

INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

IAHCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

MARCH 12-14, 2024

THELMA KELLER CONVENTION CENTER, EFFINGHAM



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It is time to celebrate 100 Years! Please join us for our 2024 Conference, *Diamonds Are Forever and So Is IAHCE*! Our 100th Anniversary Conference is set for March 12-14, 2024, at the Thelma Keller Convention Center in Effingham, Illinois.

Some things will seem familiar, but other areas will be new. We have worked hard to put all of this together especially for you! There are wonderful speakers scheduled along with information-packed Share Shops! This conference has so many fun and exciting opportunities for you. Please be sure to visit the Road to 100 Museum. Kathy Peterson has worked hard over the past 5 years, collecting and categorizing items displaying our heritage. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony for the museum on Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday's opening session will kick-off with a fashion show and end the evening with a red carpet awards banquet! The Elsie Mies Day (Denim and Diamonds) and Banquet (Putt'n on the Ritz) are always highlights. Theme dress is encouraged, but not required. You being there is more important than what you wear! Full details can be found under "What to Wear."

Thursday's closing ceremony speaker is someone you won't want to miss! Magdie de Kock, ACWW World President, will be joining us for our 100th Anniversary Conference!

There will be fun entertainment to delight everyone during the conference, so bring your bling and be prepared to smile and enjoy yourself over these three days while you learn new things, exchange ideas, re-unite with friends, make new ones and have some fun celebrating 100 Years of IAHCE! Diamonds are Forever, and So Is IAHCE!

In this section of your newsletter, you will find information about hotels, registration, share shops, meals, games, and Make-It & Take-It. Of course, if you have additional questions, feel free to contact us at any time. (Melissa 217-493-4441 or Carol 618-830-2336)

We are honored to invite you to attend this 100th Anniversary Conference and look forward to seeing you in Effingham in March!

Melissa Chitwood and Carol Harms
2024 Conference Chair and Co-Chair



Magdie de Kock

ACWW World President

2019 - 2026



Magdie de Kock lives in South Africa where she was born and raised by her devoted parents on a rural farm and enjoyed a carefree childhood. She is happily married to Johan, and they have recently celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Their three married children and their spouses, including four adorable grandchildren, bring joy and happiness to their Grandparents! She loves spending time with her family, taking long leisurely walks with her husband on their Free State farm. Magdie loves reading, writing and cooking and her idea of happiness is sitting down with her family at the dining room table for Sunday lunch!

She is a qualified Pre-Primary School Principal and has a lively interest in education and early childhood development. She is a Life Coach and received training in International Meeting Procedures and Meeting etiquette. She serves on the Boards of Trustees of various South African cultural organisations. She is passionate about her interest and involvement in voluntary work and serves her local community with dedication.

Elected to the Board of Trustees of ACWW first in 2013 as the Chairman of the Communications & Marketing Committee, Magdie was elected World President of ACWW in 2019. In 2023 she was re-elected to serve in this position until 2026. She rose from a rural background in a developing country to global stages where she represents the almost 10 million members of ACWW with confidence and enthusiasm.

Magdie agrees with the words of Maya Angelou who said: *"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel"*, and she strives to apply this wisdom to her life.

Join Mrs. de Kock at the Closing Ceremony, Thursday, 10:00am. She plans to share a general perspective of farming in South Africa as well as exciting feedback on ACWW's projects and accomplishments!

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Monday, March 11, 2024

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

Tuesday, March 12, 2024

7:30 a.m. “Road to 100” Museum Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

7:45 – 9:30 a.m. “Road to 100” Museum Open
Conference Registration Open
Enter Cultural Enrichment Items
Register Silent Auction Items
Check in Banners
Scavenger Hunt begins

9:45 a.m. Doors open for Opening Session

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Share Shops

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Share Shops

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. As part of Share Shops the following areas will be open:

“Road to 100” Museum
Cultural Enrichment
Silent Auction
Sales/Newsletter
Pot of Gold and Quilt Raffle
Trade Show/Vendors (open until 5:45 p.m.)

