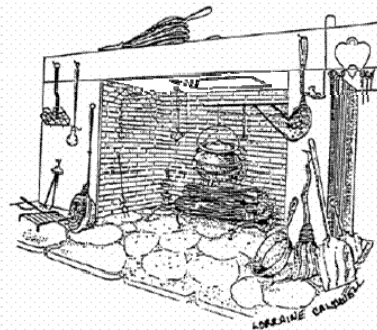


The

November 2009



Hearthstone Herald

A newsletter for Extension Homemakers of Hancock County, Indiana

A message from Janet Hedrick, Extension Homemakers President

Hello Friends,

You may not be traveling over the river and through the woods this month, but I hope you're ready to have some fun and to say "Hooray for the Pumpkin pie!".

As the colorful leaves fall, we are reminded of the approaching holiday gatherings. Is your club ready to be a part of the Bazaar by selling or buying? It's amazing how the 4-H Building can be turned into a wonderland of gifts. Also, be sure to volunteer to make this day a success.

On December 2 we can share holiday memories and make new ones at our Country Christmas dinner. Be sure to make your reservation for this homemade treat.

As our club prayer says"-- with Thankful hearts we come--". I'm thankful for you and for what the Extension Homemakers believe and seek to achieve.

Happy Thanksgiving!

JANET

Calendar of Events

NOVEMBER

- 13 HOLIDAY BAZAAR SET-UP
1 P.M.—7P.M.
14 HOLIDAY BAZAAR
9 A.M.—3 P.M.

DECEMBER

- 2 HOLIDAY SPECIAL
GATHERING
25 MERRY CHRISTMAS

HANCOCK CO. EXTENSION HOMEMAKER'S HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Location: Hancock Co. 4-H Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall
When: Saturday, November 14, 2009
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
FREE PARKING
FREE ADMISSION

Featured items will include:

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| Baked goods | Dip mixes | Handmade items |
| Jewelry | Scrapbook supplies | Children's books |
| Tupperware | Primitive items | Wood crafts |
| Candles | Baskets | Christmas decorations |
| Quilts | Plus many more goodies! | |

Lunch will be available. Start your holiday shopping early by attending!!

For more info on booth space contact:
Vickie Ramsey @ 317-753-4144 or Margie Clark @ 317-498-1549

Hearts and Homes

2009 Philanthropy Fundraiser



The Hearts and Homes Home Ec Club will be selling poinsettias for our philanthropy this year. The proceeds from the poinsettia sales will go towards care packages for troops in Iraq.

We will be selling red, white, and pink poinsettias. The poinsettias will be in a 6 inch clay pot and the clay pot will be wrapped in colored foil.

The cost of the poinsettias will be \$12

Your order and money needs to be to Lori Cyr by Monday, November 23rd. Orders will **not** be placed if the money is not submitted with the order.

Poinsettias will be delivered to the 4-H Building on Wednesday, December 2nd, and **MUST** be picked up that day between 5- 8 pm. This is the day of the County Christmas Dinner.

Please detach below and mail **order and money** to Lori Cyr 51 Cone Court Greenfield, IN 46140
Lori's phone # is 765-586-5089 if you have any questions.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Make checks payable to Hearts and Homes Home Ec Club

Pink _____ #White _____ #Red _____ Total \$ included _____

Hancock County 4-H Alumni Holiday Peanut Brittle Sale

Orders must be in by November 16th – Deliveries on December 15th

It's time to start thinking about the holidays and the gift giving season. As you are thinking about those gift baskets you want to give, make it a little easier on yourself and add some peanut brittle to your goodies.

The Hancock Co. 4-H Alumni Association supports 4-H in a number of ways throughout the year. They recognize 10-year 4-H members with chairs, sponsor awards at the fair and provide two \$500 scholarships to Hancock County 4-H members. They conduct various fundraisers to support their sponsorships and this is one of them.

The peanut brittle is made locally and is packaged in 1 and 2 lb increments. If you want to help out with the things that the Alumni support, you can complete this form and submit it along with your payment to the Purdue Extension Hancock County Office.

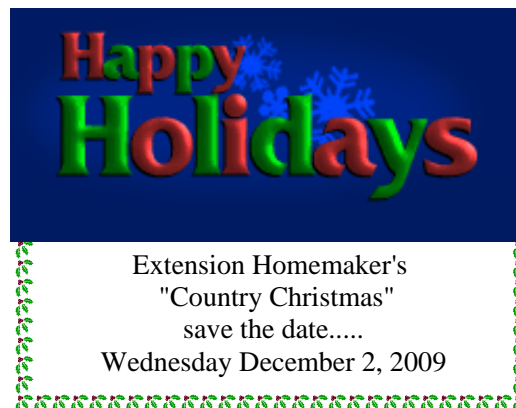
Orders must be received in the office by 4:00 p.m. on **Monday, November 16th** with delivery back to the office on **Tuesday, December 15th**. If you need your order prior to the 15th, please indicate that on your form, and arrangements can be made to provide your purchase sooner.

To place your order, complete this form and return it with your payment to: ***Purdue Extension – Hancock County Office, 802 N Apple Street, Greenfield, IN 46140.*** Please make checks payable to: ***Hancock County 4-H Alumni.***

Thank you and have a great HOLIDAY SEASON!!!

