24 at 12 noon at her home/garage. Members shared ideas for enrichment classes /trips which included making a fairy garden at Green Oasis in Eau Claire or attending the Art in Bloom next April at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts.

Popple Creek-Apr:A thank you card from Patti Stangel and the

Critters was shared.

A club trip to a greenhouse was discussed. It will be held on Thur May 12, probably to the greenhouse at Winter.

Major project for next year was discussed. Support for the Colfax Health and Rehab with monthly donations was favored.

Items were collected for our WildLife Rehabilitation and Release project. Items collected in Apr include \$260, newspapers, suet, plastic lids, paper towels and Kwik Trip fuel only card.

Geri Bates read a list of 3 things that were important for several different issues in life. Lana Anderson shared 6 Clear Paths to Pass Along Wealth and What a Will Won't Do.

Popple Creek-May:-Spring Fling was held Thur May 4 at 5 pm at Dean and Sue's Bar and Grill. Geri Bates provided table favors at each place setting.

Five Dunn County members, 3 from Popple Creek, attended the Spring District Meeting Apr 27 at Centuria in Polk County. Ladies of Polk County provided a variety of salads, breads and desserts for the luncheon. A librarian presented “How to Preserve HCE records”

Four club members participated in club tour of Amish greenhouse at Sheldon, a Mennonite greenhouse, had lunch at Ted's, and a large metals decor enterprise and the Bird's Nest gift shop at Holcombe.

Chris Lorenzen reported making 7 quilts which she donated to groups in Texas. She also made a Christmas quilt which was given to Hope Haus in Lano, TX. She is

working on the HCE quilt for the raffle and has 75 hours and \$350 worth fabric in it.

Two suet cakes and newspaper was donated to WildLife Rescue and Rehab.

Geri read Laundry on the Line from Country Today. Chris shared 10 Ways to Work Together to Improve Communities.

Popple Creek-June: We reviewed details about book sales at the fair and individual assignments. Chris Lorenzen has the quilt top completed. She and a sister will tie it. Chris will display it when she works at the fair.

Chris suggested that we plan a road trip on June 28 to Klemish Creamery in New Auburn. She shared an ad that told of the different ice cream flavors.

Lana Anderson will apply for the Services of Love award regarding our work with Patti Stangel and WildLife Rescue and Rehab. Chris and Geri will make a display of this project for the state convention. Chris has developed photos for the display.

We will begin our work with Colfax Health and Rehab in September. Geri read a letter from the activity director regarding possible contributions.

12 bath towels, newspaper, cream corn, plastic bottle lids, peanut butter, suet cake and \$5.00 was donated to WildLife Rescue and Rehab this month.

CLUB NOTES - SOUTH CENTER

Elk Meadow-Mar: Community outreach: \$14.60 was collected for the sunshine fund in Feb., \$9.60 for friendship and approx \$90.00

of food items for the food pantry with additional items collected today. Monetary donations will be collected in April for Fierce Freedom. A card was signed for Virginia Grohn and a card and plant for Mary Ausman.

Judy Dieter reported on her participation at Real Saturday and displayed several craft items. Delores Falkner reported on her attendance at ADRC for Seniors on Feb. 28 and provided several handouts for members.

Elk Meadow-Apr: Deb Stewart gave a demonstration of paper beading using a variety of paper mediums. Each member created a bead sample and a small project using samples provided by Deb.

A check had been sent to Fierce Freedom from March collections; thank you note was read. Donation of \$25.00 had been sent to Elk Mound PTO in March.

Community Outreach: A motion was made and approved to send a plant to Virginia Grohn. A collection was taken for Bridge to Hope and Bookworms.

May will be the club's white elephant sale and 2nd half serves. May: \$25.00 had been donated to the Elk Mound graduation party and \$38.00 donated to Bridge to Hope as collected in April. A thank you note was read from Elk Mound PTO for the donation to the Mound View school carnival.

Community outreach: A sympathy card and memorial had been sent to Virginia and members were reminded to acknowledge her birthday on May 25. May's monetary collection will go to support Bookworms.

