



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

December 9, 2022

The following documents are included in the packet for the Ag/Extension Education & Fair Committee (In Person and Zoom) Meeting that is Tuesday, December 13, 2022:

- 1) Cover Sheet
- 2) Agenda
- 3) Draft minutes from the November 8, 2022 meeting
- 4) County Library Reports
- 5) Extension Reports for: Pat Wagner (Area Extension Director); Katie Gellings (Human Development & Relationships Educator) and Natasha Paris (Regional Crops Educator).
- 6) Fair Coordinator Report
- 7) Resolution to dissolve the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

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Agriculture, Extension Education & Fair Committee Meeting Notice

Date: Tuesday, December 13, 2022 Time: 9:00 a.m.
Green Lake County Government Center, County Board Room
571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI

AGENDA

Committee Members

Ken Bates, Chair
Nita Krenz, Vice Chair
Don Lenz
Nancy Hoffmann
Nancy Hiestand
Curt Talma, alternate

Kathy Ninneman,
Secretary

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Roll Call
5. Minutes: 11/8/22
6. Public Comments
7. County Library Services Report - submitted monthly report
8. Extension Green Lake County Staff Reports – submitted monthly report
 - Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director
 - Katie Gellings, Human Development & Relationships Educator
 - Natasha Paris, Regional Crops Educator
9. Eliminate the Approval of Educator Out of County Days on Meeting Agendas – Discussion/Approval
10. Fair Coordinator Report – submitted report
11. Fair: Resolution: Dissolution of Fair Promotions Sub Committee – Discussion/Approval
12. Fair: 2023 Fair Contracts – Discussion/Approval
13. Fair: Highway Ground / Fairground Improvements.
14. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: January 10, 2023
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
15. Adjourn

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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.

AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

November 8, 2022

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chair, Ken Bates, on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 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. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call taken by Ninneman.

Present: Ken Bates
Nancy Hiestand
Nancy Hoffmann
Nita Krenz

Absent: Don Lenz

Staff Present: Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director
Katie Gellings
Kathy Ninneman

Absent: Morgan Martinez (on leave)
Natasha Paris (out of state conference)

Also Present: Laura Skalitsky, Princeton Library Director; Cathy Schmit, County Administrator (zoom);
Tony Daley, Berlin Journal Newspapers (zoom).

MINUTES

Motion/second (Krenz/Hiestand) to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Lisa Meier, Green Lake Chamber Director, spoke on behalf of the current state of the highway department and fairgrounds, the need for housing in the city and also her passion for a year-round multi-use facility for the whole county and surrounding communities to utilize and to bring tourism to the area.

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORT

Chair Bates moved Katie Gellings, Human Development & Relationships Educators' report up per her request in order for her to leave to teach a program in Berlin. Gellings provided updates along with information from her submitted report.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

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

PAT WAGNER, AREA 14 EXTENSION DIRECTOR REPORT

Wagner gave a report of Area 14 happenings and the 2023 contract process with Extension and each county.

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS

- **Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Educator** – Martinez submitted a report.
- **Natasha Paris, Regional Crops Educator** – Paris submitted a report.

2023 EXTENSION EDUCATORS 136 CONTRACT

Wagner reported that Marquette County has made the decision to forgo their .25 portion of the Regional Livestock Educator. Instead Heidi Johnson, Extension Director of Agriculture Institute, will pay the .25 from her program funds for 2023. After that, Marquette County will be asked if they would like to join back in for 2024. Green Lake, Adams and Waushara counties will each pay a .25 portion of the salary.

Motion/second (Hoffmann/Hiestand) to approve the contract and send it on to the County Administrator. Motion carried with no negative vote.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS – discussion/approval

Motion/second (Krenz/Bates) to approve all out of county requests. Motion carried with no negative vote.

FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT

Fair Coordinator Kathy Ninneman provided her monthly report from October along with any updates.

FAIR CONTRACTS

No contracts this month.

