



# SEPTEMBER 2025 GOLDNOTES



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## Sheboygan County Association for Home & Community Education Presidents Message



Dear HCE Members,

My bags are packed and ready to go to State HCE Conference. I am looking forward to meeting and talking with HCE sisters from around the state. I am also looking forward to the sessions I have signed up for. Even if you are unable to attend the conference, you will benefit from the sessions that will be presented at the county level. Thank Marie, VP Programming for bringing these topics back to Sheboygan County.

Please take special note of information regarding Member to Member and our Annual Business meeting included in this Goldnotes.

Yours in HCE,

Joyce Smies, President  
Sheboygan County HCE

**Annual Meeting**

On October 13 we will conduct the annual association meeting. It is important for all members to attend. Following our favorite part of the evening, tasting the recipes, we will attend to the business of our organization. Please look over the agenda and be ready to support the efforts of the Executive Committee and Club Representatives.

**HCE Christmas Tree**

For the past several years, Sheboygan County HCE has decorated a tree featured at the County Museum during their Christmas exhibitions. Joann Gadicke & others have done that in the past and volunteered to do it again this year. They will be paying homage to the late Althea Smith, celebrating her crafting skills.



**Monday - October 13 - 6:00 PM**  
Annual Meeting & Member to Member  
Extension Rooms 5020 & 5022

**Wednesday - October 15**  
Fall Southeast District Meeting  
Lakeside Park Pavilion, Fond du Lac

**Monday - November 10 - 6:00 PM**  
Eck the Halls  
Extension Rooms 5020 & 5022

**Thursday - November 6 - 11:30 AM**  
HCE Book Club  
Pizza Ranch, Sheboygan

**Monday - January 12 - 10:00 AM**  
Stars & Stripes Honor Flight  
Extension Rooms 5020 & 5022

**2025 Sheboygan County  
Association for Home &  
Community Education Officers**

Joyce Smies  
President

Marie Kalies  
Vice President (Program)

Debbie Zimmermann  
Secretary

Nancy Wagner  
Treasurer

*Newsletter Edited By:*  
Joyce Smies  
Julie Boedecker  
*Thank you for all of your help.*

**WI Association HCE Webpage:**

[www.wahceinc.org](http://www.wahceinc.org)

**WI Association Sheboygan County HCE Webpage**

<https://wahceinc.org/sheboygan-county-hce/>



**Family and Community Life Outreach Project - Pay It Forward**

Pay It Forward organization announced it is terminating its operation on Sunday, September 14, 2025 for multiple reasons.

We will need a new project for 2026. The Executive Board selected 2 organizations for 2026. They are Angel Hugs in Plymouth who reach out to children with cancer/illness. The second project is Kindred Heart Families in Sheboygan. There will be more information available at the annual meeting in October when we will vote for one of them for 2026.

## Member to Member

All members are asked to submit a salad recipe to Tammy Zorn by October 1. Each club is asked to bring 2 salads to sample, along with a small dish or cup to serve it in. Individual members, with the last name beginning with A-F, are asked to bring a salad also. Pretty good Eggs will host this year.

