

# The Hearthstone Herald

A NEWSLETTER FOR EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS OF HANCOCK COUNTY, INDIANA

## GREETINGS EXTENSION HOMEMAKERS



Members,

As I write my last note for the newsletter, I want to thank you all for your participation, enthusiasm and good things we accomplished this year.

I hope some of you attend the Shielding the Community program this week to learn how to keep yourself and your money safe.

There is a flyer in this newsletter about the Fall District Retreat in Waycross. The deadline to sign up to attend is in August. It is always a good time.

If you haven't invited another club to your meeting in our club exchange program, I hope you do take advantage of this opportunity. Our club has a picnic in June and invites the other club as our guests.

I also look forward to the 4H Fair in a couple of weeks. It is great to see all the projects and my husband loves to attend the food auction!

Our Council meeting will be at the Extension Office on the 25<sup>th</sup> which is during the fair but we should have the place to ourselves and parking should be okay. New club presidents are invited to this meeting. We used to have leader training this last Council meeting but most of us have been active long enough to help any new people in our clubs. Jeanie will have some things to share I am sure about the coming year.

It has been a pleasure serving as your President this year. Keep up the good work.

*Rosie*



# Educator Update

Dear Homemakers,

Summer is in full swing, and so is fair season! The Hancock County 4-H Fair is June 17–25, and this year's theme is The Sounds of Summer. Come enjoy the sights, sounds, and community spirit as we support our 4-H youth.

The full fair schedule is available in the Extension Office and on the Ag Association website. We hope to see you there!

Stay cool, stay connected, and thank you for all you do.

*Mandy Gray*

HHS Extension Educator

The Executive/County meetings will still be on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month and the time will stay the same. I am also looking into several programs for Women's Health, floral arranging class, an outing for all members and some other events.

Jeanie Poole





# Brandywine Extension Homemakers Club

The Brandywine Extension Homemakers Club met at Mt. Lebanon Church on May 1 at 6pm. Members in attendance included Amanda Lawrence, Kelli Silcox, Marijo Carr, Anita Anderson, Debi Hill, Bernadette Gordon, Elisa Bowen-Bell, and Joannie Bowen. Charlie Vetters, a Greenfield native, artist, and outdoor enthusiast from Organic Robot Designs presented a program on designing and printing t-shirts,

Charlie Vetters spoke about the necessary components of t-shirt design, such as color balance, contrast of colors, and simplicity of design. The club created a t-shirt design and will go to his shop to print their own shirts later in the summer. If you would like to do something similar with your club, contact Charlie at 317-318-8228 or [charlie@organicrobotdesigns.com](mailto:charlie@organicrobotdesigns.com) or stop by his store and chat about designs at 113 West Main St, Greenfield, IN.

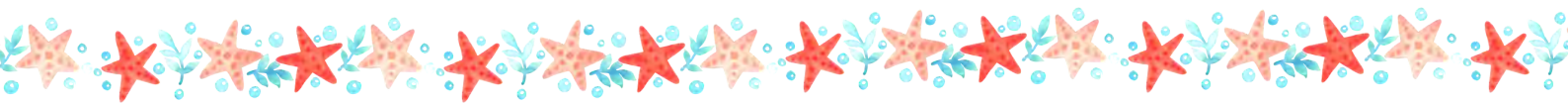
Article written by Kelli Silcox VP and Secretary Brandywine Extension Homemakers.



## *2025 - 2026 Hancock County Officers*

President - Jeannie Poole  
 Vice President - Margie Clark  
 Secretary - Nancy Alldredge  
 Treasurer - Debbie Elsbury  
 Past President - Rosalie Hunt  
 Members at Large - Vickie Ramsey  
                                 Sarah Kesterson  
                                 Leisa Harmon  
                                 Lauren Petry  
                                 Erica Welborn

*The slate of officers will be installed at Achievement Night and will take office on July 1, 2025*



### *Holiday Recipes Wanted!*

The Hearts and Homes Club wants your tried and true family keepsake recipes. Recipe tips, submission information and form are attached to this newsletter.

If you have questions, please contact Kathleen Nicholson





# Upcoming Dates and Deadlines

**June 2-4** - IEHA Conference

**June 14** - **Flag Day**

**June 15** - **Happy Fathers Day!**

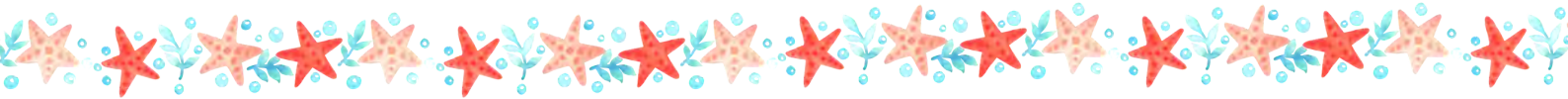
**June 19-27** - Hancock County 4-H Fair

**June 25** - Executive Meeting@ 6:00pm,  
Club Presidents@ 6:30pm, Extension Office



**July 4** - *Celebrate America's Birthday!*

**July 23** - Executive Meeting@ 6:00pm,  
Club Presidents@ 6:30pm, Extension Office



Certain people feel like peace.