2023 WI ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS CONVENTION ATTENDANCE

Motion/second (Lenz/Krenz) to approve Ninneman's attendance at the WI Association of Fairs Convention January 8-11, 2023 in WI Dells. Motion carried with no negative vote.

HIGHWAY GROUND / FAIRGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

There was much discussion regarding the current highway grounds and the need to relocate the fair. County Administrator Cathy Schmit suggested to put together a formalized plan and present it to the Finance Committee. She also suggested creating a sub-committee at the request of Chair Bates to County Board Chair Abendroth to get the ball rolling.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: December 13, 2022
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion: If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Chair Ken Bates or Kathy Ninneman.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Bates adjourned the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

*Submitted by,
Kathy Ninneman, Secretary*

December 2022 Green Lake County Library Reports

Berlin – The holidays and giving are in the air at the Berlin Library! We have put up our Library Giving Tree which is adorned with Angels (gifts for children in need of GL County), hearts (for residents of Heartsong Assisted Living), ornaments (for residents of Patriot Place Assisted Living, and paws (for a local animal shelter). The Berlin Community has been very generous in responding to the needs of others. We are grateful for such kind, generous individuals.

Two weeks ago, we handed out close to 75 Tiny Art Show kits for anyone wanting to share their creativity. Artwork returned will be on display at the library for the month of December. The response to this Friends of the Library sponsored project has been wonderful. Stop in to view the art show if you are in the neighborhood.

Santa's Elves reached out to the Berlin Library to help collect Letters to Santa. Letters put in our special mailbox in the children's department by December 12 will receive a response from Santa himself! With the help of our Friends of the Library elves, holiday cheer will be shared with many children (from 0 to 100+).

To expand on the holiday spirit, several programs are being held, including a Santa Storytime on December 8, a Jazzy Little Christmas concert on December 15 and winter break activities the week of December 27-30.

In collaboration with the Boys & Girls' Club, the Berlin Senior Center, and the Coalition for Children, Youth and Families of WI, the Berlin Library will be hosting a program titled, *If You Give a Grandparent a Cookie* on Monday, December 12 at 10am. This program will encourage interaction between children and seniors through reading buddies and crafts.

December programs for all ages are: (full event list can be found on our website)

- Storytime every Wednesday at 10am
- Mommy & Me, Early Literacy Storytime on Friday, December 1 at 10am
- Santa Storytime on Thursday, December 8 at 6pm
- Teen Library Club meeting on Saturday, December 10 at 1pm.
- *If You Give a Grandparent a Cookie*, Monday, December 12 at 10am
- Adult craft night on Tuesday, December 13 at 6pm.
- Jazzy Little Christmas concert on Thursday, December 15 at 6pm.
- Winter break activities, December 27-30.

With a little left in our maintenance budget, we were able to upgrade our security system for better connectivity. The roofing company came and patched a few areas to hold us over until we can replace a portion of the roof in the spring.

I would like to extend a thank you for all your support for the Green Lake libraries. It is a privilege to serve the Berlin and communities in Green Lake County.

Happy Holidays,
Chris Kalupa – Berlin Public Library Director

Green Lake Caestecker – There's plenty to enjoy at the library in the next couple of weeks. Starting on December 1st, Connie Willet will be displaying her detailed fiber art in our Hickory meeting room. Please come delight in the creativity on display. There's also still time to pick an angel or two off the tree in the library and help make Christmas brighter for a Green Lake County family. Wrapped gifts with the angel attached to the package are due back to the library by Tuesday, December 9th. The children will be so happy to receive something special for Christmas. We always marvel at the kindness our patrons show others through this program – the true spirit of the season is alive and well in Green Lake!

Monday, December 5 brings the next installment of our Spice of the Month Club, and this time Nutmeg is on the menu. We had a great response to last month's spice and can't wait to hear what you think of nutmeg in the drinks and sweets recipes included in the pack or your own inventive option. While you're here for a spice packet, stay for the laughter and conversation during the Knitting Group meeting from 10 am—noon every Monday.