LOST:

Large bag of membership milestone pins.
The pins are given out at Achievement Day as a thank you for years of membership within Extension Homemakers.
Please contact Margie Clark,
margieclk@aol.com or
317-498-1549 for further information.



County Christmas Gathering

Hearts and Homes club would like you to take one night off and join us as we celebrate the season with a Country Christmas Gathering, Wednesday December 2, 6:30 pm at the 4 H building at the fairgrounds.

We will prepare dinner and enjoy some surprises and back by popular request close out the evening with a special heartwarming Christmas carol. I am counting on each club president to encourage members to attend, the cost for the evening is \$11.00 prepaid by November 25 (the day before Thanksgiving) or \$15.00 if paid November 26-30. No reservations after November 30.

We will have door prize drawings...to qualify bring a bag of goodies for Hope House or items for our packages for the military heroes. The military packages can include: chewing gum, fruit cups, microwave popcorn, mouthwash, chap stick, eye drops, compact discs, crossword books, beef jerky, hand wipes, tooth paste, face/hand cream, Frisbees, dominos, board games, life savers, hard candy, pudding and Jell-O cups, current magazines, shaving supplies, batteries, movies, and graham crackers, Oreos, crackers, etc. Our club is also selling poinsettias, which must be picked up December 2 (see order form on page 2 of this newsletter)



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Please send reservations along with money to Margie Clark, 11260 North 250 East
Morristown, IN 46161
Makes checks payable to Hancock County Extension Homemakers. Questions,
please call Margie Clark at 317-498-1549

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Club: _____

CHICAGO HOLIDAY SHOPPING/SIGHTSEEING TRIP

DECEMBER 4, 2009

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: NOVEMBER 16, 2009

COST: \$60.00

Making a list and checking it twice. Chicago is all aglow during the holiday season. Mark your calendar for December 4th and let the tour bus do the driving while you relax and enjoy the scenery as we travel to Chicago for our annual shopping/sightseeing trip to the famous Magnificent Mile or you can walk or taxi downtown to Daly Square for the Kriskringlemart (German Festival). There are also several museums, Adler planetarium, and the Shedd Aquarium close by.

The cost for the trip is \$60.00, full payment is due with registration. Registration deadline is November 16, 2009. Everyone is welcome , so tell your friends and relatives.

- 6:00 a.m. – Check in at the Hancock County Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg. in Greenfield,
Complimentary breakfast is provided
- 6:30 a.m. – Bus promptly departs for Chicago
- 7:30 p.m. – Bus departs for return home to Greenfield
- 11:00 p.m. (Indiana time) – Approximate return time to Fairgrounds



Registration Form
Chicago Shopping/Sightseeing Trip
Friday, December 4, 2009
Registration Deadline: November 16, 2009
****Full payment of \$60.00 is due with registration****
Makes checks payable to Hancock Co. Extension Homemakers
Send to: Hancock Co. Extension Office
802 N. Apple St., Greenfield, IN 46140
If you have any questions, call the Extension Office at (317)462-1113

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Food for thought:

Below are two recipes that are a favorite of a fellow homemakers. They are great comfort food and would go well with the un-wanted cold weather coming our way. If you have any recipes you'd like to submit for future newsletters, feel free to email them to Kandis at kbrouill@purdue.edu.

CRANBERRY TART

¾ cup walnuts, roughly chopped (optional)
 1-1/2 sticks Unsalted Butter, melted and cooled
 ¾ cup sugar+ 1 tablespoon
 2 large eggs
 1-1/2 teaspoon almond extract
 1 cup flour
 2 cups cranberries, fresh or thawed

Heat oven to 325 degrees

Place walnuts on a baking sheet and bake 7 minutes until lightly toasted. Transfer to a bowl to cool.

Butter a 9 or 10 inch tart pan or spring form pan with butter.

In a bowl, whisk together the butter, ¾ cup sugar, eggs, almond extract.

Stir in flour, batter will be thick. Fold in cranberries and nuts.

Spread the batter evenly in the pan. Sprinkle with 1 tablespoon sugar.

Bake until golden and slightly brown on top—30-40 minutes. Toothpick should come out clean. Cool and remove from pan.

If want to serve warm, reheat at 325 for 5 minutes.

This recipe is good with or without nuts. If you like tart cranberries you might want to stock up with fresh berries while they are in season.

BEER BREAD

(makes 1 loaf)

3 cups self-rising flour
 ½ c. sugar
 1-12 oz. bottle of beer (room temp)

Lightly grease a 5 X 9-1/2 X 3" loaf pan.
 Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Mix all ingredients well, let stand in bowl to rise a bit.

Pour into greased pan, allow to rise a bit more.
 Bake at 350 degrees about 35 minutes, until top is golden brown.

Remove from oven, butter top. Allow to cool a bit, remove to a cutting board to cool more.
 If any leftovers, store in zip lock bag in fridge.

This recipe is so quick, and is a heavy bread. It is good served with a soup or hearty stew.



Newsletter submissions welcomed!!

The next newsletter will be distributed the first week of December. We are in need of ideas, articles, recipes, tips and other contributions to make the newsletter more interesting for you!

Please submit to Kandis Brouillette at the Extension office by November 30: 462-1113, kbrouill@purdue.edu; or Rosie Hunt, 485-5609, jhunt5@indy.rr.com. Thanks!