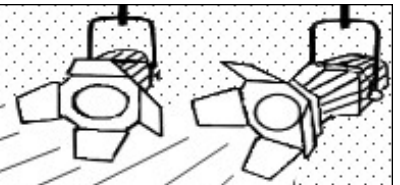


**Macon County**  
**September-October 2023**

**HCE**  
**HIGHLIGHTS**



“Enhancing the lives of individuals and families through quality educational programs and experiences, encouraging responsible leadership and service to the community.”

## **MACON COUNTY ASSOCIATION FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION** **PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE**

TO BE VOTED ON AT THE FALL MEETING, OCTOBER 11, 2023

The MCHCE would like to honor members of the association who have 50 or more years of service by amending the Constitution to say that such members will no longer have to pay yearly dues. The MCHCE treasurer will pay the state dues for their membership.

### **CURRENT BYLAW:**

#### ARTICLE V-MEMBERSHIP

##### Section 2. Dues

Dues shall be determined by the Board based on the proposed yearly budget. The budget shall be approved by the membership at the annual and/or special meetings. Dues shall be payable before December. The MCHCE YEAR is from January 1 through December 31.

### **PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE** (*addition is in bold print*)

#### ARTICLE V-MEMBERSHIP

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## **SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Congratulations to Caleb White and Anna Lovekamp who received our scholarships for this year. Anna is the granddaughter of Patty Lovecamp and is majoring in interior design. Caleb is the grandson of Linda Austin and is majoring in biology/fisheries and wildlife.

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### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR - HIGH TEA PARTY**

We are having our Fall Meeting (High Tea Party) at Richland Community College. The room was rented for October 25, so we had to change to **October 11**. Reservations of \$20.00 made out to MCHCE should be mailed to Sally Dennis by October 4. Her address is 7562 Bonnie Road, Dalton City, Illinois 61925. Remember to wear dresses, gloves, hats and pearls. Hope to see you all there!

## Upcoming Events

**Monday, September 4**  
Extension Office Closed  
Labor Day

**Monday, September 11**  
HCE Board Meeting  
10:00 am  
Mt. Zion Presbyterian  
Church Annex

**Tuesday, September 12**  
Reservations due for  
International Day

**Tuesday, September 19**  
Set up for International  
Day  
1:00 pm  
Macon County Extension  
Office-Illini Room

**Wednesday, September 20**  
International Day  
9:30 am - 2:00 pm  
Macon County Extension  
Office-Illini Room

**Monday, September 25**  
Pillowcase Sewing Day  
9:30 am—3:30 pm  
Macon County Extension  
Office-Clover Room

**Monday, October 2**  
RSVP for all Lessons

**Monday, October 2**  
Tri-County Meeting  
9:30 am—1:00 pm  
DeWitt County Extension  
Office

**Monday, October 9**  
HCE Board Meeting  
10:00 am  
Macon County Extension  
Office-Clover Room  
**Newsletter items due to  
Linda Austin @  
lindaustin48@gmail.com**

**HCE Week, October 9-13**  
Monday, October 9  
Christmas Ideas  
1:00 pm  
Macon County Extension  
Office-Clover Room  
Thursday, October 12  
Fire Training Tours  
9-11 am / 1-3 pm  
Macon County Fire



# Laughter is Good for the Soul

Once again, thank you to Lyn Stevens for these great jokes!

Did you hear about the fire at the circus?

It was in tents!

Why do ducks have feathers?

To cover their butt quacks!

What's the difference between a hippo and a zippo?

One is really heavy and the other's a little lighter!

What does a nosey pepper do?

It gets jalapeño business!

Why should you never trust stairs?

They are always up to something? sometimes!

## INTERNATIONAL DAY MENU

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

HEARTY LENTIL SOUP   PITA CHIPS AND HUMMUS DIP   TABBOULEH SALAD  
HAWAWSHI SERVED ON PITA BREAD  
BASBOOS SERVED WITH A DIP OF ICE CREAM

## CLEOPATRA AND EGYPT

When Caesar was assassinated in 44BC, Cleopatra sided with Mark Anthony, a Roman politician. She had three children with him. She was known for her beauty. It is said that she took baths in donkey milk to preserve her beauty. One theory about her death is that she committed suicide because Marc Antony killed himself in the Battle of Actium.