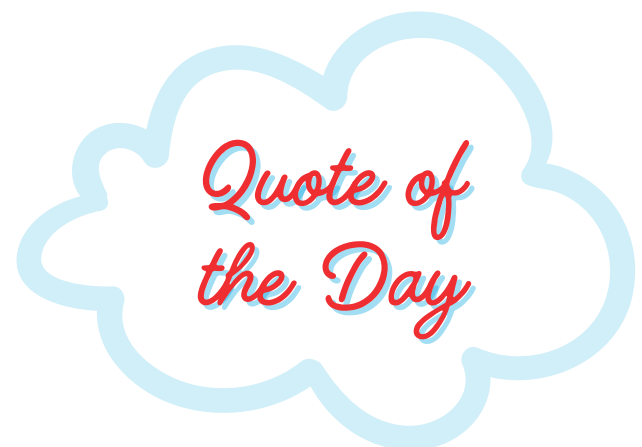
They bring a calmness and a steadiness to life.

They have a gentle strength that makes it seem like everything's going to be okay.

They make the difficult days seem possible and the beautiful moments last a little longer.

Life is better when we surround ourselves with that kind of peace.

*Topher Kearby*





**IEHA Indianapolis District 23rd Annual Retreat**  
**Monday, September 15 & Tuesday, September 16**

Waycross Camp and Conference Center  
7363 Bear Creek Road, Morgantown, IN 46160  
Phone: 812-597-4241 or 800-786-2267

Wear your best **GREENS!**

**Please print clearly**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation by mail (include a self-addressed stamped envelope) \_\_\_\_ or Email \_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Do you require a handicap room? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ On the ground floor? Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Double/Triple occupancy room **\$140.00** \_\_\_\_ Single occupancy room **\$175.00** \_\_\_\_

Would you share a double bed and have a single bed in the room allowing an occupancy of 3? \_\_\_\_ Yes

Do you have special dietary needs? We will try to accommodate if possible. \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate(s): \_\_\_\_\_

**\$75.00** One Day ONLY Registration includes meals and classes: Mon. \_\_\_\_

**See next page for class descriptions, class size and instructions.** We will try our best to fulfill your request for classes. First choice: please circle one selection for each of the following sessions:

**Session 1: 1 2 3 Session 2: 1 2** Second choice: **Session 1: 1 2 3 Session 2: 1 2**

Please mail your registration and check made out to **IEHA Indianapolis District** to cover the cost of accommodations, and meals to:

**Terri Meal**

**4507 Frontage Rd.**

**Fairland, IN 46126**

For additional questions please contact: **Terri Meal @ 317-626-0689 Email: tmeal24@aol.com**

**Registrations after August 15, 2025 please add \$25.00 late fee.**





**Monday: Session 1** (1:45pm – 2:45pm)

Class 1. Copper Ornament & Potato Stamps Class limit: 15 Instructor: Cindy Saferight

Class 2. Vegetable Printing T-shirts (bring a pre-washed light colored shirt)

Class limit: 20 Instructors: Sarah Kesterson & Terri Meal

Class 3. Zwiirnknope Button Instructor: Jane Miller

**Tuesday: Session 2** (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Class 1. Fancy Hearts Class limit: 25 Instructor: Sarah Kesterson

Class 2. Memory Wire Bracelets Class limit: 20 Instructor: Cindy Saferight

**Community Project 9:15am – 11:15am** We will be filling hygiene rolls to be distributed in our counties. We ask each county donates 100 of the assigned items. These are to be travel size items:

Morgan County— Toothbrushes

Hancock County— Combs

Boone County— Bar Soap

Shelby County— Toothpaste

Johnson County— Shampoo

Hamilton County— Deodorant

*MARION  
HEADPICKS*

**Don't Forget your Silent Auction items:**

**Handmade items and Homemade Goodies  
are always a hit!**



**Session 1 Class 1 Copper Ornament & Potato Stamp**



**Session 1 Class 3**

**Zwiirnknope**



**Session 2 Class 1— Fancy Hearts**

**Session 2 Class 2-- Memory Wire Bracelet**



**Session 1 Class 2**

**Vegetable Printing T-shirts**

