



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

June 4, 2021

The following documents are included in the packet for the Ag/Extension Education & Fair Committee (In Person and Zoom) Meeting on Tuesday, June 8, 2021:

- 1) Cover Sheet
- 2) Amended Agenda
- 3) Draft minutes from the May 11, 2021 meeting
- 4) County Library Reports
- 5) Fair Coordinator Report
- 6) UW-Extension Reports for: Adam Hady, Area 14 Extension Director, Katie Gellings (Health & Well-Being Extension Educator), Ben Jenkins (Agriculture Educator), Morgan Martinez (4-H Program Educator) and Laura McCulley (Food Wise Coordinator).



GREEN LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

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Agriculture, Extension Education & Fair Committee Meeting Notice

Date: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 Time: 9:00 a.m.

**Green Lake County Government Center, County Board Room *or via Zoom*
571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI**

***AMENDED AGENDA**

Committee Members

*Patti Garro, Chair
Katie Mehn, Vice
Chair
Ken Bates
Bob Dolgner
Keith Hess
Brian Floeter,
alternate*

*Kathy Ninneman,
Secretary*

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Minutes: 5/11/21
6. Green Lake County Drainage Board Nomination – Todd Morris
7. County Library Services Report - submitted monthly report
8. Fair Coordinator Report – submitted report
9. *Fair: Beer Sales/Band at the Fair Saturday evening – Discussion/Approval
10. Fair: 2020 Fair Budget
11. Fair: LTE position
12. Fair: Track Events
13. Fair: Contracts – Discussion/Approval
14. UW-Extension Staff Reports – submitted monthly report
 - Adam Hady, Area Extension Director
 - Katie Gellings, Health & Well-Being Educator
 - Ben Jenkins, Agriculture Educator
 - Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Educator
 - Laura McCulley, Food Wise Coordinator
15. Approval of Educator Out of County Days – Discussion/Approval
16. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: July 13, 2021
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
17. Adjourn

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted and available through in person attendance (6 ft. social distancing and face masks required) or audio/visual communication. Remote access can be obtained through the following link:

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/97243981422?pwd=NWRhV3YwTWZMWGZlYmxFSVlxSVlOUT09>

Meeting ID: 972 4398 1422

Passcode: 308261

To join by phone: 1-312-626-6799

Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office. Sincerely, Kathy Ninneman

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or Audio assistance, should contact the Extension Office, 294-4032, not later than 3 days before date of the meeting.



The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chairperson Garro, on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 9:00 am in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call taken by Garro.

Present: Patti Garro
Bob Dolgner
Keith Hess
Katie Mehn
Ken Bates

Staff Present: Adam Hady (Zoom)
Katie Gellings (Zoom)
Ben Jenkins (Zoom)
Laura McCulley (Zoom)
Kathy Ninneman

Absent: Morgan Martinez (on maternity leave)

Also Present: Christina Lyons, Caestecker Library Director; Sheriff Mark Podoll; Chief Deputy Matt Vande Kolk; Corporation Counsel, Dawn Klockow (Zoom); County Administrator, Cathy Schmit (Zoom); County Board Chairman, Harley Reabe; Rich Swanke, Pullers Inc.; and Tony Daley, Berlin Journal Newspapers (Zoom).

MINUTES

Motion/second (Hess/Dolgner) to accept the minutes from 4-13-21. All ayes. Motion carried.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

The submitted monthly reports are in the committee packet. Lyons gave a verbal report.

FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT

The submitted monthly report is in the committee packet. Ninneman gave a verbal report as well.

FAIR: DISCUSSION OF BEER SALES ON THE FAIRGROUNDS

Sheriff Podoll, Administrator Schmit and Corporation Counsel Klockow all gave view points and suggestions regarding the sale of beer and/or malt beverages during the County Fair. The Committee discussed those suggestions and the idea that the fair is about kids and education but also had concerns for revenue in order to make fairground improvements. The Committee has decided to continue without the sale of beer at the present time.

FAIRGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

Discussion regarding any fairground improvements. The Highway Department owns the buildings. Any fairground improvements need to go through the Highway Department and Property & Insurance.

FAIR TRACK EVENTS

Swanke brought his three contracts in for the Truck & Tractor Pulls (Thursday, August 5 and Friday, August 6), along with the Alcohol Sales contract. Those will be forwarded to Corporation Counsel for review and approval.