### ***Egyptian Economy Today***

The Egyptian economy relies heavily on tourism. Various circumstances, such as terrorist attacks and Covid 19 dealt this country a tough financial blow.

Russia's war on Ukraine also threatens them financially, as the many families who came to vacation at Egypt's beaches have not been able to do that. The Egyptian bank devalued the currency in 2022. This was good news for tourists but not for the local businesses. Recently, the Grand Egyptian Museum has been opened; connection of a rail line connecting the Red Sea to the Mediterranean Sea and many more activities to help spur tourism.

# Macon County Home & Community Education Board Meeting

Elaine Hamm

June 12, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** Bonnie Lanham

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Linda Hooge

**HOMEMAKERS' AIM:** Linda Hooge

**ROLL CALL:** Elaine Hamm

Units represented: Hickory Point; Maple Grove; Patchwork; Oakley-Pleasant Grove; Mt. Zion; Rock Springs

Total in attendance: 13 (Tammy Buse, Karen Cahill, Sally Dennis, Karen Halicki, Elaine Hamm, Linda Hooge, Marge Kauffman, Bonnie Lanham, Carol Ropp, Cheryl Sample, Sandy Severe, Lyn Stevens, Vicky Wooten)

Bonnie introduced Tammy Buse, Nutrition and Wellness Program Coordinator for DeWitt, Macon and Piatt Counties. Elaine welcomed Marge Kauffman from the Hickory Point Unit.

**SECRETARY:** Minutes of the May 8, 2023 Board meeting were reviewed by all present. Linda Hooge moved to approve said minutes as read. Sandy Severe seconded. Motion carried.

**TREASURER:** Sally Dennis reported a bank balance of \$6,031.73. Each Board member received a copy of the up-to-date budget spreadsheet. The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

## **OFFICERS' REPORTS:**

**President:** Bonnie Lanham reported that Sally will pick up the Decatur Park District trash can to be decorated. These cans will first be used at the Lake Fest celebrating Lake Decatur's 100<sup>th</sup> year and thereafter placed in all of the parks.

The Extension office will be closed on Monday, September 11, 2023. We will instead have our Board meeting at the Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church Annex.

**District 3 Director:** Karen Cahill reminded everyone of the Mini District Workshop on June 28 and encouraged us to invite our unit members. This will be an opportunity to meet District 3 ladies. Included will be a mini lesson to pass on about the history of lemonade, door prizes and a variety of layered cakes and fruit.

Karen shared that in Fayette County, those who have been HCE members for 50 years or longer do not have to pay dues, as a way to honor them. Lyn Stevens will draft an amendment to change our Macon County HCE bylaws to do the same. The amendment could be printed in the August newsletter and voted on at our fall meeting.

Karen Halicki brought up the need for a new membership booklet. Units will be asked to send pictures of their members to Roxy Waterhouse to compile. Lyn Stevens will help to coordinate. The format should be obtained from Clarence Middleton. It would be nice to have this completed to distribute at the fall meeting on October 25.

Karen Cahill suggests we have a committee for the Macon County HCE 105<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, so it is a special day. Each unit could prepare a tri-fold board. Unit presidents could be recognized. Bonnie designated the Board members as such committee.

**Correspondence:** A thank you was received from the Macon County Honor Guard for the \$52.50 donation.

**1st Vice President:** Sandy Severe reminded us of pillowcase day on June 26 and program planning on July 10. The NVON website shows lesson ideas from other states. The July 19 lesson will be Timi's Tours from 1-2:30 p.m.

The Oakley/Pleasant Grove unit contributed greeting cards and a cash donation to Operation Enduring Support.

**2nd Vice President:** Lyn Stevens is reminding members, via her newsletter article, that it is important to advise her of any changes in contact information.

