

**Information and Registration**  
**IAHCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2023**  
**March 14-16, 2023**  
**Effingham**



*Pearls  
of Wisdom  
Strung  
Together*

**IAHCE 99 YEARS**

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# IAHCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2023

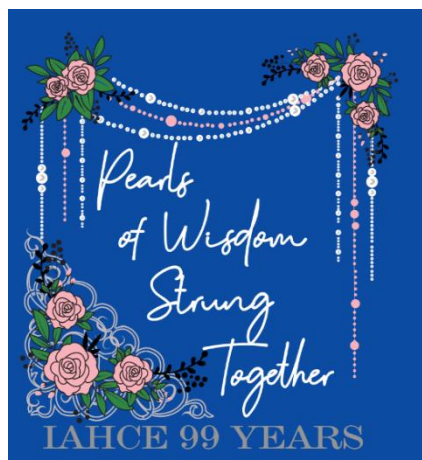
Please join us for our 2023 Conference, *Pearls of Wisdom Strung Together for 99 Years!* Our conference is scheduled for March 14-16, 2023 at the Keller Convention Center in Effingham.

Many speakers, along with information-packed Share Shops, will be part of the agenda. The Elsie Mies Day and Banquet are always highlights. You will have the opportunity to meet the Family of the Year prior to dinner on Tuesday, where they will be recognized. There will be fun entertainment to delight everyone during the conference, so bring your dancing shoes and plan to attend conference with your old and new friends!

You'll want to wear your pearls girls for our themed meals including *Breakfast at Tiffany's* and *The Great Gatsby*. We are taking it back to the Roaring 20's and you'll want to dress the part!

In this section of your newsletter, you will find information about hotels, registration, Share Shops, meals, games, Make-It-Take-It, entertainment, and tours. Of course, if you have additional questions, feel free to contact us at any time. (Eleanor 618-410-5951 or Melissa 217-493-4441)

We are honored to invite you to attend this conference and look forward to seeing you in Effingham in March!



Eleanor Gregory and Melissa Chitwood  
2023 Conference Co-Chairs

# Conference Agenda

## Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- 7:00-9:00 p.m. Welcome  
Conference Registration Opens  
Enter Cultural Enrichment Items  
Register Silent Auction Items  
Check in Banners

## Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- 7:30-10:30 a.m. Register Silent Auction Items  
Check in Banners  
Enter Cultural Enrichment Items  
8:00 a.m. Conference Registration Opens  
8:30 a.m. Scavenger Hunt  
10:45 a.m. Doors Open for Lunch  
1:30-2:30 p.m. Share Shops  
3:00-4:00 p.m. Share Shops  
4:15 p.m. Support Fund Committee Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Awards Banquet  
After Awards Make-It, Take-It

## Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- 7:30-08:20 a.m. Voting Delegates Check In  
8:00 a.m. Registration Open  
8:30 a.m. Business Meeting  
11:30 a.m. Lunch  
1:30-2:30 p.m. Share Shops  
3:00-4:00 p.m. Officer Share Shops  
5:45 p.m. Elsie Mies Banquet  
After Banquet Entertainment  
Bingo and Games

## Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

- 7:00-8:00 a.m. Pick Up Silent Auction Items  
8:30-9:30 a.m. District Workshops  
9:30-Noon Pick Up Silent Auction Items  
10:00-11:00 a.m. Share Shops  
10:00-Noon Share Shop Tour  
11:00 a.m. Box Lunches Available

### **WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?**

#### Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

It's Breakfast at Tiffany's! This classic movie featuring Audrey Hepburn comes to life as we wear our black dresses, pearls, and gloves.

#### Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>

It will be an evening of sparkle and glamour as the roaring 20's come back to life. From flapper dresses to headbands with feathers, you'll be sure to impress everyone.

#### Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

Today anything goes as long as you got your pearls on.



