

IAHCE District Newsletter

March, 2024



The 100th IAHCE Annual Conference was held March 12-14 in Effingham. We were honored to have ACWW World President, Magdie de Kock in attendance. The conference was attended by over 315 IAHCE members and guests. A round of applause for conference chair Melissa Chitwood and co-chair Carol Harms for a job well done! Kathy Peterson also deserves special recognition for her years of dedication in making the Road to 100 Museum as success! Attendees enjoyed the Road to 100 Museum, informative share shops, the Cultural Arts display, silent auction, vendors, wonderful speakers, entertainment and the opportunity to meet and talk with fellow members from throughout the state. We have a full year of celebrations ahead and a bright future to plan! IAHCE is 100 years old; we're just getting started!

IAHCE said goodbye to Becky Thomas who has served as the District 1 Director for the past six years. Becky has been an outstanding member of the state board and will be missed by all who had the privilege of serving with her.

Karen Davis from Carroll County joins the IAHCE state board as our new District 1 Director. Karen has been involved in HCE for many years and has been a regular conference attendee. Karen's company, Red Gate Embroidery, has been the supplier of our conference totes for several years.

If I Could Save Time in a Bottle....

IAHCE is planning to seal several Time Capsules this fall. Contributions of a memory or picture (with dates, event and names) are due by October 1, 2024. You can send your memory or picture to any IAHCE officer.

For more information contact Kathy Peterson at kathyiahceproud@yahoo.com



IAHCE District Workshops

August 6, 2024—District 1 & 2—Seneca High School, Seneca

August 7, 2024—District 3—Southern View Chapel, Springfield

August 8, 2024—District 4 & 5—St. John's Lutheran Church, Effingham

Registration is open to **all** IAHCE members—more details to come!



Packets, Packets, everywhere! It is important that the Officer packets received at Annual Conference reach the correct officer or director in each county. The information in each packet should also be shared at your county board meeting as well as with all your units. These packets are a vital link between the state board and each and every member. PLEASE take the time to read each packet completely and SHARE IT!

Your District Director is ready and waiting to come to your Annual Meeting and install officers! Give them a call and get



them scheduled to come ASAP! Also, send your new officer list to your District Director as well as IAHCE Secretary, Cathy Eathington.

Support Fund Applications are due to Melissa Chitwood by June 1, 2024

Scholarship Applications should be sent to Cathy Eathington and must be postmarked by May 1, 2024.



Open Officer Positions for the IAHCE Board

- 2st Vice President—Must have previous IAHCE Board experience
- Secretary
- Family & Community Issues
- Cultural Enrichment
- District 2 Director
- District 3 Director
- Applications should be sent to the Nomination Chair, Melissa Chitwood no later than October 1, 2024



100 Year –Old Members

Does you county have members turning 100 this year? Let’s celebrate those ladies at our August workshops. Please send any 100 year old or older member’s name and number of years in HCE to your district director

We are happy to announce that IAHCE President, Angela Hicks and International Director, Janelle Kassing, were both elected for another three-year term. Angela and Janelle traveled to Malaysia this past May for the ACWW Triennial Conference and would appreciate the opportunity to share their experiences with you. Angela would also like to visit all those counties she did not visit in her first term. Angela can be reached at 847-922-2758 or angelahicks@gmail.com



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