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SpellMasters 3.0 Coming!

It's time to break out the dictionaries and sharpen up the pencils- SpellMasters 3.0 is upon us! Teams are needed in Huron, Sanilac, and Tuscola Counties to determine who will be this year's SpellMasters. In this 'spelling bee' competition, teams of four adults participate in their local county Bees, and the winning teams will then compete for the Tri-County Championship. The events are being held to support the Human Development Commission's Foster Grandparent and RSVP programs.

During the spelling bees, a WordMaster will call a word, read a definition, and use the word in a sentence. Then, the four-person teams decide on the correct spelling and each team writes it on a piece of paper. A judge then determines whether the word is spelled correctly on each team's sheet. As long as a team spells correctly, it will stay in the bee. If a team misses a word, they can 'buy' the word back for \$10.00 and stay in the bee. Words can be 'bought' up until the last elimination round. Winning teams and their sponsors receive a trophy along with the title of SpellMaster, and will compete for SpellMasters 3.0 Tri-County Champions title.

Registration for SpellMasters 3.0 is \$100.00 per team. Teams will have opportunities to collect 'free word' coupons at each event, and team sponsors receive recognition at the events. The events will be held as follows: Huron County: April 8, 2014 at the Huron County Tech Center; Tuscola County: April 15, 2014 at the Tuscola County Tech Center; Sanilac County: April 22, 2014 at the Sanilac Career Center; the Tri-County Championship will be held on April 29, 2014 at Northwood Meadows in Cass City. Bees begin at 7:00 p.m. with team sign-in starting at 6:30. Spectators are welcome! Event sponsors are the Huron Daily Tribune, Huron County View, Tuscola County Advertiser, and Sanilac County News.

For more information, contact Julia DeGuise at 989-673-4121. The Human Development Commission is a community action agency dedicated to the mission: "Restoring Hope by Helping People and Changing Lives."

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