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Date: August 3, 2021

Time: 9:30 AM-10:30 AM

Place: HASP Virtual Classroom, hope.edu/virtualhasp

Program: Scott Rumpsa, Executive Director of Community Action House, "Food Club: An Innovative Approach to Increasing Healthy Food Access"

Traditional food support has relied on a patchwork of emergency-oriented programs no longer matched to our community's needs and trends. To meet our community's needs, Community Action House has planned to evolve its service model from a food pantry into a Food Club. Successfully piloted in Grand Rapids, this membership-based, grocery-store style experience is an innovative, high-dignity approach to improving healthy food access. Partially financed through sliding-scale membership fees, the Food Club model enhances consumer choice, member participation, and access to healthy foods. Food Club will create the capacity to efficiently serve thousands more community members each month and dramatically improve our region's ability to address food insecurity. The long effort to bring the Food Club model to the lakeshore is now in its final stages, and this new approach to food access and social services delivery is set to open this coming October. More information is provided at www.hzfoodclub.org.

Community Action House is a 51-year-old anti-poverty organization based in Holland, Michigan and Scott is the Executive Director. He has degrees from Hope College ('01) and Grand Valley State University, as well as an MBA concentrating in nonprofit management from George Washington University. Passionate about excellence and innovation in service of social and economic justice, Scott briefly worked in the business, education, and governmental sectors prior to transitioning into the nonprofit sector. Before joining Community Action House, Scott held leadership positions at innovative nonprofits in rural Kenya and Washington, DC. Joining Community Action House in September 2018 represented Scott's return home to West Michigan.

Upcoming Monthly Programs:

September 7, 2021 – Bekah Schippers "Crisis in Education: Teacher Burnout Teacher Shortage"

October 5, 2021 – Shannon Aikins- Executive Director "Brass Band of Battle Creek, MI"

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *HASP President: Barbara Stegink: bstegink39@gmail.com, 616.990.7124*

This month, I'd like to recap some of my announcements from the July monthly meeting regarding plans for our re-entry to HASP activities this fall.

As of right now, we are planning to return to the Jack Miller Performance Hall for monthly programs, and offer the option of both in-person and Zoom courses. Our first monthly meeting in the Hall will be on September 7th. A shuttle bus from DeVos fieldhouse parking lot to the Hall will be available. We will share details about exactly where to park at the fieldhouse in the September newsletter and Constant Contacts which will be sent in late August.

In-person curriculum courses will take place in our own classroom for the fall term which begins on September 20th. Many courses will also be available through the virtual classroom. Since restrictions have consistently changed throughout this pandemic, at this time we are hesitant to announce details about social-distancing, masks, and refreshments. As HASP has done throughout the pandemic, with guidance from Hope College, CDC, and our Covid subcommittee, we will evaluate the safest way to return as we near our start date. Given the high risk of our members, and perhaps after we have data on the percentage of our members who are vaccinated, we will make further decisions on specific safety measures.

Our Special Events Committee is once again able to offer our members a variety of social activities, some which will include traveling on a Hope College bus. Once again, we will follow the same guidelines with regard to bus travel. At this point the only restriction is that the front row seats are not to be occupied.

The Covid subcommittee will be meeting at the end of July to review up-to-date data from Hope College which includes information from the State of Michigan and Ottawa County Health departments. This committee will once again make decisions on the information available to us at that time and make any necessary adjustments to our plans as we move into the fall. Your patience and understanding are very much appreciated as we make these important and vital decisions that affect our HASP membership.

I do hope that I will see you in-person at our monthly meeting in September. It will be such a pleasure to look at the audience and see all your smiling faces!

MEMBERSHIP Membership Chair: Doug Walvoord, doug.walvoord@gmail.com, 616.405.2366

We welcome our new HASP members:

Henry Kranz

Profession: Personnel Director, Marketing Director
Education: Loyola University Chicago
Hobbies: Small press publishing, gardening, poetry, bicycling
Mentor: Rick Burn

Diane Stephenson

Profession: Clinical and Consulting Psychologist
Education: Northwestern University, University of Michigan
Hobbies: Literature, social activities/clubs, community, grandkids, travel, Tai Chi, NIA dance
Mentor: Rick and Linda Burn

Donna Stockton

Profession: Nursing, real estate
Education: Bronson Methodist Hospital School of Nursing, Columbia Teachers College
Hobbies: Reading, travel, bridge, golf
Mentor: Jim Elshoff

Philip Stockton

Profession: Producer of Educational Films
Education: The Ohio State University, Loyola University Chicago, Columbia College
Hobbies: Genealogy
Mentor: James Elshoff