Bookworms: The final reading will be May 18. Books for the '23-'24 school year will arrive in August and will consist of 7 books.

Barb Schumacher, Lynn Dummer and Judy Dieter reported on their recent attendance at International Night. Members who had attended the Spring Fling reported on that event as well. Delores Falkner was honored with a blue ribbon on her quilt entry and all enjoyed Patti Stangel's presentation about the Wildlife Rehab and Release Organization.

Cedarlings-Apr: April: Health – Julia d'Angelo-Woodford passed out Lifestyle Change Options from Mayo. There is the LEAD Program that stands for Lifestyle Education & Alternatives to Dieting Program., the LIT Program that stands for Live it Together, the Mayo Clinic Diet, and the Patient Education weight solutions program.

International – Melanie Yager talked about whether there would be more energy use in 2050 than in 2021. We all thought we would. However, Melanie shared the predictions indicate we will be using less energy due to more efficiency. Electric cars will have a large impact on reducing energy use. Cultural Arts – Julia told about a Coconut/Honey/Sugar Scrub she developed that can be made at home to relieve dry skin.

Cedarlings-May: Health – Vicki Jess reported RSV or respiratory syncytial virus has symptoms similar to a cold. It is a very common easily spread virus that infects the respiratory tract and can be very serious for children. You should avoid coming in contact with children if you suspect you

might have RSV.


International – Melanie shared a list of the 50 most banned books in the USA. The list includes classics such as 'To Kill a Mockingbird', "Animal Farm", "1984" and "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn".

Cultural Arts: See Cultural Arts report on Pg. 6 for details.

Cedarlings club members with entries advancing to the State HCE Convention are Christie Pittman, Mary Baier and Julie d'Angelo-Woodford. Ribbons for the entries were donated by Cultivate Creativity, Inc. There is also a Bonus Category – Build a Beehive - that will be judged at the Dunn County Fair.

Wisconsin/Nicaragua Partnership- Julia suggested club members bring sewing supplies to our next meeting that could be taken down to the state convention for shipment to Nicaragua.

Cedarlings-June: We held our annual pot-luck picnic at the home of Larry and Vicki Jess on June 7.

2023 DONATIONS			
April-June			
Donation to Bookworms:			
Apr 10	Elaine Villeneuve	\$25.00	In memory of Bea Jenson
May 05	Family of Bea Jenson	\$950.00	In memory of Bea Jenson
May 05	Elk Meadow	\$135.00	In memory of Bea Jenson
Jun 06	Chris Lorenzen	\$20.00	In memory of Connie Curtis' husband Tom Zapatka
Jun 06	Geri Bates	\$20.00	In memory of Connie Curtis' husband Tom Zapatka
Jun 06	Maureen Scott	\$20.00	In memory of Connie Curtis' husband Tom Zapatka

Member and Board Information

Our next Board meeting will be at Thursday, July 13, 1:00 pm in room 60 of the Government Services Building. All Dunn County HCE members are welcome to attend. We will be working out final details for the used book sale and the baked goods sale held at the Dunn County Fair. We will also be discussing possible county wide projects such as on-going donations to Wildlife Rehabilitation and Release program.

HCE Board Members:

President – Margaret Breisch 715-235-7124
 Vice President - Julia d’Angelo-Woodford
 Secretary – Elaine Villeneuve
 Treasurer – Vicki Maves
 Marketing/Membership - Christie Pittman
 Historian – Elaine Villeneuve
 Bookworms – Normetta Hurlburt
 Rosalie Werner –Past President and Communications
 Scholarship Chair – Janine Thull
 Cultural Arts Chair – Julia d’Angelo-Woodford

North Center Chair: Geri Bates gcrafts@yahoo.com Baxterville Popple Creek Ideal
South Center Chair: Julia d’Angelo-Woodford minds.eye.enterprises@gmail.com Elk Meadow Cedarlings

2023 Used Book Sale Schedule			
Set-Up			
Tues	07/25/23	10:00	Board + Anyone
Weds	07/26/23	1:00	Board + Anyone
Book Sales			
Thurs	07/27/23	12:00 - 3:30	Ideal
		3:30 - 7:00	Elk Meadow
Fri	07/28/23	12:00 - 3:30	Popple Creek
		3:30 - 7:00	Baxterville
Sat	07/29/23	12:00 - 3:30	Cedarlings
		3:30 - 7:00	Rosalie Werner & Lana Anderson

Elaine V. receiving \$950 donation from Bea Jenson’s daughters.



