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Extension Presents Lora Warner with the WEECDA Wisconsin Idea Award.



UW-Madison Extension and UW-Green Bay formed a partnership to offer resources to nonprofit organizations in Kewaunee County and Northeast Wisconsin. These resources can be found at www.uwgb.edu/nonprofitleadership. An integral member of this partnership is UW-Green Bay Associate Professor Lora Warner. She brings many ideas, knowledge, and experience, which complement UW-Madison Extension. Extension Youth Development Associate Professor Melinda Pollen and Extension Community Development Professor Patrick Nehring were able to present Associate Professor Warner with the Wisconsin Extension Environmental and Community Development Wisconsin Idea Award. This award is given to recognize and honor individuals, communities, or community groups who have been particularly vital to the success of an Extension educational program and their support to represent the Wisconsin Idea as it relates to the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Division of Extension mission in community development or natural resources.

The Wisconsin Idea is to bring the knowledge and the resources of the University of Wisconsin to people where they live and work. Associate Professor Warner is an excellent example of someone who has assisted Extension in reaching this goal.

Housing Market Shortage Problem for Wisconsin

Strong Growth Coupled with Housing Shortages May Signal Start of Another Housing Bubble

One way to track the housing market in Wisconsin is to follow trends in house selling prices. The Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA) collects house transactions data (including multifamily units such as condos) which they then use to calculate the All-Transactions House Price Index which is available at the state and major metropolitan areas back to 1975. More recently, the FHFA has calculated the index for all counties in the U.S.

Based on this data for Wisconsin and a geographic representation of metropolitan areas across Wisconsin, several patterns can be observed. First, evidence of the “housing bubble” of the mid-2000s is clear, coupled with the collapse of the market and the slow recovery. Also evident are differences across Wisconsin as to the severity of the bubble itself, post-bust decline, and slow recovery.

Learn more here: <https://economicdevelopment.extension.wisc.edu/2022/03/22/housing-market-shortage-problem-for-wisconsin/>

Nonprofit Leader Conversations

FREE virtual small group conversations for nonprofit leaders on the pressing management issues of today. Discuss timely topics with a small group of peer and invited discussants who share knowledge and participate in Q&A. Lightly facilitated by our faculty. Registration required and limited to the first 20 who sign up. Registration and more resources are available at: www.uwgb.edu/nonprofitleadership.

June 9: Collaboration. What can we learn from examples (both good and bad) of collaborations by nonprofit organizations? Join Kim O’Brien, Executive Director of the Nonprofit Leadership Initiative (Fox Valley) to explore ways to collaborate in meaningful ways toward common goals. To register follow the Nonprofit Leader Conversation link at www.uwgb.edu/nonprofitleadetship

Additional conversations will resume in September, 2022.

The Rise Of Entrepreneurship During the Pandemic

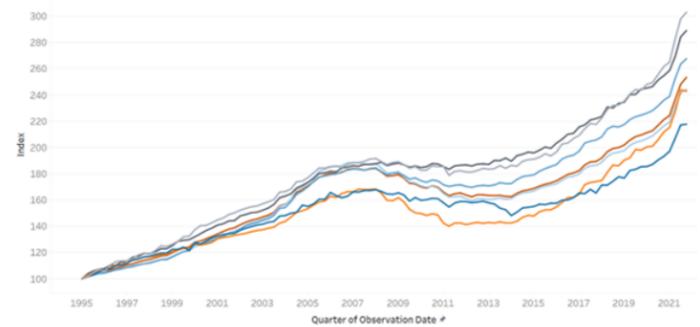
June 9, 12 pm – 1 pm CT | Webinar

Join us for a virtual webinar on entrepreneurial activity in Wisconsin during the COVID-19 pandemic. Entrepreneurship is a key part of any healthy economy but ensuring that new business activity leads to significant economic impact by creating high-quality jobs can be difficult. Learn about entrepreneurial activity in the state and discuss what communities can do to take a lead role in helping entrepreneurs grow and be successful.

Learn more about this webinar by visiting <https://economicdevelopment.extension.wisc.edu/2022/05/02/the-rise-of-entrepreneurship-during-the-pandemic/>.



All-Transactions Housing Price Index



- East Claire, WI (MSA)
- Fond du Lac, WI (MSA)
- Janesville-Beloit, WI (MSA)
- La Crosse-Onalaska, WI-MN (MSA)
- Madison, WI (MSA)
- Milwaukee/Waukesha, WI (MSA)
- Wisconsin

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Sweet Peas are the Harvest of the Month!

Add sweet peas to your favorite family meals:

- Add fresh or frozen green peas to soup or pasta salad.
- Toss snow peas in a stir fry.
- Serve sugar snap peas with a healthy dip.

Make meals and memories together. It's a lesson kids will use for life.

Did you know?

Peas are seeds! There are three main kinds of peas that we eat: green (or garden) peas, sugar snap peas, and snow peas. With sugar snap peas and snow peas you can eat the whole pod!



Nutritious, Delicious, Wisconsin!
#NHHarvestofTheMonth

- Select** – Choose sugar snap peas that are bright green and firm.
- Store** – For the sweetest flavor, serve peas as soon as possible. Refrigerate in a perforated plastic bag and use within 2 days.
- Prepare** – Rinse and trim both ends.