FAIR CONTRACTS

Wand Enterprises-The Hypnosis Agency: Saturday, August 7, 2021 – (3:00 & 5:30 pm) - \$2,000

International Demolition Derby: Saturday, August 7, 2021 – 6:00 pm - \$7,500

Modern Rentals-Tent Rental: \$3,545.12

Truck & Tractor Pull for August 6 & 7

Alcohol Contract for August 6 & 7

Motion/second Hess/Dolgner to approve the above contracts with Corporation Counsel's approval.

All ayes. Motion carried.

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS

The submitted monthly reports are in the committee packet for Adam Hady (Area Extension Director), Katie Gellings (Health & Well-Being Educator), Ben Jenkins (Agriculture Educator), and Laura McCulley (Food Wise Coordinator). Verbal reports were given by those present.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS

None.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Garro thanked everyone for attending and voicing their ideas on beer sales. Everyone got a whole different outlook on educational vs beer drinking. Bates will be a representative from this Committee and will attend the Highway Committee meeting regarding any fairground improvements.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Garro or Ninneman.
- Next regular meeting date: June 8, 2021 in the County Board Room/Zoom at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was declared adjourned by Chairperson Garro at 10:12 a.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Ninneman, Secretary*

June 2021 Green Lake County Library Reports

Berlin – June is going to be an exciting month for the Berlin Library. Just in time for our Summer Reading Program, we are excited to announce that beginning June 1, all kids' library cards are going to be fine free! The Berlin Library staff and Library Board of Trustees recognize the importance of patrons age 18 & under to have access to the library, especially during this difficult time. By removing late fines, blocked cards due to late fines will no longer be a barrier for kids to use the library.

This week, our youth librarian visited all 3 Berlin schools to promote the upcoming Summer Reading Program (SRP). The students were so excited to have a chance to win prizes and attend fun programs! The Summer Reading Program will run from June 14 to July 31 for all ages. The more participants read, the more chances they have to win amazing prizes. Entertaining programs coming to BPL include animals from Bay Beach Wildlife Sanctuary, Menominee Park Zoo and MToxins Venom Lab, and presentations by EAA Wind Turbines, Wisconsin Kites Club and an art program by local artist, Elissa Ewald. Several programs and prizes will be sponsored by Friends of the Berlin Library with proceeds from their recent book sales. Although we had a modified SRP last year, we are super excited to be back to in person programming and ready to welcome more participation this year.

Library staff will be at the Berlin Farmers Market promoting our Summer Reading Program and other services of the library to the community on June 1 and June 8. Join the library staff and the Friends of the Library on June 15 for a brat fry at the Farmers Market to raise money for more wonderful library programs.

Two adult book clubs will be meeting this month: a discussion on the book, *The Curious Case of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon on June 16 and our mystery book club discussing *Dead Watch* by John Sandford on June 26.

For the 2nd month, we welcomed back our Stitching Together group. While stitching away, they are chatting away. It's so fun to hear them catch up on everything from the last year.

In addition, we are bringing back Teen Laser Tag, indoor afternoon Matinee Movies and Outdoor Family Movie nights.

The Berlin Library is starting out the summer months with excitement for the entire community. Our staff is more than ready to welcome new and returning visitors and to share our library with them.

Chris Kalupa – Berlin Public Library Director

Green Lake – Do you like jigsaw puzzles? Many of our patrons do. Puzzles keep hands and minds busy while bringing people together for conversation. Or puzzles provide some alone time to recharge your batteries and keep your mind strong. We have had a puzzle table at the library for years and many friendships have begun while puzzle pieces are shifted into place. Our puzzle table has returned in the fireplace area and we are looking forward to having our regular puzzlers (and hopefully some new ones) visiting with us again. We also now have a new addition for puzzle-lovers in honor of some of our great library puzzlers: The Dusty and Jackie Johnson Memorial Puzzle Collection is now available. Our puzzles range from 300 to 2000 pieces, and each checks out for three weeks at a time; renewals are allowed as needed. We are excited to expand on the tradition of putting people and puzzles together in the library.

To celebrate the summer, we have a new selection of colorful kites in a variety of fun shapes and sizes. Try out a Butterfly, Octopus, 3D Lotus, or standard delta shape. String and winder are included for a day (or a week) of memory making.