Tuesday, December 6 brings fun for all ages with our Play & Build group (happening every Tuesday) in the lower level that has a wide variety of open-ended play and socialization opportunities for kids under 6 years old from 10 am-noon. For coffee and book lovers Roasts & Reads also starts at 10 am. Cozy up by the fireplace to share what you've been reading, chat with your neighbors, and get inspiration for new reads and authors to pursue.

Wednesday, December 7 brings a few of our favorites: Storytime for kiddos (every Wednesday) and caregivers at 10 am and a Friends Book Sale from 1 pm-4 pm.

Thursday, December 8 kicks off the second Sit & Stitch session for focused time with your sewing projects. Bring all the necessary supplies and equipment or just a curious mind that wants to learn from a variety of projects and skill levels. Pack a lunch or visit a local restaurant to keep up your sewing stamina! The movie matinee showing at 2 pm today will be *Amsterdam*. The popcorn is free!

Additional Thursday movies:

- December 8th - Amsterdam - 2H 14M - R
- December 15th - Moonage Daydream - 2H 15M - PG-13
- December 22nd - Double Feature!!
 - Frosty the Snowman - 25M & Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer - 47M
- December 29th- Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile - 1H 46M - PG

Friday, December 9 at 1 pm come to the library to get crafty and learn the skills to make some folded book trees. All materials and instructions will be provided to DIY a festive decoration to give as a gift or keep for your home.

The library will be closed for staff and volunteers to spend time with family and friends on: Saturday, December 24—Monday December 26, Saturday, December 31—Sunday, January 1st.

From all of us at the Caestecker Public Library, our best wishes for a very merry Christmas and the happiest of new years!

Christina Lyon – Caestecker Public Library Director

Kingston Mill Pond – The weather is getting colder and there is no better way to warm up your home than by making a batch of cookies. Not only will your home be toasty warm, but it will smell wonderful too. Don't want to eat all those cookies yourself? Bring some of them to our 24th annual cookie walk which will be held on Saturday, December 10th. Cookies can be dropped off on Friday evening, Dec. 9th, from 4pm to 6pm. Need some baking ideas? Check out our new display, there are lots of cookie cookbooks to choose from.

Never been to one of our cookie walks? When you walk in the door, you'll be handed a plastic glove and a carry-out container. Then you can stroll around the tables covered in cookies and sweet treats and pick the ones you like. When you have all that you want, head back up to the front door to have your container weighed. Pay for your cookies and you're on your way to having a variety of homemade goodies for your next get-together, or just to enjoy for yourself. Santa will also be here that morning from 9am to 11am to listen to the children's wish lists. Our back room looks like a winter wonderland, just awaiting his visit. And don't forget to buy a ticket for a chance to win a box full of presents. There are 3 boxes, one with woman's gifts, one with men, and the last with gifts for children. If your name is chosen, you get to take the entire box of gifts home. We were fortunate this year to get a grant from the Green Lake County Basic Needs Foundation to help with the preparations for the cookie walk. All proceeds from the event go towards the fundraiser amount in our budget.

The other thing you can find at the library during the cookie walk are gifts you might like to give. We have handmade cards & gift tags, donated by Lee Brice. Or the Common Threads book, which is a history of Kingston, Dalton, Manchester and Marquette that was put together by 4 local women. We also have cookbooks, and the books from the Historical Society for sale. And we have a book sale that day as well. You can take home a bag of gently used books for just \$3.00/bagful. Hope to see you there!

Other December events...our children's story hour continues Thursday afternoons at 4:30pm. We are working through the alphabet right now so we have "L" for lights, "M" for Merry Christmas, "N" for North Pole, and "O" for ornaments, with stories and projects to fit those letters. Our bridge club meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 1pm. And the Loosely Bound Book Club will meet on Dec. 6th (the 1st instead of the last Tuesday this month only) to pick the new titles for next year's list.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas, and the best that the new year has to offer!

