Autumn Greetings!

It is with a heavy heart that I relay the passing of our President Mary Witt. Mary has been a very devoted member of KCAHCE for 35 years — just receiving her certificate at the Fall Focus Dinner. She has been President several times over the years and has served on all of the committees and held all of the offices in her club and the board. Our condolences go out to her husband and family.

I’ll take this opportunity to extend a personal Thank You to you as KCAHCE Members for all the great work you do for our community!

Over the last year as an organization you have:

- Held 5 educational programs for HCE members and the public
- Sponsored two Clothing Exchange events
- Held a Blood Drive – collecting 20 units of blood
- Made cards for veterans in with the 4-H Scrapbooking Project in honor of Veteran’s Day
- Held the Style Show at Parkway Chateau – including many guests
- Hosted the Southeast District Meeting – a big feat to expose 8 counties to Kenosha County HCE
- Enjoyed a Fiesta Italiano themed Fall Focus dinner with an exciting live auction benefitting our scholarship fund
- Hosted a fundraising night at Culver’s for Wisconsin Bookworms™
- Raised $7,791.95 for Wisconsin Bookworms™ program — a tremendous accomplishment!

Give yourselves a well-deserved “collective pat on the back!” You have brought positive attention to HCE and gained quite a bit of “ink” in various publications. If you didn’t see it, check out the April/May issue of She Magazine — our very own Karen Dietz dazzled the cover!! It was a fabulous article about HCE and Bookworms!

We need you to continue the positive work by signing up for a committee and sharing your time and talents. Continue to stay active and involved — your contributions make Kenosha County HCE THE BEST!

Tedi Winnett, UW-Extension Liaison

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**Calendar of Events:**

**December:**

4th Cookie Gathering 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Club meetings on your own - party time!

**January:**

10th Extension Line Articles due
22nd Association meeting, KCC, 6 PM
5:30 Brown Bag/Pizza Supper

**February**

3rd Educational Program: Simple Items/Several Uses – 1 pm, KCC
16th Executive Board Meeting, KCC, Noon

**March**

1st Dues due to Association Treasurer
3rd Educational Program: Very Veggie, KCC, 1 pm

**April**

10th Extension Line Articles Due
20th Executive Board Meeting, 12 Noon
30th International Dinner

**May**

5th Educational Program: Oh My Achin’ Bones, 7 pm, KCC
10th Extension Line articles due for May issue

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**Treasurer’s Reminders**

- Expenses for 2014 due by December 15th.
- Dues for 2015 are due by March 1st, 2015.
- International Monies are due by May 1st, 2015.

If there are any questions please call Jeanette Besharat at 857-9664.

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**In case of bad weather, cancellations are announced on WLIP Radio and WTMJ4 TV**
Association Meeting

The meeting will be at the County Center on Thursday, January 22\textsuperscript{nd} and, as in the past, will be either a brown bag lunch or pizza at 5:30 pm. If you want pizza, the cost will be $5.00 or less, depending on the cost that night. Please let Donna know by Tuesday, January 21\textsuperscript{st}, if you want pizza. We will meet at 5:30 PM to eat and the meeting will begin at 6:00.

Community Service Project

For the Wisconsin-Nicaragua Partners we will be collecting sewing and baking items. There are approximately 70 centers in Nicaragua which teach women skills to support themselves and their families. We sent cake decorating and sewing supplies to Stevens Point when Donna & Heidi attended the WAHCE State Board meeting on November 3\textsuperscript{rd}. For those who went to State conference, we saw the beautiful work they do on lovely doll dresses. If you have anything to donate, please contact me or Donna Zarovy.

Thank you so very much for your support of the projects!
Heidi Nevoso-Community Service

Bristol Club

Community Service

The Bristol HCE Club has been doing some community service. We read in the Kenosha News about the little girl that was collecting fun band aids for children patients. She is a patient herself at Children’s in Milwaukee and has had many blood tests, etc. She thought they would hurt less if each time they were finished with the application they had a fun band aid.

