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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 ASSEMBLY

Dispatch assembly for the April 2014 issue will be the Hilltoppers. Contact the UW-Extension Office at 715-395-1363 before March 20th to arrange the date and time for assembly.

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DISPATCH ARTICLES DUE DATE

Dispatch articles are **due the 15th** of the month. When emailing your articles, please send them as an attachment.

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Memo from the Board March 2014

Cold, icy, frigid, endless days! We've been wondering when will it end. Writing this article for the March Dispatch, means spring isn't too far off.

March 2nd through May 24th, 2014 is 'On the Move and In the Groove' walking and exercise activity. Any activity you do between March 2nd and May 24th can be counted. This includes walking, biking, gardening, cleaning, painting, swimming, hiking, etc. Each 20 minutes equals 1 point.

Record your points on the enclosed form. Points must be sent to me by June 1st.

A prize will be given to the Douglas County HCE member with the most points.

State-wide in 2013, there were 32 counties with about 200 participants in the program. Points when measured in miles we 'Moved and Grooved' for 57,550 miles!

Linda Williams,
VP Program and Community Outreach

We're on the web!
Be sure to visit the Douglas County Family Living website at: <http://douglas.uwex.edu/flp/> and click on Douglas County Home and Community Education (HCE), then click on the Dispatch Newsletter link.

HCE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES**Feb. 6, 2014, Superior Public Library**

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

The meeting was opened at 1:40 p.m. by President Cheryl McCuskey with the Creed.

Secretary's Report: Jo Mersnick - The report was approved as corrected and placed on file.

Correspondence: none

Treasurer's Report: Sue Hendrickson -

The treasurer's report was approved and placed on file for review.

Sue passed out the final 2013 report.

Sue will purchase a USB Drive to back up all the Treasurer's reports.

A purchase was made on the Walmart card. There is money still remaining. Call Sue for information

Sunshine: No report

Dispatch: Due Feb. 15, 2014

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

VP Programming & Community Outreach: Linda Williams will be managing the "On the Move and in the Groove" program.

Sue Hendrickson moved and Mary Ann Gronquist seconded a motion to purchase lotion and a pair of socks as a prize for the winner of "On the Move and in the Groove".

International: Marian Simon and Marian Maki are working on the Finnish program.

Cultural and Textile Arts: Mary Ann Gronquist reported that there will be an article in the Dispatch with information.

Wisconsin Bookworm™: Sue Hendrickson Sue informed us that the United Way is now supporting the Bookworm program. The silent auction at the Craft Day will donate the proceeds to the Bookworm program.

Scholarship: Pat Bergman passed out revised guidelines for the Melinda Boswell Scholarship. These guidelines were reviewed and discussed. All scholarship correspondence needs to go to the Scholarship Chair.

Membership and Marketing: Sue Hendrickson There was a discussion of a letter from the State Membership Chair encouraging clubs to promote membership events. There were several suggestions and this discussion will be continued. An opening statement at our events is being developed to let the public know what HCE is all about and who we are plus many other ideas to consider.

Advertising for our events and the difficulties involved were discussed at length.

Family Living Educator: Linda Bruce Linda was busy with Orientation for Superior Days.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Guidelines and By-Laws: Linda passed out the revised Guidelines and By-Laws.

Quiltathon: Hilltoppers will be matching tops and bottoms of fabric for the quilts. The risers will be needed for cutting batting.

Posters will be in the Dispatch.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sue reported on a program "Women Walk the World." The information will be in the Dispatch.

Meeting closed with the HCE prayer at
3:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted for approval by
Jo Mersnick

Thank you for your input. Please bring or send them to the April meeting or contact me with your suggestions. Thank you.

Linda Williams
VP Program and Community Outreach

FROM THE DESK OF THE TREASURER—Sue Hendrickson**Just a couple notes this month:**

There are more raffle tickets available for the beautiful queen-sized quilt to be given away at Craft Day 2014; call 715-398-7213 for more tickets. Thanks to all who have turned in their money already! We WILL have materials for Quiltathon 2014 this month!

Please remember to contact the treasurer before you purchase anything and get the tax exempt number. Club members should **not** have to pay sales tax!

Wondering what to do with old club records? According to State HCE Treasurer Judy Bender:

"Financial records are to be kept for 7 years. I have recommended that club and county records be culled through and the remainder stored "in a nice way" in folders, etc. and offered to the local historical society. They are hard working volunteers like us and any help we can give them in the way of display-ready materials would be appreciated.- Hope this helps...Judy"

Many thanks to Cathy Hecht for the great travel safely program. She met us at the door as a TSA, had travel totes and brochures of exotic places, and treats like on a flight—the seats were even set out like on a plane. There were over a dozen avid listeners for her informative and entertaining presentation—what a gal!

Elsewhere in this Dispatch you will find a poster with information on the Quiltathon. Please post it in a place with good foot traffic. We are going to need lots of hands as usual for this our premier community support event. Tops and bottoms have been matched by the Hilltoppers, but we will need folks to square up the quilts, cut batting, stitch together the three parts, turn the quilts, stitch them closed then tie. Plan to spend a few hours at the mall on March 20 between 10am and 3pm...and bring a friend!

Have you heard? The Armstrong Carnival has been booked for August 19 - 24 for the 2014 Head of the Lakes Fair. Put it on your calendar for summer!

Correction to Calendar 2014:

Joyce Cook's name was left off the Board Member list in the calendar! She is the HCE Sunshine Chair and we appreciate her thoughtful sending of cards, etc. for events in HCE members' lives!

PROGRAM PLANNING MEETING

On April 3rd at 12:30 p.m. we will meet to brainstorm ideas for our 2015 Program Calendar. Clubs and independent members, we need ideas to be included in the 2015 Calendar of events for HCE. Areas of interest are educational, tours, crafts, foods, etc. We also need suggestions for a country of study for the International focus 2015-16

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MARCH**March 1-May 24****On the Move and in the Groove: fitness challenge
Sue****March 6 12:30pm****Craft Sale Committee****Library****1:30pm****Hilltoppers****Library****Board Meeting****March 20 10am-3pm****Quiltathon****Mariner Mall****Hilltoppers**

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