# Conference Menu

## **Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Lunch**

Cheese and Spinach Quiche with Swiss Cheese, fruit bowl, smoked sliced ham, fresh muffins and danishes, homestyle potatoes, coffee, sweet/unsweet tea, orange juice, and hot teas

*Gluten Free/Low Fat-* fruit, cheese and spinach omelet with swiss cheese, smoked ham, and homestyle potatoes

*Vegetarian-* fruit, cheese and spinach omelet with swiss cheese, homestyle potatoes, and muffins and danishes

## **Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Dinner**

Tossed green salad with candied pecans, cranberries, parmesan, and choice of dressing, chicken bearnaise, baby red potatoes, grilled vegetables, rolls with butter, chocolate cream pie or apple pie

*Gluten Free/Low Fat-* tossed green salad with candied pecans, cranberries, parmesan, and choice of dressing, grilled chicken breast, red potatoes, grilled vegetables, and gf dessert

*Vegetarian-* tossed salad with candied pecans, cranberries, parmesan, and choice of dressing, bowtie pasta with pesto, olive oil, and cheese, grilled veggies and a dessert

## **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Lunch**

Italian wedding soup, sub sandwich including red vinaigrette dressing, ham, turkey, and salami in a tortilla, grape clusters, chips, chocolate torte or lemon tortes

*Gluten Free/Low Fat-* chicken and wild rice soup, grilled chicken with ham and cheese on lettuce, dill pickle, and gf dessert

*Vegetarian-* tomato basil bisque with crackers, cucumber and cream cheese on croissant, dill pickle, chips, and dessert

## **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023- Dinner**

Mixed green salad with tomatoes and cucumber and choice of dressing, peppercorn beef tenderloin with Diane sauce and pork tenderloin with Demi glaze, mashed red potatoes with garlic and cheese, carrots with bacon and onion, bread with butter, and chocolate Bavarian parfait or chocolate mousse parfait

*Gluten Free/Low Fat-* mixed green salad with tomatoes and cucumber and choice of dressing, peppercorn beef tenderloin with Diane sauce and pork tenderloin with Demi glaze, mashed red potatoes with garlic and cheese, carrots with bacon and onion, and gf dessert

*Vegetarian-* mixed green salad with tomatoes and cucumber and choice of dressing, stir fry with vegetables, and vanilla bread pudding

## **Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023-Lunch**

Pasta salad, two chicken salad sandwiches on Hawaiian rolls, chips, an apple, and cookie

*Gluten Free/Low Fat-* large chef salad with balsamic vinegar and an apple

*Vegetarian-* pasta salad, cucumber and cheese sandwiches, chips, an apple, and gourmet cookie

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

**Special modifications for the following: Gluten free, Diabetic, Vegetarian, Vegan** (must specify on registration page)

**\*Freshly brewed regular & decaffeinated coffee, iced tea and lemonade will be served with each lunch and dinner meal.**



**Before Conference: (ALL the below items have a due date of January 31, 2023)**

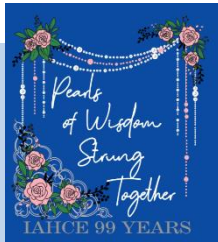
- Pre-order your conference t-shirt.
- Have your county place an AD in the Annual Conference Program Book. Send the ad info to Emily McDowell, PO 522, Pierron, IL 62273 OR email to [emhohl@gmail.com](mailto:emhohl@gmail.com)
- Register for conference, share shops, and complete your facilitator form. Send to Melissa Chitwood, 1408 East 2250 North Road, White Health, IL 61884
- Make hotel arrangements. **Call 1-217-540-7777 and mention group code I.C.E.**
- Email your pictures for the slide show to Angela Hicks— [angelahickshce@gmail.com](mailto:angelahickshce@gmail.com)
- Send your **Cultural Enrichment** registration forms to Becky Belcher, 8682 CR 1600 E, McLeansboro, IL 62859
- Mail application for the **“Family of the Year”** award to Eleanor Gregory, PO 185, Alhambra, IL 62001.
- Mail **CVH** hours to Ashley Davis, 1787 N. 1750th Street, St. Elmo, IL 62458.
- Mail application for **“County of the Year”** award to Angela Hicks, 500 Moraine Hill Drive, Cary, IL 60013
- Mail the following **Education Award Books:**
  - **Family & Community Issues** to Eleanor Gregory, PO 185, Alhambra, IL 62001
  - **Cultural Enrichment** to Becky Belcher, 8682 CR 1600 E, McLeansboro, IL 62859
  - **Public Relations** to Emily McDowell, PO 522, Pierron, IL 62273.
  - **International** to Janel Kassing, 328 South Main, Red Bud, IL 62278