### HCE Annual Association Meeting

Monday, October 13, 2025

6:00 p.m. at UW-Extension Rooms 5020-5022

1. Welcome members
2. Call to Order-6:45 p.m.
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Association Creed—Marilyn Voskuil
3. Roll Call (by Club, Individual and Guests)
4. 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes
5. 2025 Treasurer's Report to date—Pennies for Friendship
6. Report from State Conference 2025
7. Standing Committee Report
  - a. International—Alice Walter
  - b. Stitches of Love—Ann Meyer
  - c. Cultural & Textile Arts—Pam Fiedler
  - d. Program—Marie Kalies
  - e. Wisconsin Bookworms—Deb Zimmerman
  - f. Family & Community Life—Julie Boedecker
  - g. Marketing & Membership—Kathi Bonde
8. New Business
  - a. County Community Project 2026: Kindred Hearts Families or Project Angel Hugs
  - b. Club Representative on Executive Board: Lakeview—Joan Walvoord & Marilyn Voskuil; Pretty Good Eggs—Kay Keyes; Franklin—Joanne Schroeder
  - c. Election of 2026 Officers
    - i. President-Elect—
  - d. Committee Head— International –
  - e. Approve County Program as presented. Angel Hugs or Kindred Heart Families.
  - f. Approve proposed budget.
  - g. Upcoming Educational Meetings
    - i. November 10, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Educational meeting—Christmas Decorating, presented by Salmon Garden Center, Cedar Grove
    - ii. January 13, 2026, Education meeting—Stars & Stripes Honor Flights presented by Owen Veldboom.
  - h. District Responsibilities for 2026:
    - i. Member to Member—Franklin
    - ii. Rally/Recognition Day—Lakeview
    - iii. Fair Booth—Pretty Good Eggs
  - i. 2026 WAHCE State Conference—NW District hosting, Lismore Hotel, Eau Claire, "HCE: Party on Gibson Street" September 20-23, 2026
9. Other Business
10. Moment of silence to honor deceased members
11. Association Prayer—Joan Walvoord

**Member to Member & Annual Meeting  
Monday, October 13, 2025 - 6:00 PM**

Club/Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

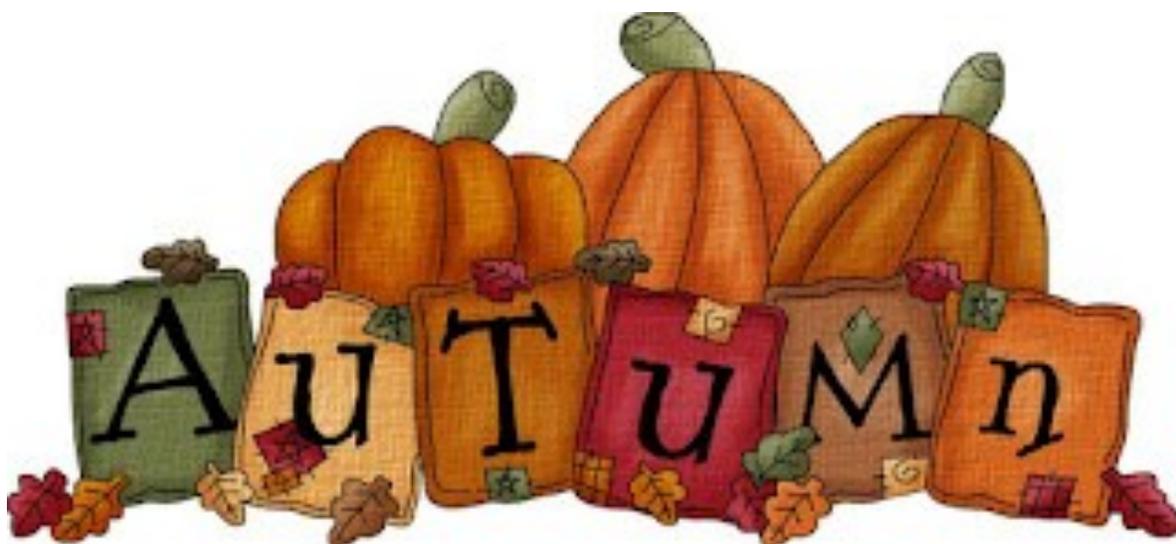
Names of Members Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Prospective/Family Members Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of packets required \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** UW-Extension Sheboygan County, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

**Email Or Call:** *tammy.zorn@wisc.edu* or 920-459-5904      **Deadline:** October 6, 2025



**Deck the Halls  
Monday, November 10, 2025 - 6:00 PM**

Club/Individual Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Members Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Prospective/Family Members Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of packets required \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to:** UW-Extension Sheboygan County, 5 University Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

**Email Or Call:** *tammy.zorn@wisc.edu* or 920-459-5904      **Deadline:** November 3, 2025

## September 8, 2025 Sheboygan Co. HCE Board mtg.

**DRAFT**

Meeting was called to order by President Joyce Smies.