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Pea Fun Facts:

Peas have been found in historical sites dating nearly 10,000 years old. Peas are thought to have originated from either Thailand and Myanmar, the Middle East, or Ethiopia. Wisconsin ranks third in the nation for the processing of peas!



Key nutrients in Peas:

- Fiber** – Keeps digestion running smoothly.
- Folate** – Helps prevent birth defects, is needed to make DNA, and helps your cells divide, including red blood cells.
- Vitamin C** - Helps wounds heal, is important for the immune system, and is an antioxidant, which protects cells from damage.

Books

- *Little Pea* by Amy Krouse Rosenthal
- *Peas (What's for Lunch?)* by Claire Llewellyn



FAMILY FUN SEED SCAVENGER HUNT

Peas are the seeds of the plant. What other types of seeds do we eat? Look for seeds in your kitchen and outside!



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Harvest of the Month materials are available in Spanish or English:
<https://healthyliving.extension.wisc.edu/welcome-to-harvest-of-the-month/>



Preserve It Fresh, Preserve It Safe

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Making Sweet Spreads and Canning Fruit

Fruits contain natural sugar known as fructose. When we make canned jellies or sauces, we may add more sugar to help preserve, sweeten and maintain the quality of the fruit. Many people are paying more attention to the amount and type of sugar they consume. In commercially processed fruit or fruit spread this "added sugar" is included on the Nutrition Facts Label.

Granulated sugar often is used in home-canned foods. Corn syrup or mild-flavored honey can be used to replace part of the sugar (usually one-half) when preserving fruit. For best results, experts recommend using recipes that were created using honey or syrup. Some sweeteners can overpower the delicate flavor

of fruit. Brown sugar and molasses usually are not recommended for use in preserving fruit because of their stronger flavor.

Besides providing sweetness, sugar helps preserve jams and jellies by preventing microorganisms from growing. Sugar plays an important role in creating gels through its interaction with commercial pectin and/or pectin naturally found in the fruit. The natural acid in fruit also is needed for gel formation.

In canned fruits such as peaches, sweetened syrups help maintain color, shape and flavor. The type of syrup varies from "very light" to "very heavy" according to the amount of water to sugar. "Light" syrups have less sugar and fewer calories than "heavy" syrup.



Receive this newsletter electronically by signing up at <https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/food-preservation/>

Local contact information:



Canning With Less Sugar

Reduced-sugar recipes are available to make high-quality preserved products. Sometimes fruit juice can be used in place of syrup. Low-calorie liquid sweeteners and Splenda, which is a granular sugar substitute, can be used in jelly, jam and sauce recipes that were created using these products. Low- or no-sugar pectin is available to use with less sugar or artificial sweeteners.

Do not reduce sugar or use artificial sweeteners with regular powdered or liquid pectin.

See these resources from the National Center for Home Food Preservation:

- https://nchfp.uga.edu/how/can7_jam_jelly.html for several reduced-sugar recipes
- https://nchfp.uga.edu/how/can_02/syrups.html for directions



Cooking with Jace at ESI in Kewaunee County

FoodWise nutrition educator, Jace Purdy, and UW-Green Bay dietetics intern, Chelsea Dekeyser, partnered with ESI to provide a 5-week nutrition education. The goal of the series was to build culinary skills and improve knowledge of nutrition with low income people with disabilities in Kewaunee county.

In this course, participants are encouraged to join in to develop their cooking and independent living skills. FoodWise discussed various topics during these interactive lessons such as whole grains, fruits, vegetables, hydration, and protein. Numbers varied each week, but 8-14 people practiced using the microwave and blender to create healthy recipes and increase their fruit and vegetable intake.

At the end of the 5-week course, Jace asked participants to complete a survey. Of the 8 who completed the survey, 62.5% said they would be filling half their plate with fruits and vegetables more often. 50% said they would eat at least one whole-grain food every day. When asked about the recipes, one participant said "I have made the popcorn six times since we did it together!"



Participant Carey shows off the popcorn she made!



Participants are seen here mixing together an easy, and healthy, veggie dip.

Strawberry Season

Strawberries are a popular fruit and easy to preserve by drying, freezing, or making jam. Choose fully ripe, firm berries with deep red color to preserve. Preserving will not improve the quality of any food.



Drying Strawberries Without Added Sugar

Dried strawberries are a fun snack or addition to baked goods, smoothies, granola, salads and yogurt.

Directions:

Wash hands and kitchen surfaces. Rinse strawberries under running water, remove caps and drain well. Cut strawberries into 1/2-inch slices or in half lengthwise. Small berries can be dried whole.

Place strawberries cut side up on dehydrator trays. Set the dehydrator temperature between 130–140 degrees F. For berries with 2 cut sides, turn berries halfway through the drying process, so they won't stick to drying tray.

Drying time varies, depending on size of pieces. Be sure to check after seven hours. For thick pieces, drying can take up to 36 hours. Cool fruit for 30 minutes.

Dried strawberries should be pliable and leathery with no moisture. Store in an airtight container or freeze for longer storage.