4:15 p.m. Support Fund Advisory Committee Meeting

5:45 p.m. Doors open for “Night at the IAHCE Oscars” (Awards Banquet)

After Awards Card Bingo/Games

The following areas will be open for 1 hour after the awards banquet:

“Road to 100” Museum
Cultural Enrichment
Silent Auction
Sales/Newsletter
Pot of Gold and Quilt Raffle
Trade Show/Vendors (waiting to hear back from Eleanor to confirm)



Wednesday, March 13, 2024

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Conference Registration Open

7:30 – 8:20 a.m. Voting Delegates Check-in

8:30 a.m. Business Meeting

11:15 a.m. Doors open Elsie Mies lunch

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Share Shops

3:00 p.m. Cultural Enrichment Voting Ends

3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Share Shops (Cultural Enrichment will be closed until after the banquet)

4:15 p.m. Scavenger hunt ends

4:30 p.m. Silent Auction bidding ends

Sales and Newsletter Subscription close

5:45 p.m. Doors open for Elsie Mies Banquet

After Awards The following areas will be open for 1 hour after the Elsie Mies Banquet:

“Road to 100” Museum
Cultural Enrichment
Trade Show/Vendors (waiting to hear back from Eleanor to confirm)



Thursday, March 14, 2024

7:30 – 8:15 a.m. Pick-up Cultural Enrichment Items
 Pick-up Silent Auction Items
 Conference Registration Opens
8:30 – 9:30 a.m. District Meetings
9:45 a.m. Doors open for Closing Ceremony
11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Pick-up Silent Auction Items (ITEMS MUST BE PICKED UP BY NOON)
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Pick up Cultural Enrichment Items (ITEMS MUST BE PICKED UP BY 12:30)
Boxed lunches available immediately following the Closing Ceremony until 12:30 p.m.

WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?

Theme dress attire is NOT required, however participation is encouraged!

Tuesday, March 12

- ***Opening session/lunch – Districts Dress by the Decades***

District 1	1920 or 1970	District 2	1930 or 1980
District 3	1940 or 1990	District 4	1950 or 2000
District 5	1960 or 2010	(2020 will be the remainder of the conference)	
- ***Dinner – “A Night at the IAHCE Oscars”***

This is a black-tie/dressy event. Tonight will be your night to dress for a high-profile, red-carpet event! Think Oscars, think formal, and think glamorous! Don’t forget to accessorize with your “diamond” necklace!



Wednesday, March 13

- ***Elsie Mies Lunch – “Denim and Diamonds”***

This is exactly how it sounds. Get out your denim (jacket, dress, etc) and dress it up with some bling!
- ***Elsie Mies Banquet – “Puttn’ on the Ritz”***

This is a formal/dressy affair. Do you still have your black dress from Breakfast at Tiffany’s? Get it out and change out your pearls for diamonds. This time we are heading to the Ritz Carlton circa 1950s/60s (no poodle skirts please, after all this is the Ritz).

Thursday, March 14

- ***Closing Ceremony with Magdie de Kock and Red, white and blue day!***

Let’s come together as one on Thursday!



Conference Menu

Tuesday, March 12, 2024- Lunch

Broccoli Cheddar Soup with oyster crackers and ½ Turkey Club Sandwich on Toasted wheat bread, potato chips, and choice of chocolate cream pie or apple pie

Gluten Free/Low Fat- Chicken and wild rice soup with a turkey wrap with lettuce and tomato in gluten free tortilla, potato chips, and gluten free dessert

Vegetarian- Cheddar Broccoli Soup and Caesar wrap filled with lettuce, grape tomatoes, parmesan cheese and croutons, potato chips, and choice of chocolate cream pie or apple pie