If you are looking for opportunities to buy your own puzzles, the Friends have selected more Book Sale dates for the coming months, and they are as follows:

- **Saturday, June 12 from 9 am—noon**
- **Wednesday, June 23 from 1 pm—4 pm**
- **Thursday, July 1 from 9 am—1 pm**
- **Saturday, July 3 from 9 am – 1 pm**
- **Saturday, July 24 from 9 am – 1 pm**

While you have your calendar handy, mark down Knitting Group for Mondays from 10 am to noon. All skill levels are welcome. If you need inspiration for a new project, the Knitting Group has plenty of ideas and patterns available to borrow. Then on Wednesdays at 10 am, we have Storytime for the kiddos with Ms. Margie. Come enjoy the books read out loud, the pictures, and a small activity. Our Tales & Tales Summer Reading program is also finally upon us! Everyone is welcome to participate in our reading

challenges through the Beanstack app and to pick up weekly activity packs starting June 15, 2021. We will also have some activities outside, Tia the reading therapy dog will be stopping by weekly, and prizes from weekly drawings will be gift cards to local shops and restaurants. We're looking forward to seeing our summer regulars and hopefully a few new faces!

Christina Lyon – Caestecker Public Library Director

Kingston – We have a new display out for June “Plant a Seed and See What Grows.” We have an assortment of materials in the display that can be checked out. Gardening books, children’s books about some kind of gardening, magazine, DVDs, etc. The display will be up through the month of June.

We recently received a donation of books for our book sale room. The donor said she had “quite a few totes of books.” I think there are close to 30 totes of books, so it will take us a while to sort and put them out. Our book sale room is always open, and this will be a nice addition to the contents of it.

We are getting ready for our Summer Reading Program which will run on 2 days to allow for smaller groups, Wednesdays at 9:30am, and Thursdays at 4:30pm each week for a month starting on June 16th. We're using the Tales and Tails and will have programs that have animals with tails, and other speaker who will be telling tales. Anyone who does all their reading is invited to a pool party at the Waupun Aquatic Center in July.

Our Rummage for Reading table is set up once again, and will be out for the summer months. People donate new or gently used items, the library prices and sells them, and it's a win/win. People get rid of their unwanted items, and the library makes money to purchase more books.

Sara Wilson – Kingston Public Library Director

Markesan – The big event at the Markesan Public Library is our Chair Affair Fundraiser. We have 60 chairs designed by community members including groups like the Markesan Resident Home, the Girl Scouts, NHS, the high school art class, and talented library users. Our reveal party was wonderful. Our artists were invited to attend and meet the public. We had refreshments courtesy of our library board members and Mr. Ken Paskey played on the keyboard. The celebration was well attended, and the chairs remain on display for silent auction bids until Saturday, June 12th at 11 am as part of the June Dairy Days events.

We already received a \$2,500 anonymous donation to go towards our fundraiser. All proceeds will be used to update the children’s area in the library. We have started making plans on this update by creating a wish list and visiting other libraries who have recently done remodels or updates. A big thank you to Kingston and Princeton for letting us snoop around and for answering our questions. We plan to visit more libraries in the future.

In other news, on June 1st, I visited the Markesan Public Elementary School and promoted our Summer Reading program. We hired Zoozort to come along and teach the kids about Armadillos too. Approximately 370 students were able to attend and enjoy the program and see some live armadillos. We thought an animal program would be fun as the theme of the Summer Learning is “Tails and Tales.”

Our reading incentive program will be similar to last year where all ages can take part. The more a person reads the more chances he or she will have to win one of our grand prizes. We will give kids and teens reading raffle tickets that they fill out for every 2 hours read. Adults will be asked to read an entire book. The program will start the week of June 7 and continue until July 31, with prizes drawn on Aug. 2.

To keep the families engaged throughout the summer, we will also offer weekly incentives. Kids will be invited to “Spin the Wheel” once a week. We will have prizes they can win or a free book or maybe even a fun activity like being told animal riddles. There will also be weekly programs, some for adults and some for kids.

Here is our line-up of programs for June:

Wednesday, June 16 – 1 pm: "Mess Fest"

Let's make the library courtyard a messy Pigsty! Put on your play clothes and enjoy icky, yucky, grimmy fun like squirt gun painting, oobleck, mud pies, elephant toothpaste and so much more!

Thursday, June 17 – 6 pm Facebook Live: Professor Tim Deelen's virtual program on ["Wolf Predation & Deer Herds"](#) (This program is geared towards adults).