CULTURAL ARTS REPORT: 2023 Dunn County HCE Cultural Arts & Textile Show: There were a total of 18 entries into the 2023 Dunn Co HCE Cultural Arts & Textile Show which was held during our Spring Fling Event on May 4. We had entries from across 10 of the 20 main categories with multiple entries submitted into many sub categories for a total of 12 first place winners who will move on to compete at the state level at the HCE State Convention in September. The Art Show was judged by Elaine Villeneuve and First, Second, and Third place ribbons were presented by Julia d’Angelo-Woodford. A big thank you to Cultivate Creativity Inc. for donating the ribbons. Congratulations to all of our artists who participated in this year’s Cultural Arts & Textile show. Here is a list of all the 1st place blue ribbons which were awarded:

Entry Number	Name	Category ID	Category	Class	Award
1	Fay Swenson	1C	Painting/Drawing	Watercolor	1st
3	Christie Pittmann	10A	Lap/Baby Quilt	Tied Quilt	1st
4	Christie Pittmann	4D	Knitting	Other - Baby Booties	1st
6	Delores Falkner	10B	Lap/Baby Quilt	Hand-Quilted	1st
8	Mary Baier	11B	Quilted Wall Hanging	Machine Quilted Fabric	1st
9	Mary Baier	9A	Bed Quilt	Tied Quilt	1st
12	Rosalie Werner	12C	Quilted Table Topper/Runner	Not Quilted	1st
13	Julia d'Angelo-Woodford	1B	Painting/Drawing	Acrylic	1st
14	Julia d'Angelo-Woodford	14A	Constructed Original Item	Clay/Pottery	1st
15	Julia d'Angelo-Woodford	7F	Craft	Glass Craft	1st
16	Julia d'Angelo-Woodford	8C	Heritage Skill	Woodworking	1st/People's Choice
18	Maureen Scott	2D	Photography	Color-Animals/Creatures	1st
					12 FINALISTS

Bonus Category Entry Reminder: Since there were not any entries submitted for the “Bonus Category”. We decided at the Spring Fling to give additional time for our members to enter this category. Anyone wanting to enter the bonus category must bring their entries to be dropped off at the Dunn County Fairgrounds any time during the SET UP of our annual HCE Book Sale which is usually 1-2 days before the fair begins. The entries will be judged by Elaine Villeneuve sometime during the Book Sale and 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner will be awarded ribbons. The 1st place winner will move on to the state level competition held in Sept at the HCE State Convention. All entries including winners need to be picked up by the participants by the end of the last day of the book sale on July 17th.

Bonus Category Entry Details: The title of the bonus category is “Driftless Dreaming - Build a Beehive”. There are no other details on requirements other than some size restrictions for this category: The base must be no larger than 10” X 10” with the maximum height of 20”. Other than that, it is open to your artistic interpretation.

State Art Finalist Drop-Off Instructions: If you are one of the finalists who has entries which will go on to compete at the state level, you or your club president will need to drop off your artwork to Julia d’Angelo-Woodford on Sept 14 at our Executive Board Meeting which is held at the Government Center Building (Lower Level Rm 60) from 1pm to 3pm. Please make sure your artwork has your name, phone #, Name of club, and address taped, stuck, or pinned to it. Please make sure your artwork meets the required state guidelines for submission. Julia will have plenty of easels which can be used to display them at the conference. Any questions, please call Julia 715-440-5061.

State Art Finalist Pick Up Instructions: All Artwork needs to be picked up by you or your club president at the Dunn County HCE executive board meeting on November 9 which is held at the Government Center Building (Lower Level Room 60) from 1pm – 3pm. Julia d’Angelo-Woodford, Cultural Arts Chair