**Bring to Conference:**



- Medication or special equipment
- A camera—to help remember the fun!
- Games, puzzles and cards—meet some new friends
- Sweater or shawl—room temperatures tend to fluctuate
  - Notebooks, pens, paper
- Silent auction items & Cultural Enrichment items tagged and ready to go
  - Banner & banner stand
  - Dressy outfit for Elsie Mies Banquet
- Bingo prizes or \$1 bills, spare cash to spend on silent auction and vendors
  - Information to share at your District Meeting or Officer share shop

# SUPPORT IAHCCE BUY AN AD



## 2022 ANNUAL CONFERENCE Program Booklet Ads

	HCE MEMBERS	BUSINESS
Full page	\$90	\$100
Half page	\$50	\$ 80
One quarter page	\$40	\$ 50
Business card	\$25	\$35

### SEND ARTWORK

To:

Emily McDowell  
PO 522  
Pierron, IL 62273  
618-830-9610  
emhohl@gmail.com

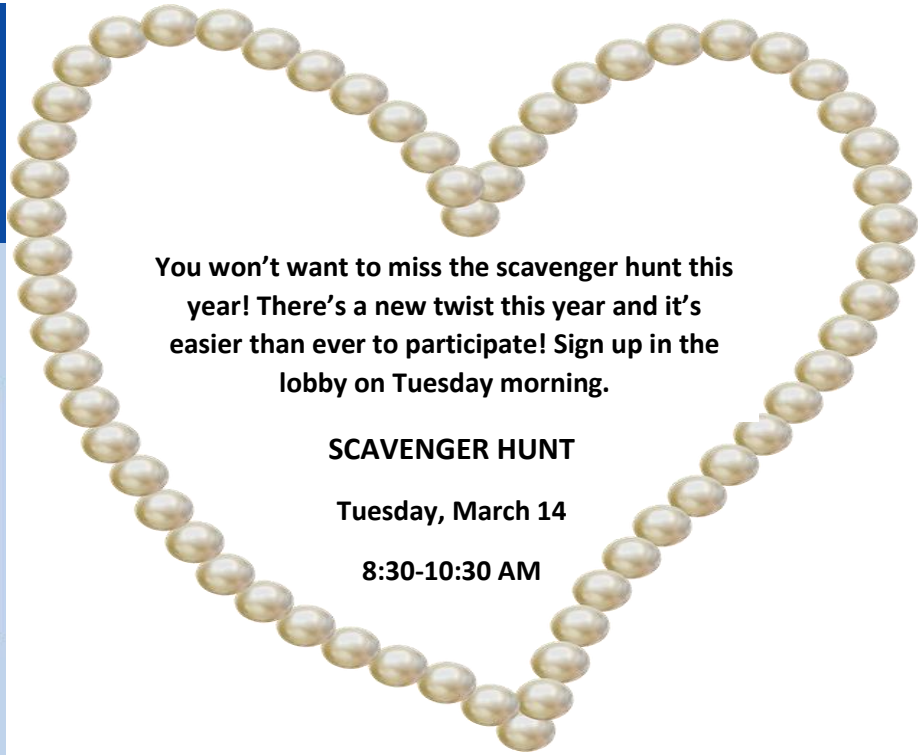
**Deadline:**

**January 31,  
2023**

### SEND CHECK (made out to IAHCCE)

To:

Melissa Chitwood  
1408 East 2250 North Road  
White Heath, IL 61884



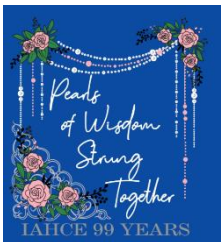
You won't want to miss the scavenger hunt this year! There's a new twist this year and it's easier than ever to participate! Sign up in the lobby on Tuesday morning.

### SCAVENGER HUNT

**Tuesday, March 14**

**8:30-10:30 AM**

Join us on Tuesday Night following the awards night for our Make and Take It. The crafts offered are still in the works, but we do know that a felt flower pin and two pearl related crafts will be offered. All items and prices for each will be listed in the conference book. Each craft typically costs between \$1-\$5.



## GET YOUR CONFERENCE SWAG!

Deadline to order is January 31<sup>st</sup>!