Wednesday, June 23 – 1 pm: Raising Chickens with Nicholas & David Oft of the [Oft Family Farm](#):
EGGsactly everything you needed to know about chickens, presented by Markesan's own....the Oft Brothers of Oft's Flock and Feather Farm!

Thursday, June 24 – 6 pm: Fur Trading & Fox River History w/ [Fox of the River Voyageur Canoe LLC](#)

Learn all about local history of Fur Trading on the Fox River with Jerry Disterhaft and Glen Gorsuch.

Wednesday, June 30 – 1 pm: Voyageur Caonoeing on Little Green [w/ Fox of the River Voyageur Canoe LLC](#)

Set up a Teepee, learn about furs and fur trading, paddle along on an 18 person canoe! Sign up will be required as space will be limited.

June also means June Dairy Days and the library will once again bring Winne-the-Fox to the June Dairy Days parade. We are also auctioning off our huge life size fiberglass cow, "Flavor of the Day."

In non-event news, the library has gone to masks optional and is still gathering information on replacing our boiler.

Thank you for your support of life-long learning and your libraries,

Nicole Overbeck – Markesan Public Library Director

Princeton –

Laura Skalitsky – Princeton Public Library Director



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Tuesday, June 1, 2021

TO: Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension, Education & Fair Committee

Fair and other related tasks:

- The Maintenance Contract has been agreed upon by Zach Knoke. Zach and I will be meeting with Jerome Jahnke, as he shares his 45+ years of the Fair Maintenance, helping to make it a smooth transition as Zach begins this fair season.
- The Fair Book is complete with a new 2-column design and is on our website: greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair
- Online fair entries are open until July 1st at 11:59 pm CST on our website: greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair. There will be no paper entries, online only. This has been advertised on the Fair Facebook page, emailed to all 4-H families, FFA advisors and will be published in the Berlin Journal newspapers on June 3. Fair theme is “How the West was Fun!”
- Communication Arts Day is scheduled for Monday, June 28 at 6:00 pm at the Town of Brooklyn, Town Hall. All information is on our website for any youth interested in attending: greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair/communication_arts_day. It is advertised on the Fair Facebook page, emailed to all general leaders of 4-H clubs, project members and will be published in the Berlin Journal newspapers on June 10.
- To date the Fair has received 30 Friends of the Fair Donations totaling \$7,270.00.
- All judge agreements (contracts) have been received.
- Vendor contracts continue to be received. The Little Shop of Cheesecakes went out of business, searching for a new vendor for the cheesecakes on a stick – have a lead on one.
- Entertainment schedule continues as I make contact with entertainers and receive their contracts.

In Office Hours

- Monday through Friday, 8 am-4:30 pm

Green Lake County Fair
August 5 - 8, 2021
"HOW THE WEST WAS FUN"
Premium List: Rules & Regulations
Entries open June 1–July 1
All entries must be made online:
greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair
No late entries will be accepted.

GREEN LAKE COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITORS:
The Fair Book is now online:
greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair
Fair Entries will be accepted starting on Tuesday, June 1st

Deadline is: July 1 @ 11:59 pm
Plan Ahead—Don't wait until the last day in case you have computer problems.
No Late Entries Accepted—No Appeals.
#FAIRSTRONG

REGISTER NOW FOR THE GREEN LAKE COUNTY FAIR COMMUNICATION ARTS DAY
Monday, June 28, 2021
6:00 p.m.
Town of Brooklyn Town Hall
Green Lake
(directly across from the Green Lake County Government Center entrance)

- FOODS REVUE
- CLOTHING PREVIEW
- DEMONSTRATIONS

Open to all youth in Green Lake County in grades K-13, who are affiliated with any youth organization.
To register for this great educational event go to: greenlake.extension.wisc.edu/fair

The mission of the Green Lake County Fair is to provide positive youth development and leadership skills, along with promoting family and community involvement through education and tradition.

Adam Hady

Area Extension Director

Serving the counties of Adams, Green Lake, Juneau, Marquette and Waushara

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May 2021

Area Extension Director Update

Welcome to spring and things opening more. I have been starting to travel to the counties more as extension continues to relax on COVID restrictions. Most counties are starting to talk about the upcoming budget process. Also, as part of department head meetings around the area, the decisions on COVID protocols and returning to work. Have been large topic of discussion. As for Extension, on the state side the same conversations are happening with employees returning to the office on July 1st.