Tuesday, March 12, 2024- Dinner

Tossed green salad with choice of dressing, breast of Chicken Mornay with a light white sauce, roasted garlic red potatoes, California blend vegetables, rolls with real butter and choice of chocolate Bavarian mousse or fluffy cherry cheesecake parfait

Gluten Free/Low Fat- Tossed green salad, grilled breast of chicken, red potatoes, vegetables and a gluten free dessert

Vegetarian- Tossed green salad with bowtie pasta tossed with pesto and olive oil and Romano cheese, California blend veggies, rolls and real butter and dessert

Wednesday, March 13, 2024- Lunch

Baby red potato salad, French Dip with au Jus on 6" roll with Provolone cheese and dill pickle spear and assorted tortes

Gluten Free/Low Fat- Baby red potato salad with beef with au jus topped with Provolone cheese, dill pickle spear and gluten free dessert

Vegetarian- Baby red potato salad, cucumber sandwich with cream cheese on kaiser roll, dill pickle, lettuce and tomato on side, chips and assorted tortes.

Wednesday, March 13, 2024- Dinner

Mixed green with tomatoes, diced cucumbers and croutons served with choice of dressing, peppercorn tenderloin of beef with a Diane sauce and pork tenderloin with demi glaze, creamy whipped potatoes, gourmet carrots with bacon and onions, bread and butter and brownie ganache with French vanilla ice cream, whip cream, drizzled with chocolate sauce.

Gluten Free/Low Fat- Mixed green with tomato and diced cucumber salad served with choice of dressing, peppercorn tenderloin of beef and pork tenderloin, red potatoes with garlic and cheese, carrots with bacon and onions and gluten free dessert

Vegetarian- Mixed green with tomatoes, diced cucumbers and croutons served with choice of dressing, stir fry with veggies, bread with butter and vanilla bread pudding with a rum vanilla sauce and a hint of lemon

Thursday, March 14, 2024-Lunch

Pasta salad, two mini chicken salad sandwiches on Hawaiian rolls, potato chips, apple, gourmet cookie, and cans of soda or bottle of water

Gluten Free/Low Fat- Large chef salad with balsamic dressing on the side, apple, and can of soda or water

Vegetarian- Pasta salad, two mini sandwiches with cucumbers and cheese, chips, apple, cookie, soda or water

PLEASE NOTE: Special modifications for the following: Gluten free, Diabetic, Vegetarian, Vegan (must specify on registration page) ***Freshly brewed regular & decaffeinated coffee, ice tea and lemonade will be served with each lunch and dinner meal.**

Before Conference: (Unless otherwise stated), ALL the below items have a due date of January 31, 2024

- Pre-order your conference t-shirt, bag, flag, and tumblers.
- 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
- 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 H.C.E. (Holiday Inn Only)**
- Email your 10 pictures for the slide show to Becky Belcher— beckybelcher75@gmail.com by Jan. 15. Pictures must be in a JPG or PNG file
- 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
 - 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
 - Themed apparel for dress up days and nights (if participating)



Scavenger Hunt

This year's scavenger hunt will be a little different than year's past. It will start first thing on Tuesday morning, but you will have until the last share shop ends on Wednesday afternoon to finish up your answers! Prizes will still be awarded to some winners. See more details once you arrive!

Bingo and Games

Bingo and games will be offered after festivities conclude on Tuesday evening. Please bring \$1 prizes or \$1 bills to the Bingo room. We will be playing a different than normal Bingo game so come prepared!

Board games, crosswords, puzzles, and other game type fun will be an option this year too. If you just come to relax, there will be plenty of options or you can just watch others play. There is no cost for games. Bring your own games for additional fun!

Vendor Tradeshaw

Vendors will be on site both Tuesday and Wednesday. Here is the following schedule that our tradeshaw will be open.

Tuesday

7:45 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (not all vendors may be open)*

Wednesday

1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. (not all vendors may be open)*

*Please note that all vendors may not be open during these times as we try to be respectful of the vendor's schedule. It is not always feasible for a vendor to be open for one hour and then have a large break until they are able to be open again. We have given vendors the option of remaining open during these times, but that does not mean they will be available. Please plan accordingly.