Lyn moved that the following clarification about new members paying dues be made a permanent part of the minutes, with Cheryl Sample seconding the motion:

If a person is joining HCE between July 1 and October 31, they pay \$9 which is half the normal amount. That pays for the remainder of the year. They would then need to pay dues for the next year of \$18 by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

If a person is joining HCE in the months of November and December, they have the option of paying \$18 for the next year and be considered a guest for November and December. If they choose this option, their newsletters would not be started until the next year. Their other option is to pay \$9 for the remainder of the year and \$18 for the next year for a total of \$27. Regardless of when a person joins, dues are always due by November 1<sup>st</sup> for the following year.

**Community & Family Issues & CVH:** Linda Hooge has passed along pop tabs and pillowcases to Mary Ann Platt.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Cheryl Sample is greatly anticipating the county fair season. 4-H members need to be encouraged and can be sources of cultural enrichment ideas. The State will change some cultural enrichment categories, i.e., book making. Our county items will be judged on November 29.

On Saturday, July 8, the Fireflies stitchers/needlecraft group will be working toward their goal of making 1,000 Christmas stockings at the Clinton First Christian Church from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. for later distribution to Dove, Salvation Army, Toys for Tots and Northeast Community Fund.

**Historian:** Carol Ropp read from the original Maple Grove Home Bureau minutes of July 9, 1948. This year is their 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

**Co-International:** Vicky Wooten noted that Piatt County is in charge of the 2023 International Day.

**Nutrition and Wellness Program Coordinator:** Tammy Buse stated she is happy to help us with whatever we need. Her email address is tbuse@illinois.edu.

**New Business:** Pat's Hats will be our 2024 fundraiser. Carol Ropp made a motion to give Peggy Fear \$100 for her retirement; Linda Hooge seconded; motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

# Macon County Home & Community Education Board Meeting

Elaine Hamm

July 10, 2023

**CALL TO ORDER:** Bonnie Lanham

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Bonnie Lanham

**HOMEMAKERS' AIM:** Bonnie Lanham

**ROLL CALL:** Elaine Hamm

Units represented: Hickory Point; Maple Grove; Patchwork; Oakley-Pleasant Grove; Rock Springs

Total in attendance: 11 (Linda Austin, Karen Cahill, Sally Dennis, Karen Halicki, Elaine Hamm, Bonnie Lanham, Lois Miller, Carol Ropp, Cheryl Sample, Sandy Severe, Lyn Stevens)

Carol Ropp congratulated Karen Cahill on the successful Mini District Workshop. All Board members agreed it was a great event.

**SECRETARY:** Minutes of the June 12, 2023 Board meeting were reviewed by all present. Carol Ropp moved to approve said minutes as read. Sandy Severe seconded. Motion carried.

**TREASURER:** Sally Dennis reported a bank balance of \$5,411.73. Each Board member received a copy of the up-to-date budget spreadsheet. The treasurer's report was filed for audit.

Carol Ropp reported on the college scholarships. Three applications were received. The recipients are Anna Lovekamp, granddaughter of Patty Lovekamp, and Caleb White, grandson of Linda Austin.

## OFFICERS' REPORTS:

**President:** Bonnie Lanham didn't have anything specific to share until later in the meeting.

**1st Vice President:** Sandy Severe reminded us of the July 19 lesson by Timi's Tours and the District 3 meeting on August 9.

**2nd Vice President:** Lyn Stevens is working on the new membership booklet and will ask Clarence Middleton for assistance.

**Community & Family Issues & CVH:** Linda Hooge was absent but sent her report with Lois Miller. At the June pillowcase sewing day, 42 child and 16 adult pillowcases were completed. She will be contacting several social service agencies for distribution of same. Fifty-six pillowcases and 15 pounds of pop tabs have been delivered to Ronald McDonald House. Linda encourages HCE members to help with the Farm Progress Show.

**Cultural Enrichment:** Cheryl Sample reported that 841 Christmas stockings were made on July 8 at the Fireflies stitchers/needlecraft group, which was detailed in the June 12, 2023 Board minutes. She has gone to a couple of county fairs and next spring will share sewing tricks with DeWitt County 4-H members.