I have been working with institute directors and program mangers to help educators as they create their plan of work and connect the local needs to the state priorities. In addition to programmatic conversations I have been engaged with the Agriculture and Community Development institute on strategies to fill current vacancies in the Area. In May, I completed the interviews for the Marquette County Human Development and Relationships Educator, the new educator will start on June 7th.

I have continued to hold check-in meetings every other week with the county educators, office conference zooms and an area wide zoom meeting.

Sincerely,



Adam A. Hady



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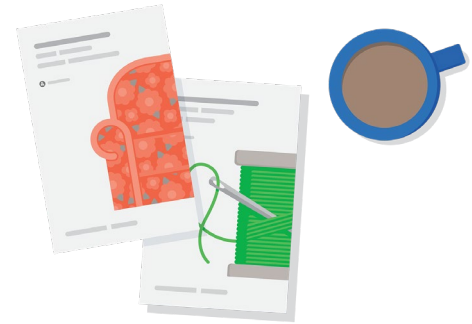
Katie Gellings
Green Lake County
Health & Well-Being Extension Educator
May 2021

This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the Health & Well-Being Institute in May of 2021. During the reporting period, the educator made 39 direct educational and professional contacts.

Educational Programming, Networking and Outreach in the Local Community

Money As You Grow Train the Trainer Virtual Program

In mid-May I co-taught a Money As You Grow program for daycare providers, teachers, librarians, and Extension staff via Zoom. The Money As You Grow program helps parents and caregivers weave money skills into the time already spend reading to kids at home, in a way they'll understand. There were 23 participants for the train the trainer program. This included 6 participants from Green Lake County. We are offering another program in the evening hours in June which has over 45 participants registered. The following includes evaluation data from the May program:



(Q1) Do you plan to use the Money as You Grow materials?

- Yes – 81.25%

(Q2) How will you use the Money as You Grow materials with the children in your care?

- To teach my children how to properly use money
- I will let our teaching staff know about the books.
- With the Youth Services Librarians in our library system, during Money Smart Week.
- thinking about impl
- I will incorporate it into our school age summer camp..and then again in fall in our preschool program!
- Learning in Problems solving skills
- The cash register, teaching them how to save so many excellent materials
- It will help them learn the value of things.
- I will introduce it to our Head Start Staff. Great resource
- Read the suggested books and follow the activities.
- My School Age and preschool summer program.
- yes
- Read the books to my kids and do fun activities
- In my family daycare

Summer Program Planning

Berlin Parks & Recreation

I had a meeting with Ally and Sara from Berlin Parks & Rec to discuss offering summer programming. Their department is not offering any direct programming this summer due to Covid-19. However, I am going to be offering a few sessions of Kids in the Kitchen with limited class size this summer. We are currently setting the dates and discussing how the classes will look with social distancing, etc. I am looking forward to working with Berlin Parks & Rec again as they've always been a great partner.

Boys & Girls Club

I will be teaching a stress management health program, Money As You Grow, and Kids in the Kitchen at both the Berlin and Green Lake sites this summer. We are also looking at offering some parent financial programs at both sites.

United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS)

This summer I will again be working with the UMOS child care site in Berlin to offer programming – Girl Power and Money As You Grow. Girl Power is the self-esteem program for girls ages 9-12. In 2020, I was planning to teach at the teen center as well but that didn't end up happening. So we are going to try again this year with a focus on simple budgeting and nutrition.

Networking within Extension and Professional Development Opportunities

I made 57 contacts within the UW Extension system during the month of May. I continue to have a number of professional meetings scheduled with colleagues and mentors to continue to network and learn from my fellow Extension educators.

Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Conference via Zoom

I attended the three-day JCEP Conference via Zoom in the month of May. I was able to gain a good amount of professional development and knowledge to utilize within my work in Green Lake County. I attended the following sessions:

- Sharing Strategies, Successes, and Challenges of Implementing Technology and Virtual Platforms for Nutrition Education Lessons with Spanish-Speaking Adults
- Infusing Cultural Humility Perspective in the Encouraging Financial Conversations Statewide Training for Professionals
- A New Focus on Evaluation and Impacts for County Educators
- Strengthening the Use of a Restorative Lens in Extension Youth and Family Programs
- Strengthening Coalitions to Address the Needs of Diverse Audiences

I also attended the Epsilon Sigma Phi (ESP) Meeting as a Board Member, and the Wisconsin Extension Association for Family and Consumer Sciences (WEAFCS) Meeting as a Committee Chair, which were part of the JCEP Conference.

