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2016 UW-Extension and Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association Grower Education Conference February 2-4 Wisconsin Muck Growers Association Meeting February 3 By: Ken Schroeder, Portage County

Growers attending the conference will have the opportunity to get a head start on the season with expert market outlooks, research reports, information on new technologies and agribusiness advice. The conference is a great place for growers to get the advice, tips and insights that will give them the edge they need in a tough business. We have an excellent slate of speakers and presentations. Program details, full agenda, and registration forms are available on the Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association web site www.wisconsinpotatoes.com.

There is a block of rooms available at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center. The cost is \$97 for single or double and rooms can be reserved by following the link on the WPVGA website. You can find the link by visiting the www.wisconsinpotatoes.com home page and clicking on the Featured Event, **2016 UW Extension & WPVGA Grower Education Conference and Industry Show**. The room block will be held until January 31, 2016.

For more detailed program information, conference registration forms and hotel information, check the Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association website or call WPVGA 715-623-7683. **Early registration deadline is January 15, 2016.** Send registration forms and payment to: **WPVGA**, PO Box 327, Antigo, WI 54409. Questions call the WPVGA office (715) 623-7683. Please note that rates will increase after January 15, 2016 so register today!

2016 Wisconsin Cranberry School January 20-21 By: Matt Lippert, Wood County

UW-Extension in conjunction with the Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers will offer the 2016 Wisconsin Cranberry School January 20-21 at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center in Stevens Point. State specialists will provide updates on their latest research, on January 20 there will be a trade show and Pesticide Applicator Training is available for those needing Fruit Crops Certification. The WSCGA also has a winter membership meeting at this conference. Several safety and machinery maintenance sessions will also be provided. Convention Registration is through the WSCGA, for PAT registration please contact Wood County UW-Extension.

Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) Plus Adult Training Wednesday, January 27 By: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County

Pork Quality Assurance training is a good marketing tool that can show consumers that you care about doing things in a responsible manner while delivering a high quality end product. The training can help guide you with best management practices to ensure a safe work environment while maintaining animal well-being.



Area swine producers and their employees will have an opportunity to become Pork Quality Assurance Plus (PQA Plus) certified: **January 27, 2016 at 1 pm** at the Marquette County UW-Extension office. Other training dates and locations are available per request for individuals with expiring PQA Plus certifications. More training dates will be available throughout the year. Please note that a Spanish version of the training is also available.

This training is an opportunity to certify in the program, or renew your certification. The training session will focus on the 10 Good Production Practices, which are common sense practices based on sound scientific principles. The training will take approximately 2.5 hours. Individuals must pass an open-book exam, scoring 85% or better. Certification is good for three years from the training date.

To register for this session, please call the Marquette County UW-Extension office at 608-297-3141 with your name, phone number, which location, and how many are attending by **January 22**. Please include the names of any additional people attending. Please contact the Marquette County UW-Extension office to register for the Spanish version to ensure that the Spanish materials are available for the training. If you need an accommodation to fully participate in this program, please contact Marquette County UW-Extension at 608-297-3141 or WI Relay 711. Please allow us sufficient time to arrange the accommodation.

Does January 27 not work for your schedule to re-certify? An online option is available to you **as long as your current certification is not yet expired** (please note that new certifications do not have this option and require face-to-face training). Contact the Marquette County UW-Extension office to enroll in this option. Other training days and locations can be arranged to get producers certified as needed. Please contact Lyssa Seefeldt at 608-297-3141 to discuss additional training days.

Pork-Corn-Soy Expo: Another Opportunity to Get PQA Plus & TQA Certified February 4-5, 2016

The Wisconsin Pork Expo is held in conjunction with the Corn/Soy Expo every year. Once again, the expo will be held in Wisconsin Dells on February 4-5, 2016. There will be an opportunity to get PQA Plus certified as well as Transport Quality Assurance certified. Expo details are available at <http://www.wppa.org/expo/>.