Our club purchased 400 fun bandages! We chose Looney Tunes, Angry Birds, Neon Sparkles and Crayons to add to her collection to be taken to the doctors and nurses. They were delivered to her grandmother with lots of good wishes for her upcoming visit to Children’s.

The Bristol Club is happy to contribute to local causes and will also donate to the Goodfellows at Christmas time.
Sally Standiford, Bristol Club

Fall Focus Dinner

We held the Fall Focus Dinner at the Bristol Village Hall on September 25\textsuperscript{th}. It was a very fun evening with 85 in attendance which included many guests. The theme was ITALIANO FEST with a catered dinner by Luisa’s and delicious pizelles made by Loretta G. We were entertained by Leslie’s “GRANDPA” who provided fantastic accordion music.

The Scholarship committee raised money by holding an auction with the renowned auctioneers of Raina and Melanie. It certainly made for many laughs while earning funds for the scholarship.

Thank you to the JJ’s and Crosstown Neighbors in planning such an enjoyable event!

A short association meeting was held. The issue of no cookie sale for 2014 was discussed. A motion was brought forth by the Cookie Committee to not have a sale in 2014 and raise money for the scholarship fund through donations only. Motion passed. (See more info on page 6 of this Extension Line.)

New officers for 2015 were elected. They will be installed at the Association Meeting. See page 5 of this newsletter for names.

Membership Awards were given to:

5 Years – Gloria Barros, Rose Deardorf, Cindy Norwich and April Webb
10 Years – Benita Hynes
15 Years – Ruth Larson and Chris Werner
20 Years – Amalie Michajlak
35 Years – Mary Witt

Congratulations Ladies!

Heidi Nevoso & Donna Zarovy
Fall Focus Committee

Happy Holidays from the KCAHCE Executive Board

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Southeast District Meeting

The SE District meeting was held at the Kenosha County Center on October 16th. We started with Tea Time in recognition of ACWW and the project of supporting rural women from around the world. It helped bring awareness to the cause and raised funds to assist with their education.

The SE Dist. Meeting was then held and officers were elected. Chris Werner will serve as District Director Elect in 2015 and Melanie Einhorn and Pat Perks will serve as Co-Chairs of Marketing. Thank you ladies for representing Kenosha County! The minutes of the meeting will soon be available.

Lunch was provided by Luisa’s as we continued the Italiano Fest theme with a lasagna luncheon. The wonderful sounds of GRANDPA and his accordion filled the room as we shared lunch with the ladies of the eight other counties of the SE District. The attendance was about 45.

After lunch we held two fabulous education programs. The first was presented by Quinn Pignott, Aquaterra Farms in Bristol. She told of the farm’s development and the process of raising Arctic Char. It was fascinating to learn how the fish are raised in an environmental friendly system. The second program was presented by our very own Raina and Leslie. They gave very useful tips and signs to help us recognize aging, but also ways to prevent it! We can all stay a bit sharper if we used the information they provided us with that day. Thank you very much for sharing with us your expertise and excitement for what you do.

A day wouldn’t be complete without some hands-on education. We offered two choices for the ladies to try and develop a new skill: Pumpkin Etching with Donna and Bracelet Making with Sherri. Those who participated had a great time and got to take home their creations. Thank you Donna and Sherri for the preparation and teaching of your classes.

Thank you so very much for all of you who brought in “breakfast” goodies to share at the morning Tea Time. The JJ’s and Crosstown Neighbors did a wonderful job being the hosting committee for the SE Dist. THANK YOU LADIES!

The next Southeast District meeting will be held in Ozaukee County in April, 2015. If you have never been to a district meeting, I encourage you to attend. It gives you a greater insight to the WAHCE organization and allows you to meet women from around the state.

Heidi Nevoso-Southeast District Director

Jeanette Besharat’s Trip to Cable, Wisconsin, the “North Woods”!

