



The Acorn

Announcements

Adams County HCE Newsletter

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ACHCE 100th Birthday

Adams County HCE will celebrate their 100th year Anniversary in 2018. A Celebration theme will be used at our annual meeting in April and an Anniversary celebration is planned for HCE month next October. Beginning in the January Acorn each unit is being asked to submit a brief history of their unit. A recent photo of the unit members should be added, along with any old photos that may be available. If you need suggestions for your history, focus on where the unit originally meet, how did they first organize, any activities that they are recognized for, who has been a member the longest, who are the current officers. Add any fun facts you find about your unit.



Please submit your histories along with any photos to Linda Chezem by the 15th of the month prior to your established date of publication. The Camp Point Unit, as the oldest, has been assigned January. Beverly – Liberty Unit will be featured in February issue.

KIDDIE BAZAAR

To all our Adams County Home & Community Education members---we need your help at *KIDDIE BAZAAR*.

KIDDIE BAZAAR is scheduled to be held on:

DATE: December 2, 2017 **DAY:** Saturday
TIME: 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.---ALL Locations

LOCATIONS:

United Methodist Church, Hwy 24, Camp Point, IL
Payson Grade School, 404 W. State, Payson, IL
Salem Church Hall, 435 South 9th St., Quincy, IL



KIDDIE BAZAAR has been in existence since 1988, and continues through the efforts of our membership. Any help our members give to the *KIDDIE BAZAAR*--talent (making items for the bazaar) or time (working at the bazaar) ---is appreciated. Contact any of the location chairs or your county board chairs, if you have any questions. As always, the bazaar needs gifts for boys and men.

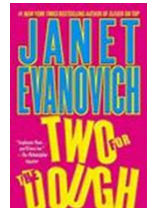
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The Oak Leaf

The purpose of this column is to recognize and highlight the many contributions of Adams County HCE members in our communities, along with the fun and unique activities or events by the units.

- All the units have been busy preparing for the 2017 Kiddie Bazaar. Did you see Mary Voorhis and Leslie Geschwander on KHQA or hear Mary V. and Mary Ann Peter on the radio with Mary Griffith?
- The Beverly-Liberty Unit donated to the “Kids” Weekend BackPack” program at the Liberty School District.
- The Unity Nite Unit thanked first responders with area volunteer fire departments in November with cookies and Thank You notes.
- The Chatton Unit at their November meeting worked on items for the Kiddie Bazaar, while Barb Higley cooked lunch for the group.
- The Tumbleweeds hosted a Game Night with the Quinsippi Unit 4-H in November. Members played various board games and added a Coloring Corner furnished with adult coloring supplies. Everyone enjoyed fingerfoods.
- Tumbleweed members met at Juanita Moss’s home to assemble their popular snack food baskets for the Kiddie Bazaar.
- The HCE Book Club meet on Wednesday, Nov 15, at Daylight Donut to discuss the book, “*Two For The Dough*,” by Janet Evanovich. The members present were ... Sharon Beedle, Lucille Churchwell, Debbie Cramsey, Diana Dabney, Florence Dietrich, Judith Fisher, Leslie Geschwandner, Camie Hempelman, Charlotte Huner, Annie Jones, Ginny Miller, Juanita Moss, Eunice Robinette, Lois Schneider, and Donna Wilson.



Enjoy your unit's holiday celebrations.

HCE Scholarship Applications

Children and Grandchildren of HCE members (a member for a minimum of 2 years) are eligible to apply for a scholarship to be awarded at the annual meeting in April, 2018. High school seniors and students currently enrolled in college may apply. An application is available from your unit President, any county board member or from Darlene at the Extension office. Completed applications are due by **March 1, 2018**.



To complete the application the student needs to ask two people for a written reference. Teachers, college professors or advisors and employers that can speak to the student’s extracurricular activities, leadership skills and responsibility are excellent sources. They will also need to write a biographical essay, describing their future plans and intended course of study and their accomplishments. Remind the applicant to include any honors, such as National Honor Society membership. A current academic transcript and a wallet size photo will also be required.

