

The Gold Sheet

Lafayette County Association for Home and
Community Education Bi-Monthly Newsletter



Notes from Marian

I sure hope this finds you all healthy and “Safer at Home.” Dick and I are doing very well even if we are staying home. We really miss going out for breakfast every day. Can’t wait for this pandemic to be over and the workers can go back to work and all the businesses will be open. We will probably be wearing masks and social distancing for a long time. Lafayette County has been very fortunate so far with only four cases. Thank God we live in this great rural area and not in New York City or any large city.

We don’t know yet when we will be able to have any meetings or social gatherings for Homemakers. We just have to wait and see what happens.

I miss all of my regular activities, but have been staying busy making bur-lap flowers, centerpieces and wreaths. Also have cleaned a lot of cupboards and drawers. Dorothy is coming tomorrow to do some yard work and bringing the things she bought at Wal-Mart that we needed, because we haven’t been shopping for a while. Doug and Sheila have been getting our groceries and also delivering other goodies that Sheila made.

All the kids and grandkids are still working, some of them from home, but nobody has lost their job.

Everyone “Please Take Care” and pray this pandemic will soon be over, hopefully before the next newsletter comes out.

- Marian Kelly, LAHCE President

**May 2020—
June 2020**

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HCE Ongoing Programs

Wisconsin Bookworms™ - Volunteers read monthly during the school year.

Lunch Bunch - 2nd Monday of each month at Noon in the Lafayette County Board Room, Courthouse, Darlington



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Calendar of Events

May 2020	7	LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension Lobby, 1:30 pm CANCELLED	
	11	Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon - "Legislature - Water Quality" CANCELLED	
June 2020	4	LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension Lobby, 1:30 pm	
	8	Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon - "Chronic Illness (COPD, Diabetes, Asthma, Post Stroke, Heart Disease) - Lunch Provided"	
July 2020	2	LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension Lobby, 1:30 pm	
	3	<i>Courthouse Closed for Independence Day</i>	
	13	Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon - "Courthouse & Lafayette County History"	
	15-19	Lafayette County Fair	
	9-10	Grandparents University – UW Madison - Session I	
	16-17	Grandparents University - UW Madison - Session II	
	23-24	Grandparents University - UW Madison - Session III	
August 2020	6	LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension Lobby, 1:30 pm	
	6-16	Wisconsin State Fair	
	10	Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon -	
	25	Leader Training - "Update on UW-Madison, Division of Extension, Lafayette County" - Town Bank , 6:30-7:30 p.m.	
	29	Children's Clothing Exchange	
September 2020	3	LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension Lobby, 1:30 pm	
	10	NOTE DATE CHANGE - Lunch Bunch County Board Room, Noon "Urology/Continence"-Lunch Provided	
	21-23	WAHCE Conference, Hudson, WI - "HCE 2020 Vision"	
	29	Leader Training - "Craft" - Peggy Davis - Town Bank 6:30-7:30 p.m. Immediately followed by: Club Program Planning for 2021	

NOTICE: If you need to contact the Lafayette County Extension Office before May 26, 2020, please call Lisa's cell phone at 608-482-3623.

Calendar of Events (con't.)

- October 2020**
- 1 Southwest District Meeting - Lafayette County Hosting
 - 12 Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon - "Identity Theft, Phone Scams, Mail Scams, etc."
 - TBA Fall Gathering
 - 27 Leader Training - "Reiki & Essential Oils" with Nikki Larson - **Town Bank**, 6:30-7:30 p.m.



- November 2020**
- 5 LAHCE Executive Board Meeting, UW-Extension, 1:30 pm
 - 1-7 **National HCE Week**
 - 11 *Courthouse Closed for Veterans Day*
 - 12 **NOTE DATE CHANGE** - Lunch Bunch, County Board Room, Noon - "Audiologist"
 - 26-27 *Courthouse Closed for Thanksgiving*



- December 2020**
- Leader Training - Club Choice*
 - 3 LAHCE Executive Board Meeting - Potluck
 - 14 Lunch Bunch, UW-Extension Lobby, Planning for 2021 & Potluck
 - 24-25 *Courthouse Closed for Christmas*
 - 31-1 *Courthouse Closed for New Years Holiday*



REMINDER: Please stop or call the Extension office if you would like Lesson Handouts. The office will mail them to you or you may pick them up at the office. The Lesson Handouts are not automatically mailed because of the cost of postage. Also—individual members—the same goes for you, if you would like any of the Lesson Handouts, contact the Extension office and they may be mailed or picked up.