More information:

- <https://extension.umn.edu/preserving-and-preparing/drying-strawberries>
- <https://extension.psu.edu/drying-strawberries>
- <https://blogs.extension.iastate.edu/answerline/2019/05/13/freezing-strawberries/>
- <https://extension.psu.edu/freezing-strawberries>

Using Frozen Fruit to make jam:

<https://enewsletters.k-state.edu/youaskedit/2017/06/14/making-jam-jelly-with-frozen-fruit/>



Freezing Strawberries Without Added Sugar

Frozen strawberries without added sugar can be used when you only want to take out a few strawberries at a time, as for smoothies. These strawberries will turn mushy if completely thawed, so they are best used cold. This method also works well to keep berries to make jam later.

Directions:

Wash hands and kitchen surfaces. Rinse strawberries under running water, remove caps and drain. Spread a single layer of berries on a baking sheet and freeze until solid (approx. one to two hours). Transfer berries to freezer bags. Press out as much air as possible.

Label all preserved items with product name and date. For more ways to preserve strawberries, visit the National Center for Home Food Preservation or Cooperative Extension websites.

See <https://www.ncrfsma.org/north-central-region-food-safety> for food preservation information from the North Central Region.

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Discussing Money and Finances With Your Child

Young children often have trouble understanding why they cannot have every toy they see at the store or online. However, around age 10 kids begin to comprehend that money is a limited resource. They can distinguish that some purchases are worth making in the short term, while others are worth saving for. This new level of awareness often brings discussions about allowance, chores and financial goals. Age 10-12 is an opportune time for parents to begin working on developing financial capability with kids.

Allowance

Parents often struggle with allowances. Giving spending money for small discretionary purchases can be a good way to teach basic budgeting and money management. For pre-teens weekly allowances generally range from \$5 to \$10, depending on what the child is expected to pay for out of their own pocket. It is important to be consistent:

- Set a standard day and time for allowances.
- Sporadic or fluctuating allowances make it hard for kids to know what to expect and how to plan.

Allowance in Practice

Some parents prefer that allowances be tied to certain chores as a lesson on working for 'income.' They may even use a chart to document that weekly jobs are getting done before any allowance is paid. Others pay an allowance and then charge 'fines' for failing to do chores or certain misbehaviors. Whatever model is chosen, the most important factor is being consistent.

Saving for a Goal

Adults who are successful in managing their own money share the ability to set and achieve long-term goals. In order to build those skills for adulthood, youth need to practice. Kids need to engage in a process of discussing and eventually writing down their personal financial goals, such as saving up to buy a "bigger" item. This creates an opportunity for parents to work with their child on creating a plan to achieve that goal. It can even be useful to work through some math, adding up how many weeks or months it will take to save up enough (and remembering to account for other regular purchases that might happen along the way!). Parents can talk about what happens when plans fail, as well as help children revise their goals as they learn more. The process of setting goals and making plans is critical in life – making this activity a great learning opportunity.

Interested in teaching your child about interest?

Here is an online calculator (<http://www.webmath.com/simpinterest.html>) that can show kids how much they will actually have to pay on a credit card balance over time. This is a great activity for older teens who may be interested in buying pricier items (e.g., a new gaming system). Showing them that credit isn't actual money but rather a "loan" that can be costly over time, can teach them about spending wisely given their expected or actual earnings.

Using Bank Accounts

Many banks and credit unions offer very low cost savings accounts (often called custodial accounts) for kids under 18. These accounts are in the young person's own name, along with their parent. Having an account, even one with a low balance, is another formative experience that parents can offer to kids ages 10-12. Going to the teller window, obtaining a statement and checking balances online can help kids learn about the benefits of financial institutions and even how interest works.

Understanding Adult Finances

Kids who receive spending money and practice budgeting and saving begin to establish their own sense of financial independence. Parents can also begin to share more of their personal financial lives with their kids. Simply revealing how much things cost—from groceries to movie tickets to vacations is one example. Another instance is to share long-term financial goals, such as retiring from work. It can also be useful to explain how income taxes work each spring, and even how sales taxes work using receipts from the store. While parents do not need to offer too much detail, they also should not 'hide' their financial lives from their kids. Children are interested in and can learn from their parent's experiences.

Upcoming Workshops to Reduce Family Stress:

- Positive Parenting
- Powerful Tools for Caregivers
- Mental Health First Aid
- Money Matters
- Aging Mastery

Call 920-388-7137 or email renee.koenig@wisc.edu for a workshop schedule.

Gifts and Charity

One last area of focus is charitable giving. Some parents will offer to match (1:1 or 1:2 or more) any financial contribution kids make to a charity or toward a gift for someone else. The more kids can be engaged in giving behaviors early in life, the better they can establish patterns of charity for a lifetime.

Charitable Giving in Action

Charitable giving and volunteering can promote prosocial behavior in adolescence. There are many ways to encourage youth to be prosocial while also supporting their growing independence. For example, rather than asking for gifts at a birthday party or certain holiday, you can encourage your child to ask guests to bring a donation for a specific organization. Teens can explore their identity and beliefs as they decide which charity is meaningful to them.

It's Not Too Early

Parents often feel anxiety about their own finances and often families make talking about money or money challenges a taboo. It is better to be open about finances, engage in money management with kids, and give kids opportunities to learn from their own experiences.

