



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

September 12, 2022

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

- 1) Cover Sheet
- 2) Amended Agenda
- 3) Draft minutes from the August 16, 2022 meeting
- 4) County Library Reports
- 5) Fair Coordinator Report
- 6) Extension Reports for: Katie Gellings (Human Development & Relationships Educator), Morgan Martinez (4-H Program Educator) and Natasha Paris (Regional Crops Educator).



GREEN LAKE COUNTY

AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR

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Agriculture, Extension Education & Fair Committee Meeting Notice

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

***AMENDED 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: 8/16/22
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
 - Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Educator
 - Natasha Paris, Regional Crops Educator
9. Approval of Educator Out of County Days – Discussion/Approval
10. Fair Coordinator Report – submitted report
11. *Fair Security Review – Discussion
12. Fair: 2023 Fair Contracts – Discussion/Approval
13. Fair: Highway Ground / Fairground Improvements
14. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: October 11, 2022
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
15. Adjourn

This meeting will be conducted through in person attendance or audio/visual communication. Remote access can be obtained through the following link:

Join Zoom Meeting:

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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.

AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

August 16, 2022

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chair, Ken Bates, on Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 9:02 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
Don Lenz

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

Also Present: Chris Kalupa, Berlin Public Library Director; Zach Knoke, Fairgrounds Maintenance Contractor; Tammy Goettl, GLC Livestock Council treasurer; Tony Daley, reporter, Berlin Journal Newspapers (Zoom).

MINUTES

Motion/second (Lenz/Hoffmann) to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2022 meeting with no additions or corrections. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter and two pictures were received from Kurt Piernot and read by Chair Bates.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

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

PAT WAGNER, AREA 14 EXTENSION DIRECTOR REPORT

Wagner gave a report of Area 14 happenings and the various hiring.

Don Lenz was seated at 9:16 a.m.

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS

- **Katie Gellings, Human Development & Relationships Educator** – Gellings provided updates and information from her submitted report.
- **Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Educator** – Martinez provided updates and information from her submitted report.
- **Natasha Paris, Regional Crops Educator** – Paris' submitted report was included in the packet.

REGIONAL AGRICULTURE STAFFING UPDATE – possible discussion/approval

Wagner gave a report on the Agriculture Staffing update and the possibility of going with a .25

Livestock Educator. She also commented that it would be helpful to commit to a two year agreement.

2023 EXTENSION GREEN LAKE COUNTY BUDGET REQUEST – discussion

Wagner went through the 2023 Proposed Budget. Committee discussed it.

Motion/second (Lenz/Krenz) to recommend moving the budget forward. Motion carried with no negative vote.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS – discussion/approval

The Committee discussed approving the days prior to them happening. They would like to move forward with that process.

Motion/second (Krenz/Lenz) 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 July which included the fair entries being up by 900, Superintendents' Appreciation Dinner, Youth Exhibit Committee Meeting, Fair Setup Night, Mandatory Meetings, and the Horse Show.

RECAP 2022 FAIR

Fair Coordinator Kathy Ninneman recapped several of the fair events stating that she was most thankful for the good weather and record number of attendees. New events were well received, adult beverages being uneventful, and a follow-up meeting with Sheriff Podoll regarding the new safety measures taken this year. Fair Intern, Abbey Weishaar's last day was Monday, August 8.

2023 FAIR BUDGET REQUEST

The 2023 Fair Budget request was presented. There was discussion regarding actual costs and budgeted costs. The preliminary budget will be moving forward.

ARPA FUNDING UPDATE

A plan will be developed and presented to the Finance Committee.

HIGHWAY GROUND / FAIRGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

The outdated speakers on the track area and in the Sheep/Swine barn are very difficult to hear and need to be replaced for safety purposes.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: September 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 11:06 a.m.

*Submitted by,
Kathy Ninneman, Secretary*

August 2022 Green Lake County Library Reports

Berlin – Happy STEM-tember! This month we are kicking off a series of programs for students and younger kids to encourage **S**cience, **T**echnology, **E**ngineering, and **M**athematics (STEM) learning. Programs include building with Legos, race cars, and marble roller coasters. These exciting programs are free to participants, which is partially sponsored by our Friends of the Library group.

Our Fall Storytime will be held Wednesday mornings beginning September 7. This fall, we are also adding a night storytime to allow working parents to bring their littles so they can join in the fun. The first night storytime will be a Super Spy experience on Wednesday, September 14 at 6:30.