Sara Wilson – Mill Pond Public Library Director

Markesan – Happy Holidays from the Markesan Public Library. During November we helped at the 20th anniversary of Homespun Holidays by collaborating on the KidZone with holiday crafts, button maker and games. We also helped by hosting craft demos and setting up a display table to promote library services. It was a great opportunity to meet new people and to give back to the community at large.

In upcoming news, the library continues to offer book club, storytime, Play 'n Learn, and holiday craft make and takes. This December our big event is Santa Storytime with Santa, games, crafts, treat bags, and joy. Each year we also add a little something special to our decorations- this year it is a lighted Joy Sign out front. Many patrons have commented on how festive and welcoming the library has been looking.

The DVD labeling by genre project is well underway and we hope to get it completed in the next few months. After moving the DVDs from spinners to shelves, we have sorted them into alphabetical order by title. The next step will be to use color coded stickers to indicate major subjects or categories so our patrons can browse by action, family, comedy, drama, etc. We had several requests to change our DVDs for better browsing and hope that people will find this useful and increase circulation of the collection.

One other project will be to get our front lobby waxed. We plan to get it waxed over the new year holiday and are looking forward to a fresh start and shiny/protected floors.

Arthur our Axolotl (which we purchased through penny war funds) has been a hit with all ages in Markesan. The newspaper is planning to write an article about Arthur, and I've had several patrons tell me all kinds of interesting facts about Axolotls. Everyone is excited and doing their research. We've ordered several books on Axolotls and can't wait to schedule a program about the species.

Here are some facts about Arthur. "Axolotl is a species of salamander with a very unique genetic makeup. Due to a rare condition called 'neoteny', they retain most of their larval features into adulthood, so they have all the features of a tadpole – from feathery gills to a long, quill-like dorsal fin – even when they're fully mature.



Axolotls are carnivores, surviving on a diet of worms, insects, crustaceans, molluscs and some small species of fish. Until recent decades, they were at the top of the food chain within their distribution habitat, but today invasive species of perch and tilapia pose a threat and have contributed to a decline in their numbers.

Commonly mistaken for fish, axolotls are unique among the amphibian family in that they spend their entire lives in water. Indeed, axolotls are sometimes known as Mexican walking fish, on account of their appearance and adopted habitat." (bluereefaquarium.com.uk).

As always, thank you for supporting your libraries and helping us spread the word about life-long learning.

Nicole Overbeck – Markesan Public Library Director

Princeton – We are very excited to officially announced the completion of our historic newspaper digitization project this month. Newspaper scans dating from the mid 1800s to 1993 are now searchable online! **Anyone can now go to <https://archives.winnefox.org> to search over 100 years of Princeton's headlines.**

Princeton had six newspapers over the years. The digitized scans include editions from:

- Green Lake County Democrat 1879-1885
- Princeton Republic 1867-1937
- Princeton Republic-Star 1905-1906
- Princeton Star 1902-1905
- Princeton Times 1935-1937
- Princeton Times-Republic 1937-1993

Users can search all of these at once, or only one, or whichever they choose. The newspapers can be easily searched by name, keyword, and date (or date range). A short instructional presentation about how to use the database will be given at the Princeton Public Library on Monday, December 12th at 1pm and again at 6pm. Attendees will be shown the best methods for searching, quirks of searching including OCI errors, and interesting articles and headlines.

To celebrate this achievement, anyone who wishes can request a free photocopy of a historic front page of the Princeton newspaper published on their birthday (or the closest date to it). Please contact the Princeton Public Library at ptplstaff@princetonpublib.org or 920-295-6777 to request your printout.