Order form in with registration form

T-Shirts- : 52% cotton/48% polyester, Blue V-neck w/2023 logo Sizes S- 3XL (\$15 for sizes S-XL, \$17 for sizes 2XL and 3XL)

Tote Bag- \$30.00 Each

Pins- \$6.00 Each (No pre-order required)

# IAHCE 99TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## CONFERENCE HOTEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION



### HOLIDAY INN

#### Rates for March 14-16, 2023 Conference

Please call the hotel to make a reservation and to use your credit card to hold your room.

1301 Avenue of Mid-America  
Effingham, IL

Standard - \$162.40 (tax included plus breakfast coupon) up to 4 per room

Suite - \$217.28 (tax included plus breakfast coupon) up to 4 per room

#### To make a Reservation:

**\*Call 1-217-540-7777 and use group code I.C.E.**

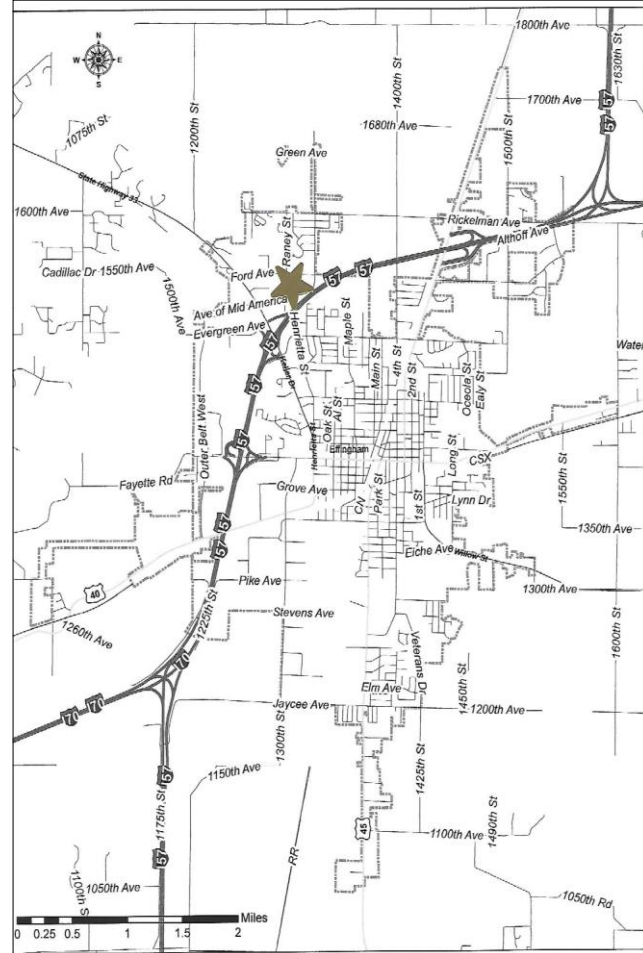
\*State your check-in & check-out dates

\*Mention you are attending

Illinois Association Home & Community Education Conference

CREDIT CARD BY EACH INDIVIDUAL:

Each individual in each room will be required to check in with the hotel front desk.



**COUNTRY INN & SUITES** 1200 N.  
Raney Street  
Effingham, IL 62401  
217-540-5555

#### Directions:

**From North:** I-70 Exit 160; turn right onto Keller Drive; continue to Avenue of Mid America; turn right to Holiday Inn on the right (across from WalMart.)

**From South:** I-70 Exit 160; turn left onto Keller Drive; continue to Avenue of Mid America; turn right to Holiday Inn on the right (across from Wal-Mart.)

\$110.88 includes taxes, fees and extended continental breakfast

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION FOR HOME AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION

2023 ANNUAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

March 14-16, 2023 Thelma Keller Convention Center, Effingham, Illinois

MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 31, 2023 A late fee will be added if not postmarked by that date.

PLEASE PRINT

Name (one per person) \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

IAHCE District # \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Person to contact in emergency \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Disability or doctor prescribed special dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

(Please notify hotel of any physical disability)

**PLEASE CHECK AND/OR COMPLETE ALL SPACES WHICH APPLY**

IAHCE Member \_\_\_\_\_ 50 year member \_\_\_\_\_ or more \_\_\_\_\_ (number of years) Guest \_\_\_\_\_

First-time attendee \_\_\_\_\_ Voting Delegate \_\_\_\_\_ Facilitate a Class (fill out Facilitator Form) \_\_\_\_\_