Adults are invited to join our Outdoor Watercolor Painting Class being held in our beautiful Riverside Park. Lead by a local artist, this opportunity will give artists a chance to try their hand at landscape watercolor painting. This event is sponsored by our Friends and will be free to attendees.

The Berlin Library is providing space for two series of events being held in September and October. The September series will be Stepping On Workshop, which is a 7-week workshop series to help reduce risks of falling. This workshop is put on by the Green Lake County Aging & Disability Resource Center.

The second event will be held from October 4 through November 8, which is the Planning AHEAD Workshop held by Katie Gellings, Human Development & Relationships Extension Educator. This workshop is meant to help individuals gain resources to help plan for the end of life. Required registration for this series is now open by calling the GLC Extension office.

Other September programs for all ages are:

- Crafternoon: Hobbit Hole Greeting Cards on Thursday, September 22 beginning at 2pm
- Stitching Together Club meets next on Tuesday, September 27 at 2pm
- Cosplay Meet Up event will be on Saturday, September 17 from 1-4
- Dungeons & Dragons event will be on Saturday, September 24 from 1-5
- Teen Library Club will meet on September 10 at 1pm

Our Monarch Library USA garden is in the planning stages with gardening volunteers. Our plan is to plant various butterfly friendly plants this fall so they will be attracting butterflies in the spring and next summer.

We dealt with some water damage recently, but thankfully, our City Public Works department is helping with the repairs to help keep costs down. Flat roofs are not rain friendly.

Chris Kalupa – Berlin Public Library Director

Green Lake Caestecker – With our local students back to school, there's an unusual hush in the library. We are already missing our young friends and are ready to hop back into action with them after school, on school visits to and from the library to share the love of reading, and for any homework help and study space needs.

We're also ready to hop into action to help with a new schedule, or new house, or new life challenge. The library offers free Wi-Fi, laptops and computers for use, Wi-Fi and standard printing, faxing, scanning, laminating, wi-fi hotspots, charging stations, meeting and study rooms, tech help, and research database access. We also have a variety of programs and opportunities to connect with your community. Your library card gives you access to checkout puzzles, books, DVDs, books on CD, and magazines. Your library card also grants you free access to apps like Libby for digital books and audiobooks and Hoopla for on-demand audiobooks, digital books, movies, and music. If you have questions about how the library can help, stop by the front desk, give us a call, or send us a message. We're happy to help connect you to all that the library has to offer. September is National Library Card Sign Up Month and new card signups will receive a fun prize. Stop in and put a library card in your pocket today!

Upcoming Events at the Caestecker Library:

- Knitting Group: Mondays 10AM-noon
- Roasts & Reads: Tuesday, September 6th @ 10AM
- Storytime: Wednesdays at 10AM
- Constant Reader Book Club: Wednesday, September 14th @ 10AM

- Throwback Thursdays Open Play: Sept. 8th - Blanket Forts in the Library, Sept. 15th - Bubble Art, Sept. 22nd - Happy Apple Crafts & Snacks, Sept. 29th - Pretend Dress Up
- Thursday Movie at 2PM: Sept. 8th - Paradise Highway, Sept. 15th - Where the Crawdads Sing, Sept. 22nd - Vengeance, Sept. 29th - Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris
- September Crafternoons: Tuesday, September 13th: personalized wood keychains, Tuesday, September 27th: dye your own cloth napkins or bandana
- Stroll & Stay: Starting September 19th at 10AM. Parents and caregivers from newborns to toddlers to meet at the library for a stroll around town - anywhere from 15 minutes to a half hour depending upon the choice of the group. After the stroll we will have a light snack and open play time available for the littles.
- Open Tech Help Hours: Wednesday and Friday from 2PM-4PM. We are available for help with: Libby or Hoopla for free access to audiobooks and ebooks. Mango Language learning, other apps, phone and computer questions, and more.
- The Friends have three book sales planned for the month: September 10th, 9AM - 1PM, September 24th, 9PM - 3PM, and September 25th, 10PM - 3PM.
- October program teaser: Bats Around the World with live bats and other fuzzy creatures on Saturday, October 1st 10AM-11AM

More details on all library events, programs, services and more can be found at greenlakelibrary.org.