UW-Extension Research Updates from State Specialists

2016 Pest Management in Wisconsin Field Crops: <http://goo.gl/fr8hE> (Note: lengthy file at 269 pages)
 2015 Corn Hybrid Performance Trials (A3653): <http://goo.gl/zpgXFE>
 2015 Forage Trial Results (A1525): <http://goo.gl/p1fam2>
 2015 Soybean Variety Performance Trials (A3654): <http://goo.gl/hQSh3M>
 2015 Oats & Barley Performance Tests (A3874): <http://goo.gl/ua2Vzt>
 2015 Winter Wheat Performance Trials (A3868): <http://goo.gl/qKLd4A>
 2015 Commercial Vegetable Production in WI: <http://goo.gl/e16z61> (Note: lengthy file at 289 pages)

Master Gardener Classes Offered in Adams and Juneau Counties By Ken Cleveland, Adams County

Many of you are farmers and I am sure are wondering why one would put an article about Master Gardeners (MG) in an agricultural newsletter. Well, the Master Gardener Program is a wonderful volunteer organization that is given through UW-Extension and gives individuals an opportunity to give back and educate others in their community about the horticultural sciences. The MG program was first started in the 70's in Washington State and has expanded throughout the nation ever since. The Wisconsin MG website states that "the goal of the MG Program is to train enthusiastic volunteers so they can, in turn, provide research-based information on a wide variety of horticultural topics to the general public in their communities." Not only do MG's provide educational materials to others but they can get involved with other local projects such as beautifying road ways, parks, planting and maintaining gardens such as butterfly, rain, memorial and community gardens as well as many others. There are ample opportunities in this organization to give back and teach others about horticulture. However as farmers, you would have the unique experience and expertise to help develop educational programs and services that would teach others about food production in your area. Which in turn may help educate others to plant their own garden that may be in need of fresh produce to feed their family. Which I believe is extremely important in Adams County where there is limited access to numerous local grocery stores.

Furthermore, Master Gardeners have made many great impacts in Wisconsin. For example in 2015 Master Gardener Volunteers (MGV) gave an approximate 201,615 volunteer hours (service and educating) and these hours totaled approximately 4.4 million dollars that benefitted Wisconsin.

To become a certified MGV, one must be 18 years or older, complete the general training course, achieve a 70% on the final exam, complete 24 hours of volunteer service within one year of completing the course, complete a mandatory reporting, and a background check.

Some topics the class covers: Introductions to Plants and Soils, Integrated Pest Management, Weeds & Wildlife, Plant Pathology, Vegetables, Fruits, and others. Please find the attached brochure/registration form for Adams County Master Gardeners Class for more info.

If you have been looking for an organization to work in and give back to your community, gain more knowledge and experience with horticultural topics, then I would urge you to take a Master Gardener class. If you would like more information about the MG program please get ahold of your local extension agent or visit wimastergardener.org.

Master Gardeners Classes are being offered at:

Adams County-Ken Cleveland-February 17th-May 18th. Wednesdays 6-9 –*Limit of 15 people*
569 N. Cedar Street Suite 3, Adams, WI, 53910. 608-339-4237
Ken.cleveland@ces.uwex.edu or lynn.dolata@ces.uwex.edu

Juneau County-Craig Saxe-January 25th-April 18th. Monday nights.
211 S. Hickory Street #302, Mauston, WI, 53948. 608-847-9329
Craig.saxe@ces.uwex.edu



2016 Private Pesticide Applicator Training Classes Offered

By: Ken Schroeder, Portage County

Private Pesticide Applicator Training classes will once again be offered by your local UW-Extension office. Anyone who intends to purchase, mix, load, apply, or direct the use of restricted use pesticides as a private applicator must be certified. Certification is good for five years. There are two ways to become certified. Purchase and study the training manual and attend an all-day training class offered by your local UW-Extension office. These classes consist of presentations followed by a written exam at the end of the day. If you are unable to attend one of the classroom sessions, the second option is to self-study and schedule time through the UW-Extension office to take the exam on your own.

Training manuals are available at your local UW-Extension office and must be purchased at least five (5) days before the class or individual exam is taken.

January 19	-	Green Lake County	February 24	-	Marathon County (Wausau)
January 26	-	Adams County	February 25	-	Marathon County (Stratford)
February 5	-	Portage County	March 1	-	Adams County
February 5	-	Wood County	March 1	-	Waupaca County (Manawa)
February 10	-	Waushara County	March 2	-	Waupaca County (Waupaca)
February 10	-	Marquette County	March 4	-	Portage County
February 19	-	Juneau County	March 24	-	Waushara County
February 23	-	Green Lake County			

Cattle Feeder Meeting

Wednesday, February 24

By: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County

Once again, the central Wisconsin area will be hosting a cattle feeder meeting. Location to be determined yet, but save the date of February 24. More details will be mailed to farmers on the Marquette County beef list. If you are unsure of whether you are on the mailing list, contact the Marquette County UW-Extension office at 608-297-3141.