All-Colleague Conference Planning Committee

I am on the planning committee for the All-Colleague Conference in December. This conference will be in a hybrid format with online and in-person sessions. The planning for this conference started in May and will continue each month through December.

Newspaper Articles

“SMART Goals and Saving an Emergency Fund” Berlin Journal Newspapers. May 3, 2021. By Katie Gellings, Health & Well-Being Educator

Out of County Days

- 0 Out of county days for May
- 0 Out of county days planned for June

* Travel expenses are covered by Extension



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Ben Jenkins
Green Lake County
Agricultural Educator
May 2021

This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the Agricultural Program in April of 2021. During the reporting period, the educator made 83 direct educational and professional contacts plus other unknown contacts through relevant social media postings.

Educational Programming, Networking and Outreach in the Local Community

Land and Lake Families Field Day

After a year hiatus both farmers and property owners are looking forward to the Land and Lake Families field day. Planning for the event has already begun. For my part I am already strategizing about material to present as well as helping line up speakers. In May we met onsite to map out the event as well as site the test plots that will be shown that day. There is far more that needs to be done as August will be here sooner than we realize.

General County Outreach

In May I wrote a focus article on a series of fact sheets that I wrote with some of my colleagues. The focus of the article was to direct new landowners, rural life stylers, and existing farmers to the series for them to go into an equipment buying situation with confidence. I have been posting to the county Facebook page any and all upcoming programs coming from UW Extension and its partners. I have also been uploading the latest podcasts from UW-Madison Division of Extension that pertain to the agricultural needs of Green Lake County. With the weather warming up there was an uptick in public concerns. Concerns coming in in May included ideas for new enterprises, tree pruning, tree planting, emerald ash borer, frosted crops, and Pesticide Applicator Tests.



Networking within UW Extension and Professional Development Opportunities

UW-Madison Division of Extension ZOOM Meetings

In May I tuned in to the Monthly update brought to all of Extension by Dean Karl Martin. Dean Martin kept us up to date on the decisions being made in Madison and how it will look on a practical county level once implemented. This month Dean Martin filled us in on going back to the office in July.

Workgroups

In trying to align my work with UW-Madison's objectives I have been continuously working to update my plan of work. During the month of May I participated in the programming plan of work meetings for Farm Management and Crops and Soils to see in what ways I can work with colleagues on program topics that are of value to Green Lake County. This month I did planning work with colleagues from area 14 on local programming, the grazing workgroup, the farm succession workgroup, and the entrepreneur work group.

Soil Health

My personal goal this last month was to delve more into the world of regenerative agriculture. I have enjoyed learning the intricacies of each of the components involved with the regenerative agriculture movement especially in terms of soil health as it relates to cover crops, building organic matter, conserving organic matter, and carbon cycling.



Out of County Days

0 Out of county days for May

0 Out of county days planned for June

*Denotes that it was paid for by UWEX



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Morgan Martinez
Green Lake County
4-H Program Educator
May 2021

This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the 4-H Program in May 2021. During the reporting period, the program coordinator made 35 direct educational and professional contacts.

Morgan was on maternity leave February 12, 2021- May 11, 2021

Program Highlights

4-H Archery Project

On May 2, 2021 I supported the Archery project leaders in holding archery orientation night virtually via Zoom. During the orientation project members were informed of current WI 4-H program safety guidelines, viewed the safety video, discussed summer archery shooting schedule, and provided the opportunity to discuss and answer questions.

Green Lake County 4-H Leaders' Association

The 4-H Leaders' Association met on May 13, 2021 for their monthly meeting via Zoom. During this meeting leaders discussed county project group updates, summer program opportunities, and discussed the 2021-2022 budget.

Green Lake County 4-H Clover Connection

On May 24, 2021 I resumed the bi-weekly newsletter that is distributed via 4HOnline to Green Lake County 4-H members and volunteers. The purpose of the Clover Connection is to share important events, programs, and happenings of Green Lake County 4-H.

Networking within Extension and Professional Development Opportunities

Preparing the Youth Development Professional to Identify and Implement Key Elements of a High Quality STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) Program

I attended a professional development workshop on May 12, 2021 presented by University of Minnesota Extension. University of Minnesota Extension presenters focused on how the Engineering Design Process, the Scientific Inquiry Model and the Science and Engineering Practices incorporate scientific inquiry and use science and engineering practices to support learning. Examples were provided of how the elements can be used to plan, carry out, and evaluate STEM program offerings for a variety of ages and STEM program areas.