Funds from the Applebee’s Pancake Day on **Saturday, February 24, 2018, 8 AM to 10 AM** will help fund our 2018 scholarships. Your help promoting and serving to family and friends continues to make this a successful annual event and helps determine how many scholarships can be awarded. Tickets will be available in December for the next Applebee fundraiser.

Volunteer Hours

Reminder, all member volunteer hours for January – December 2017 are due to Pat Lawber **by January 15, 2017**. Each member should submit their information to their unit’s designated recorder. Volunteer hours should be broken down into HCE hours and other community hours. You still have some opportunities to volunteer before the end of the year. Remember as you participate in planning, shopping, crafting, assembling, etc for the December Kiddie Bazaar, Dec 3rd, count those as HCE hours.

Pat’s e-mail address is plawber @comcast.net if the you have any questions.

Things to Do..... Places to Go!

HCE Book Club

"The HCE Book Club is having a Christmas party and book discussion on December 20, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Tony's Too in the Holiday Inn (48th & Oak). The book discussion will be "The Blight Way" by Patrick F. McManus. Mary Voorhis will be the discussion leader.



Description: Bo Tully, sheriff of Blight county, Idaho---and a fellow who dropped 20 pounds on the Atkins diet---had been daydreaming about asking out Jan Whittle, his grade-school sweetheart. His dad, Eldon "Pap" Tully is getting ready to celebrate his seventy-fifth birthday. Bo has promised to help "Pap" celebrate it. When a dead body turns up on Batim Scragg's ranch, the "thwarted romance" is on the back burner, but the birthday is on! What better way for "Pap," the former sheriff of Blight County, to celebrate his birthday than to go hunting for killers! Bo is faced with numerous suspects! His investigative methods may not be legal, but with "Pap" along to help investigate--for better or worse---it's *THE BLIGHT WAY!*

Anyone interested in the HCE Book Club, may contact Mary Voorhis (217-224-0084). Books are recommended by the library or club members and members always have

Lesson for Living

The December Lesson for Living packet will be ready for pick-up at the University of Illinois Extension office on Dec. 1. This lesson, **Five Ingredient Fix**, is to be presented at the unit's January meeting.

HCE Card & Game Club

The next HCE Card & Game Club meeting is **January 24, 2018** at 11:00 a.m. in the Farm Bureau Basement. The HCE Card Club does not meet in November and December due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.



Do you have clothing that you would like to donate? Did you know that the Illinois Veterans Home (IVH) accepts all kinds of clean clothing that are not dry-clean, especially large-sizes? Yes, the IVH does take clothing donations. You can take you donations to the Welcome Center (basement of Lippincott Hall, 217-222-8641, ext 274; open Tue – Fri from 1-3 p.m.). Volunteers are available during those times to help unload items.

Donations may be delivered anytime, just that when the Welcome Center is not open you will have to unload items on your own. There is a cart at the basement door which can be used to unload your items. The basement is open every afternoon in which the craft guys are down there.

Dates to Remember

December

1	Lesson for Living packet ready for pickup		U of I Extension Office
2	Annual Kiddie Bazaar	8:30-11:30 AM	3 locations
12	ACHCE Board of Directors Christmas Party	11:30 AM	Tony's Too
13	Quilt Club	9:00 AM	Farm Bureau Basement
20	HCE Book Club and Christmas party	11:00 AM	Tony's Too

January

9	ACHCE Board of Directors Mtg.	9:30 AM	Farm Bureau Basement
10	Quilt Club	9:00 AM	Farm Bureau Basement
16	Lesson for Living: Forensic Science	10:00 AM	Farm Bureau Basement
17	HCE Book Club	11:00 AM	Daylight Donuts 48th & Broadway
24	Card Club	11:00 AM	Farm Bureau Basement

How to Submit Articles to the Acorn or Announcements:

Submit articles, information and photos to Linda Chezem, Editor by email at lsc5776@gmail.com or leave at the University of Illinois Extension office. The deadline for submission is the 15th of the month for the next month's issue.