This project took over a year to complete, and cost about seventeen thousand dollars. 98,563 individual microfilm images had to be scanned, cleaned up, coded, uploaded to a library system server, and made searchable. This process involved the technical efforts of the Princeton Public Library staff, the Crowley Company of Frederick, Maryland, NMT Partners of Onalaska, Wisconsin, DC Johnson of Ripon, Wisconsin,

and Keetra Baker of the Winnefox Library System. The digitization was made possible with contributions from the Princeton Historical Society, the Princeton Public Library, the Caestecker (Green Lake) Library's Tom Gnewuch Memorial Fund, the Wisconsin Humanities Endowment, and the Winnefox Library System.



On Nov. 2nd, NABCO fixed our front door.

On Nov. 8th, we had a staff meeting, and discussed schedules, cataloging issues, and tasks for the next month.

On Nov. 8th I attended the Green Lake County Ag & Extension Subcommittee meeting to give the monthly report for all libraries in the county.

On Nov. 9th, the Friends of the Library met. We had about a dozen people attend, including a new member, Rayna, and the CEO of the nonprofit Oshkosh Area Community Foundation. The Friends voted unanimously to start an endowment fund with the OACF, using a recent \$10,000 donation and money from fundraisers they have saved up over the years. Christmas in Princeton plans were made.

On Nov. 17th, I went to Costco and bought the four folding tables that the Friends agreed to pay for, as well as cups, snacks, and other supplies for programs.

We were closed on November 23rd and 24th for Thanksgiving, and were open late on the 25th for Christmas in Princeton.

This month staff worked hard on our digitization service, but did not complete everyone's tapes before we had to send the kit on to the next library. Because this is such a popular service, I have purchased our own equipment so that we can keep it here from now on.

We hosted the Princeton Women's Club drive for Christine Ann (women's domestic abuse center), the Princeton Historical Society's Christmas centerpiece raffle and holiday card sale, and the Angel Tree for underprivileged children (a collaboration between Green Lake County Social Services and the Salvation Army). As usual, we are also a GLC Food Pantry donation location.

The monthly Green Lake County librarians meeting was held on the 10th at Markesan library. We discussed the topics of censorship, budgets, and next year's County Read project, which will feature two books and at least two motivational speakers.

Successful programs this month included Knitting Club, Story Time, our holiday movie, snacks, and crafts for families, and the Friends of the Library Children's Book Giveaway. Over 400 people came into the library on November 25th for these events! We decorated the library with penguins and the Friends marched in the Holiday Lights Parade as penguins, handing out candy, bookmarks, and other treats





Save the date!
The Friends of the Library Cookie Walk Fundraiser is Sat. Dec. 10th from 9-1.
Choose your own treats for only \$7 per dozen!



Events at Princeton Library Dec. 2022

Sat. 3rd, 10am-Noon: **Holiday Card Crafting**

Make gorgeous 3D "step" cards. Free! All supplies provided. Please RSVP.

Wed. 7th, 9:30am: **Mystery Book Club**

Join us in discussing "Mistletoe Murder and Other Stories" by P.D. James. Copies at the library.

Sat. 10th, 9am—1pm: **Friends of the Library Cookie Walk**

Buy your holiday cookies, bars, candy, and more here! \$7 for a dozen treats of your own choosing.

Mon. 12th, 4-6pm: **Knitting Club** Join us! Note: we will not meet on the second Monday this month.

Mon. 12th, 1pm and again at 6pm: **Historic Newspaper Show-and-Tell**

See Princeton headlines from 1879-1993! Learn how to use the new database of historical Princeton newspapers. See the best methods for searching, quirks of searching including OCI errors, and interesting articles and headlines.

Tues. 13th, 2-7pm: **Let's Paint and Decorate Ornaments!** (no charge)

Anyone, adult or kid, is welcome to drop in this afternoon for some crafty holiday fun!

Mon. 26th through Fri. 30th: **Winter Break Crafternoons**

All ages are welcome to participate in a new craft each day from 1pm to closing. No charge!
Monday: Fun with stickers! Tuesday: DIY snow globes. Wednesday: Make jewelry.
Thursday: No-sew snowmen. Friday: Painted garden stake animals.