County Board Officer \_\_\_\_\_ if so office held \_\_\_\_\_

IAHCE Board: Current member \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Past STATE BOARD member \_\_\_\_\_ Past STATE PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_ Attending Wednesday lunch? Y N

**REGISTRATION FEES: PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION**

3 Day Package - All meals (except breakfast) and registration \$200.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1 Day/Tuesday OR Wednesday Package -lunch & registration *(Circle: Tues. or Wed.)* 75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Full Day/Tuesday Package - Lunch, Dinner & registration 100.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Full Day/Wednesday Package - Lunch, Dinner & registration 125.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wednesday Elsie Mies Banquet only 75.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirts - \$15 each \_\_\_S \_\_\_M \_\_\_L \_\_\_XL, \$17 each \_\_\_XXL \_\_\_XXXL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Canvas Tote - \$30.00 each \_\_\_\_\_ Quantity \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**SUB TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

District Scholarship Certificate won at 2022 District Workshop  
(Must register for full conference. Certificate must be included with payment) (subtract) (\$ \_\_\_\_\_)

Late Fee: \$10.00 per person 1 day; \$15.00 per person entire conference \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration is transferable, not refundable. Make check payable to IAHCE.**

Send payment with Registration and Share Shop and Facilitator forms. (following page) to:

Melissa Chitwood, 1408 East 2250 North Road, White Heath, IL 61884



# 2023 SHARE SHOP & FACILITATOR REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Instructions: Choose the share shop you prefer to attend in each of the time periods by placing 1, 2, 3.

OMITTING the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices WILL NOT ENSURE placement in your 1<sup>st</sup> choice. Share Shops will be filled per registration date. Send the forms for registration sheet and share shop selection and facilitator list with your check made out to IAHC to:

**Melissa Chitwood**  
**1408 East 2250 North Road**  
**White Heath, IL 61884**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023**

## 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

- 1. The American Bride
- 2. Easy Chair Yoga
- 3. Air Fryer 101
- 4. Travel Right with Winnie
- 5. Mari-Mann Herbs
- 6. Just Speak Up!
- 7. Gluten Intolerance and Other Food Allergies

## 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- 8. Positive Vibes
- 9. Easy Chair Yoga
- 10. Creating a Garden
- 11. Book Share Shop
- 12. Garden Art
- 13. Natural Solutions
- 14. Estate Planning

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023

### 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

- 15. The Amazing Monarch Butterfly
- 16. Petersburg, IL Past and Present
- 17. Ameren
- 18. Macular Degeneration
- 19. Prohibition Museum
- 20. The President's China

### 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- 21. President—Angela Hicks
- 22. 1st Vice President—Mary Eustace
- 23. 2nd Vice President – Mary Johnson
- 24. Secretary/Treasurer - Eathington/Chitwood
- 25. International- Janel Kassing
- 26. Cultural Enrichment—Becky Belcher
- 27. Family & Community Issues- Eleanor Gregory
- 28. Public Relations/CVH-Sales- McDowell/Davis

## THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023

### 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. DISTRICT MEETINGS

- 29. District #1 - Becky Thomas
- 30. District #2 - Rita Overacker
- 31. District #3 - Karen Cahill
- 32. District #4 - Donna Richards
- 33. District #5—Carol Harms

### 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

- 34. Let's Boogie like a Bee!
- 35. Gardens of Heartland Hall and Greenhouses

### I AM WILLING TO FACILITATE THE FOLLOWING:

The American Bride \_\_\_\_\_ Easy Chair Yoga \_\_\_\_\_  
Air Fryer 101 \_\_\_\_\_ Travel Right w/Winnie \_\_\_\_\_  
Mari-Mann Herbs \_\_\_\_\_ Garden Art \_\_\_\_\_  
Creating a Garden \_\_\_\_\_ Monarch Butterfly \_\_\_\_\_  
Natural Solutions \_\_\_\_\_ Estate Planning \_\_\_\_\_  
Petersburg, IL \_\_\_\_\_ Ameren \_\_\_\_\_  
Macular Deg. \_\_\_\_\_ Prohibition \_\_\_\_\_

