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MONTHLY MEMO FROM THE BOARD~

The holidays are upon us and our December calendars are beginning to fill up with activities with friends and families. Be sure to set aside **Tuesday, December 11, at 6pm** at Dreamland Supper Club, County E, South Range, for the **HCE Holiday Gathering!**

Dinner is on your own, but there will be entertainment and prize drawings as well as social time with your HCE friends. Prize drawing tickets can be purchased, but free tickets will be given out: if you bring a donation to a family food basket; if you bring a guest (not a spouse); perform certain acts chosen by our organizers, the Town and Country members. It will be great fun! Proceeds will go to purchase gift cards for low income seniors.

Call Diane Greely at 715-398-6560 by **Friday, December 7**, to reserve a spot; also let Diane know if you know a senior who would appreciate a gift card.

Just a note of thanks to all the members (too many to mention them all) who made the Iceland Program during HCE Week such a nice affair. The decorations were lovely, the food was scrumptious, and Marian Simon's presentation was very interesting and well done. A special thanks to Kosta's Gyros, Tower Avenue, Superior for the delicious lamb and family recipe sauce that made the canapes' so yummy; they gave us a special deal, so stop in and say "thanks"! (I made a delicious sauerkraut and noodle dish out of my purchased leftover meat; call me if you want the recipe— 715-398-7213).



Happy Holidays from all the HCE Board members, and see you in January when we learn to wear those beautiful scarves with flair! (See more information elsewhere in this Dispatch.)

Submitted by, Sue Hendrickson

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Mission Statement for Wisconsin Association for Home and Community Education HCE 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.

DISPATCH ARTICLES DUE DATE

Dispatch articles are **due the 15th** of the month. When emailing your articles, please send them as an attachment. Please mail or email them to: Cheryl Shockley, UW-Extension Editor, 1313 Belknap St., Room 107 Superior, WI 54880 or 715-395-1363 cheryl.shockley@ces.uwex.edu

**HCE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
November 1, 2018**

Roll Call: Hilltoppers 4, Merry Mates 3, Town & Country 2, Advisor 0

The meeting was opened at 1:55 p.m. by President Cheryl McCuskey with the HCE Creed

Secretary's Report: Jo Mersnick: - No minutes. (Annual Meeting Minutes are published in September)
Correspondence: Thank you from the Humane Society of Douglas County for the donations they received from the DCHCE Craft Sale. Linda Williams read a letter of thank you from the recipient of the Melinda Boswell Scholarship. The October Dispatch had details of the recipient's qualifications. Linda Williams reported on the new policies adopted by the Superior Public Library and how they affect the DCHCE. She also received a letter requesting action on setting dates for our meetings for 2019.

A letter from the Chancellor of UWS thanking DCHCE for the Melinda Boswell Scholarship. Details from this letter are posted in this Dispatch.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Williams: - The Treasurer's Report was approved and placed on file for review.

Linda also reported on the results of the DC Craft Sale. The Craft Sale was very successful.

Sunshine: Cheryl McCuskey reported on the Sunshine Fund.

Dispatch: Due November 15

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VP Programming and Community Outreach: The Program Planning meeting was held Nov. 1 at 12:30. The final plans were agreed on and the Calendar for 2019 will be prepared and passed out at the Jan. 3rd DCHCE Board Meeting. Pending is a meeting place for our Annual Meeting in October and a date for our tour of Earth Riders Brewery. Cultural Arts: Mary Ann Gronquist – Thank you to all who entered projects in the Cultural Arts competition. Detail published in previous Dispatch.

International:

Cuba will be the focus of our International Study for 2019-2020. Christa Williams-Clements will write the articles on Cuba. Thank you Christa!

The Executive Board is chairing the International Event featuring a Taste of Iceland and A Photo Journey Through Iceland presented by the Simon's. This event takes place November 8th, 1:00 at the Superior Public Library. Final plans were discussed, the menu was decided on and everything is ready for this anticipated event. Thank you to all who are involved in the success of this program.

Membership/Marketing: Sue Hendrickson - We need to recruit new members. Our membership is dropping.

Scholarship: Linda Williams - Remember that we have short-term scholarships available.

WI Bookworms™ - Sue Hendrickson- The Bookworm project is very successful.
Family Living Educator: no report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Marion Bradley reported that since CASDA didn't have a need for child sized quilts at this time, but needed twin-sized quilts for their beds, she made and donated 11 twin-sized fleece blankets in DCHCE's name to CASDA. Thank you Marion.