Central Wisconsin Dairy Series

March 1 & 3, 2016

By: Matt Lippert, Wood County

Dairy Nutrition will be the focus for this year's Central Wisconsin Dairy Series to be in Elroy American Legion Hall on March 1 and Sherry Town Hall (Arpin, WI) on March 3.

Randy Shaver UW- Dairy Scientist will give an update on what is new in dairy nutrition, and Matt Akins, Marshfield Agriculture Research Station will provide an update of programs he is working on at the station. Programs begin at 10:00 am and include lunch and will be done promptly at 3:00. For further details contact Matt Lippert, Wood County Agriculture Agent, 715-421-8440, matthew.lippert@ces.uwex.edu.

**What's Your Farm's Future? Farm Transition & Estate Planning Workshops held
Friday, February 12 in Stevens Point; Friday, February 19 in Westfield
By: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County and Ken Schroeder, Portage County**

The University of Wisconsin-Extension will host workshops in Stevens Point on February 12 and in Westfield on February 19 to provide information and ideas on farm succession and estate planning. The February 12 workshop will be at the Portage County Business Council meeting room, 5501 Vern Holmes Dr., Stevens Point, WI 54482. The February 19 workshop will be at the Westfield Village Hall located at 124 East 3rd Street in Westfield. The two workshops will offer the same agenda. The programs will run from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm. UW-Extension is partnering with the WDATCP's Farm Center and UW Center for Dairy Profitability to offer these programs.

A generation ago, passing on the family farm was a simple process. Profit margins were higher, land values were lower, farm size was smaller, and tax rates didn't seem as significant. More often than not, a farmer could draft a simple will to transfer ownership to his children. Today it takes planning and working with a team of professionals to effectively pass the business from today's owners to the next generation.

Transferring the farm business to the next generation is seldom an abrupt process. The succeeding generation needs to establish a firm financial footing as well as learn to manage the business. The retiring generation has to be willing to turn over management, but also know they'll be secure for their later years.

Developing a working plan will make the actual transition smoother and will make communicating the transfer details with on-farm and off-farm family members easier. Even if your transfer may happen a few years from now, starting early will help the process go more smoothly.

What's Your Farm's Future? Farm Transition and Estate Planning will explore these issues and considerations for farm succession in today's high stakes climate. The two locations will offer the same agenda. Topics to be covered include:

- Blueprint for Farm Succession- Where are you now, where do you want to be, how do you get there?
- Financial considerations for each generation – What can your farm actually support?
- Medicaid Recovery – How this may affect your farm succession.
- Business entities and tax consequences when transferring assets.

The program begins with registration at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at 3:30 p.m. Registration is \$20/person and includes lunch, refreshments, speakers and workshop materials.

To register for the Stevens Point meeting on February 12, contact the Portage County UW-Extension office by February 5, 2016 at 715-346-1316; for the Westfield meeting on February 19, contact the Marquette County UW-Extension office by February 12 at 608-297-3141.

These workshops are partially funded by a grant from the North Central Region Risk Management Education Center and by USDA/NIFA under Award Number 2012-49200-20032.

Visit the Central Wisconsin Agricultural Specialization Team on the Web
<http://fyi.uwex.edu/cwas/>

Midwest Forage Association Symposium
January 25-27, 2016
By: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County

The annual Midwest Forage Association Symposium will be held January 25-27, 2016 at the Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells. This event is hosted by the Midwest Forage Association, Wisconsin Custom Operators, & Professional Nutrient Applicators Association of Wisconsin. A brochure is available at <http://goo.gl/rHLYlm> (this is a direct link to the Midwest Forage Association Symposium Brochure).

For more information on this program, please contact: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County Agriculture Agent at 608-297-3141 or lyssa.seefeldt@ces.uwex.edu.



Wisconsin Dairy & Beef Well-Being Conference
Friday, March 11
By: Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County

The annual Wisconsin Dairy & Beef Well-Being Conference will be held March 11, 2016 at the University of Wisconsin-Platteville and Pioneer Farm. Once again, youth will have the option to participate in this conference. New this year will be a youth track for high school students. Registration details will be available at <http://fyi.uwex.edu/animalhusbandryconference/> by February 2016.