Make-It & Take-It

This year we are changing how we have previously had our make-it and take-it. Instead of having crafts after a long day and evening, we have moved our make and take it session into a share shop on Tuesday afternoon. You will be required to register and pay for the crafts that you would like to do at the time of your conference registration. This will allow instructors to better gauge how many supplies to purchase and how many participants plan on attending their workshop. Choices are listed below along with price. **Please mark which selections you would like to do on the share shop form and include payment with your registration form.** The following crafts will be offered.



Sashiko is a form of decorative stitching from Japan. It is traditionally used to repair tears with patches. Marie Samuel will instruct you on producing a square marked with a Sashiko design. You will receive 2 designs to use in a larger project to finish at home. Thread and needles will be provided.

Please bring scissors. Preregistration and \$5 prepayment required



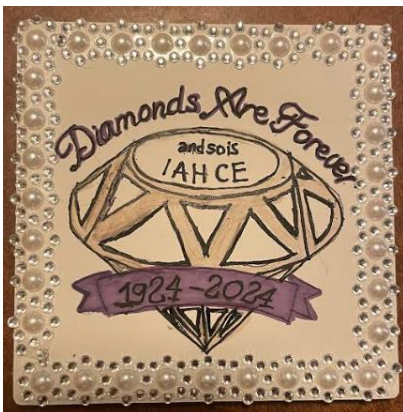
Kassing will instruct you on making begin a project to make a table runner. You'll be given fabric to complete 7 your choice of colors. At home you coordinating fabrics to complete your **Please bring small scissors, needle thread will be furnished.**

Preregistration and \$5 prepayment



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Debbie Rossberg will teach this class where you can use any fabric for any holiday, not just Christmas, to make this adorable 4" wreath. Bring a small pair of scissors. Everything else you need will be in the kit (including fabric choices). **Preregistration and \$4 prepayment required.**



Emily McDowell will show you how to make this conference keepsake with the 100 year celebration logo. You will use graphite paper to trace the logo, paint markers, and embellishments. All supplies furnished.

Preregistration and \$3 prepayment required

T-Shirts, Totes, Flags, and Tumblers

These items can be purchased on your registration form. Items will not be shipped so you will have to have someone pick them up at conference if you are unable to attend.



IAHCE 2024 100th T-shirt

Black Gildon V-Neck

Cost: \$25.00



IAHCE 2024 100th Tote Bag

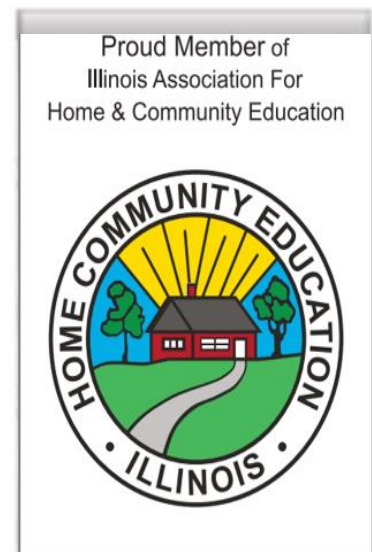
Purple with Black Trim

Cost: \$30.00



20oz Skinny Stainless-Steel Double Wall Tumbler with Straw -IAHCE State Logo on one side and 100th Anniversary on the Other

Cost: \$20.00



**12" x 18" Garden Flag
One sided/no hardware**

Cost \$20.00 each

IAHCE 100TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE HOTEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Each individual in each room will be required to check in with the hotel front desk and may be asked for a credit card on file for incidentals.