- UW-Extension, Telephone: (608) 776-4820

Lafayette County Dairy Breakfast

This year's Lafayette County Dairy Breakfast has been **CANCELLED**. Next year, 2021, will be held at Highway Dairy Farms on June 12, 2021.

Please help support our local farmers during this difficult time! Remember to eat cheese, drink milk, and enjoy ice cream!!



Message from your Vice President of LAHCE

I had a fun day on Saturday! First granddaughter pulled into neighbors driveway, then two daughters came into my house and one said something about taking a picture. I said I probably should comb my hair (which really needed cutting and shampooing). Still not expecting anything I heard a siren and looked out my window to see the ambulance pulling up to my driveway. I went out the door and Great grandchildren, granddaughter and three daughters plus one son-in-law were outside my door and the ambulance stopped and 4 young ladies sang Happy Birthday and gave me a gift bag! What a great thing to do! My family feels bad because they had planned a three day weekend at Tamarack to celebrate my 80th birthday and because of the social distancing felt it should be cancelled. But that surprise was great! I think the EMS went to some others that were celebrating birthdays, too.

I had planned on awarding the first 13 applicants for our \$200.00 scholarship after other board officers had read all the applications. Betty Williams helped me get all the papers to Belmont, Wiota and 5 in Darlington to look at the papers. We had all thought we could afford to give all thirteen a scholarship because they were all so deserving--And then-- Lisa mailed me 9 more applications. They were all very deserving, too, so I decided we would have to do our original three. I don't know if I should publish this but because of the way things are right now, I don't know what the procedure will be. I am sending thank you's to all the participants but we will be awarding the scholarships to Michael Kendall, Darlington High School; Reagan Russell, Shullsburg High School; and Cole Makos, Argyle High School. It was a lot of good reading and really hard to pick as so many had 4.00 averages or more and all were involved in many organizations. We had 10 from Darlington, 6 from Shullsburg, 3 from Blackhawk and 1 each from Argyle, Benton and Cuba. Everyone had great records and I'm sure all of them were deserving. It makes it seem like our world will be a great place for many more years.

My work days are very short most days as I just walk to work when there are patients scheduled. So I actually do more walking than before. I seem to be doing more eating, too.

I did get my lawn mowed and will probably mow once more in April. My tulips have disappeared before they bloomed so I think maybe the deer like not having so much traffic on Galena Street. One of my Amish friends said I should use red pepper but the flowers are completely gone already. They had never been bothered in the 25 years since I first planted them. I was planning on digging them up because of the road work beginning in 2021, but will they be keeping? Wondering when they didn't fully mature what will happen to them? Two of them had small unopened blossoms but they're eaten off right to the ground. I guess time will tell.

Will we have any HCE opportunity soon? I wonder! Life has surely changed and I imagine the homes where school children are there all the time wonder about how the summer will go.

Hopefully this finds you all well and healthy and that you and all your family stays that way!

- Marilyn Whalen, *LAHCE Vice President*

Lafayette County Fair - Open Class Entry and Cultural Arts Projects

The Lafayette County Fair is July 15-19, 2020. This would be a great opportunity for all of our multi-talented HCE members to share cultural arts projects that they have finished this year. Entries should be made online at www.lafayettecountyfair.org by June 8, 2020 and paid for at the Lafayette County Fair office (at the west entrance of the fair grounds) either in person or by mail (852 East Louisa Street, Darlington, WI 53530). Please consider this as a great opportunity to showcase your talents!

We may be judging choosing our Cultural Arts items at the County Fair this year as well. Stay tuned for further updates on this. Thank you!

- Lisa Carpenter, *Cultural Arts Chairperson*

Membership

Thank you to all you paid their HCE "2020" dues. We are very close to having everyone paid up. Thanks again, I really appreciate you!

- Betty Williams, *Membership*

Spring Fling—Update

This COVID-19 Pandemic has really caused so much trouble. Our Spring Fling with Joe Boll had to be cancelled. Just like most other things. We are keeping an open date (maybe sometime later). Time will tell.

- Christa Jenson, *Red Rock HCE*

To All Members

Keep safe, stay healthy. Be kind to others. Keep busy doing things you enjoy at home. Call your friends and family or text them.

If you are one who has to be out. Thank you from the bottom of our heart. Medical, police, highway crew, teachers, farmers, and anyone else still working for us.

- Betty Williams, *Membership*

Cultural Arts - Calling ALL HCE Members!!