My first attendance at a WAHCE Conference and it couldn’t have been to a nicer place. I had never been to the northern part of Wisconsin during the summer, only years ago when I was “young” and still able to ski! But you know how it goes, the hips, the knees, etc., all downhill!

Anyway, it was a great experience meeting so many members from all over the state, sharing stories and seeing what other clubs are doing. The display of the arts and crafts was absolutely amazing – had to make the trip several times before I could decide to judge on just one item – I wanted to vote for all of them! It was sad to see nothing from us – we need to change that and get people to do things, myself included.

I attended the business meeting, the meeting for Treasurer’s – all very informative and all business; also a workshop called “Birds, Buds, Blooms and More”. The outing that I had signed up for was the Quilt Tour, absolutely wonderful, also a beginner’s quilt demonstration back at our hotel. Since quilting is what I intend to do, it was very helpful.

The location for this meeting was great, of course and I’m not sure that they have ever had such a large crowd; the food was good and the company and entertainment even better. A big Thank You to all those that were involved in setting this up – I know what it takes to get an event like this together, since I had done events in my life “before retirement”. It was great and I look forward to going again next year!

WAHCE Facebook Page

WAHCE now as a Facebook page. Go to Facebook and search for Wisconsin Association for Home and Community Education. The site is very “locked down” so feel free to post.
Wisconsin Bookworms™
2014–15 School Year

We are eager to start another school year sponsoring the Wisconsin Bookworms™ Program in Kenosha County. Fundraising efforts never end for the Wisconsin Bookworms™ Program.

We greatly appreciate the grants and donations received from the following organizations:

- KCAHCE Members
- Kenosha Community Foundation - Women’s Fund
- Kenosha Lions Foundation
- Kenosha Rotary Foundation
- Molly D. Burns Foundation for Children
- Rust-Oleum Corporation
- Target Corporation

We are pleased to report that the money supplied through these grants and the generous donations of KCAHCE members provided enough funding to buy seven books for each child in the 2014 – 2015 school year.

Once again, we look forward to sharing the gift of reading with 233 children enrolled in Head Start in this upcoming school year. We will be reading to children at the Westosha Head Start location in Wilmot and The Chavez Learning Station in Kenosha.

We have a wonderful group of readers this year and I even have a few extra readers, but we are always looking for more volunteers. The books are fun and easy to read.

We are scheduled to read during the months of October, November, January, February, March, April, and May. Please contact Melanie Einhorn at 857-2976 if you or someone you know would like to find out more about this fun opportunity. Readers do not have to be HCE members.

We would also like to say thank you to Karen Dietz, our retiring co-chair, for all of her years of volunteer work and having us reach the level that we are at today with our program. You will be missed.

Thank you Melanie Einhorn & Chris Werner

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Membership

Congratulations Kenosha County HCE – At the Wisconsin Association for Home & Community Education Conference in September, Kenosha County HCE received an EXCELLENCE AWARD for enrolling the most new members in 2014. We enrolled 12 new members. Other counties enrolled six or less.

Kenosha County did a great job! Keep up the good work of introducing others to our organization. We can see in our county what SPARK new members can add to our KCAHCE. New members come with new ideas and add to our enthusiasm!

Julie Pringle, Membership Committee

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Executive Board Highlights:

The Executive Board met in November. The October meeting was cancelled. Some highlights from that meeting include:

- Kenosha HCE contributed a basket for the WAHCE State Conference silent auction. Funds will be used for the WAHCE water project.
- There will be no cookie sale in 2014. Members are asked to each donate $25. Information was in the club folders in November.
- Plans are underway for another blood drive. It will be held either December 22nd or 23rd at the Kenosha County Center. Please contact Heidi Nevoso for questions.
- Committees are almost filled. As of now, no one is signed up for the Style Show. Please contact the President-Elect Chris Werner or the UW-Extension office if you would like to volunteer. Ideas for the 2016 show will be discussed at the Winter Association Meeting.
- Amazon Smile – see article on the next page!