For questions on this conference, contact Lyssa Seefeldt, Marquette County Agriculture Agent at 608-297-3141 or lyssa.seefeldt@ces.uwex.edu.



Heart of the Farm
Tuesday, March 22
By: Matt Lippert, Wood County

Mark your calendars for March 22 for Heart of the Farm for women in agriculture, sponsored by Marathon and Wood County UW-Extension

In the past this program has included fascinating women who have dedicated their careers to making a difference in agriculture along with many other interesting topics such as mental health, family farm transfer, local foods and personality analysis. This year promises to be no exception! Save the date and bring a friend.

Two-Part Nutrient Management Training: February 4 and 11

By: Jamie Patton and Nav Ghimire

Green Lake County UW-Extension and Land Conservation Departments are jointly implementing a two-part Nutrient Management Training for farmers. The topics covered in the training are: why is nutrient management an issue; State and federal direction on nutrient management; components of a nutrient management plan; understanding soil test reports; management of nitrogen; and phosphorous and potassium fertilizers in the soil and soil health.

Benefits of the training include: reduced fertilizer cost; managing soil fertility; maximizing crop yields; and ability to write a nutrient management plan. After the completion of the training, you will be DATCAP certified to write your own plan. Jamie Patton, Shawano County UW-Extension Agriculture Agent and Nav Ghimire, Green Lake County UW-Extension Agriculture Agent are the instructors for the training.

Location: The workshop will be held at the Green Lake County Government Center in the west wing, lower level Training Room and will run from 10 am – 3 pm.

There is no registration fee for the training. Lunch will be provided to all who attend. Please pre-register in advance and allow us to make your lunch arrangements. For registration, please call Kathy Ninneman at 920-294-4032 OR email at: Kathleen.Ninneman@ces.uwex.edu OR stop by Green Lake County UW-Extension office located at 571 County Road A, Green Lake.

Two-Part SNAP-Plus Training: February 18 and 25

By: Todd Morris and Nav Ghimire

SNAP-Plus is computer software designed for Wisconsin farmers to prepare their Nutrient Management plan. You will have a chance to work on your nutrient management plan using SNAP-Plus. It is an excellent tool for tracking nutrient applications and updating your nutrient management plan every year.

Benefits of SNAP-Plus training include: saving money by writing your own plan; reduced fertilizer cost; managing soil fertility; maximizing crop yields; tracking your crop nutrient application; and crop rotation history. Todd Morris, Soil Conservationist, Department of Land Conservation, Green Lake County and Nav Ghimire, Agriculture Agent, Green Lake County UW-Extension are the instructors for the training.

Location: The workshop will be held at the Green Lake County Government Center in the west wing, lower level Training Room and will run from 10 am – 3 pm. Please bring your soil test report (within last four years) on a 5 acre/sample basis. Please ask your lab for an electronic copy of the soil test report in SNAP-Plus. If you don't have an electronic copy, just bring your written copy and we will download it into SNAP-Plus for you. Please bring your laptop computer for the training; if you do not have a computer, please let us know and we will provide you with one.

There is no registration fee for the training this year. Lunch will be provided to all who attend. Please pre-register in advance and allow us to make your lunch arrangements. For registration, please call Kathy Ninneman at 920-294-4032 OR email at: Kathleen.Ninneman@ces.uwex.edu OR stop by Green Lake County UW-Extension office located at 571 County Road A, Green Lake. Please mention SNAP-Plus Training when you register.

UW-Extension Cooperative Extension Nondiscrimination Policy

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Consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons who need materials in alternative format or other accommodations are encouraged to write or call the UW-Extension contact person for the specific program or call the main telephone number of their local county Extension office, as early as possible prior to the event so appropriate arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential. Individuals who need special access due to hearing impairment may contact their local county Extension office by calling the relay service for the hearing impaired by dialing 711.

On behalf of the Central Wisconsin Agricultural Specialization Team (Cooperative Extension Offices in Adams, Green Lake, Juneau, Marquette, Portage, Waushara and Wood Counties), we thank you for collaborating with UW-Extension on educational programs. We appreciate your support and partnership as we provide education designed to meet the needs of the diverse residents of these counties.