Eduardo Crotte

Profession: Radiology
Education: Case Western Reserve
Hobbies: Travel, science, soccer
Mentor: Louis Toledo

Patricia Milbourn

Profession: Teacher, Administrator, Director
Education: Virginia Commonwealth University, Michigan State University
Hobbies: Home chef, knitting, writing, reading, quilting
Mentor: Doug Pretty

David Milbourn

Profession: Ministry, Pastor
Education: Hampden-Sydney College, Union Theological Seminary
Hobbies: Photography, geography, landscaping, theological reading
Mentor: Doug Pretty

Tom Northuis

Profession: Radiology
Education: Grand Valley State University, University of Michigan
Hobbies: Computers
Mentor: David Mulligan

Cheryl Edwards

Profession: Nursing
Education: University of Washington Medical Center
Mentor: Jan DeJonge

Please direct membership inquiries to Susan Timmer, timmer@hope.edu.

CURRICULUM Curriculum Chair: Sharon Arendshorst, snarendshorst@gmail.com, 616.335.3132

The Curriculum Committee hopes you are continuing to enjoy the off-site and on-line summer courses being offered this year. We have been receiving excellent feedback and have even lined up some of the popular off-site courses for a repeat next summer. As you read this newsletter, there are still summer courses available. Since there is a rolling enrollment, be sure to sign up for those that interest you and enhance this beautiful summer with on-line learning opportunities.

Recently the Curriculum Committee met to review proposals for the HASP Fall Term and approved fifty-five courses! Fall Term will include the return of favorite presenters and series and the opportunity to explore new and current topics with new presenters. Please join me in thanking the subcommittee chairs and members for their excellent work in providing a breadth of interesting and challenging courses for both summer and fall terms.

Following the guidelines from the COVID-19 Task Force and HASP Board, the Curriculum Committee is eagerly anticipating our return to the HASP classroom this fall. We will continue to follow their protocols for a safe return. In order to provide the most positive experience for our members, we will offer several ways to engage our curriculum. We have approved several off-site courses from Fine Arts. We will have several Zoom-only courses offered by presenters from a distance that we will be able to access from the comfort of our homes. There will be some classroom-only courses when the teaching modality or presenter necessitates that limit. When a classroom presenter gives permission, we will simultaneously Zoom the course from the classroom through the HASP Virtual Classroom. More information about the above options and the then-current in-person guidelines will be provided in the course catalog and through HASP emails.

As we prepare for future terms, please contact any of the following with course ideas, potential presenters, or your own eagerness to teach a course. We are a peer-led organization and we count on you.

All committees accept course ideas and proposals year-round!

Curriculum Chair Sharon Arendshorst, snarendshorst@gmail.com, 616.335.3132

Fine Arts Sarah Briggs, sarahbriggs969@gmail.com, 517.449.5818

Humanities Amy Henrickson, amy.henrickson@gmail.com, 616.450.8820

Science, Medicine, & Technology (co-chair) Susan Couch, couchsm@gmail.com 616.399.1491

Social Sciences Larry Lynn, oldrun09@gmail.com, 616.617.8944

SERVICE Service Chair: Gloria Goodwin, gagoodwi@yahoo.com, 845.546.6545

Be a Spark!Lab or Museum Docent at the Holland Museum!

Attention science and technology enthusiasts! Holland Museum has immediate openings for Spark!Lab Docents to help facilitate the self-directed process of invention for young participants in the Spark!Lab. Training will be provided.

In addition, training sessions for Museum Docents, who assist in the Museum's Permanent Gallery and Dutch Art Gallery, will be held in September. Volunteers will learn about Holland's rich past and present to enable them to share this wonderful museum with our community!

For more information on either of these opportunities email Loren Harvey at loren@hollandmuseum.org or call her at 616-796-2080.



SPECIAL EVENTS Special Events Chair: Alyce Doss, agdoss@comcast.net, 616.403.4325

We have been waiting for this time to arrive! HASP is offering in-person events and scheduling trips by HOPE bus. The Special Events team is busy rescheduling cancelled events and coordinating new events.



The “Fish Boil at Cherry Point Farms”, Thursday, July 15th, coordinated by Chet Pawlak, was a smashing success! It was great to see everyone, enjoy the beautiful outdoors and delicious food.



As exciting events are once again scheduled and interesting sites are opening for tours, we will provide several opportunities for you to enjoy.

The Lincoln site in Springfield, IL is one of the first bus trips planned for September 27-29.. A HASP favorite, “Closing of the Grand Hotel” is scheduled for October 30-November 1. There are still a few openings for these trips, but spots are filling fast! Watch for additional trips and events in the near future.