**Historian:** Carol Ropp continues to collect articles.

**Co-International:** Lois Miller had nothing to report.

**Public Relations:** Linda Austin – There was discussion regarding the necessity of getting newsletter articles to Linda in a timely manner. For 2024, in order to get newsletters to members before lesson dates, articles will need to be turned in to Linda by the last Monday of the month prior to newsletter publication. An amendment regarding same will be published to be voted on at the 2023 fall meeting.

**District 3 Director:** Karen Cahill advised that order forms for IAHCCE garden flags and water bottles, each costing \$20, will be available at the District 3 meeting. Orders need to be placed before January 5, 2024 for pick up at annual conference. These are fundraising items to aid in expenses of the 100<sup>th</sup> annual conference.

**Unfinished Business:** A bill for \$607.20 was finally received from RCC Chef Tucker for the spring meeting meal. A thank you note will be sent to Sally's neighbor, who graciously and expertly decorated the Decatur Park District trash can for us at no cost. Photos were passed around of the finished trash can, which looks amazing. When you are visiting Decatur's parks, see if you can find our MCHCE trash can!

**New Business:** On October 25, 2023, our Macon County HCE 105<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be celebrated at our fall meeting with a high tea party at Richland Community College! The wearing of hats and gloves will be encouraged. Special invitations will be mailed to all Macon County HCE members, as well as our IAHCCE Board members, Paul Osborne, Doug Harlan and DeWitt County and Piatt County HCE members. We are considering a \$20 cost for this special event. Menu: scones with clotted cream, ham salad, chicken salad, egg salad, cucumber with cream cheese. We'll use fancy dishes for nuts and mints on the tables. Ladies will be asked to bring their own tea cup, and we'll have extras available. Centerpieces will be teapots on doilies. We need to think about possible favors.

On Monday of HCE Week, October 9, 2023, Gini Smith will present a lesson on Christmas Ideas. She would like to have an HCE fundraiser that day, with members bringing their extra Christmas décor they no longer wish to keep, for a donation only rummage sale.

The following Board offices will be open, effective January 1, 2024: 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary and one position for Co-International.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

## **Officer's Reports**

### **President**

Bonnie Lanham

Ladies, at our Fall Meeting, we will be 105 years old!!! We are planning a High Tea Party celebration!!! Wear dresses, hats, gloves, pearls and bring your favorite tea cup to drink out of. The date is October 11. Special invitations will go out!!! Our plan is to invite some of our state board and several other special people. The cost will be \$20. Get your reservations in early!!!

Remember, International Day is September 20. Send your check for \$15.00 made out to Piatt County HCE to Judy Greene, 201 South Chaucer Blvd., Monticello, Illinois 61856.

We are compiling a list of lessons to vote on for next year. Please—if you vote for a lesson, support your opinion by attending that lesson. We already have three lessons arranged.

Don't forget HCE week and get your reservations in early. That's all for now!! Stay cool!

### **First Vice President**

Sandy Severe

Happy August, ladies! The Board had our Program Planning this month, and I think we have chosen interesting and fun lessons for you to vote on. The ballot will be in our newsletter, so fill them out and give them to your unit President, return them to the Extension by mail or in person. You need to get them in by September 20, International Day.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Wednesday, August 16, The Monarch Mama. 9:30–11:00 a.m.
- August 29-31 Farm Progress Show
- September 12. Reservations are due for International Day. Lunch is \$15.00 and payment should be sent to Judy Greene of Piatt County, 201 S Chaucer Blvd., Monticello, Illinois 61856. Her phone number is 217-778-7398.
- September 20, International Day at the Macon County Extension Office
- September 25, Pillowcase Sewing Day. Come join us for the fun!!!
- October 9-13. HCE week. Check your program booklet to see all of the exciting programs. RSVP by October 2 to the office for these programs.
- October 11, Fall Meeting which will be our "High Tea" in honor of our 105th year as an HCE organization. Bring your favorite teacup, wear dresses, hats, gloves and your pearls. The cost will be \$20.00. It will be a wonderful day!

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Bonnie Lanham or any board member. See you soon, I hope!!

### **Second Vice President**

Lyn Stevens

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer. It was good to get the much needed rain. I don't have anything new to report about membership.

I encourage everyone to read the information about the proposed Constitutional Bylaw change that will be voted on at the Fall Meeting on October 11. HCE members must be informed about such changes 30 days before the call to vote.