Christina Lyon – Caestecker Public Library Director

Kingston Mill Pond – The last month of summer seemed to fly by for the Mill Pond Library in Kingston. We had a special guest speaker come to one of our Thursday afternoon story hours. Madyson Main-Oberleitner, who does home visits for Green Lake & Marquette Counties for Children’s Wisconsin, did a back -to-school program. The story was "The Secret of Squirrels- Back to School" by Nancy Rose., where a teacher needed help getting her classroom set up. Afterwards the children made a back-to-school countdown chain, to keep track of the days until the first day of school, and the snack was a cookie decorated to look like a pencil. We won't be having story hour on Sept. 1st to let the children get settled into a new school year routine, but we will begin again on Sept. 8th at 4:30pm.

We held our ice cream social on Aug. 25th in celebration of winning the Penny War. The trophy was proudly displayed, and over 120 people enjoyed either an ice cream sundae with a multitude of toppings or a root beer float. We also worked for several weeks getting decorations ready for a float that the library entered in the Krazy Days parade on Aug. 27th.



The first and third Wednesdays the Bridge Club played cards in the backroom, and our Loosely Bound Book Club met the last Tuesday of the month at 2pm to discuss the book "No Time to Spare" by Ursula LeGuin.

Looking ahead to Sept. you can mark your calendars for Wednesday, Sept. 14th, when Sue Johnson will be presenting a Late Summer Self Care program at 9:30am. Who knows what else the month will bring but we hope you'll stop by and see what's happening at your library!

Sara Wilson – Mill Pond Public Library Director

Markesan – Programming: The Markesan Public Library has a very busy September scheduled with Storytimes, a Rhino Dino Party, a Fall Market, Adult Crafts, Wood Carving Display, Movie Nights, and Book Club.

For our littlest of readers and their adults, Storytime and Play and Learn are starting back up! Both events are wonderful places to make new friends and learn early literacy skills. Join in the fun with stories, songs, music, movement, and crafts that encourage development of early literacy and social skills in young children. Storytime is family-focused, and recommended for ages 3-5, but the whole family and children of all ages are welcome. Play and learn is recommended for toddlers and up with more of a focus on learning through play. Play and learn is brought to you by Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin and will take place on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am led by Miss Morgan. Storytime will take place the opposite Wednesdays at 9:30am and will be led by our own Miss Brittany. Our first storytime will be Sept. 7th.

A very Special Storytime/Party will take place at the library on **Saturday September 10th at 11am**. Join us for a **Rhino & Dino Party!** Meet Erin Kant Barnard the author/illustrator of Rhino & Dino, a funny and adorable easy read series. Erin will read one of her books using a big screen projector. You will be invited to play silly games like "farting lemon". You will learn how to draw Dino! You can take pictures with a Rhino &

Dino Standee! Other fun activities and handouts will be available. You can even purchase a book and get it signed by the author. This is sure to be Ginormous Goofy Fun. Mark your calendars now.

Another date to place on the calendar is our first ever Fall Market. Join us on **Thursday, September 22 from 3:30 - 6:00 pm** and celebrate the first day of autumn with the library.

We'll have farmer's produce, autumn arts & crafts, and a bake sale, along with free activities for kids! The Fall Market will be held in the library courtyard and in the lower-level meeting room.

Vendor applications are now available at the front desk. This is a FREE event for vendors, no booth or registration fees! Space is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis so stop in today to get your form.

If you have any questions, you can email them to director@markesanlibrary.org or call us at (920) 398-3434.

Another opportunity to marvel at the artistry of others is to visit the library to see the Wood Wizard Carvers display. There are so many beautiful and intricate carvings and wood burnings that you will want to take your time. You will be amazed at how creative our local artists are. And perhaps you will be inspired to join the group. They are always looking for new members.

If you love to make your own crafts, then be sure to watch the library's Facebook page and website. Autumn craft packets are soon to be available. Craft kit concepts include an autumn bouquet, yard sign, wreath, and pumpkin sign. Supply is limited due to supplies. Keep a sharp eye out for when kits become reservable. We operate on a first come, first serve basis.

Fall is also a wonderful time to return to some of our favorite indoor activities like watching movies and reading books. We have several movies scheduled for free showing at the library including, Minions the Rise of Gru, Lightyear, and Elvis. There will be light refreshments and free popcorn served.