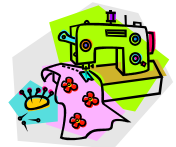
The cultural arts contest to be held at Spring Fling was cancelled along with Spring Fling. The State office has extended the deadline from August 1 to August 15 for entries to the State Conference.

One possible solution to a local contest would be the Lafayette County Fair entries. If you have finished your cultural arts projects, enter them in the County Fair and selections could be made at that time.

Another possible solution is if we do hold Spring Fling at a later date in either June or July, we could have our cultural arts contest at that time.

Stay tune as well work on a solution for the cultural arts contest for 2020. If you have any suggestions, please share them with Lisa or one of the Executive Board members. Thank you!

Lisa Carpenter, *Cultural Arts Chairperson*



Wisconsin Bookworms™

We have come to the end of our school year this year—early thanks to COVID-19. I'm sure the readers and the students have missed each other, but next school year will be here soon. This year there was only one classroom in the County and that was at Shullsburg. I hope the readers will relax during the summer and then be ready to interact with new students this Fall.

This is such a great program I would hate to see it disappear in our County. The children get exposed to interesting books, which they get to keep as their own, and the readers get the satisfaction of making the lives of the students more interesting and fulfilling. So here's to next year's readers - Keep Up the Good Work!

- Marlene McCrea, *County Bookworms™ Coordinator*

CHILDREN'S CLOTHING EXCHANGE - 2020

It's only early May, but August will be here before we know it. (But we'll have a nice long, warm but not hot, mosquito-free summer in between—we hope.) The children's clothing exchange, always the fourth Saturday in August, will be on Saturday, August 22nd. Collection will be Thursday, August 20, at the same sites as last year: in Argyle, Belmont, Benton, Blanchardville, Darlington, Shullsburg, and South Wayne from 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. The clothing will then be taken to Town Bank in Darlington, where Friday morning we will sort and arrange everything in the downstairs meeting room. Then on Saturday families will come and select their additions to their kids wardrobes. All is free, as you will recall, and people do appreciate this project.

So we will need lots of help again, from many people. It helps if you will call to offer your services, so we can get sort of a running start, so to speak, on getting the help we need. Just leave a message if you get no response. My number is 608-482-3104.

Another helpful thing is to spread the word about this, and ask people to bring their outgrown children's clothing which is in good shape, and clean, for the exchange. Also remind people of this source for good, used clothing for their kids.

This will be the 17th year of the exchange. It takes a lot of people to make this work, and I do appreciate the willingness of all of you who pitch in to make it a worthwhile and fun event.

- Judy Andrews, *Clothing Exchange Chairperson*

(608) 482-3104

WELCOME - Hannah McMunn

Let's give Hannah McMunn a huge HCE welcome to Lafayette County. Hannah will be the new Green-Lafayette County Health & Well-Being Educator.

Hannah has just come aboard as of May 1, 2020, and is trying to get all her office items squared away with both Green and Lafayette Counties. Hannah is moving from Des Moines, Iowa to New Glarus, Wisconsin in the next few days.

Hannah will introduce herself in the next Gold Sheet Newsletter. In the meantime, lets give Hannah a warm HCE welcome!

- Lisa Carpenter, *Lafayette County Extension*

NOTE: If you are unable to cover your assigned time, *your club* is responsible for finding another club to cover that time slot. Please let the office know what members will be filling your club's assigned time by July 1, 2020.

2020 HCE Floral Hall Work Schedule		
<i>Dates & Times</i>	<i>Names</i>	<i>Club Responsible</i>
Thursday, July 16th		
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm		Salty Hollow
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm		Wardsville
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm		Hill 'N Dale
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm		Share & Care
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm		Twilight
Friday, July 17th		
10:00 pm - 12:00 pm		Whirlybirds
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm		Red Rock
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm		Hill 'N Dale
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm		<i>Need a Club to Cover</i>
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm		Country Sunshiners
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm		Share & Care
Saturday, July 18th		
10:00 pm - 12:00 pm		Salty Hollow
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm		<i>Need a Club to Cover</i>
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm		Wiota Happy
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm		Whirlybirds
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm		Twilight
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm		Red Rock
Sunday, July 19th		
10:00 pm - 12:00 pm		Country Sunshiners
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm		Wiota Happy
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm		Wardsville

****Each Club is responsible for filling the assigned times with two(2) people.***

March-April Word Search *(Answers to Word Search on Page 9)*

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**LAHCE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAFAYETTE COUNTY BOARD ROOM, COURTHOUSE
Thursday, February 6, 2020 - 1:30 p.m.**



The meeting was called to order by President Marian Kelly with all reciting the Homemaker's Creed. Roll call was answered telling something about Valentine's Day. Those present were Mary Demo, Virginia Douglas, Marian Kelly, Char Kendall, Barb Meyer, Marilyn Whalen, and Betty Williams. The minutes of the January meeting were approved as printed. Char read the treasurer's report. Marilyn moved and Mary seconded the motion to accept it for audit. Betty agreed to audit the financial record for 2019

Committee Reports:

Wisconsin Bookworms: Betty reported that things are going "pretty good".