Adapted from author: J. Michael Collins, Economics Specialist for the Division of Extension and Professor at the La Follette School of Public Affairs at University of Wisconsin-Madison, he is also faculty director of the Center for Financial Security.




IS YOUR CHILD READY TO STAY HOME ALONE

Putting together a schedule of summer activities for your child can be a challenge. Like many parents, you might be trying to decide if it is safe to leave your school-age child home alone during the summer break. Your child might be ready to stay home alone if your child:

- is willing to stay alone
- acts responsibly and follows rules
- knows how to handle emergencies

UW-Madison Extension offers a free online video class called **Home Alone**. The lessons were developed to help you prepare your child for self-care.

Watch the videos together with your child at <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/homealone/>

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Wise & Well Wednesdays

Join us! Have fun, socialize, and connect with others while learning new hobbies, tools, and resources.

- ★ **June 8 – Gardening for Life**
Our Master Gardeners talk about what makes gardening an aging-friendly hobby and some benefits it can have for older gardeners. Learn ways to protect your joints and prevent aches and pains. You will also receive a "toolbox" of resources.
- ★ **June 22 – Discover Your Family History**
We will discuss family history, how to find out more about your family's past, and some reasons you might find it both fun and meaningful.
- ★ **July 13 – Celebrate Nature**
In this session, we will be inspired by nature and hear about how nature can help us see new possibilities in our own lives.
- ★ **July 27 – Declutter Your Home**
You will hear from three wise Extension Educators as they talk about the process of sorting through important paperwork and other "stuff" that has accumulated over the years.

Time: 9:00–10:00 am
Location: Kewaunee County Extension, 810 Lincoln St., Kewaunee

REGISTRATION REQUIRED: Contact Renee Koenig at 920-388-7137 or renee.koenig@wisc.edu





UW-Madison Division of Extension Kewaunee County

2022 Kewaunee County Fair Schedule

Thursday, June 23

3:00 PM 4-H Dog Show
Kewaunee County Fairgrounds

Monday, June 27

7:00 PM Fair Clean-Up and Set-Up

Tuesday, July 5

12:30 Open 17, Special Needs
12:30-7:00 PM Jr. Fair Judging

Dept.

6 Horse Educational	10 Vet Science
14 Plants & Soil Science	15 Flowers & House Plants
16 Natural Science	17 Clover buds
18 Cultural Arts	20 Photography
21 Computer	22 Woodworking
23 Electricity	24 Mechanical
25 Food & Nutrition	26 Clothing
27 Knitting & Crocheting	28 Home Environment
29 Family & Child Development	
33 Self-Determined	34 Health
3:00PM Model Horse Show	
5:30 PM Club Flower Pot Judging	
5:30-7:00 PM Hog Check-In & Weigh-In	
6:00 PM 13 Cat	

Wednesday, July 6

Entry Day for Animals **Animals to be on grounds by 4:00 PM**

9:30-10:30 AM Steer Weigh-In
9:30-10:30 AM Lamb Weigh-In
12:30 PM Poultry Weigh-In
3:00 PM Rabbit Weigh-In
3:30 PM All Livestock Exhibitor meeting in show ring
4:00-8:00 PM **Entry Day Open Class** Flowers, Crafts, Crops, Photography & Etc.
5:30 PM Goat Show

JR. & OPEN animals to be on grounds by 4:00 PM

Thursday, July 7

8:00 AM Jr. Fair Horse Show (Western)
8:30 AM Sheep Show Open & Jr.
9-noon **Entry Day Open Class:** Flowers, Crafts, Crops, Photography & Etc.
9:00 AM Rabbits Show Jr. -Cavies prior to rabbits
12:00 PM Beef Show, Open & Jr.
1:00 PM Rabbit Show Open Class
1:00 PM **Open Class Judging** Flowers, Crafts, Crops, Photography & Etc.in exhibit hall
5:00 PM Horse Drill Team
6:00 PM Gymkhana Show Jr. & Open
6:00 PM Hog Show

Friday, July 8

8:00 AM Dairy Show, Jr. & Open
9:00 AM Poultry Show, Jr. & Open
10- noon Jr & Open Fair Horse Trail
5:00 PM Horse Drill Team
6:30 PM Round Robin Showmanship

Saturday, July 9

8:00 AM Jr Fair Horse (English) & Open Class Horse
9:00 AM Rabbit Hopping
1:00 PM Jr. Fair Livestock Auction
5:00 PM Horse Drill Team
7:00 PM Dairy Futurity

Sunday, July 10

9:00 AM Fair Board Open Speed Horse Show
11:30 AM Parade
2:00 PM Kiddie Showmanship
3:30 PM Kiddie Tractor Pull
5:00 PM **Check out in Exhibit Hall**
No exhibits may leave prior. No Exceptions

***DATES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

Reminder: Livestock Essay Submission Deadline is June 3, 2021 at 4:30pm

As a reminder, the livestock questions are due by June 3rd at 4:30pm to Erin Dahle at the UW-Extension office. If you need help with entry submission, call Erin Dahle at (920)388-7141.

