



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Paul was asked by the administrator of the new **Holy Hill Area School District (HHASD)** to facilitate a process that would actively engage the community in discussing key strategic issues and provide input in developing a shared vision for the district. HHASD is a new district formed by the merger of the Richfield and Friess Lake School Districts.

Paul facilitated a two-hour session attended by 17 community members. Through evaluation, 100% agreed that the session identified skills that every school district graduate should have to prepare them for a changing tomorrow, 100% agreed that the session identified how the school district can be more effective in creating a learning environment that will enable children to thrive in the future, and 94% agreed that the session identified goals to ensure the long-term success of the school district. Participants rated Paul's facilitation a 4.6 on a 5-point scale and one person commented "Thank you for taking your time to help us build our new district with great community input."

It is anticipated that Paul will facilitate a steering committee that will develop a mission, vision, and slogan for the new school district.



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Program Highlights June 2018



UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNE

- Mon., Jun., 11th** **4-H Clothing Revue**- Washington County Fair Park, Room 112, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm
- Tue.-Thu., Jun., 12th-14th** **Zombie Survival Day Camp**, Washington County Fair Park, Hwy PV, West Bend, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
- Sat., Jun., 16th** **Master Gardeners at the West Bend Farmers Market** 7:00 am - 11:00 am Topic: Seed Planting with Children

JULY

- Wed., Jul., 4th** **UW-Extension Washington County** offices will be **closed** in observance of the Independence Day holiday
- Sat., Jul., 14th** **Master Gardeners at the West Bend Farmers Market** 7:00 am - 11:00 am Topic: Succulent plants
- Tue.-Sun., Jul., 24th-29th** **Washington County Fair**, Washington Co. Fair Park. 3000 Highway PV, West Bend

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING



AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

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Farm Management Update for Ag Professionals: Stephanie coordinated and presented at the spring Farm Management Update. Sixty-eight participants were in attendance. Based on a 5-point Likert scale, participants rated their knowledge before and after each session. Participants (n=42) indicated a 1.2 point increase in knowledge on the status of the grain and cattle markets, a 1.6 point increase on the dairy mailbox price predictor tool, a 1.1 point increase on custom rates and crops budgets, a 1.1 point increase on the spring crop update, a 1.1 point increase on the management of calf health versus the cost of production, a 1.5 point increase on farm building collapse insurance, a 1.8 point increase on robotic milking investment, and a 1.9 point increase on train to retain (Stephanie's presentation). Because of attending, participants indicated they planned on using or bringing the following topics to their clientele: milk mailbox price predictor tool (8), the 2018 margin protection program (8), calf care improvements (4), employee training investment(3), UW-Extension crop budgets (3), and have customers review their insurance policies.



4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Amy Mangan-Fischer
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Introducing New Families to the Washington County Fair: On Tuesday, May 22nd the final part of our New Family Orientation series was held. This series has been providing new families with relevant information when they need it the most.

15 families attended New Family Orientation Part Three: Let's Go to the Fair. Adults learned how to register their youth's fair exhibits and about volunteer opportunities that are required for an optional discounted season pass.

Youth learned about the judging process and what to expect at fair. All youth then participated in practice judging, answering questions that a fair judge must ask. Some questions were "what did you like most about your project," "what was the hardest part for you," and "what would you do differently when making something similar in the future?"

Families enjoyed and appreciated the event. When asked if other new families should attend the New Family Orientation series all families marked yes. One participant wrote, "Helpful and useful information." Another participant wrote, "My questions were answered."



FAMILY LIVING EDUCATION

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Early Childhood Professional Development: The purpose of the Child Care and Education Network of Washington County (CCEN) is to have a collaborative community network that ensures a safe, high quality child care and education system. Carol, as chairperson, coordinated a 4 hour Registry approved program, "Adverse Childhood Experiences" for early childhood educators and child care professionals on April 28th at the Family Center. The keynote, Tricia Schutz, Community Outreach Educator from Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, engaged 48 participants in the ACE Interface curriculum. Participants learned the science behind how ACEs impacts children physically and behaviorally, and how to incorporate strategies to build resilient and self-healing communities.

On the pre-then-post evaluation, the results showed that only 4% of the participants were confident before the session and 78% indicated that they are now more confident in understanding physical outcomes of exposure to ACEs & toxic stress. Participants shared specific future actions: instead of asking a child 'What's wrong with you?' ask, 'What happened to you?' and 'make a connection with the child'.



NUTRITION EDUCATION (FoodWise/SNAP-Ed)

Renee Vertin
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The **FY19 Plan/Budget** were submitted by Renee; the final versions from FoodWise Projects are compiled into one proposal by the FoodWise State Coordinator. State and Federal reviews begin in June.

Vegetable, fruit and herb seeds provided by **Master Gardener Volunteers** will serve to reinforce content learned at May 2017 Container Gardening programs (details in July 2017 Monthly Newsletter, UWEX Publications tab). Renee distributed seeds and fact sheets to the learners, residents of **City View Apts.** and **Arbor Trace Apts.**, West Bend.

Applications for the 50% FTE Ad Hoc Nutrition Educator position were screened & candidates were interviewed by Educator Carol Bralich, a FoodWise Specialist, and Renee. Reference checks and a Background Check were conducted. Kelly Lee will join the Office Team on 6/12/18.

Renee also participated in two meetings: **Washington County Community Support Coalition** (formerly, Nonprofit Coalition) and **Well Washington County**. Food and Nutrition Directors at four area school districts are piloting a tracking sheet (Form oversight by FoodWise); data gathered will show the collective impact of WWC.