Cultural Arts: Marilyn offered to talk with Lisa about being the official Gold Sheet editor and to Lori Crompton about being the Cultural Arts committee chair. The special entry in the cultural arts contest this year will be "Seeing HCE Through New Eyes". Entries are to be a pair of decorated eye glasses. Maximum size is 10 x 10 x 20" height. One entry per county is allowed to be entered in the state contest. Entries are to be brought to Spring Fling.

Lunch Bunch: Char announced that the Feb. 10 session will be given by ADRC staff on the services they offer. It will be in the County Board Room in the Courthouse.

Programs for Clubs:

The Feb. 25 lesson will be county wide, open to the public, with Ellie Landau speaking about her husband's boyhood experiences during the Holocaust. Board members are to bring bars or cookies. Betty will bring cups, Marilyn will bring drink packets, and Marian will bring lemonade.

Next year the county wide lesson will be on Recycling. Clubs can do anything they choose for their March club lesson

Old Business:

Scholarship Forms: Barb suggested Marilyn, as chair of the scholarship committee, ask Lisa to send each school the revisions we have made, especially the fact that having a parent or grandparent who is a member of HCE is no longer a requirement, but will give that applicant an additional point of credit.

New Business:

Joint Executive Meeting with Green County HCE will be Monday, March 16, 2020 at 11:30 A.M.

Lafayette County Leaders' Association: Marilyn moved we donate our usual \$75 to the Association. Virginia seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Reminders:

Next HCE Board Meeting - March 5, 1:30, UW Extension Lobby.

Gold Sheet March - April Deadline February 25, 2020.

Barb moved we adjourn, Virginia seconded the motion, and it passed. Meeting was adjourned with the Prayer Creed at 3:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Meyer, Secretary



**LAFAYETTE COUNTY HOME AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



LAFAYETTE COUNTY BOARD ROOM, COURTHOUSE

Thursday, March 5, 2020 - 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Marian Kelly at 2:20 instead of 1:30 to allow the secretary to arrive (unexpected problems). The Homemaker's Creed was recited by all. Roll call was taken by telling of a sign of spring actually noted. Those present were Lisa Carpenter, Mary Demo, Virginia Douglas, Marian Kelly, Char Kendall, Barbara Meyer, and Marilyn Whalen.

The minutes of the February meeting were accepted as printed. Treasurer's report, read by Treasurer Char, was filed for audit on a motion by Virginia, seconded by Barb, and passed.

Lisa reported that two people were interviewed this week for the Extension office position, but no decision has yet been made. The position will be shared with Green County.

President Marian reported that Shelly Tiedeman who was our connection with the state office is retiring this year.

Committee Reports:

Lunch Bunch: Will be In the County Board Room, Courthouse, Monday, March 9th. Topic will be Physical Therapy, with speakers from the PT Department of the hospital in Darlington. Lunch will be provided by the hospital.

Programs for Clubs: Barb reported that her daughter Stephanie Eastwood will call Jeanne with the name of a speaker for the topic of the flooding of the Pecatonica River.. The training for this lesson will be the last Tues. in March.

Old Business:

Southwest District Meeting will be April 15 in Yuba (Richland Center area), Richland County. Registration fee is \$15 per person, of which half is paid by LAHCE. Registration deadline is April 1.

Joint Executive Meeting with Green County is scheduled for March 16. Several plan to go, leaving from Casey's at 10:30.

Spring Fling will be held April 16 at Town Bank, Darlington. Red Rock Club will plan it.

New Business:

Tunes at Twilight: If June 28 date is available, we will do that one.

Next HCE Board Meeting: April 2, 1:30 pm, in the UW-Ext. Lobby.

Gold Sheet for March-April deadline is Mon. Mar. 16.

Marilyn moved we adjourn. Motion seconded by Mary and passed.

We adjourned with the Prayer Creed at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Meyer, Secretary

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