Speaking of the Fall Meeting, we will be honoring any new member who has joined since the Spring Meeting. We will also be celebrating 105 years of Macon County HCE. The board is working to make it a special celebration. I would love to see all 117 members in attendance!

### **CVH**

Karen Cahill

It's hard to believe that summer is almost over. I know many of you have continued to volunteer this summer, and I am hoping you have kept track of your hours. You might want to get them in order soon so that you are not scrambling in December to get them figured out. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

PEARL OF WISDOM: KIND WORDS ARE LIKE HONEY, SWEET TO THE SOUL.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH/FAMILY ISSUES**

Mary Ann Platt

OPERATION ENDURING SUPPORT: Please consider donating items or money for our soldiers overseas. Preparations are underway for Christmas packages. A box will be available at our Fall Meeting/High Tea on October 11. Linda Hooge will deliver the donations to Grace Methodist Church. Requested items are: 2024 calendars, protein bars, cheese and crackers or peanut butter and cracker snacks, beef jerky, slim jims, individual instant coffee, cocoa mix, flavored drink mixes, puzzle books, playing cards, new greeting cards, hand and foot warmers, lightweight dark socks, personal care items such as deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, eye drops, lip balm, individually wrapped hard candy or chewing gum, cotton swabs, wet wipes, hanging car deodorizers, and, of course, money for mailing the packages.

## **Unit News**

### **Center**

Mary Lou Poor

We had planned to go to the new restaurant, the American Eagle, on July 10, 2023. They would not open until later in July, so we decided to go to Whit's End. There were 12 members in attendance. We enjoyed our lunch. Then we went to Delores Hunt's home for our dessert. She had a large dining table and we all gathered around the table. She had a variety of desserts. We all had a sample of each.

We each shared stories of the past or current. We had such good laughter and friendship. We enjoyed the game of Farkel. Some of us had never played before. It was so much fun.

Everyone went home with a prize, zucchini bread or a micro cozy. It was a great get together and will always be remembered as a very enjoyable afternoon.

Congratulations to some of our members that entered their talent at the Christian County Fair. These included baking, crafting and paintings. All of them went home with blue and red ribbons.

We will not be meeting in August, but some of the members are planning to take the Senior Van to the meeting on August 16 at the Macon County Extension Office.

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### **Hickory Point**

Louise Wickline

We met for lunch at the Olive Garden on July 12. After enjoying our meal, Elaine Hamm called the meeting to order. We answered the roll call with vacation memories or wishes. One wish was for a European trip and another just wished to go see a Cardinals game in person. Elaine reminded us of several activities coming up in the future for HCE. Marge Kaufman gave each of us a booklet listing activities in Springfield, and that gave us ideas for a future meeting. Next month we will be having dessert while Elaine tells us how to handle stress. Having pie will help with that, I am sure.

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### **Maple Grove**

Mary Kay Ennis

Our June 22nd. gathering was at the Primrose Retirement Community.

Gloria Leonard was the hostess and she served cake to the ten members who were there. Shirley Bennett, another member who resides there, talked about living at Primrose. We did not have a formal meeting, but just enjoyed each other's company.

In July, we also had a less formal meeting. We met at Sharon Methodist on July 27. We decided to have a salad luncheon, so our meeting started at noon. There were 11 members and 3 guests present. Bonnie Lanham began our meeting by telling us about the HCE anniversary celebration on October 11. A High Tea will be observed with the members bringing their favorite tea cup and saucer, and wearing dresses, gloves and pearls. Bonnie did a great job of getting us excited about this event.

Our hostesses were Margie Malone and Mary Kay Ennis. We wanted to introduce some activities for members to share with others. The card game of "Garbage" was demonstrated along with the Triomino game. We were also introduced to the Diamond Art Craft. Margie demonstrated how to make a coaster using the diamond art technique. Each member was able to take home their coaster that they started together at our meeting.

We will have our next meeting at Sharon Methodist Church on August 24. Gini Smith will tell us about the Timi's Tour lesson, and Sandy Lynch will give details of her latest trip to England. She may prepare a dessert that is related to her travels.