**IAHCE 99th Annual Conference**  
**2023 IAHCE Share Shops**

Descriptions of 2023 Share Shops  
Tuesday, March 14, 2023

1:30 – 2:30 pm

1. ***“The American Bride”*** a visual presentation using vintage photographs and costumed dolls portrays 6 eras of American brides. Sharon Scherer will delight you with this unique presentation. You are encouraged to bring a wedding photo of yourself or a family member.
2. ***Easy Chair Yoga***. Mona Delgado , Yoga Alliance Wellness Instructor. You will experience a fun way to enjoy easy chair yoga and find revitalization in your step! Class size maximum is 25!
3. ***Air Fryer 101*** given by Kris Juelfs, U of I Extension Nutrition and Wellness Educator. Is your Air Fryer gathering dust? Learn how to make healthy and delicious meals in the air fryer. Kris will provide the latest information on the different types of air fryers, cooking tips and will provide a cooking demonstration with the air fryer as well as healthy, tasty recipes!
4. ***Travel Right with Winnie***. World traveler Winnie Rehmer will show you what you need and how to pack for a plane trip. You can get tips on types of bags to use and what you will need whether traveling foreign or domestic.
5. ***Mari-Mann Herbs*** from Decatur, IL will have Mike King give a presentation on Herbs, Fragrances & Edibles. Mari-Mann has offered unique products since the mid 70’s. It is also recognized as an official Illinois Herb Garden. Come explore the possibilities!!
6. ***Just Speak Up!*** Retired public speaking teacher Carol Harms will share ideas for organizing your speaking presentations, delivering your presentation clearly, and suggestions for dealing with stage fright. Just because you don’t like speaking in front of a group doesn’t mean you can’t do it well!
7. ***Gluten Intolerance and Other Food Allergies*** presented by Emily McDowell. Have you recently been diagnosed with food allergies or know someone who has? Are you curious about what a gluten free diet looks like? Emily will share information on the difference between gluten intolerance and celiac disease and will provide resources you can use.

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3 – 4 pm

8. **Positive Vibes** presented by Angela Hicks, IAHCE President. We live in a world where it is hard to remain positive even for the most upbeat among us. Is it possible to learn to be positive? If so, How? Join Angela for an unusual take on how to give positive vibes!
9. **Easy Chair Yoga**. Mona Delgado, Yoga Alliance Wellness Instructor. You will experience a fun way to enjoy easy chair yoga and find revitalization in your step! Class size Maximum is 25. Handouts on easy at home exercises.
10. **Creating a Garden** – Where to start presented by Mary Fischer, University of Illinois Extension. Whether you are an established gardener or a new gardener, learn some valuable guidelines to help you create beautiful indoor or outdoor “rooms” with amazing vibrant results.
11. **Book Share Shop** presented by Janel Kassing. Read a good book lately? Do you like mysteries, nonfiction, travel or romance novels? Bring your ideas and be ready to discuss your latest recommendations. If you have an extra book to swap, bring it along. We will discuss county book clubs, titles to suggest to others, but no endings. If you are a writer, we’d love to hear your journal or writing ideas.
12. **Garden Art** presented by Sonya Bishop. Thinking outside the pot! By using unusual item recycled or repurposed , your options are unlimited to create a unique and inspiring garden. Come and see what we can create!
13. **Natural Solutions** presented by Sharon Fitzgerald. Essential oils are natural compounds that are extracted and distilled from plants for their beneficial properties. You will learn what essential oils are for, how to choose a pure essential oil for safety & efficacy.
14. **Estate Planning** presented by Kay Dent, Attorney of the Dent Law Firm . Are you current with regards to “Power of Attorney” for your health or personal property/decisions? Is your will up to date? Come hear current ideas on these subjects to help your family understand your wishes.

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15. ***The Amazing Monarch Butterfly***. Join Extension Educator and HCE/ Extension Liaison Cheri Burcham as she shares her knowledge, experience and stories about raising Monarch butterflies for the past decade.
16. ***Petersburg, IL Past & Present*** presented by Kathy Olesen. She is currently serving as President of Edgar Lee Masters Home. Kathy has been active in Menard County history for about the past 12 years. Between our historic past and our current growth, we are a great place to come visit.
17. ***Ameren*** will present a program about safety as it is related to electricity and power lines. They will also present tips on the ways to decrease our Energy bills and information about the various programs available to help Individuals lower the cost of their utilities.
18. ***Macular Degeneration*** and other diseases of the eyes will be presented by Dr. John Kay of the Effingham Optometry Associates. Come and learn all about this disease of the aging eye.
19. ***Prohibition Museum*** in Savannah, Georgia presented by Charles P. Lewis. Mr. Lewis has tied in Effingham people to this prohibition period and museum. He will provide Interesting facts on this era in America.
20. ***The President's China*** . Mary Eustace will host this share shop with 24 Hand painted replica of the President's china. Rebecca DeLong is the artist and together with Mary they will give a terrific history lesson to share with your county. Handouts for lessons will be given.