You can find the essays at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/auction-paperwork/>

Due Date: Due date for ALL livestock essay submissions is June 3rd at 4:30 pm. All submissions MUST be in the UW-Extension office by this date and time, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Essay Submission: Essays can be submitted via email to: dahle.erin@kewauneeeco.org, or by mailing to or dropping off at Kewaunee County 4-H, 810 Lincoln St., Kewaunee, WI 54216.

Confirmation: Erin will confirm that she received your document. If you do not get a confirmation email from her within 48 hours (she will not respond on the weekend), **it is your responsibility to follow-up with her** to make sure she has received it. Please, do not send these documents to Aerica, Renee, or any 4-H leader. They need to be submitted to Erin.

What happens is I don't turn it in? Failure to turn in your essay will result in the inability to sell your animal in the auction held during the Kewaunee County Fair. This is true whether you are in 4-H, FFA, etc.

An additional incentive to write a great essay: All essays will be read and the best will be selected from each age group to receive a special award (they have been really good in the past!)

Do I need to write an essay for each species I intend to sell? Yes, you need to write an essay for each species you intend to sell. So, if you intend to show swine and beef, you need to write an essay for each one.

Where can I find the essay questions? They can always be found on the website at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/auction-paperwork/>

Kewaunee County Fair information

We are getting excited for the 105th annual Kewaunee County Fair. Our community partners at the fair board have been working hard to be prepared for this year's event.

Exhibitor Entry Information: The website to enter your exhibits for the Kewaunee County Fair is: <https://www.kewauneecountyfair.com/exhibitors.html>

Looking for a guide to help you with entries? Check out our like on the 4-H page: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/kewaunee-county-fair/>

Dates: Early judging day (Exhibit hall projects), Tuesday, July 5th
Animals Check-in day, Wednesday, July 6th
Fair opens: July 7th – 10th

More information will be coming from the fair as soon as it is available on safety procedures, specific times, and other pertinent information.

County Fair Theme: Super Heroes

For more information about the Kewaunee County Fair, including the premium book and online entry: <https://www.kewauneecountyfair.com/>



Cloverbud Corner

Looking for Cloverbud Project Ideas? Are you looking for Cloverbud activities you can do at home or with other members in your club? Wisconsin 4-H has some great lesson plans that are all set for easy and fun hands-on activities! Check out <https://4h.extension.wisc.edu/opportunities/projects/cloverbuds/> for more info!



UW-Madison Division of Extension Kewaunee County



Club News



Kewaunee Hilltoppers took a field trip to Black Frog Farm located in Maribel. They specialize in llama, and bird breeding. While we were there they gave us a tour of their farm, and taught us how they care for all their animals. The farm has llamas, goats, sheep, chickens, and turkeys. They have 10 llamas which the members were able to learn about, take pictures with, and take for a walk. A interesting fact that we learned was llamas are pregnant for 50 weeks. They are not full grown until they are 3 years old. Once full grown they will weigh around 300 to 350 pounds. A llama at birth weighs 20 pounds.



What's happening in your club or project?

We would love to see pictures and hear about what is happening in your clubs and projects to share with our 4-H community. We have seen some awesome virtual activities, speakers, and projects. Send your pictures and short descriptions to Erin at dahle.erin@kewauneecco.org and they will be shared in our monthly Extension Connection Newsletter.



The new YQCA platform is live and ready for use. As a reminder, the Kewaunee County Fair Board requires all youth exhibiting junior beef, dairy, hogs, sheep, poultry, and rabbits to show at the fair. You will also need it for the Northeast Youth Livestock Show, State Fair, and other fall shows outside the state. **New this year, you will need a copy of your completion certificate for each species you show.** That means if you show hogs, rabbits, and beef, you need to bring *three* copies of your certificate to the fair on entry day. Each superintendent will collect one copy per specie.

Kewaunee County will not offer face-to-face training, so youth will need to take it online, or attend an in-person session in another county. A list of Extension events can be found here: <https://extension.wisc.edu/events/>

The course will again be \$12 per youth participant. Financial assistance is available for those who request it. If you have a hardship request, please contact Aerica Bjurstrom at aerica.bjurstrom@wisc.edu or call 920-388-7138. Your requests will be kept confidential.

To visit the new platform, please visit: <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

Directions for signing in to the new platform are below:
https://www.dropbox.com/s/rowg7hm5py87bwh/YQCA_HelpDoc_SubmittingCurrentYQCACertification.pdf?dl=0



Kewaunee County 4-H Scholarship Opportunities

Are you in grades 12 or 13, a current or past Kewaunee County 4-H member, and are looking for financial help with post-secondary education? Then check out these scholarship opportunities on the website at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/scholarships/>

4-H Leaders Association Scholarship, Teen Association Scholarship, or the Jack Bancroft Poultry and Rabbit Member Scholarship: You can apply for all three of these awards with this one form. Please make sure to check all of the scholarships that you would like to be considered for.

- **Kewaunee County Leaders Association and Kewaunee County Teen Leaders Association:** All current Kewaunee County 4-H members in grades 12 and 13 can apply for these \$500.00 scholarships. You can only receive each of these scholarships once. The deadline to turn in this scholarship application is August 5, 2022.
- **Jack Bancroft Memorial Scholarship (Poultry and Rabbit members):** Kewaunee County 4-H members that are in grades 12-13 and were involved in the poultry or rabbit project are eligible to apply for this \$150.00 scholarship. The deadline to turn in this scholarship application is August 5, 2022.