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### **Cultural Enrichment**

Cheryl Sample

Back to school greetings to everyone! Even though my grandchildren are in a different state, I still find myself drawn to back to school supply sales. I get a few new markers and I am happy.

At a recent IAHCE meeting, Becky Belcher, the Cultural Events district officer met with all of our Cultural Enrichment leaders in our district. She always has ideas and inspiration to encourage us as we want to do our best for all of you. She explained how attending events can help us all find inspiration for cultural event projects. Ask me how I add car shows to cultural enrichment.

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, November 29, for Cultural Enrichment project judging. I hope to see LOTS of projects from all of you. A recent class at a library for book making will definitely be an entry of mine!

Do you have a new skill you want to try or are you perfecting a favorite pastime skill? This is the perfect opportunity to do so. If you are uncertain about a classification, please contact me and I will be glad to find out where your project belongs. Stay busy!

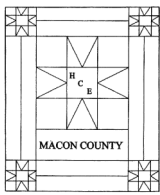
## Possible Programs for 2024

Please vote for any trip(s) you like and no more than 10 programs which are of interest to you for next year. When you have completed your choices, give this to your unit president or bring or mail the ballot to Macon County HCE, 3351 Pres. Howard Brown Blvd., Decatur, IL 62521 by Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> (International Day).

- 1. How to install cell phone apps - Denise Jatho - Tazewell County HCE member
- 2. Navigating Changes as We Age - Everyone is aging. This lesson will examine some of those changes and how to adapt the mindset for physically, mentally and financially improving your well being.
- 3. Airport Fire Station - Take a tour of the new airport fire station and learn about the facility. Be prepared to walk!
- 4. Nicole Bateman (Macon County Development Authority) - Nicole gave us so much information when she came to talk with us in 2021. She will come back to tell us more about all of the new business developments in the Decatur area.
- 5. Therese Kincade - Associate Artistic Director - The Little Theater in Sullivan - Learn the history of The Little Theater and upcoming events.
- 6. Healthy Behaviors for a Healthy Immune System - Learn about ways for stress reduction, exercise, sleep, foods, supplements
- 7. First Ladies - We had a very good program last year about five of our U. S. first ladies. Come to learn about Mary Todd Lincoln, Rachel Jackson, Abigail Adams, Martha Jefferson, Rose Cleveland/Frances Cleveland
- 8. Woodberry Dried Flowers - Darla Miller - Come to decorate a small wreath with dried flowers. There will be a fee for this program.
- 9. Don Chamberlain - Native Americans - Women's Stories about Sacagawea, Suzanne Big Crow Lakota Sioux, Buffalo Calf Road Woman and four white women captured by Native American tribes.
- 10. Praise Worthy Critters - Learn how to create cute little animals using food.
- 11. The Family Justice Center - Macon County - Patty Kreuger Her children were unjustly taken away by DCFS, and she had a one-year plus legal battle to get them back. Now she works with the Family Justice Center to help others to not have to go through the same issues.
- 12. Games and Snacks Day - We'll have a variety of games to play and great snacks to taste.
- 13. Bachrach Mansion history - Learn about the Powers family who were the original owners and the next owners - the Jarvis family. Then, hear the story of the complete restoration done by the Bachrach family.
- 14. Make It, Bake It, Grow It, Sew It - A Day of Creativity - Make a craft, prepare a no-bake recipe, plant a plant and sew a simple object.
- 15. Decatur Convention and Visitors Bureau - Hear about all of the things to do in Decatur.
- 16. Park District - A representative from the district will come to inform us about our parks and their activities.
- 17. Looking for the Funny Side of Life - Cheri Burcham
- 18. Olive Oil and Vinegar - Learn about many of the different varieties of olive oils and vinegars.

Trips - (Any trip will be carpool)

- Perfect Pair - Visit the shops within the shop in Warrensburg
- Eureka and Washington, IL - We'll visit the Ronald Reagan Museum at the Eureka College and Step Back in Time - a multi-level antique/gift store in Washington, IL
- Caterpillar Museum - Visit the Caterpillar history museum in Peoria.



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