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3 – 4 pm

21. **President** - Angela Hicks . Be prepared to interact with our leading lady with “positive vibes” and building membership in HCE .
22. **1<sup>st</sup> Vice President** – Mary Eustace will introduce to you new 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. Also, we will vote on the U of I Extension 2024 Lessons.
23. **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President** – Mary Johnson. Membership ! Bring your county ideas for increasing our membership and share what works for your county.
24. **Secretary / Treasurer** – Cathy Eathington and Melissa Chitwood will share current ideas on reports due from your counties.
25. **International** – Janel Kassing Italy , now on to Egypt. Traveling the world in our International Share Shop. My focus will be on the honey found on King Tut’s tomb and the plants and pollinators found in Egypt. We are ready to explore!
26. **Cultural Enrichment** – *Becky Belcher* Come and share your ideas on the Heritage Skills and the Cultural Enrichment displays here at conference. What would make your county display your crafts?
27. **Family & Community Issues** – *Eleanor Gregory* Do you have a new project that is challenging to your county members? Come and share your ideas.
28. **Public Relations / CVH Hours – Sales** – *Emily McDowell and Ashley Davis* will share ideas with you on getting the news out about your county activities. *Ashley Davis* will introduce new CVH Hours Director and talk on volunteer hours.

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- 32. District Director 4 – Donna Richards
- 33. District Director 5 – Carol Harms



10 – 11:30 am

- 34. ***Let's Boogie like a bee!*** Presented by Jane Chapman, NVON President. Yes, bees do dance and during this presentation you will learn to “Waggle Dance”! Not only do you learn this dance, but you will learn about other pollinators, their importance to the world, and much more about bees. So, get ready to smell some roses with me as we learn to do the “Waggle Dance”!
- 35. ***Gardens of Heartland Hall & Greenhouses.*** Joanie Johnson will give a private tour and talk about Heartland Greenhouses. She will show us around the facility and encourage you to learn how to plan your garden and will supply you with all the information you need for success. Mary Eustace will host this tour and there will be a \$10 transportation fee.



**CONFERENCE BEGINS TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 2023 Opening**

**ceremonies will begin at 11:00 a.m.**

**Lunch will be served at 11:15 a.m.**

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:** A registration fee of \$200.00 will cover the full 3-day conference which includes three lunches, two dinners and your share shops. Breakfasts are also included if registered at the hotel. The one-day, Tuesday OR Wednesday Package, includes registration, lunch and share shops at a cost of \$75.00; Tuesday Package includes lunch, dinner and share shops which will be \$100.00; Wednesday Package includes registration, share shops, lunch, Elsie Mies dinner with the cost of \$125.00. Elsie Mies Banquet ONLY will be \$75.00. You must be registered to attend any share shop and meals. This registration information is also on the website at: [www.iahce.org](http://www.iahce.org)

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** You must mail your completed registration form postmarked by **January 31, 2023** to **Melissa Chitwood, 1408 East 2250 North Road, White Heath, IL 61884**. You may register at conference but you may risk not being able to attend the share shop of your choice and/or meals may be different.

**LATE REGISTRATION:** There will be an additional \$15.00 charge per person purchasing the 3-day package and \$10.00 charge for 1 day package if registration is postmarked after the deadline of **January 31, 2023**.

**REFUNDS:** No monetary refunds will be given after the January 31<sup>st</sup>, deadline.

**WALK-IN:** Walk-ins must register upon arrival, pay fees, including the late registration fee and select an available share shop. Since some share shops are limited, walk-ins run the risk of a desired class being full and/or lack of handouts being available. Pre-registration is advised.

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION:** 7:00-9:00 P.M. Monday, March 13 and starting at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday. A President or designated person should register and pick up packets for **ALL** attendees from that county.