Kewaunee County 4-H Auction Committee Scholarship: This scholarship opportunity is open to Kewaunee County 4-H members in grades 12 or 13 and that have sold at the Kewaunee County 4-H Fair auction for a minimum of two years. The deadline to turn in this scholarship application is August 5, 2022

Kewaunee County 4-H Dairy Committee Scholarship: This scholarship opportunity is open to all Kewaunee County 4-H Dairy Project members in grades 12 and 13. The deadline to turn in this application is August 5, 2022.

Kewaunee County 4-H Horse Project Scholarship: Kewaunee County 4-H members that are in grades 12-13 and have a minimum of four consecutive years in the Kewaunee County 4-H Horse & Pony Project (regular member or horseless horse members are eligible) are eligible to apply for this \$250.00 scholarship. The deadline to turn in this scholarship application is August 5, 2022.



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Welcome Taylor!

We'd like to welcome Taylor Paye as our James Crowley Foundation Intern for the summer. Taylor will be working on a variety of dairy forage and animal health projects in Kewaunee, Door and Brown Counties, and helping with 4-H youth projects in Door County. Taylor also works at the Door County Veterinary Hospital. Taylor grew up on a dairy farm north of Casco and is a graduate of UW-River Falls. She is currently enrolled in the School of Veterinary Medicine at UW-Madison.

We are excited to have Taylor on board this summer and look forward to working with her!

Reminder: Livestock & Dairy Essay Submission Deadline is June 3, 2021 at 4:30pm

As a reminder, the livestock and dairy questions are due by June 3rd at 4:30pm to Erin Dahle at the UW-Extension office. If you need help with entry submission, call Erin Dahle at (920)388-7141.

You can find the livestock essays at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/auction-paperwork/>

Dairy essay: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewauneeag/files/2022/02/Dairy-Heifer-Management-Record-21-22-Essay.pdf>

Due Date: Due date for ALL livestock and dairy essay submissions is June 3rd at 4:30 pm. All submissions MUST be in the UW-Extension office by this date and time, **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Essay Submission: Essays can be submitted via email to: dahle.erin@kewauneeeco.org, or by mailing to or dropping off at Kewaunee County 4-H, 810 Lincoln St., Kewaunee, WI 54216.

Confirmation: Erin will confirm that she received your document. If you do not get a confirmation email from her within 48 hours (she will not respond on the weekend), **it is your responsibility to follow-up with her** to make sure she has received it. Please, do not send these documents to Aerica, Renee, or any 4-H leader. They need to be submitted to Erin.

What happens is I don't turn it in? Failure to turn in your essay will result in the inability to sell your animal in the auction held during the Kewaunee County Fair. This is true whether you are in 4-H, FFA, etc.

An additional incentive to write a great essay: All essays will be read and the best will be selected from each age group to receive a special award (they have been really good in the past!)

Do I need to write an essay for each species I intend to sell? Yes, you need to write an essay for each species you intend to sell. So, if you intend to show swine and beef, you need to write an essay for each one.

Where can I find the essay questions? They can always be found on the website at: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/auction-paperwork/>

Dairy Fast Fact:

June Dairy Month started out as a way to distribute extra milk during the warm months of summer. The commemoration was established in 1937 by grocer organizations sponsoring "National Milk Month." By 1939, June became the official "dairy month." *



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*The Dairy Alliance



Here are some farm facts from our @2022 Breakfast on the Farm host, [Kinnard Highland Farms](#):

290 cows 🐄 ; 98 lbs Milk/ Cow per day. Averaging 2.7 visits per cow per day with robots. 4.1% fat, 3.1% protein, 90,000 SCC

Cropping 650 acres; Corn 300 acres, 60 acres of grain 240 acres of silage; 310 acres of alfalfa; 20 acres of soybeans for crop rotation, 20 acres of wheat for bedding

SAVE THE DATE! - It's a Family Affair!!

Serving 8 am – 12 pm
Church Service 7 am

- Enjoy a Delicious Dairy Brunch!
- Horse & Tractor Drawn Wagon Rides
- Petting Zoo
- Entertainment & Live Music
- Ice Cream Cones & Sundaes
- Farm Tours
- Fun for the Kids

We are having our traditional sit-down meal with:

- The biggest omelet you have ever seen!!
- Fresh Rolls & Butter
- Variety of Cheeses
- Choice of Milk
- Strawberry Sundaes
- Pizza
- Deep-Fried Cheese Curds & Mozzarella Sticks
- Yogurt Samples

Each year the Kewaunee County Breakfast on the Farm is hosted by a different farm located in Kewaunee County.

This year we are teamed up with:
Kinnard Highland Farm, LLC
N7869 Apple Rd
Casco, WI 54205

Join us for a day filled with family fun on the farm!

Presale tickets are now available online at [DairyPromo.com](https://dairypromo.com). You can also purchase tickets at the following local businesses after May 1st:
Bank of Luxemburg (all locations), Rio Creek Feed Mill in Luxemburg and Rio Creek, Pagels Ponderosa near Kewaunee, Ebert Enterprises near Algoma, Dairyland Veterinary Services in Casco, and Extension Kewaunee County.