HOLIDAY INN -1301 Avenue of Mid-America, Effingham

RECOMMENDED OPTION- CONFERENCE CENTER CONNECTED TO HOTEL

Rate is \$179.20 and includes taxes, fees, and breakfast (up to 4 per room) for a standard room and \$222.88 for a suite (up to 4 per room)

To make a Reservation: (Room block is available until February 18, 2024)

Call 217-540-7777 and use group code H.C.E. Rooms will fill up quickly so don't delay and reserve today!



OTHER OPTIONS

Country Inn and Suites -1200 N Raney Street, Effingham

(Within Walking Distance) 217-540-5555

Rate is \$116.55 and includes taxes, fees, and breakfast

Ask for Illinois Home and Community Education

Room block is available until February 11th. You must specify arrival and departure!



La Quinta Inn and Suites- 1103 Avenue of Mid-America, Effingham –No Room Block

(Within Walking Distance) 217-540-1111 Lodging does include breakfast

Quality Inn -1304 W Evergreen Avenue, Effingham - No Room Block

(.7 miles away- 3 minute drive) 217-347-5050 Lodging does include breakfast



Hampton Inn and Suites -1305 N Keller Drive, Effingham - No Room Block

(.3 miles away- 2 minute drive) 217-540-5050 Lodging does include breakfast

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MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 31, 2024 A late fee will be added if not postmarked by that date. PLEASE PRINT

Name (one form per person please) _____

Street _____ City _____

State _____ Zip code _____ IAHCE District # _____ County _____

Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

Person to contact in emergency _____ Phone (____) _____

Disability or 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 _____ Would You Facilitate a Class? _____

County Board Officer _____ if so office held _____

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 \$ _____

Full Day/Tuesday or Wednesday Package - Meals & registration (Circle: Day Attending.) 125.00 \$ _____

1 Day/Tuesday or Wednesday Package -Lunch & registration (Circle: Tues. or Wed.) 75.00 \$ _____

Wednesday Elsie Mies Banquet only 75.00 \$ _____

Make-It & Take-It Share Shop (pre-registration and payment required)

– please indicate your selection on page 2 of this registration form) \$ _____

T-Shirts - \$25 each ____S ____M ____L ____XL ____XXL ____XXXL

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

Tumbler- \$20.00 each _____ Quantity \$ _____

Garden Flag- \$20.00 each _____ Quantity \$ _____

SUB TOTAL \$ _____

\$50 District Scholarship Certificate won at 2023 District Workshop

(Must register for full conference. Certificate must be included with payment) \$ _____

Late Fee: \$10.00 per person 1 day; \$15.00 per person entire conference (SUBTRACT) \$ _____

Registration is transferable, not refundable.

TOTAL \$ _____

Make check payable to IAHCE.

Send payment with Registration, Share Shop and Facilitator forms to:

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

2024 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 2nd and 3rd choices WILL NOT ENSURE placement in your 1st 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 IAHCE to:

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

TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

- ☐ 1. Member's Choice
- ☐ 2. President/Secretary/Treasurer Meeting
- ☐ 3. Put a Stop to Food Waste
- ☐ 4. The Story of Diamonds
- ☐ 5. Extension & HCE History
- ☐ 6. Cricut 101

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- ☐ 7. Member's Choice
- ☐ 8. 2nd Vice President and CVH/Sales Meeting
- ☐ 9. History of Extension and HCE
- ☐ 10. Electric Vehicles, Are You Plugged In?
- ☐ 11. Make-It and Take-It (select choices below)

- ☐ Sashiko Squares \$5.00
- ☐ Table Runner or Flag Yoyos \$5
- Specify Preference ☐ Flag or ☐ Table Runner
- ☐ Fabric Wreaths \$4.00
- ☐ Conference Logo Coasters \$3.00

If you choose to make more than one of any of the above items, please notate that here.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13, 2024

1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

- ☐ 12. Member's Choice
- ☐ 13. Family & Community Issues & Cultural Enrichment
- ☐ 14. Randolph County: Where Illinois Began
- ☐ 15. Becoming a Red Cross Volunteer
- ☐ 16. Looking for the Funny Side of Life
- ☐ 17. Some Little Known Uses for the Hanky