Wisconsin 4-H Movement

The past year a team of colleagues from Wisconsin 4-H Program Quality Sub-Committee and myself have worked on the creation and promotion of the Wisconsin 4-H Movement promoting the values of Wisconsin 4-H. Through numerous virtual opportunities and promotional efforts, 4-H'ers across the state have shared how they live out the Wisconsin 4-H Movement. It has been wonderful to see the impact 4-H has on young people and hear their stories on how they live out the values of Wisconsin 4-H. Along with the excitement in Wisconsin, the Wisconsin 4-H Movement is gaining recognition regionally and nationally!

We are excited by the Wisconsin 4-H Movement and have recently learned that the WI 4-H Movement was formally shared with National 4-H Council's Marketing Director to be reviewed for alignment with, and possible use by, the National 4-H Council's campaign efforts.

Wisconsin Association of Extension 4-H Youth Development Professionals has recognized our efforts and our team has been awarded the Communicator Award: Promotional Package-Team. This award entry is recognized as a state winner and was forwarded to National Association of Extension 4-H Youth Development Professionals (NAE4-HYDP) where we were selected as the North Central Regional Winner. Our team will be recognized at the National Association of Extension 4-H Youth Development Professionals National Conference in Memphis, TN in November! The Wisconsin 4-H Movement is currently being reviewed and considered for a National winner which will be award at the National Conference as well.



We have also been excited to learn that out of over 400 proposals, we have been selected to present our poster on Discovering Wisconsin 4-H Values through the 4-H Movement at the NAE4-HYDP National Conference in November! This poster presentations will be made available daily to conference attendees both in-person and virtually.

We are excited to continue working on strengthening the values of Wisconsin 4-H and engaging 4-H young people to share their stories!

Telecommuting due to COVID-19

I am continuing to follow Wisconsin Department of Health Services, UW-Madison, and federal guidelines and work remotely due to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. I continue to connect, learn and share with Extension colleagues via Zoom. Some of the meetings I participated in during the month of May while telecommuting:

- Positive Youth Development Institute and 4-H Program on 5/20, 5/25, 5/27
- WI 4-H Program Quality Committee on 5/14, 5/18, 5/20, 5/21, 5/24, 5/26
- 4-H Colleague Connect (Thursday Weekly)
- Southwest Region 4-H Colleague Connect (Wednesday weekly)
- Dean's COVID-19 Exchange (Wednesday bi-weekly)

Out of County Days

- 0 Out of county days for May
- .5 Out of county days planned for June
- Assemble 4-H Barn Quilt Kits, Montello, June 7

* Travel expenses are covered by Extension



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Marquette/Waushara/Green Lake County FoodWise Coordinator Laura McCulley Report

May 2021

Programming

No in-person programming due to COVID-19

- **Program planning for FY 22 (October, 2021-September, 2022) & 3-year planning**
- StrongBodies Virtual Classes; Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; 8:30-9:30am with lessons after class go.wisc.edu/6ndxq6
 - Current enrollment by county: Adams (17), Green Lake (8), Juneau (2), Marquette (13), Waushara (14)
- Cooking Matters Virtual Lessons with Head Start families
 - Two 30-minute evening lessons with parents via Zoom
 - Grocery incentive offered to all families who complete the lessons
- ADVOCAP Head Start Lessons - Green Lake County
 - Prairie View site (Markesan) & Berlin site
 - 30 Head Start children participated
- **Indirect Ed:**
 - Maintaining a FoodWise Facebook page
 - Maintaining a StrongBodies participants' sharing group for healthy tips and encouragement
 - Starting an email newsletter to partners
 - Sharing recipes with REACH Waushara team for the FB page

Policy, Systems, and Environmental Change (PSE) Efforts

- FoodWise Harvest of the Month Committee & HOTM Bilingual Committee
- Healthy Schools PSE Work Team
- Waushara Healthy Communities Grant Team
- Health, Well-Being and Food Security coalitions
 - *REACH Waushara & Chronic Disease Action Team & Communications Team*
 - *HEAL Team Marquette*
 - *ADVOCAP Head Start Health Advisory Committee (Green Lake)*

Training and Professional Development:

- *Go NAPSACC Technical Consultant Training*
- *UW-Extension Farmers Market Update*

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