Association Creed was led by Marilyn Voskuil.

Roll call was taken; all board members were in attendance.

Minutes were accepted with corrections. 1) Consider donating to scholarship fund. Buy UPDATE at \$8.00 for 1 year and \$15.00 for 2 years. May increase next year. 2) Kathi Bonde name misspelled.

Treasurers' report read and filed.

We received a \$200 donation from Kathi Bonde in memory of her late husband. Thank you Kathi.

Cultural Arts: Pam Fiedler has received items for the state conference except for 1. She will contact you so you can pick them up after, or from her after the conference Wednesday.

Stitches of Love: Ann Meyer received 7 bucket hats for a total of 296 this year.

Family and Community Life: Julie Boedecker reported Pay it Forward is ending. They can't find a home. The last meal they are serving will be Sunday September 14<sup>th</sup>. We have \$39 left in the fund, so from now on we will be labeling the donation jar County Project.

Bookworms: Books are here, readers and teachers have been contacted. I just have to find out about book bags. Headstart pays for books.

International: Alice Walter reported water filters are being purchased for Nicaragua, they cost \$60 each. Alice will also be retiring from this position in October. Thank you for all your service. Don't forget to bring your silent auction items for state conference. Also donate empty ink cartridges to Diane Koch at State Conference.

Book Club: Next meeting will be Nov 6<sup>th</sup> at Pizza Ranch at 11:30 am. We will discuss "Escape from Assisted Living" by Joyce B Hicks.

VP Programming: Marie Kalies noted a change in November's 2025 education meeting. It's at 6:00 pm, not 10:00 a.m. as listed in our program books. Upcoming schedule 2026: Jan. Stars & Stripes, Feb. Tech questions with Truong, March Healthy Cooking, April TBD after state, May Rally days, June Tour, Sept. Craft with Amanda Smith, Nov. End of Life care.

Membership & Marketing: Kathi Bonde has business cards she will pass out after she adds her contact info.

Fair Booth: Lakeview set up & took down the booth. QR codes went over well. We passed out 105 printed recipe books out of 125. This saves printing costs of 25 cents per copy. One new member, 3 other possible.

Talking points with UW document reviewed and signed on 8-12-25 by Jayna, Truong & Joyce. We will be assessed \$.25 for copies made at UW-Extension office. Fees for large projects will depend on time & resources.

Member to Member: Salad theme on Oct 13<sup>th</sup>. Please get your recipes to Tammy by Oct 1<sup>st</sup>. Each member should submit a recipe.

HCE State Conference: Tundra Lodge Green Bay Sept. 15-17, theme is *Going Wild*. Monday night wear "wild" clothes. Bring your tax exempt number with you, the hotel will require it.

HCE Annual Meeting: Elections will be held for President elect, International Chair. Alice's resignation letter was read.

Dues: \$20 annual dues should be paid to your club treasurer. If you are an individual member, pay Nancy Wagner.

Fall S.E. District Meeting: Will be held at Lakeside Park Pavilion Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. It will be attended by Carolyn Dreier, Joyce Smies, Julie Boedecker, Kathi Bonde & Marie Kalies. The cost is \$20. Nancy Wagner will send in the check.

HCE Christmas tree at the Sheboygan County Historical Museum contact JoAnn Gadicke if interested in helping decorate. The tree will feature crafts from Althea Smith.

Submit Goldnotes articles by Set. 11<sup>th</sup> to be proofread on Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>.

Executive Board Christmas party will be held at Generations on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. Menu TBD. Instead of gifts, please bring a food pantry donation.

Association Prayer led by Joan Walvoord

Adjourned by Joyce Smies