3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- ☐ 18. Member's Choice
- ☐ 19. First Vice President and Public Relations Meeting
- ☐ 20. International Meeting
- ☐ 21. Identity Theft and Other Financial Security Issues
- ☐ 22. Some Little Known Uses for the Hanky
- ☐ 23. Looking for the Funny Side of Life

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2024

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. DISTRICT MEETINGS

- ☐ 24. District #1 - Becky Thomas/Karen Davis
- ☐ 25. District #2 - Rita Overacker
- ☐ 26. District #3 - Karen Cahill
- ☐ 27. District #4 - Donna Richards
- ☐ 28. District #5—Carol Harms

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

- ☐ 29. Closing Ceremony with Magdie de Kock
 (No other share shops will be offered during this time)

I AM WILLING TO FACILITATE THE FOLLOWING:

- Put a Stop to Food Waste _____
- The Story of Diamonds _____
- History of Extension and HCE _____
- Cricut 101 _____
- Electric Vehicles, Are You Plugged In? _____
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2. **Officers' Meeting – President/Secretary/Treasurer** (Questions & Answers, Share & distribute packets)
3. **Share Shop - “Put a Stop to Food Waste,”** presented by Jenna Smith, University of Illinois Extension Educator. Nearly 40% of all food in America is wasted, and yet a large percent of the population struggles to put food on the table. Learn to do your part by understanding expiration dates, planning meals to use what's on hand, and knowing how to safely and effectively store food.
4. **Share Shop - “The Story of Diamonds,”** by Kadie Corley, Weber Jewelers, Teutopolis, IL. Learn about the amazing diamond industry, from the mining process to the beautiful stones you see in your local jewelry store.
5. **Share Shop - “History of Extension and HCE,”** by Carol Schlitt, retired Nutrition and Wellness Educator for University of Illinois Extension. With the 100th anniversary of the Illinois Home and Community Education Association, this share shop will take you on a historical journey on how we came to be. Illinois has a rich history in Domestic Science... that's what they use to call the study of “Women's Work,” and today you'll travel back to see how it all began.
6. **Share Shop – “Cricut 101,”** by Lisa Tessman. If you have considered getting a Cricut or similar machine, Lisa will share some basic information to help you get started.

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10. **Share Shop – “*Electric Vehicles, Are You Plugged In?*”** by Clarence Middleton Electric cars and trucks have hit the market and many people are considering buying one. Clarence is using his knowledge of electric motors and controls to give us some basic information on how EV's (electric vehicles) work.
11. **Make-It & Take-It Janel Kassing, chair** This is a new spin on a popular Conference activity. Have fun making a craft or two in the afternoon rather than after the evening entertainment. Participants must have signed up and paid when registering for the conference.

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- 13. Officers' Meeting – Family & Community Issues & Cultural Enrichment** (Questions & Answers, Share & distribute packets)
- 14. Share Shop – “*Randolph County: Where Illinois Began*,” by Jane Lucht** Take a trip to Randolph County "Where Illinois Began" and explore the historic sites. Our first state capital was located in Kaskaskia and served as Illinois' Capital from 1818 until 1820. There is a rich and colorful past waiting for you to discover.
- 15. Share Shop – “*Becoming a Red Cross Volunteer*,” by Mary Johnson & Fran Matheny** The Red Cross offers wonderful opportunities for volunteers, and this world-wide organization is always in need of people willing to help out in emergencies, large or small.
- 16. Share Shop – “*Looking for the Funny Side of Life*” by Cheri Burcham, University of Illinois Extension** When is the last time you laughed a hearty, sidesplitting belly laugh? According to Mayo Clinic, humor has both physical and psychological health benefits. Think of the last time you laughed so hard it hurt - it's medicine for the soul. Family Life Team Educator Cheri Burcham will demonstrate ways to use humor to cope with stress and changes in life.
- 17. Share Shop - “*Some Little Known Uses for the Hanky*,” by Arlene Martell** Come and enjoy learning about the history and customs surrounding the handkerchief. This lesson was written by Meri Knapp and will be given by Arlene Martell, both Livingston County board members. Handouts for the lesson will be given.