NEW BUSINESS:

Marian Simon announced that the Merry Mates cannot accept the position of Craft Sale chair for 2019. This matter will be discussed at the first 2019 Craft Sale meeting in March. December 11th, 2018 will be the Town & Country Christmas Event at Dreamland Supper Club at 6:00. All members and guests are invited.

Meeting closed with the HCE prayer at 3:45 p.m.
Minutes submitted for approval by Jo Mersnick



**FROM THE DESK OF SUE
HENDRICKSON: MEMBERSHIP/
MARKETING/BOOKWORMS**

PREPARE YOUR CAR FOR WINTER

We can avoid many dangerous winter travel problems by planning ahead and having maintenance service on our vehicles as often as the manufacturer recommends. As winter weather approaches:

- Have radiator system serviced or check antifreeze level and add as needed
- Replace windshield wiper fluid with a wintertime mixture
- Replace worn tires and check air pressure in the tires
- Keep gas tank near full to help avoid ice in tank and fuel lines
- Equip the car with a winter survival kit including blankets, first aid kit, a can and waterproof matches (for melting snow water), windshield scraper, booster cables, road maps, mobile phone, compass, tool kit, paper towels, bag of sand or cat litter for traction, tow rope, tire chains, collapsible shovel, container of water and high calorie canned or dried foods (and a can opener?), flashlight and extra batteries, canned compressed air with sealant (for tire repair), brightly colored cloth for emergency signal.

BE SAFE ALL YEAR LONG!

The Red Cross has free smoke alarms and they will install for free! Call 218-722-0071 for more information

BE SAFE THIS WINTER SEASON...AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Submitted by, Sue Hendrickson

THANK YOU FROM MELINDA BOSWELL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT, 2018

Dear Douglas County Association for Home and Community Education

I would like to formally thank the Douglas County Association for Home and Community Education for the honor of this scholarship. As a Superior native, I am grateful for the support of those in my community as I continue my education with the dream of becoming a teacher. I hope to be able to inspire those students in my community, just as I was during my time in The Superior School District. This scholarship will allow me to completely devote my time to my education as I enter my senior year at the University of Wisconsin – Superior. Thank you for the honor of being awarded this scholarship, I hope to be able to continue to give back to my community after I graduate. Thank you for this honor and privilege,
Allison Paske

THANK YOU FROM UWS

The following is a brief summary of letters received from UW-S to our Scholarship Committee for our Melinda Boswell Scholarship.

“Your partnership in the Foundation’s scholarship program is genuinely appreciated. Scholarships are vital in providing consistent, perpetual, and meaningful support to UW-Superior and its many hardworking students.thank you again for everything you have done and continue to do to help provide a quality education to superior students.”

Some statistics included in this thank you:

- This year marks the 125th Anniversary of UW-Superior, with many activities and events planned through this academic year.
- 1958 was the first year to award its first scholarship in the amount of \$253.00.
- In the 60 years since the first scholarship award, the scholarship foundation has grown to awarding \$807,000 in scholarships to students in 2018.
- With the continued contributions from alumni and friends UW-S is committed to do everything to ease tuition costs for students through scholarships.
- Enrollment has remained steady this year...we are one of a handful of UW-System universities holding steady or seeing slight growth.
- New is the Pruitt Center for Mindfulness and Well-Being opened in August, bringing mindfulness and well-being practices to campus and the community.
- Lake Superior Research Institute (LSRI) started a new study to document levels of fluoride and metals in

groundwater, samples from 700+ wells in 11 NW Wisconsin counties.

Letters signed by Rene Wachter, Chancellor; Dean McCall, President, UW-Superior Foundation; and Jeanne Thompson, Vice Chancellor for University Advancement and Executive Director, UW-Superior Foundation

Submitted by Linda Williams, Scholarship Committee Chair



SCARF TYING 101

Thursday 1:30 - January 3, 2019

Superior Public Library

Scarves are the ultimate accessory. They come in a wide range of colors, patterns and textures to harmonize with our wardrobes. Bring your favorite scarves and practice



techniques in tying square, and oblong scarves. There are so many unique styles to create.

To add to our fun, please bring a cute scarf to participate in a “Scarf Exchange”.

A “super hot” bag accessory. Tie a scarf jauntily to your bag’s strap. It is a trending fashion statement.

PLEASE JOIN US!



