



More help needed for Octoberfest food stand

The Hub Club will have one of three food stands for New Ulm's Oktoberfest this coming Saturday, October 2. The other vendors are Joni's and Gutes Essen.

Our stand will serve walking tacos, bars and other snacks, pop, and water. Serving hours will be 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Food stands will be on Center Street, between Broadway and Minnesota Street.

At this time, we still need two more volunteers for each work shift—9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. If you can help, please contact Marie Guggisberg at 507-276-8615.

Volunteers needed for Day of Caring Breakfast

The Day of Caring Breakfast is back in 2021. The Hub Club serves the volunteers who go out to rake lawns and help senior citizens in the community. This year's event is Saturday, October 23 at Jefferson Elementary.

Six volunteers are needed to make and serve the breakfast. Helpers will need to arrive by 6:30 a.m. and should be finished by 9:15 a.m. If you can help, call Justin Gode at 507-228-8283 (W) or 507-276-6597 (Cell), or email him at jgode@citizensmn.com.

Bavarian Blast planning for 2022

The Hub Club board is looking to form a Bavarian Blast committee to help the existing leadership to split up responsibilities for the event—similar to what we do for the Farm Show.

Volunteers are being sought—please contact club secretary Ruth Klossner if you'd like to be part of that group. Many hands will help make the work light!

Hub Club annual meeting, banquet and Service to Ag recognition will be Monday, January 24

The date, time, and place has been set for the Hub Club's annual banquet—Monday, January 24 at the Community Center on German Street in New Ulm. Swany's of Courtland will cater, as well as provide the bar.

Complete details—and a request for RSVPs—will be in the January newsletter. In the meantime, please note the date and mark it on your 2022 calendar!

The evening will include the annual meeting, recognition of the new Service to Ag winner, and time to visit.

A message from our president, Julie Wilson

The time has finally come...Harvest.

As I drove in southern Minnesota this past weekend and was visiting with many farmers there, we all have one thing in common. All are very hopeful for a great harvest, in spite of the troubles this year has brought.

This brings me to the point that farmers have got to be the most resilient group of people. Always looking for the upside and never letting it bring us down enough because... they continue to do it year after year and not give up!

As I got closer to home, more and more combines were out in the fields and it makes you appreciate the hard work that is put into this, as well as the mental aspect of the occupation and the toll that can take.

So, when you see a farmer neighbor, family or friend—give them a smile and let's keep things positive for them and, in turn, make us all have a better attitude for the day.

Julie

Upcoming Hub Club Events

- NO October Board Meeting—unless the need arises
- Saturday, October 2—Hub Club food stand on Center Street as part of New Ulm's Oktoberfest
- Saturday, October 23—Hub Club serves Day of Caring Breakfast, Jefferson Elementary
- Tuesday, October 26—Farm Show Planning Meeting, 12:00 p.m., Bank Midwest
- Tuesday, November 2—Board Meeting, 5:15 p.m., Don Sanderson's State Farm office

Contact information for 2021 Hub Club Officers & Directors

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Meeting Minutes—New Ulm Farm-City Hub Club Tuesday, September 7, Don Sanderson’s State Farm Office

Vice president Randy Schroeder called the September 7, 2021 Hub Club board meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. at Don Sanderson’s State Farm Insurance Office. Also attending were vice president Marie Guggisberg, secretary Ruth Klossner; directors Christina Schwab, Doug Schottle, Don Sanderson, Marie Guggisberg, and Justin Gode; and guests Beth and Emmalie Fluegge.

The meeting agenda and the secretary’s report, as published and reviewed, were approved by consensus. The treasurer’s report, as submitted by email, showed a checking balance of \$47,583.04.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership. No report.

Public Relations. Sanderson reported that social media ad sales are on hold until the club gets its Facebook hits up; an emphasis will be made at Farm Show time. The Farm Show committee will meet Thursday, September 9; the idea of hiring out the food stand was mentioned but board members seemed to prefer that the club run it.