Please Consider Giving to Local Charity Drives at the Library

- Historical Society holiday cards and centerpiece raffle
- Friends of the Library endowment fund
- Angel tree for underprivileged children here until Dec. 9th
- Women's Club / Christine Ann
- Food Pantry



Holiday Hours

Christmas: Closed all day Sat. Dec. 24th
New Year's: Closed all day Sat. Dec. 31st

Please return items in our outside book drop.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Story Time every
Monday 9:30 AM

Mon—Thurs 9 -7
Friday 9 -5
Saturday 9 -1

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DVDs, and More!

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November, 2022

Area Extension Director Update

Staffing:

- Interviewed candidates with offer extended for Regional Crops Extension Educator– Juneau, Sauk, Vernon
- Submitted and Received Approval to advertise–Request to Fill for FoodWise Nutrition Educator to serve Waushara, Marquette, Green Lake (application deadline: 12/19/22)
- Beginning recruitment process for Regional Livestock Educator position with application release in early 2023 – Green Lake, Waushara, Adams

Area 14 Staff Check-ins:

- Host monthly Extension Educator staff in-person check-ins
- Conduct in-formal weekly check-ins with all staff

County Boards, Oversight Committees, Department Head Meetings, County Procedures:

- Budget Hearings and Budget Approvals work
- Gathering signatures on 136 Contracts and submitting to UW Madison for Execution
- Attended Evaluation training for Adams Co. support staff
- Continuing to learn Tyler Munis program in Waushara Co.
- Department Head meetings–Adams, Waushara, Marquette
- County Office Staff meetings–Adams, Green Lake, Juneau, Waushara

Division of Extension:

- Search & Screen Committee for new Area 7 AED
- Civil Rights Review training with Area 3 staff
- Calibration Training to facilitate Extension Educator staff evaluations

On the Horizon:

- Submit Request to Fill for the following: FoodWise Nutrition Coordinator & Regional Livestock Educator (Adams, Green Lake, Waushara)
- Support Staff Changes in Marquette County
- On-boarding of New Regional Crops Educator for Juneau, Sauk, Vernon

This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the Human Development & Relationships Institute, as well as the Health & Well-Being Institute in November of 2022. During the reporting period, the educator made 102 direct educational and professional contacts.

Educational Programming, Networking and Outreach in the Local Community

Planning AHEAD – In partnership with Waushara County Extension at the Berlin Library

Planning AHEAD is a series of 6 sessions for adults of all ages. Participants learn about advanced directives, handling financial changes, estate planning, and arriving at decisions for the end of life. The program's goal is to help participants understand how to prepare for the end of life for themselves or a loved one, and why it's important to have a plan in place. Following the series, 100% of participants strongly agreed that they have greater knowledge of advance medical and legal directives, estate planning, choices in end-of-life care, final wishes, and understanding grief. Also, 100% of the participants said that they felt more confident in having conversations with loved ones related to end-of-life wishes and knowing where to find reliable resources for more information on end-of-life planning. All participants indicated that in the next three months they will update their end-of-life planning forms, encourage someone else to do end-of-life planning, and make end-of-life wishes known. Participants reported the following comments regarding this program: "Glad I participated!" and "Great class! I am so thankful to have taken it. It truly helped me in so many ways. Thank you for offering it. It made my outlook on death more positive."



Healthy Choices Program – Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area, Berlin

I taught 6 60-minute sessions of a program on making healthy choices including nutrition, physical activity, mental health, and sleep to the youth at the Boys & Girls Club. During this program over 120 students in grades kindergarten through 8th grade were reached. I am working with the Club to plan some programming during the Berlin School District spring break week. We are also looking at bringing back the parent workshops that we partnered to offer prior to Covid.



