



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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Paul was contacted by Tara Villalobos, Holy Hill Area School District Administrator, to facilitate a process that would develop a mission statement, vision statement, and slogan for the Holy Hill Area School District. This newly formed district is a result of merging the Friess Lake School District and the Richfield Joint School District No. 1. A planning process was developed and a steering committee was formed with representatives solicited from the school board, parent teacher association, district staff, and the Richfield community.

Paul facilitated two sessions with a total of 13 participants. Through evaluation, 100% of participants agreed that discussing a mission statement helped clarify their role as an organization and 100% agreed that discussing organizational vision assisted them in identifying a general direction for their organization's future. As a result of Paul's facilitation, one participant commented "Wow! Paul helped us get to consensus quickly- he helped prompt conversation and set the stage for us to effectively dialogue." Another commented "You did a great job facilitating- your energy and gift of keeping focused is remarkable."



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Program Highlights October 2018



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- Wed., Oct. 10th **UW-Extension Washington County 100th Anniversary Open House**, Washington County Government Center, Room 1020, 4:30pm-6:00pm
- Thu., Oct., 11th **Washington Co Master Gardener "Creating Miniature and Succulent Gardens"** educational program, Public Agency Center, Room 1113 A&B, West Bend, 6pm
- Tue., Oct., 16th **Taking Care of You: Stress Reduction for Parents and the Community**, Germantown Library 6-7 pm
- Tue., Oct., 23rd **Taking Care of You: Stress Reduction for Parents and the Community**, Germantown Library 6-7 pm

NOVEMBER

- Mon., Nov., 5th **Taking Care of You Workshop Series: Stress Reduction For Child Care Providers**, Public Agency Center, 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Sat., Nov., 10th **4-H Achievement and Recognition Program**, Washington County Fair Park Pavilion, 6:00 pm
- Mon., Nov., 12th **Taking Care of You Workshop Series: Stress Reduction For Child Care Providers**, Public Agency Center, 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Thu., & Fri., Nov., 22nd & 23rd **Thanksgiving Holiday**, UW-Extension office will be closed

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

(UW-Extension Oversight Committee)

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- Brian Gallitz
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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING



AGRICULTURE EDUCATION

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Farm Management Update for Ag Professionals: Stephanie coordinated and presented at the fall Farm Management Update. Seventy-six 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 0.85 point increase in knowledge on market outlook and strategies, a 0.68 point increase on exit planning resources (Stephanie's presentation), a 0.95 point increase on beef budgets and benchmarks, a 0.98 point increase on the fall crop update, a 0.91 point increase on the WI AgFA Farm Bench Program, and a 1.5 point increase on the 2018 farm building collapse. Because of attending, participants indicated they planned on using or bringing the following topics to their clientele: exit planning resources (11), dairy revenue protection program (9), marketing strategies (8), beef cattle budgets (8), AgFA Farmbench (4), and farm building engineering information (2).



4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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Welcome New 4-H Staff: It's the beginning of a new 4-H program year and we welcome many new families joining 4-H. We also are welcoming two staff. Karen Girard has been serving as the full time Program Assistant to 4-H since July 5th. She was previously a part-time Program Assistant for Family Living/Nutrition Education and we're thrilled that she continues to serve as a valuable asset to UW-Extension.

Sara Smeaton joins the team on October 1st as the Interim 4-H Youth Development Program and Volunteer Coordinator. She'll support the tremendous 4-H volunteers and programs on a part time basis through January 9th while Megan is on maternity leave. Sara has been a 4-H leader for 12 years and is an alumni of Waukesha County 4-H. She was the General Leader of the Thompson Irish Settlers 4-H club for many years and still helps support the club. She is a countywide photography project leader and volunteers at the state level for arts programs. Both of her kids have recently graduated from Washington County 4-H.

We also look forward to welcoming a Positive Youth Development Educator in the coming months as well.



FAMILY LIVING EDUCATION

Carol Bralich
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Washington County Home & Community Education (HCE) & UW-Extension Family Living Partnership: Over 20 HCE members from Washington County attended the annual WAHCE State Conference September 17-19 at the Ingleside Hotel in Pewaukee. As part of the SE District, Washington County members provided coordination leadership for educational tours, menu choices and cultural arts exhibits. HCE also received the Stitches of Love award for the Mitten Tree Project, in which hundreds of mittens & hats are distributed annually to Washington County community agencies to provide to children in need.

Attendees chose from a variety of educational program sessions such as, *Sleep Issues*, *Early Literacy Takes Young Minds Anywhere*, *Adverse Childhood Experiences: Impact on Communities*, and *the Power of Protein*. Carol presented the Family Living financial program: *Keep Your Credit Report in Check*, to 48 participants as one of the statewide educational programs that then provides the materials necessary for members to teach in their home counties. Post-session evaluations show that 35 of 38 would obtain & review a free copy of their credit report.



NUTRITION EDUCATION (FoodWise/SNAP-Ed)

Renee Vertin
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Renee kitchen-tested multiple recipes using sample packages of an oatmeal product which will be assembled at **United Way's 9/27/18** United Against Hunger event. She also developed a handout which suggests various ways to prepare the item, boost its nutritional content, and safely store any leftovers. She formatted the document to include general nutrition guidelines provided by **Aurora Health Care**. Copies of the handout will be tucked into the boxes of assembled meal packages, and local food pantries will distribute the items to their clientele.

Also addressing food insecurity: **United Healthcare** and **Feeding America of Eastern Wisconsin** have partnered with **Berean Family Worship Center**, Germantown, to provide a first-time outreach event to area families. Germantown was one of eight sites chosen this fall for a "Dinner's on Us" event. Responding to UHC's solicitation, UW-Extension helped in event promotion: Renee distributed 22 DoU posters to **agencies and businesses in the Germantown area**, and Carol's e-mail to the **Germantown Civic Group Round Table** reached 54 of its members.

Participation: **Head Start Advisory Council & Well Washington Cty.**