



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
Paul Roback

Organizational Development- Paul facilitated a strategic planning session for the *Schauer Arts & Activities Center*. Participants reviewed and discussed their organizational mission and brainstormed and categorized goals. At their next session, participants will finalize a revised mission statement and develop action plans for prioritized goals.

A draft strategic plan was completed for the *Volunteer Center of Washington County*. Currently, their board is reviewing the plan for adoption.

The *Milwaukee Area Land Conservancy (MALC)* contacted Paul to update the draft plan he completed in May 2009. Since May, MALC hired a part-time executive director and is moving forward with implementing their strategic plan.

Community Development- In order to assist *Economic Development Washington County (EDWC)* in their executive director search, Paul evaluated 50+ resumes based on ranked criteria and forwarded all resumes to the EDWC for consideration.



GROWTH MANAGEMENT
Kevin Struck



Kewaskum Comprehensive Plan Open House - Kevin helped answer questions from attendees regarding the Town of Kewaskum's extraterritorial relationship with the Village of Kewaskum, as well as potential future land use development in the Town. He also distributed 14 *Living in the Country* booklets to interested residents.

Town of Trenton Comprehensive Plan Amendment - The Town of Trenton adopted its comprehensive plan in April of 2009. A recent development proposal has come before the town that is not completely consistent with the plan. The town, therefore, will consider amending its plan. This is a very new process for communities and planners. At the request of SEWRPC, Kevin provided an amendment form template he had developed for a community in Sheboygan County in 2008. Kevin also spoke with the Trenton Zoning Administrator about some of the issues involved with the amendment.



Program Highlights
November 2009



PROGRAM AREAS

4-H Youth Development

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Kandi O'Neil, Dept. Head
Agnes Wagner, Staff Assistant
Marge Kufahl, Secretary

Community Development

262-335-4480
Paul Roback, Educator
Helen Neal, Adm. Secretary

Family Living Education

262-335-4479
Marma Jean McIntee, Educator
Christine Larson, Secretary

Farm Business/Agriculture

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Alan Linnebur, Educator
Charlotte P. Bales, Secretary

Growth Management

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Helen Neal, Adm. Secretary

WI Nutrition Education

Program (WNEP)
262-335-4841
Renee Vertin, Coordinator
Pattie Carroll, Educator

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 1-7 Wisconsin HCE Week
- 17-20 Dairy Economic Crisis Workshops
- 26- Happy Thanksgiving

DECEMBER

- 5-6 Art Lab East-State Fair Park

JANUARY 2010

- 21 Steps to Starting Your Business
Germantown Library 6-9pm

EDUCATION AND

Marilyn Merten - Chairperson

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING



AGRICULTURE / AGRI-BUSINESS *Alan Linnebur*

Dairy: Persistent low milk prices have resulted in the most difficult financial situation for dairy farmers in a generation. Milk prices have recovered some from their recent summer lows, but not enough at this point to help offset recent losses. Hopes for growing demand resulting from improved economies gives some hope for continued milk price recovery. Linnebur has planned and scheduled workshops to inform farmers on financial, tax, legal, and production issues related to this challenge.

Crops: The crops in this area were already behind in normal maturity as a result of an unusually cool summer. Now harvest has also been delayed even more by the recent long stretch of dreary weather. Hopefully the coming weeks will bring extended stretches of dry harvest conditions to help farmers get the grain out of the field.

Farm Consultations: Linnebur worked with two separate individuals helping them understand their financial condition, educating them on financial topics, and informing them about options for obtaining funds for an agricultural enterprise. He also obtained and provided a local farmer with educational and resource material related to farm liability and worker's comp. insurance issues.



FAMILY LIVING EDUCATION *Marma Jean McIntee*

October 10-17 was Money Smart Week in Wisconsin. In addition to many learning opportunities for adults, this year's **YOUTH MONEY SMART COLLEGE** was held for youth in 7th-9th grade. Youth heard Ryan Gorman share expertise on "Becoming a Millionaire at a Youth Age". His message was about saving and investing wisely from the very first day of starting a job so that your investments create enough savings to retire comfortably by 55, 50, or even 45.

Youth also participated in six concurrent sessions including "the Cost of Credit", "Need Money? Get the Job You Want!", "Financing a College Education", and more. They participated in a reality simulation that provided them with a typical "teen" job and after payroll deductions were given a week's pay to complete usual spending activities such as saving, giving to charity, and comparison shopping.

Youth found the experience to be fun and useful. Many increased their confidence to manage money and said they would save money to achieve their goals.



4-H Youth Development *Kandi O'Neil and Agnes Wagner*

Club Leadership Development: Kandi taught a two hour session for 24 organizational club leaders. The training focused on "Club Meetings that Shake, Rattle and Roll" including elements of an effective club meeting, creating a welcoming environment and empowering youth leaders. Returning leaders (17) identified skills gained through their role. 59%(10) identified they had developed skills in leadership, decision making, organization, time management and how to involve youth in community service opportunities. 71% (12) developed listening and communication skills, as well as skills to empower youth.

Over 95 youth and 20 adults participated in club officer training. A team of 5 youth and 6 adults taught the training. Youth learned to write checks and receipts, the correct way to state a motion, how to write a news article and the correct way to record minutes. The youth leaders also identified ways they can create a welcoming environment for new families joining their club. Club officers will be implementing new strategies this year to help new families.



NUTRITION EDUCATION (WNEP) *Renee Vertin and Pattie Carroll*

Dietary Quality: The Farmers Market Nutrition Program provides **WIC** participants an opportunity to purchase fresh fruits, vegetables and herbs for their families while helping to increase the revenues of local farmers. Over 130 WIC participants (Washington and Ozaukee Counties) received nutrition education on the health benefits of fruits and vegetables and ways to incorporate them into low cost meals and snacks. Renee directed participants through the content using an interactive teaching tool. Of 47 participants evaluated prior to teaching, 19 (40%) were able to correctly answer three questions relating to the nutritional benefits of fruits and benefits; after instruction, 46 (98%) answered correctly and 27 (60%) gained new knowledge.

Dietary Quality: A children's support group at **Friends of Abused Families** learned how to balance intake of food and beverages (calories in) with physical activity (calories out). Pattie observed that prior to the class not one participant could explain the difference between light, moderate and vigorous physical activity. After the session, 75% (3 of 4) were able to demonstrate the difference when jumping rope.