Planning for College & Paying for College Workshops – Green Lake County & Marquette County

I am working with the Human Development & Relationships Educator in Marquette County to offer a two-part workshop for high school parents and students. The first workshop will focus on the readiness aspect – academics, options for post-secondary education, options for not pursuing post-secondary education, and planning for what's next. The second workshop will focus on the financial aspect – costs of college options, scholarships and financial assistance (FAFSA application and deadlines), saving and budgeting, and what other important paperwork do you need to have prepared. We are hoping to teach this program this spring at local schools and/or virtually.

Upcoming Scheduled Programs

December 1 – 4:00pm-5:00pm – **Making Healthy Choices** — Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area

December 13 – 11:00am-12:00pm – **Making Reading Memories** — Green Lake County Correctional Facility

December 19 – 2:00pm-4:00pm – **Wellness Group** — Green Lake County Correctional Facility

Networking within Extension and Professional Development Opportunities

I made 31 contacts within the UW Madison Division of Extension system during the month of November. I

continue to have a number of professional meetings scheduled with colleagues to continue to network and learn from other Extension educators.

Joint Council of Extension Professionals (JCEP) Conference Planning Committee

I am serving as the 2023 JCEP Conference Tri-Chair. The JCEP Conference is a conference for all Extension professionals who are involved in their professional association. There are opportunities to present in breakout sessions or poster sessions, network, and learn from others. The conference will take place May 2-3 in Appleton. Currently we are meeting monthly to plan but as the conference date approaches our meeting frequency will increase.

Out of County Days

0 Out of county days planned for January and February

* Travel expenses are covered by Extension

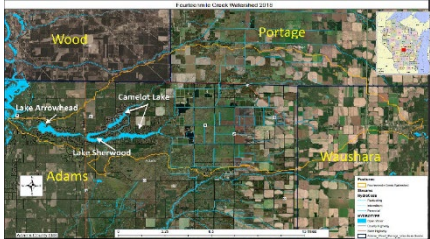
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 Adams, Green Lake,
 Marquette, Waushara






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Report Oct 22 – Nov 23, 2022

Outreach/Needs Assessment

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with Tri-Country Produce Auction Board to propose holding a nutrient management training for Amish vegetable grower community Met with statewide commercial vegetable Extension team to discuss where we are at and where we want to go
<p>Other Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted article to local papers. Published articles on grazing topic hub

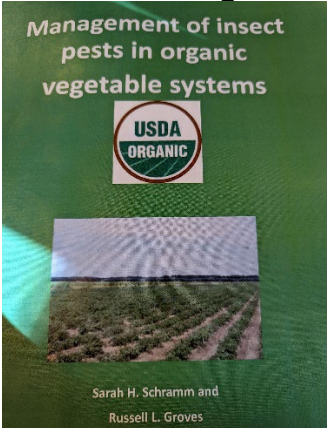
Producer Education

<p>Field Crops</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing participation in soybean research project: collecting soil samples and scouting fields. Worked with NRCS to help producers gain access to conservation practice funding Hosted Badger Crop Connect webinar
<p>Forage & Pasture</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with a beginning farmer regarding their land and possible uses. Hosted a pasture walk on bale grazing for farmers and conservation professionals. 


Natasha Paris
Regional Crops Educator
 Adams, Green Lake,
 Marquette, Waushara



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<p>Commercial Vegetable</p>  <p>Sarah H. Schramm and Russell L. Groves</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with Commercial vegetable specialists, spent considerable time editing an organic vegetable insect management guide, delivered rough draft to local Amish community for their feedback. • Met with researchers to plan for upcoming vegetable industry conferences
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Professional Development/Activities

<p>Professional Development</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Conference for American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America, & Soil Science Society of America in Baltimore • Met with grazing workgroup • Crops & Soils/Regional Educator Meetings • Worked on Individual & Program Plan of Work • Studied up on grazing science
<p>Other Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extension & Agriculture Institute Meetings • Met with mentor & senior staff • County Extension Committee Meetings • County Staff Meetings • Planning meetings for upcoming events



Green Lake County Fair Office

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

Fair Report for November 2022:

- Made several contacts for judges for next year's fair.
- Met with Corp Counsel to finalize the resolution to dissolve the Fair Promotions Committee.
- Received the contract for the demolition derby, but needs to be reviewed by Corp Counsel.
- Met with Joe Hollatz as he will be heading up the Truck & Tractor Pulls next year at the fair. We're hoping to reorganize and make it bigger and better and more appealing for participants to want to compete. We will be meeting again to go over sponsorships.
- Met with Goat Superintendents, Ben Bruss and McKenna Glover, to go over the additions/changes to the fair book. Meat goats will be new this next year and will be shown in the sheep show. Dairy goats will still be shown in the dairy show.
- Chair Bates asked me to submit a list of names to him for a sub-committee under the Ag/Extension Education & Fair Committee for the purpose of the future of the fair.

Fairest of the Fair Adopt A Tree at Nathan Strong Park-Berlin

Trees in the Park are brought in by the Achieving A Better Community, Inc. Anyone may adopt a tree for \$30. They were all to be decorated by November 14. Then on Thursday, November 17 was "Light the Park," followed by the Berlin Community Holiday Parade. The trees will stay decorated until New Year's, so if you have time, stop on over and take a stroll through the park. Our Fairest of the Fair, Sadie Goettl, did a beautiful job decorating the tree!



Sound System at the Fair

I met with Randy Blazer, from Blazer Audio Video-Ripon, on Wednesday, November 9 out at the highway department to go over updates for the sound system. He has forwarded this on to one of his suppliers for advice but has not received anything back from him. He said this is a very complicated project and he wants to give the closest quote possible. He may give an equipment quote first and then if that is approved he will do a walk through in all of the barns to finalize an installation quote.

Privacy Fencing for the Track Area

Myself and Zach Knoke met with Blake Heier from Heier Fencing-Beaver Dam at the track area. He emailed his quote for a project total cost of: \$77,682.50, which is full installation—labor and materials. This is \$67.55/ft. I also contacted Century Fence and Greg Sonnenburg emailed a quote: A budget price for 6' high chain link fence with privacy slats is approximately \$85.00/ft. And 8 ft. would be: \$118.00/ft.



RESOLUTION NUMBER -2022

Resolution to Dissolve the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting on this 20th day of December 2022, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, The Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee was created to
- 2 provide leadership in marketing, to promote the Green Lake County Fair, to coordinate
- 3 the Fairest of the Fair program; and,
- 4 **WHEREAS**, the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee serves at the pleasure
- 5 of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension, Education and Fair Committee; and,
- 6 Fiscal note is not applicable.
- 7 Majority vote is needed to pass.

Roll Call on Resolution No. -2022

Submitted by Ag & Extension
Education and Fair Committee

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this day of
20th day of December, 2022.

Ken Bates, Chair

Nita Krenz, Vice Chair

County Board Chairman

Nancy Hiestand

ATTEST: County Clerk
Approve as to Form:

Nancy Hoffmann

Corporation Counsel

Don Lenz

8 **WHEREAS**, the members of the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee voted
9 at its October 3, 2022, meeting to dissolve the Fair Promotions Committee effective
10 January 31, 2023; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, the Agriculture, Extension, Education and Fair Committee has considered
12 the vote of the Fair Promotions Committee and agrees that the Fair Promotions
13 Committee should be dissolved and that the Agriculture, Extension, Education and Fair
14 Committee will take up the duties of the Fair Promotions Committee.

15 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** by the Green Lake County Board of
16 Supervisors, that the Green Lake County Fair Promotions Committee is dissolved
17 effective January 31, 2023.

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Agriculture, Extension, and Fair Committee
19 shall perform the duties of the dissolved Fair Promotions Committee.

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that any funds held by Green Lake County for the
21 benefit of the Fair Promotions Committee shall be placed in a non-lapsing account to
22 be used solely for the benefit of the Green Lake County Fair.