For those who prefer a great read and even better conversation, then pick up one of the copies of the library's new book club selection, "A Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles. "A Gentleman in Moscow" brings us to 1922 Russia and the magnificent Metropol Hotel. Count Alexander Rostov is sentenced by Bolshevik tribunal to house arrest in this luxury hotel, which is only a short distance from the Kremlin. Threatened with death if he leaves, the distinguished gentleman also is forced to move from his palatial suite to cramped servant's quarters, and surrender most of his belongings "to the people." He tries to make the best of his adverse circumstances with humor and empathy. Readers are introduced to a gorgeous Russian setting, Towles' colorful characters, and his fantastic writing style, called "gorgeous sleight of hand" by the New York Times.

Bonus: September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! We have some very cool stickers to give away celebrating our current and new library patrons. What do you get with your library card? An all-access pass to movies, books, music, magazines, streaming movies, digital books, audio books, research databases, genealogy resources, public wi-fi, public computers, life-long learning classes, and events! Ask us today about all that the library can do for you.

Switch to BadgerNet: Library has been successfully switched over from Spectrum to BadgerNet for our internet.

Boiler: The new boilers are installed. We are getting a \$5,000 Infrastructure Grant from Winnefox to help pay for the boiler. We also will be getting a Focus on Energy rebate too. The library is using donated funds to pay for the project.

Teacher Cards: I sent emails to both Markesan School District & Faith Lutheran to promote the benefits of Teacher Cards and how the library is willing to help support teachers in the new school year.

Other Odds & Ends: A new AED has been ordered. Carpets have been cleaned. I'm getting an estimate on getting the tile floors waxed/cleaned.

Thank you for helping us offer library services to our county residents.

Nicole Overbeck – Markesan Public Library Director

Princeton –

Third Place in the Penny War Nets Us Over \$2,000: While we did not win the Green Lake County inter-library Penny War last month, we so appreciate the incredible generosity of all who donated! When everything was totaled up, we came at a very respectable third place, beating out Green Lake (Caestecker) Library and Markesan Library. We always sort of knew that Berlin would beat us, as they are at least three times as big-- but the real surprise is that Kingston Library WON! This little tiny library really needs the money, too.

HUGE Book Orders Came In: We have a TON of new materials for you to check out! Our "new" tables and shelves are overflowing with new books for every age and taste. Please stop in and check some out!

August Reorganization: This month has been a month of regrouping and maintenance. Luci was gone for several weeks due to family vacations, and Millie was out for two weeks due to family illnesses. We took down all the Summer Reading Program decorations, replanted the front flower bed, scheduled maintenance for our front doors and air conditioning and heating units, worked on billing people for lost/stolen library items, and processed a LOT of new library materials. With the help of several very hard-working volunteers, we also got the new fence finished!

New Backyard Fence: The fence was a huge project—the old fence line had been so overgrown with weeds and scrub trees that it took a long time to get it tamed. The new fence line is low maintenance so that the Women's Club and other wonderful volunteers can take care of it more easily. We thank Egbert Excavating of Princeton, for the stone; Washkovick for landscaping fabric; and Terry and John Beck, Ron Hatfield and Mary Fritsch, Rose and Bill Wick, Millie Bowey and her grandson Sawyer, all provided a ton of labor! Bill and Rose in particular spearheaded this fence project, organizing donations and deliveries, planning and measuring, and bringing most of the tools.



Community Generosity

Speaking of wonderful people: Al Detjen's Piggly Wiggly presented the Friends of the Library with a check for over \$2,600, donated by shoppers during the month of July for the "roundup" program. WOW!

Friends and family gave us a lovely gift of many brand-new teen and juvenile fiction books in honor of Anita Roehl.

The Hibbard family gave us a wonderful donation in memory of Maureen Breitenfeldt.



Don and Dawn Betler gave us a great free program about Scuba Diving, which kids absolutely loved. Dawn retired as the Princeton school librarian but has accepted a part time position as the library director at Poysippi Public Library! I will be doing a free program for Poysippi as a thank-you—probably a repeat of the wild food foraging class I am doing here.

Dennis Filkins made a ton of lovely desserts for someone's big family reunion, and in exchange he only asked that family to make a donation to us, the library. Well we got it, thanks Dennis!