Events. No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Storage of Club Kitchen Equipment. Equipment is all tucked away under that grandstand at the fairgrounds, rather than hauling off the grounds to Forsts for storage. Rental of \$50 per month had been agreed upon, but may be reduced as the club provided volunteers for the beer stand two nights during the fair. Schroeder will continue to work with the fair board.

Bavarian Blast Report. By email, Hillesheim reported the club netted \$7,859.67, unless other bills are received. Fluegge reviewed the event, noting that most things went well, with great sales, especially Friday and Saturday; the club ran out of food late afternoon Sunday. It was a hard year to guess how much food to have on hand. About 2,400 brats were served, up from a previous high of 1,900. This year’s reduced menu worked well, and will likely be con-

tinued, even though some people asked for pork chops. The board suggested recruiting a committee to run the event; Fluegge will help to order food but suggests help with set up and overseeing each day.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Meeting Plans. Hahns is not available to cater; other caterers will be considered, as will an alternate location. Board members will communicate by email to decide and book a location.

Brown County United Way Pancake Breakfast. Sanderson motioned and Guggisberg seconded serving the breakfast Saturday, October 23; motion carried. Information will be in the October newsletter.

Busing for Lamberton Field Day. Board members had communicated about this by email after the last meeting. Klossner motioned and Gode seconded to approve bus sponsorship as previously approved by email; motion carried.

Oktoberfest Food Stand. Schroeder was approached about the club doing a food stand on Saturday, October 2. Guggisberg motioned and Schottle seconded continuing the process of whether a stand is feasible; motion carried. Schroeder will work with the Chamber on possible plans; Guggisberg volunteered to assist. Possible menu items are walking tacos, nachos & cheese, big pretzels, pop and water. Details will be worked out by the board by email.

Donations to Brown & Nicollet County 4-H Federations. Klossner motioned and Schwab seconded donating \$500 each to the two county 4-H federations for leadership programs; motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m. on a motion by Guggisberg and second by Klossner.

The next meeting is Tuesday, November 2. (No board meeting in October.)

Respectfully submitted, Ruth Klossner, Secretary

Important Notice—First call for Service to Agriculture nominees

In order to give potential Service to Ag recipients time to plan for the event, the Service to Ag selection committee will meet in November.

The Service to Agriculture Award recognizes a person (or couple) who has provided outstanding service to the agricultural community in general and/or the Hub Club in particular.

Think about people who you consider deserving, then email or mail your nomination to Secretary Ruth Klossner

at cowladyruth@gmail.com, 34085 515 Avenue, Lafayette, MN 56054, or 507-240-0048.

Nominations are due Tuesday, November 9

The award recipient will be selected by a committee of previous winners of the award. That group will meet by mid-November and the recipient will be notified soon after so that he/she can invite family and friends to the January 24 banquet.

Farm Show planning continues

The second 2022 Farm Show organizational meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 26. We are moving forward with planning, expecting that we can have a bigger and better farm show, after a year off.

If you have thoughts, comments, or suggestions, please feel free to contact show chair Don Sanderson or another committee member. The committee would also welcome any new volunteers who want to help in planning.

Show dates are March 11-12. As always, we look forward to your help in setting up, tearing down, and with the many tasks that go with operating a successful event. We will keep you posted as we move forward with planning.

Hub Club secretary receives dairy award

In a surprise announcement, Ruth Klossner received Minnesota Milk's "Bruce Cottingham Friend of Dairy" award at the 4-H Dairy Show at the Minnesota State Fair on August 28. The award recognizes individuals who foster the goals and ideals of Minnesota Milk through their own personal efforts, display leadership, and are involved in their local communities.



Sadie Frericks of Minnesota Milk made the presentation in the State Fair Coliseum.

Membership Notes

- Longtime Hub Club member Dale Oswald, 87, passed away September 2 at his home. Funeral services were held September 8 at Zion Lutheran Church, near his home in Brighton Township. He is survived by his wife Arleen Oswald, three daughters, and many other family members.

- A community farewell will be held for Hub Club member Pastor Heidi Hagstrom of Bernadotte Sunday, October 24 at the Lafayette Charter School. There will be a Dad's Belgian Waffle brunch from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and a program at 1:30 p.m. Heidi is retiring due to cancer. Everyone welcome!

