



Extension Winnebago County Review

MARCH 2022

The Extension Winnebago County team continues to extend research-based information and provide outreach education programs to the residents of Winnebago County and beyond. Please take a few moments to explore some of the highlights of the last month.

Financial Education - Todd Wenzel

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- Presenting

Human Development & Relationships/Health & Well Being - Mandi Dornfeld

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- Presented on behalf of the Trauma Informed Care Alliance; “What does Trauma Informed Care Mean?”.
- Assisted Diversity Affairs in their February presentation.
- Attended the Joint Council of Professional’s National Conference in Kansas City, MO.
- Secured a Fiscal Agent for the Director position of the Trauma Informed Care Alliance.
- Met with funders for the Alliance in order to secure funding for a Community Leader in Trauma.
- Met with a Fair Representative to discuss the Human Development and Well-being opportunities for Fair in 2022 (SUPER exciting opportunities).
- Facilitated the two meet and greets sessions with the Diversity Affairs Chair and new members of the committee.
- Started the planning for a leadership training on compassion resilience to address organizational burnout.
- Facilitated an advanced Real Colors Session for Winnebago Department Heads.
- Continued the partnership with UWO continuing studies working on a Life Skills class. I’m serving as a technical advisor.
- Facilitated two sessions of “Getting Teenagers to Cooperate” on zoom.

FoodWise - Kris Soper

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- Presenting

FoodWise - Hannah Phillips

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Community Development - Mia Ljung

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- Coordinated an interactive event with Governor Evers and the Main Street Alliance and the ColorBold Business Association concerning business owners of color in Northeast Wisconsin. Business owners were able to ask questions, and the event has reached 170 people thanks to Facebook Live accessible format. This is now going to be an annual event! Check out the [recording HERE](#).
- Facilitated workshops with two graduate students from [UW-Madison through the Grasslands 2.0 Project](#), named Just Transitions in Agriculture, including other Extension Educators, organizers, and farmers of color in the Midwest. The workshops address issues, needs, and ways to collaborate in strategic directions with increased opportunities to pursue agriculture in inclusive and sustainable ways.
- Supported ColorBold's comprehensive educational series called "[Money: Seeing it - Tracking It - Getting it - Growing It](#)" with a robust lineup of financial experts who came to the table with Relevant & Applicable, Concepts & Practices. Did you miss a "Money" session? Don't fret! [HERE is a list of all recorded sessions](#).

4-H Youth Development - Dana Berger

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- Club visit to 4-H Friends, Ridgeway, and Golden Oak to evaluate and present certificates on implementing the 6 tenets of the WI 4-H Movement. These clubs encourage youth to find sparks, respect and appreciate each other, have meaningful youth-adult-partnerships, help youth learn new skills, introduce them to new experiences, and give back to their communities.
- Numerous skill building project meetings took place in February for foods, dairy, rabbit, poultry, clothing, and dog.
- Youth enrollment has exceeded last year's numbers by almost 5%.
- Summer camp registrations are coming in. Camp counselors have begun lesson planning (camp activities) and learning about ages and stages of working with younger youth.
- YAC (Youth Advisory Committee) meeting took place. Eight new youth are serving on the committee and participating as youth leaders in various committees, project education, and planning fair activity stations.
- We have 7 new volunteers in the process of being trained/approved.
- Fun Day was a success! Almost 80 youth participated in activities such as sewing, natural resources, rocketry, LEGO robotics, photography, slime science, baking, soap carving, and woodworking.

4-H Youth & Science Educator-Sarah Thompson

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- Continue delivering after school programs in several schools within the county and currently doing a rotation at the Oshkosh Boys & Girls Club.
- Working with Dana to facilitate camp counselor training for this year's summer camp at Upham Woods June 27-30.
- The next Cloverbud Workshop is scheduled for Monday, March 14—Pi Day!
- Arts Camp at Lions Camp in Rosholt, WI, March 12-13.

Agriculture - OPEN

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Horticulture - OPEN

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