New Library Board Member Sought: We are looking for a new library board member. Sally Dahlke has to leave us, and we wish her the very best. If anyone you know is interested in helping us support and shape the library's future, please have them contact the library or City Hall. As the two positions designated for non-city residents are currently filled, our new board member must live within the City of Princeton. Library board members meet at 6pm on the first Monday of each month to help make decisions about library policies.

Library System VS Local Control: Recently, I asked a Winnefox Library System employee for a report showing patrons with very long overdue /lost/stolen library items. This person tried to tell me that my library board is not allowed to see these kinds of reports, and even attempted to quote state law in support of this position. Knowing this to be incorrect, I double-checked the law with the WI DPI, and brought the issue to the attention of the library system director. They admitted I was in the right. I will always fight to protect local control over library affairs.

Staff Illnesses and Vacations: Millie has been off for a little over two weeks this month, as both she and her parents were ill. I will be gone September 20th through the 29th. Trish will be gone September 22nd-27th.

Baker & Taylor Hacked: We just received word on 8/29/22 that Baker & Taylor, a major book publisher we use, has been hacked. They are being attacked with ransomware. This means that thieves have locked up the database of the company and will either release sensitive data or won't release the website to the company's control unless they are paid a ransom (usually in bitcoin). Since we do not have a credit card listed with the company (I get statements instead and have Mary send checks), we should be safe. I may not be able to buy books from B&T for a while, but there are other publishers, and I have recently gotten in some big orders, so we'll be OK.

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Fri 9-5 Sat 9-1

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ONGOING PROGRAMS

Story Time
Mondays at 9am

Mystery Book Club

Wed. Sept. 14th,
9:30AM:

"The Postscript Murders"
by Elly Griffiths.

Knitting Club

Mon. Sept. 12th
AND 26th, 4-6PM

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and audiobooks, and
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CHECK OUT:

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Wonderbooks,
DVDs, and More!

Events at Princeton Public Library

September 2022



The Library Will Be Closed Saturday 3rd—Monday 5th for Labor Day Weekend

September is Library Card Signup Month!

Libraries across the country, including ours, want YOU to get (and keep) a library card.

- Giving away prizes for those who have their library cards at check out
- Giving away prizes to those who sign up for a card
 - Waiving fees for lost cards
- Promoting all of the free services you can access with your library card, including genealogy data, online classes, and eBooks.



BACK TO SCHOOL!

Check out Gale Courses, free online classes on almost anything. From accounting to photoshop, medicine to web design, advance your career at princetonpublib.org.

Sat. Sept. 10th, 9am—3pm: See You at Cranefest!

The library will be sponsoring face painting at the Princeton school building during the Whooping Crane & Nature Festival. Come on down and join in the fun! Free admission. Wildlife presentations, live animals, free children's activities, craft fair, food, and more.

Tues. Sept. 13th, 3:30-5:30pm: Medicare Class

Are you confused about Medicare? Attend this free class.

Sat. Sept. 17th, 2-6pm: Sip and Shop Registration

This Chamber of Commerce event is much more than a wine walk! Water Street will be closed for the afternoon so that you can stroll through our historical downtown and enjoy raffles, street food from local vendors, sidewalk sales, yard games here at the library, and a radio broadcast provided by The Bug 102.3FM. **New this year: try the BEER!** It's not just about wine anymore! Tickets are \$25 per person. You can buy them online at Eventbrite, or buy them here at the library on the day of the event. We are also the registration location- on the day of the event, bring your tickets here to receive your wristband, wineglasses, and maps.





Green Lake County Fair Office

Kathy Ninneman, Fair Coordinator

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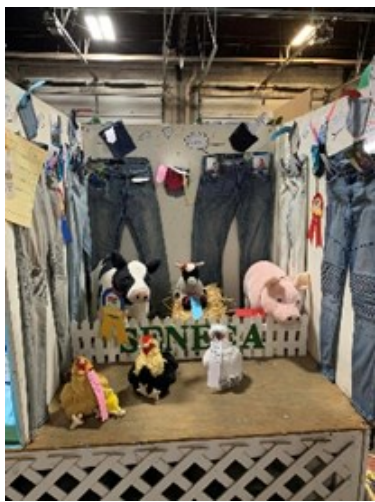
September 13, 2022

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

Fair Report for August 2022:

- The Fair was blessed with wonderful weather, even though we had a couple of days that were hot and humid, nothing was rained out and everything was able to go on as scheduled!
- There were 165 Jr. Exhibitors, bringing 1,623 exhibits. Open exhibitors were at 33, bringing 365 exhibits.
- The Carnival had record sales this year. Prices for the tickets have been the same since 2014, with the exception of the days that wristbands cost \$25, instead of \$20. The ferris wheel and carousel were unable to be here because of being at State Fair. Last year A&P were able to get those from another carnival for us to have. We will see if we can get them back for 2023.
- The Track events were very well attended each night. The newly donated gravel that Fair Maintenance contractor, Zach Knoke put down and made new areas for the portable restrooms to be set on, were wonderful additions. The privacy screening has seen its age, with a change being considered for the 2023 Fair.
- Food vendors reported good sales. There are a few that have not turned in their 12% gross sales.
- On August 13 I attended State Fair to see our Green Lake County County participant, Sandy Londowski, compete in the 2022 Wisconsin County Fair Moo...marvelous Muffin Challenge. Sandy baked some very delicious Orange Cranberry muffins and was among the top six in the state! (*non-paid time*)
- The Youth Exhibit Committee met on August 16. There were several Fair Suggestion forms received. I will be contacting those individuals with the outcome.
- The first two weeks of August the Fair was the Crossroads Rooster Round-up recipient. A check for \$793.39 was presented on August 19. Thank you Crossroads for supporting the Fair!
- On August 27 the Crossroads Brat Barn fundraiser was for the Green Lake County Fair, which raised \$322.50. Fair superintendents volunteered their time to help out. The Fair appreciates all of the support that Crossroads has given to this county event. (*non-paid time*)
- 30 Day Fair Reporting to DATCP has been completed.







This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the Human Development & Relationships Institute, as well as the Health & Well-Being Institute in August of 2022. During the reporting period, the educator made 149 direct educational and professional contacts.

Educational Programming, Networking and Outreach in the Local Community

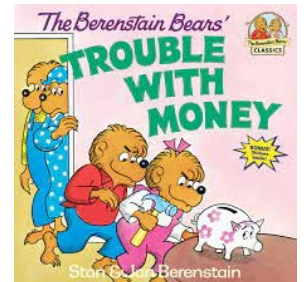
Making Reading Memories, Wellness Group – Green Lake County Correctional Facility (GLCCF)

I was able to complete my first Making Reading Memories recording for the Literacy Link (LL) program at GLCCF in August. LL is a program that builds reading, communicating, and listening abilities with young children in justice-involved families. The emphasis is on building relationships and spontaneous engagement between children and their parents and caregivers through literacy. The participant chose to read “Where the Wild Things Are” to her son via the video recording. Both the recording link and the book with educational literacy materials have been sent to the caregiver. Follow-up evaluations will now take place. My ultimate goal with this program is to be able to connect the Money As You Grow Book Club with the LL program, utilizing the Money As You Grow books and sending financial literacy educational materials to the caregiver.

I also restarted teaching the wellness group at GLCCF. Wellness group will take place once per month for 30 minutes (males and females in separate groups). The topics will change each month. In August we covered a nutrition 101 lesson that talked about eating healthy in a simple way. There were 5 males that participated and 3 females. All participants stated that they learned what nutrient density is and 75% learned about whole grains vs refined grains.

Sharing with Youth Day – Berlin Summer Recreation Department

In early August, I taught at Sharing with Youth Day at the Berlin Senior Center. The 11 youth who participated learned about earning and saving money through a storybook reading and discussion. Each participant got to decorate a ceramic piggy bank to take home and received a copy of the book we read together.



United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS) Programs – Berlin Child Care Center



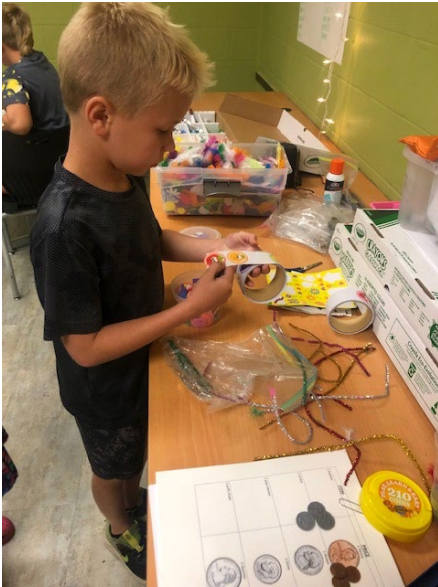
I taught the final three lessons to 11 students, 7 students, and 9 students in August on the vegetable food group, dairy food group, and earning and saving money. We made silly vegetable faces for the first lesson and the participants tried new vegetables for the first time. During the second lesson, we made smoothies using fruit and dairy products. In the final lesson we read the book “Count on Pablo” and had a great discussion about earning money. We also talked a little about saving money and safe places to keep money. I look forward to working with the UMOS youth and families again next summer, and I am

hopeful the Markesan Child Care site will be back up and running again.