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- 20. Officers' Meeting – International** (Questions & Answers, Share & distribute packets)
- 21. Share Shop – “Identity Theft and other Financial Security Issues,” by Julie Withers of Midland Bank** The team at Midland States Bank can help provide customized financial solutions thru financial empowerment sessions such as this one. Today, we will be discussing identity theft and ways to educate and help prevent you becoming a victim.
- 22. Share Shop - “Some Little Known Uses for the Hanky,” by Arlene Martell** Come and enjoy learning about the history and customs surrounding the handkerchief. This lesson was written by Meri Knapp and will be given by Arlene Martell, both Livingston County board members. Handouts for the lesson will be given.
- 23. Share Shop – “Looking for the Funny Side of Life” by Cheri Burcham, University of Illinois Extension** When is the last time you laughed a hearty, sidesplitting belly laugh? According to Mayo Clinic, humor has both physical and psychological health benefits. Think of the last time you laughed so hard it hurt - it's medicine for the soul. Family Life Team Educator Cheri Burcham will demonstrate ways to use humor to cope with stress and changes in life.

IAHCE 100th Annual Conference

2024 IAHCE Share Shops

Thursday, March 14, 2024

8:30 – 9:30 am

District Director Meetings

24.District 1 Director – Becky Thomas/Karen Davis

25.District 2 Director – Rita Overacker

26.District 3 Director – Karen Cahill

27.District 4 Director – Donna Richards

28.District 5 Director – Carol Harms

10:00 – 11:30 am

29.Closing Session – Join us for the closing session with our special guest, Magdie de Kock, ACWW World President. ***She plans to share a general perspective of farming in South Africa as well as exciting feedback on ACWW's projects and accomplishments!***



CONFERENCE BEGINS TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024

Opening ceremonies will begin at 10:00 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. Breakfast at the TK Grill is included for registered Holiday Inn guests only. Other available lodging options include breakfasts for their guests. The one-day, Tuesday OR Wednesday Package, includes registration, lunch and share shops at a cost of \$75.00; Tuesday or Wednesday Package includes lunch, dinner and share shops which will be \$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

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: You must mail your completed registration form postmarked by **January 31, 2024**, 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, 2024**.

REFUNDS: Registration is transferable, not refundable.

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 11 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: Pick up forms for our scavenger hunt. You'll have all day Tuesday and Wednesday to participate. Tuesday evening will be games and Bingo after our awards ceremony.

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. Special dietary requests apply for all conference meals.

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 11, 2024 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. or Tuesday, March 12, 2024, 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m. Pick up on Thursday morning by Noon. 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, 2024** 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 11, 2024 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. or Tuesday, March 12, 2023 from 7:30-9:30 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 14 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 "I AM WILLING TO FACILITATE THE FOLLOWING" section of the Share Shop form. 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: Use the 100th celebration back-drop for a selfie or a group photo! Group photos are a great way to promote HCE in your local newspaper. Clarence Middleton will be available for group photos. Sign-up will be at the registration desk for Tuesday and Wednesday time slots. Only one person, such as the President or designee, per county should sign up for a photo time-slot .

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 9:45 a.m. for lunch. The opening ceremony will begin at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 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.

For one time only during the conference, there will be reserved seating according to randomly assigned table numbers. This will allow all of us to meet people from across the state to share ideas and experiences.

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**

MAKE-IT-TAKE-IT – This will be on Tuesday, March 12, 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. as a share shop selection. Participants must pre-register and pre-pay with conference registration.

THURSDAY CLOSING CEREMONY – Special guest, Magdie de Kock, ACWW World President will be speaking during our closing ceremony.

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.



We Hope to See You There!