Donna Zarovy, Board Secretary
AMAZON SMILES and Kenosha County HCE

We are now registered! Here’s the direct link to shop: (all profits are directly deposited into HCE bank account!)
http://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-6062657

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. Support your charitable organization by starting your shopping at smile.amazon.com. You will use your same Amazon.com login and password information.

When adding a charity to your account profile, do a search under “HCE” and you will see “Kenosha County Hce” listed for BRISTOL, WI, that is the organization you want to select.

Once the Charity is entered on your account profile, when you sign into http://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-6062657, you will see your charity listed at the top of the screen, it will say “Supporting: Kenosha County Hce”.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. KCAHCE Executive Board voted to split the proceeds from Amazon Smile – 50% to Scholarship Fund and 50% to the operating budget.

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Driver List:

At the Fall Focus Dinner we asked for members who would be willing to be drivers or those who need rides to step forward. The following have said they would be drivers. No one requested to be on the “rider” list. If you need a ride to an HCE event, please contact one of these members.

If you would be willing to be a driver, please call the UW-Extension Office to be added to this list.
Karen Dietz ..........262-857-6557 or 847-975-9955
Margaret McCabe .......................262-857-9115
Charlotte Schroeder ....262-857-9877 or 945-1830
Rosella Wilson .......................262-537-4559
Celia Walther.......................262-694-7488
HCE Holiday Gathering
Hosted by Good Neighbors HCE Club

When: Thursday December 4th, 2014 from 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Where: At the Kenosha County Center, Bristol Hearing Room

Please join us for an evening of socializing, holiday festivities, games, music, tea and treats.

There will be a White Elephant Gift Exchange:
An optional activity during the evening will be a white elephant gift exchange. If you wish to participate, please bring a new or gently used item from your home that you no longer want but think someone else might enjoy. Please gift wrap the item before you arrive and….don’t tell anyone else what you are bringing. During the evening there will be an activity that involves the random exchange of the white elephant gifts among those who bring an item and you will also take a white elephant item home.

There will be a Cookie Exchange
A table will be set up to accommodate a very simple (self-serve) cookie exchange [i.e. bring a dozen, go home with a dozen], which is totally optional to participate in.

There will be various games throughout the evening to join in on.

There are no reservations necessary, just come prepared to kick off the Holiday season with some great holiday fun, socializing, and music.

Should there be any questions regarding this event or the collection of Scholarship funds, please feel free to contact Good Neighbors Club member Margaret McCabe at 262 857-9115.

Reminder: Funds to be collected for our Scholarship Fund (in lieu of the club members making cookies for the annual cookie sale) will be due by this date (12/04/14) as discussed at the Fall Focus Meeting. Checks payable to KCAHCE may be mailed to Jeanette Besharat (County Treasurer) in advance of this date or may be given to Jeanette the evening of this event. The suggested donation per member is $25.

Jeanette’s Mailing address is: 19830 107th Street, Bristol WI 53104

Scholarship Thank You!
I would like to send my deepest gratitude for receiving the scholarship to further my education. I am attending North Park University in Chicago, where I am studying Pre-med and Spanish.

In addition to my studies I have just completed my first season of collegiate volleyball. As an athlete I was appointed onto the Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SACC) where I am the secretary. I have continued my volunteering in various capacities, as the university offers many different opportunities to serve.

Once again I cannot thank you all enough for supporting me and my future endeavors.

Sincerely, Angela Nevoso

2015 International Dinner
“A Taste of Italy”
Thursday, April 30, 2015, 5-8 pm
Filomena Restaurant Lakeshore, 1300 Sheridan Road, Kenosha
Menu Choices: Lasagna, Italian baked chicken or Rigatone with broccoli, olive oil and garlic.
Cost: $17.00
A flyer will be in the Association folders. For reservations, contact Cindy Norwich by April 10, 2015. 262-287-8143

Submit articles for the 2015 Extension to new editor, Sherri Arnold by January 10, 2015.
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