Money As You Grow - Green Lake County Fair and Boys & Girls Club of the Tri-County Area

I taught two Money As You Grow programs during the Green Lake County Fair to over 40 youth. We read the book "Lemonade in Winter" and we decorated ceramic piggy banks that the youth got to take home. We had a good discussion about earning and saving money as well. Next year, I plan to send educational materials home with each youth as not all participants were there during the book reading and/or discussion.

I also taught the Money as You Grow program at the Boys & Girls Club in Berlin. There were 23 3rd grade youth who participated in the program. After reading the book "Lemonade in Winter" and having a discussion, each youth was given a picture of a plain lemonade stand and a bag of play money. They had to buy markers and decorations with their play money at my "store" in order to decorate their lemonade stand.



Upcoming Scheduled Programs

September 15 – 2:00pm-3:00pm – **Wellness Group** – Green Lake County Correctional Facility

September 20 – 4:00pm-4:30pm – **Food Preservation/Apple Butter** – Berlin Farmer's Market

Networking within Extension and Professional Development Opportunities

I made 39 contacts within the UW Madison Division of Extension system during the month of August. I continue to have a number of professional meetings scheduled with colleagues to continue to network and learn from other Extension educators.

Racial Equity Community of Practice Gathering, Stevens Point

I attended the day gathering for my Racial Equity Community of Practice cohort in Stevens Point. The gathering focused on:

- Building relationships with the members of the community of practice pilot cohort
- Reviewing the pilot stage community of practice (2020-2021)
- Identifying and practicing self-care in the context of this work
- Assessing current state community of practice (2022)
- Brainstorming future state/scaling community of practice (2022-beyond)

Out of County Days

2 Out of county days for October (Health & Well-Being Institute Retreat, Wausau – 1 day*; Economics WI Conference (breakout session speaker), Green Bay – 1 day)

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This report briefly describes the work that was completed within the 4-H Program in August 2022.

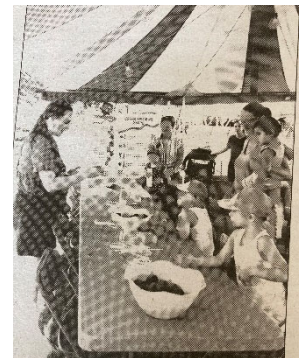
Program Highlights

4-H Gardening Program

Through this interactive 4-H Gardening Program youth planted their own herb greenhouse garden where they learned what a greenhouse garden is, when to transplant their herbs to a container garden, when their herbs are ready for harvesting and how to cook with the herbs they have grown. Youth were encouraged to further explore what other ways they can incorporate their herbs into recipes.

This program was held on the following dates:

- August 2nd and August 9th seventeen youth participated in this program at UMOS (United Migrant Opportunity Services) summer program in Berlin
- August 4th nearly thirty youth participated in this program offered in the Kid Zone Tent at the Green Lake County Fair



Livestock Auction Green Lake Co. Fair

The 4-H chartered group Livestock Council organized the Livestock Auction on August 5th. Morgan collaborated with 4-H volunteers and Ergo Bank, Markesan (who donated the auction clerking services) for a successful livestock auction for young people to participate in and showcase their youth livestock project(s). On August 3rd Morgan provided educational support during the animal weigh for beef, sheep, and swine exhibitors.

Fuel Up, Tune Up, Groove Up: Dynamic Desserts Library Program

On August 10, 2022 an interactive lesson learning about the fruit food group was held at the Markesan Public Library. The lesson theme was based on MyPlate and included healthy living skill-building of mindfulness, physical activity, and nutrition. Seven participants learned about eating sweet treats in moderation by making a sweet treat, learning about giving muscles the care they need through stretching, and practicing managing moods through mindfulness.