**TUESDAY CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES:** Register for a "Scavenger Hunt" at 8:30 a.m.

**MEALS:** Three lunches and two dinners are included in the 3-day registration package. Full breakfasts are included for registered hotel guests. Attendees who need special meals must note it on the registration form.

**BANNERS:** The county banners will be displayed in the banquet room Tuesday only during the conference. (**Don't forget to bring a display stand for your banner.**)

**CULTURAL ENRICHMENT AND EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS:** Exhibit items should be delivered on Monday, March 13, 2023 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. or Tuesday, March 14, 2023, 8:00 a.m. Pick up on Thursday morning by 10:00 a.m. Counties are limited to eight (8) items, of which one (1) may be a quilt. Please send your registration for Cultural Enrichment items and Educational Displays **postmarked by January 31, 2023** to: **Becky Belcher, 8682 CR 1600 E, McLeansboro, IL 62859** Educational displays should also be delivered at the same time as exhibit items.

**SILENT AUCTION:** Counties are asked to donate one or more items, valued at a minimum of **\$5.00**. Please register your items either Monday evening March 13, 2023 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. or Tuesday, March 15, 2023 from 7:30-10:30 a.m.

with the Silent Auction committee. Remember to bring GOOD quality items...items that you would want. Especially popular are handcrafted items, original and unusual items, and theme baskets. The number on your name tag will also be used for your Silent Auction bids. Those with winning items should be picked up on Thursday, March 16 from 7:00-8:00 a.m. or after District Meetings until noon.

**CLASSROOM FACILITOR:** If you would like to introduce and assist a share shop speaker, please fill out the Facilitator form and mail it along with your Registration and Share Shop forms to: **Melissa Chitwood, 1408 East 2250 North Road, White Heath, IL 61884** by January 31, 2023. You will be notified prior to conference regarding the presenter you will be helping. Keep a record of share shops you have signed up for.

**VOTING DELEGATES:** Delegates are selected as per instructions in the IAHCE Bylaws. There is a place on the registration form to mark if you are a voting delegate. Voting delegate forms and instructions will be included in the PreConference Packet sent to the county presidents in December. Send names of delegates to IAHCE Secretary, **Cathy Eathington, 31104 N. County Highway 26, Avon IL 61415**.

**SUPPORT FUND and EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY:** Will be in the conference center lobby.

**PHOTO OP:** Be sure to sign up for a group photo to promote HCE in your local newspaper. More details will be provided prior to the Elsie Mies Banquet.

**EDUCATION AWARD BOOKLETS:** All education booklets will be returned to you before you leave on Thursday. ***Please leave the Grand Award reports on display until 9:00 PM Wednesday evening.***

**TUESDAY LUNCH:** Doors open at 10:45 a.m. for lunch. The opening ceremony will begin at 11:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:15 a.m.

**WEDNESDAY LUNCH:** Doors open at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m. The collection for the Friendship Projects Fund will be collected during lunch.

There will be Reserved seating for:

**Past IHEF, IAFCE, IAHCE State Board Presidents**

**Past IAHCE Board members**

**NVON, CWC, ACWW/USA Presidents**

**WEDNESDAY LUNCH/OFFICERS:** For one time only during the conference, there will be reserved seating according to your county office. What a perfect time to share with other officers from around the state! Those who are not officers should fill in vacant spaces at the tables.

**ELSIE MIES BANQUET:** The attire for this evening is “dressy”. It is a special night! There will be Reserved seating for: **County of the Year**

**WEDNESDAY EVENING FUN:** Activities are being planned following the Elsie Mies Banquet. Listen for announcements during the conference.

**BINGO - bring a \$1 gift or \$1.00** if you want to play.



**MAKE-IT-TAKE-IT** – This will be on Tuesday, March 14, following the awards banquet. Becky Belcher, Cultural Enrichment, has interesting crafts for you to make immediately following the awards banquet. There may be a small charge to cover the cost of supplies payable to the crafter. The fee will be collected at the Make-It-Take-It. If you would be willing to teach a craft, please notify **Becky Belcher, 8682 CR 1600 E, McLeansboro, IL 62859**

**THURSDAY LUNCH**: There will be a box lunch with a drink — eat in the dining room or take it with you. This lunch is included in your three-day registration.

**EVALUATION FORMS**: Please take time to fill out the conference evaluation form in the back of your program book. These forms are a valuable asset in planning next year's conference. They are us



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