SAVE THE DATE



JUNE DAIRY MONTH KICK-OFF BREAKFAST | JUNE 2 | RENDEZVOUS OF LUXEMBURG
 BREAKFAST ON THE FARM | JUNE 19 | KINNARD HIGHLAND FARM
 KEWAUNEE COUNTY FAIR EARLY JUDGING/HOG WEIGH-IN | JULY 5
 LIVESTOCK ENTRY DAY | JULY 6
 KEWAUNEE COUNTY FAIR | JULY 7-10



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Dragging a manure hose over corn at early growth stages does not reduce yield

One of my earliest memories of growing corn was driving tractor while picking rocks on my uncle's farm. I was 6 years old and could barely push in the clutch. After getting me going in granny gear and pointing me down the field, my only job was to drive straight and stay off the corn. However, I ran over lots of corn and thought I had caused the death of numerous seedlings that day, but my cousin said not to worry. I don't remember what happened when we reached the end of the field, but I do remember I was demoted quickly from tractor driver and promoted to rock picker.



Photo by Chris Pfarr

Running over corn happens when side-dressing with a manure hose application system. However, little is known about what growth stage different corn hybrids can be dragged with a manure hose before plant population and grain yield is affected. In a paper published in *Agronomy Journal* field studies were conducted in 2019 and 2020 in Minnesota. Plots were dragged in both directions along the row with a manure hose from the first through sixth leaf collar growth stages (vegetative [V] growth stage V1 through V6) and compared to a non-dragged control. Dragging corn at V1 to V3 did not significantly damage the crop. Dragging corn at V5 and V6, and sometimes V4, reduced yield and increased grain moisture. Dragging at V4 reduced plant population and yield by 41% in 1 of 4 site-years, while dragging after V5 significantly reduced yield by 21–79% and in most cases, increased grain moisture. These results suggest that when using a manure drag hose application system to side-dress corn, side-dressing should be completed before V4 to avoid damaging the crop.

Written by Joe Lauer, Corn Agronomy, University of Wisconsin-Madison



The new YQCA platform is live and ready for use. As a reminder, the Kewaunee County Fair Board requires all youth exhibiting junior beef, dairy, hogs, sheep, poultry, and rabbits to take the program to show at the fair. You will also need it for the Northeast Youth Livestock Show, State Fair, and other fall shows outside the state. **New this year, you will need a copy of your completion certificate for each species you show.** That means if you show hogs, rabbits, and beef, you need to bring *three* copies of your certificate to the fair on entry day. Each superintendent will collect one copy per specie.

Kewaunee County will not offer face-to-face training, so youth will need to take it online, or attend an in-person session in another county. A list of Extension events can be found here: <https://extension.wisc.edu/events/>

The course will again be \$12 per youth participant. Financial assistance is available for those who request it. If you have a hardship request, please contact Aerica Bjurstrom at aerica.bjurstrom@wisc.edu or call 920-388-7138. Your requests will be kept confidential.

To visit the new platform, please visit: <https://yqcaprogram.org/>
 Directions for signing in to the new platform are below:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/rowg7hm5py87bwh/YQCA_HelpDoc_SubmittingCurrentYQCACertification.pdf?dl=0

Kewaunee County Fair information

We are getting excited for the 105th annual Kewaunee County Fair. Our community partners at the fair board have been working hard to be prepared for this year's event.

Exhibitor Entry Information: FAIR ENTRY DEADLINE IS JUNE 15. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. The website to enter your exhibits for the Kewaunee County Fair is: <https://www.kewauneecountyfair.com/exhibitors.html>

Looking for a guide to help you with entries? Check out our link on the 4-H page: <https://fyi.extension.wisc.edu/kewaunee4h/kewaunee-county-fair/>

Dates: Early judging day (Exhibit hall projects), Tuesday, July 5th
 Animals Check-in day, Wednesday, July 6th
 Fair opens: July 7th – 10th

More information will be coming from the fair as soon as it is available on safety procedures, specific times, and other pertinent information.

County Fair Theme: Super Heroes

For more information about the Kewaunee County Fair, including the premium book and online entry: <https://www.kewauneecountyfair.com/>

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Dairy Fast Fact:



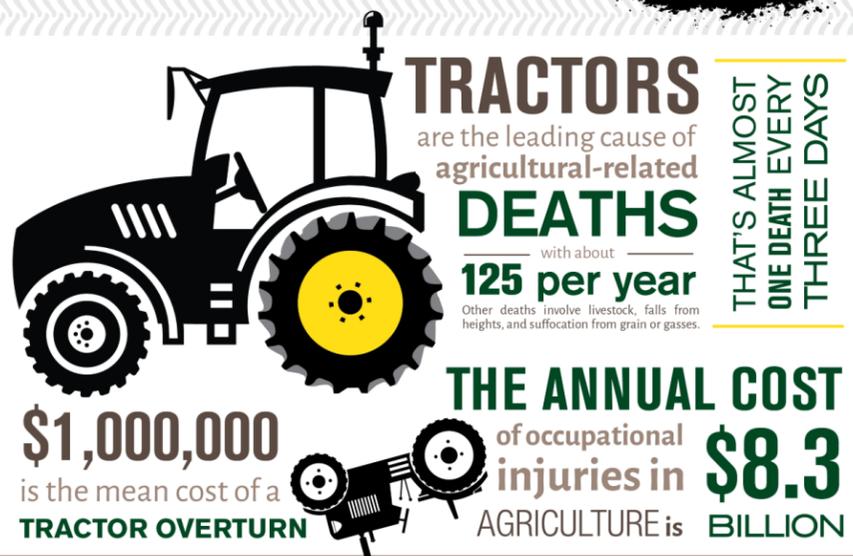
Did you know that cows have an acute sense of smell?