4-H Graduation

2022 4-H graduates were recognized during the Fair Awards Ceremony on August 7th. Recognition included sharing graduates 4-H story which included items such as advice to younger members and favorite 4-H memory.

2022 4-H GRADUATES



TREVOR GOHLKE (Fox River Patriots 4-H)
10 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Attending the WI State Fair and all the shenanigans in the dorms with the boys.



JOSHUA MITTELSTADT (Roy Creek Ramblers 4-H)
11 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: The club Halloween parties.



DILLAN SCHWOCHERT (Fox River Patriots 4-H)
8 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Helping younger members learn more about their projects.



SHAWNA STIBB (Country Clovers 4-H)
13 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Helping the community and those in need in the various community service events we do as a club.

CONGRATULATION GRADUATES!



2022 4-H GRADUATES



ALEXIS DREGER (Fox River Patriots 4-H)
6 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Having younger 4-Hers tell me they look up to me, which gave me even more incentive to be a better person and 4-Her.



CASSANDRA GERBITZ (Roy Creek Ramblers 4-H)
12 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Hosting a foreign exchange student in 2016. It was interesting to me to learn about the different culture and learn new traditions that she had, which we didn't.



ETHAN GERBITZ (Roy Creek Ramblers 4-H)
12 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: Doing community service for a Veteran which became a very close friend- he helped me out with fishing and other outdoor sports.



SADIE GOETTL (Sunrisers 4-H)
12 years in 4-H
Favorite 4-H Memory: going on the American Spirit Trip. I was able to see lots of historical landmarks and make many new friends.

CONGRATULATION GRADUATES!



Green Lake Campground 4-H Program

Green Lake Campground selected Green Lake County 4-H as a recipient of funds raised during their annual BBQ Contest and Corn Roast charitable events held on August 13, 2022 and August 20, 2022. This donation will be used to support 4-H members in their participation in 4-H events, workshops, and learning experiences. During these two events I collaborated with 4-H members and leaders to host interactive youth activities and a petting zoo for attendees. Over 200 educational kits were distributed where youth could explore simple circuits and electricity as they practiced lighting up LEDs to create their own science bug as well as plant their own greenhouse herb garden. A big thank you goes out to Green Lake Campground for their generous donation of \$8,000 to support Green Lake County 4-H youth!



Out of County Days

- 1 Out of county day planned for September
- WI 4-H Regional Meeting, Wisconsin Dells, September 15

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Outreach/Needs Assessment




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Attended Green Lake County Fair and distributed handouts about me/my role and collected emails. ▪ Attended Waushara County Fair and had discussions with farmers about educational needs and cropping problems.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended Conservation Field Day in Green Lake to meet farmers and stakeholders. • Met with new Adams County Land Conservationist. • In talks with groups regarding Nutrient Management trainings for the fall/winter.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met with Marquette County Farm Bureau Board on July 26th. • Met with Adams County Farm Bureau Board on 28th.
<p>Other Outreach</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did interview with Marquette County Tribune, have plans to get interview published in other papers. • Had discussions with State Senator about my new role and the Ag Institute Staffing Plan. • Met with new Ag Water Quality Outreach Specialist for Central Sands • Met with Central Sands Counties Groundwater Collaborative • Posted on County Extension Facebook pages.

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Producer Education

<p>Field Crops</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing participation in soybean research project: collecting soil samples and scouting fields. • Visited farm to assess herbicide-resistant weeds. • Visited farm to assess problems with alfalfa/beans. • Published article on tar spot in corn in local papers. • Worked with farmer on interpreting fertilizer plans and soil tests.
<p>Forage & Pasture</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrote an article on growing pasture and forage in sand to be published on Extension Topic Hub.
<p>Commercial Vegetable</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worked with Amish farm and UW specialist on disease in tomatoes. • Sent information on downy mildew to Amish farmers when it was detected at Hancock.
<p>Other Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connected farmers to DATCP and UW resources on consumer protection issues and rental rates.

Professional Development/Activities

<p>Professional Development</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had a soybean researcher come up to look at the fields I'm working on and teach me about scouting. • Studied data science • SARE Advisory Meeting and farm event on cover crop grazing. • Crop Connect meetings
<p>Other Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marquette Co Staff Meetings • Extension & Agriculture Institute Meetings • Met with mentor & senior staff • County Extension Committee Meetings • Crops & Soils/Regional Educator Meetings • Wrote logic model and began to formulate winter programming plan.