“Closing the Grand”-October 30-November 1

Registration Closes: September 20th (space is limited)

Registration Link: <https://hopecollegedae.regfox.com/closing-the-grand-hotel>



HASP is invited to enjoy a unique behind the scenes experience as the staff of the Grand Hotel prepares for the winter season. We will travel by the HOPE bus to Mackinaw City, staying the first night at the Hamilton Inn. You will have the option to visit the Dark Sky Park that evening. On Sunday, we will travel by ferry to the Grand Hotel, where you will enjoy a

casual buffet dinner on Sunday night and a continental breakfast Monday morning. As guests of “Closing the Grand”, we will have access to explore unoccupied rooms, and attend the closing presentation and employee recognition.

If you are vaccinated you will not be required to wear masks. Protocols for the non vaccinated have yet to be determined.

Closing the Grand

October 30-November 1, 2021

Cost: Double Occupancy \$325 per person/Single Occupancy \$450 per person

Includes: Transportation by Hope bus, Saturday night lodging at the Hamilton Inn, ferry/taxi/luggage transfer, Sunday night lodging at The Grand Hotel, casual dinner buffet on Sunday evening, continental breakfast Monday morning

Name #1 _____ Cell #1 _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Room Choice (Circle) **DOUBLE \$325 pp** **SINGLE \$450 pp**

Roommate Name _____

Name #2 _____ Cell #2 _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Room Choice (Circle) **DOUBLE \$325 pp** **SINGLE \$450 pp**

Roommate Name _____

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Lincoln Sites Bus Trip Springfield, Illinois

Registration: June 28-August 13 (space is limited)

Registration Link: <https://hopecollegedae.regfox.com/lincoln-sites-bus-trip>



Have you ever been to the Abraham Lincoln sites in Springfield, Illinois? If not, here is your opportunity to do so with your HASP friends. The Special Events committee is planning a bus trip that would leave Monday at 7:30 morning September 27th and return Wednesday the 29th. Expected travel time with two rest stops and a lunch stop will be six/seven hours each way. The

trip cost will include transportation, hotel reservations for two nights, admission to the Presidential Museum, coffee and donuts the morning of the 27th and a box lunch later that day.

Some of the sites are within walking distance from the hotel. Others are available via our own Hope College bus. They include the (1) Lincoln Home, (2) Lincoln Visitors Center, (3) Old State Capitol, (4) Lincoln Depot, (5) Hendon Law Office/Old U.S. Post Office, (6) Lincoln Tomb and (7) the Presbyterian Church where Lincoln had his own pew. Time permitting, we also visit the home of young Lincoln in New Salem, Illinois. Double occupancy total cost is \$205 per person and single occupancy is \$325.

If you are vaccinated you will not be required to wear masks. Protocols for the non vaccinated have yet to be determined.

Lincoln Sites Bus Trip-September 27-29, 2021

Cost: Double Occupancy \$205 per person/Single Occupancy \$325 per person

Includes: Transportation on Hope bus, coffee and donuts and box lunch during outgoing trip, hotel reservations for two nights, and admission to the Presidential Museum.

Name #1 _____ Cell #1 _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Room Choice (Circle) **DOUBLE \$205pp** **SINGLE \$325pp**

Roommate Name _____

Lunch Selection (Circle) Chicken Caesar Wrap Haworth Club Sandwich Vegetarian Wrap

Food Allergies _____

Name #2 _____ Cell #2 _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Room Choice (Circle) **DOUBLE \$205pp** **SINGLE \$325pp**

Roommate Name _____

Lunch Selection (Circle) Chicken Caesar Wrap Haworth Club Sandwich Vegetarian Wrap

Food Allergies _____

OFFICE & DIRECTOR NEWS HASP Director: Kim Mendels, mendels@hope.edu, 616.335.0627
Program Coordinator: Susan Timmer, timmer@hope.edu, 616.414.2561

Summer Office and Work Hours:

We will continue to work primarily remote with availability Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Reminder that in the summer ***HASP is closed on Fridays*** and staff are not available and will reply to emails on Monday. This allows us to take a break from the computer and focus on our families. Please plan ahead if you need office assistance. If your request is of an urgent nature and requires immediate attention, please contact HASP Director, Kim Mendels on her cell phone, 616.335.0627

Take note! Time for a few in-person visitors...

The HASP office and library will be open on **WEDNESDAYS**, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the summer (unless otherwise noted in your weekly updates). This will allow us to provide some in-person assistance when needed as well as a chance for members to use our beautiful library.