They can smell scents from 6 miles away!

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Tractor Accident Statistics



Data Sources: USDA Census of Agriculture Bureau of Labor Statistics, NIOSH CAIS data, OSHA Safety Page, J. Klodowski, Agservices, Inc., NIOSH Fact Sheet, NARDNP Policy Brief (2011), Goldkamp, Hendricks, Meyers (2004) Journal of Safety Research

Working Together to Manage Invasive Plants in Wisconsin



Yellow Iris

A beautiful, but invasive plant that easily spreads by seeds floating in water, rhizomes, and floating mats, infesting areas beyond the garden where they were planted. Watch for yellow flowers in May and June and strappy leaves throughout the growing season.

Yellow Floating Heart

This plant has yellow waterlily-like flowers held above heart-shaped leaves in May through October. This water plant forms dense patches that exclude native species and creates stagnant areas with low oxygen levels.

Water Hyacinth

Water hyacinth forms a dense mat of leaves over the water surface, making boating, fishing, and other water activities difficult. Its presence also degrades water quality. Watch for circular leaves to begin appearing in May and lavender blue flowers from June to September.

Purple Loosestrife

This plant seemed to have a banner year in 2021. It invades wetlands, disrupting the habitat and crowding out native plants that birds, insects, and waterfowl depend upon for food and shelter. Many homeowners spraying for mosquitoes may be inadvertently killing the beetles that are being used to manage this plant. Watch for the spikes of purplish pink flowers that open from the bottom up in July through September.

Japanese Knotweed

Look for the bamboo-like stems and plumes of creamy flowers that appear in September. It quickly spreads, creating an impenetrable thicket in gardens, natural spaces, and shorelines.

Water Lettuce

As its name implies, this plant resembles lettuce. The leaves appear from June through October and can form a dense covering, degrading water quality and reducing habitat diversity.

These plants and other aquatic invasive plants are covered in the [Top Invasive Plants to Avoid video](#). You'll find recommendations on good plants to include and those to avoid in the "Top Plants for Rain Gardens, Water Gardens & Shoreline Plantings and Those to Avoid" webinar available on demand. To watch it, [click here](#) & enter passcode: **&xe9hPU^**
You can also [download the webinar handout](#).

Thanks for helping us spread the word. Together we can make a difference!

Written by Melinda Myers

Photo cutline: *Water hyacinth (Eichhornia crassipes) is an invasive plant that forms a dense mat of leaves over the water surface, making boating, fishing, and other water activities difficult.*

Photo credit: Paul Skawinski

Spring is a favorite time in the garden. Everyday something new sprouts through the ground, blooms appear, and leaves begin filling empty branches. As you enjoy spring and summer unfolding, keep a lookout for unwelcome plants in gardens, waterways, and natural areas. The more people watching for and helping to manage invasive plants the better chance we have for controlling these invasive plants.

As active gardeners and influencers in the gardening world, we need your help not only monitoring and controlling invasive species but also informing others about this problem. The [Wisconsin Invasive Species Calendar](#) from the University of Wisconsin-Madison First Detector Network is a helpful tool alerting us to the appearance of various unwanted plants. Just click on the calendar to enlarge. This timely reminder can help us watch for, manage, and report invasive plants earlier in the season. Knowing when these plants emerge also narrows down the list of possible plants, helping with identification. Use this calendar, the links to Invasive Plant factsheets and videos on the right-hand column of the webpage and the invasive plant profiles on the [Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources \(DNR\) website](#) for more information on identification and control of aquatic and terrestrial invasive plants.

As you hike, bike, or visit parks, green spaces, and natural areas this year, report invasive plant infestations to the [Wisconsin DNR](#). If you think you have found a prohibited species, even on your own property, it's especially important to report it to help DNR understand the overall spread of the plants and they can sometimes help with managing it. Visit their [web page](#) for tips on documenting what you have found, reporting invasives, and the links to other resources. Provide photos and specific locations using GPS points, street addresses or road crossings.

Expand your efforts and be a part of the Citizen Science based Wisconsin First Detector program. You'll find helpful information in the Wisconsin First Detector and Dane County Parks Handbook on [Monitoring Invasive Plants in Wisconsin](#).

Here are a few of the top aquatic invasive plants to watch for and remove on your property. Please watch for and report infestations of these and other invasive species in your landscape and other spaces.

Lesser Celandine

This plant's bright yellow flowers in April and May are often mistaken for our native marsh marigold. The plant spreads rapidly, crowding out nearby native plants but the leaves die back mid-season, resulting in soil erosion.

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