Processing Vegetable Crops Meeting Wednesday, March 2, 2016 By: Ken Williams, Waushara County

The University of Wisconsin-Extension is sponsoring the annual Processing Vegetable Crops Meeting on March 2, 2016, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, at the Hancock Agricultural Research Station, N3909 County Rd V Hancock, WI 54943. Registration will be from 8:30 to 9:00 am. This seminar will concentrate specifically on issues affecting vegetable production in Central Wisconsin. UW-Extension specialists will present information on agricultural sustainability, vegetable water use, nitrogen fertility management in sweet corn, disease issues, and insecticide and herbicide updates for processing vegetables.

Vegetable production is a vital part of the economy of Central Wisconsin. The counties of Portage, Waushara, Adams, Green Lake and Juneau produce 68% of the state's potato production, 49% of the state's sweet corn production, 62% of the state's snap bean production and 38% of the state's pea production. In 2007 there were 140,000 acres in this area used in the production of potatoes, sweet corn, green beans and peas.

Pre-registration is required by February 24 in order to make lunch and space arrangements. Registration of \$25 will cover refreshments and lunch. Certified Crop Advisor Credits will be applied for. There is ample free parking available. People may register by mailing a check to UW-Extension, PO Box 487, Wautoma WI. 54982. For additional information contact Ken Williams, 920-787-0416, ken.williams@ces.uwex.edu.

Changes to Over-the-Counter Feed Medication

**By: Dr. Sarah Mills-Lloyd,
UW-EX Dairy & Livestock Agent for Marinette & Oconto Counties**

There is only one thing for certain in our lives—change. And if you are a producer who uses antimicrobial medicated feed for prevention or treatment of disease in livestock, a modification to how you currently purchase this feed is looming on the horizon.

The Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) and Guidance for Industry 213 will take effect on October 1, 2015. It is scheduled to be fully implemented by December 2016. The VFD is not a new rule. It was originally based on the FDA Guidance for Industry 209 established in April 2012 which delineated policy for the judicious use of medically important antibiotics in food production animals. These policies were developed to protect public health and the limit the development of antimicrobial resistance.

Under the FDA Guidance for Industry 213 and VFD, all medically important antimicrobial feed medications will be used with appropriate veterinary supervision. Producers will need to have a written and valid VFD issued from their valid veterinarian-client-patient relationship (VCPR) veterinarian in order to purchase proper feed-additive medications from their feed supplier/distributor. Also, label claims of production and performance for medically important antimicrobial will be removed.

In order to have a valid VFD, you will need to work with your veterinarian with whom you have established a valid VCPR. Your VCPR veterinarian will examine and diagnose the animal condition(s) and determine if the use of a feed-additive medication is necessary. The veterinarian issued VFD is for any producer who would like to purchase feed containing antimicrobials which are medically important. Records will need to be maintained by the veterinarian, feed distributor and the producer.

Antimicrobials have been used for years for the treatment of diseases in food production animals; however, those same medications are also used for treatment of human disease. The use and/or overuse of antimicrobials may have human health concerns as this usage practice may lead to the development of resistance of once susceptible organisms; thus, rendering the medication ineffective.

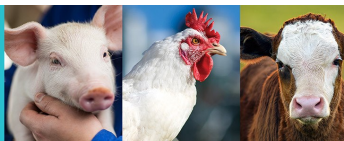
The veterinary profession—and only the veterinary profession, not an owner—is allowed provisions to use an FDA approved drug in a manner which is not in conformity with the product label. This is also known as extra-label drug use (ELDU). ELDU occurs when there is divergence from the label by usage in a different species, indication, dose, frequency and route of administration.

The Animal Medicinal Drug Use Clarification Act of 1994 (AMDUCA) and FDA regulations provide extra-label drug use in all species not just food producing animals. In addition, an algorithm is used to justify the usage of any approved FDA drug for extra-label drug use; however, certain medications are FDA prohibited and either may not be used at all or in an ELDU manner.

This is a departure of previous practice and will take time to establish; however, the FDA has mandated the deadline for full VFD compliance is December 2016. Don't wait to initiate a conversation with your veterinarian and feed supplier/distributor about the logistics of the VFD rule as it will take time to streamline the process.



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On-Farm Food Safety, Postharvest Handling, and Wholesale Marketing Workshop

Risk Management is Good Business: Best Practices for Specialty Crop Farmers

Participating farmers will receive a free copy of the *Wholesale Success* manual. Normally a \$70 value, this 316 page manual is newly updated and in its fourth printing. *Wholesale Success* covers up-to-date best practices information on food safety, postharvest handling, packing, business management, marketing, and crop-specific profiles for over 100 crops.

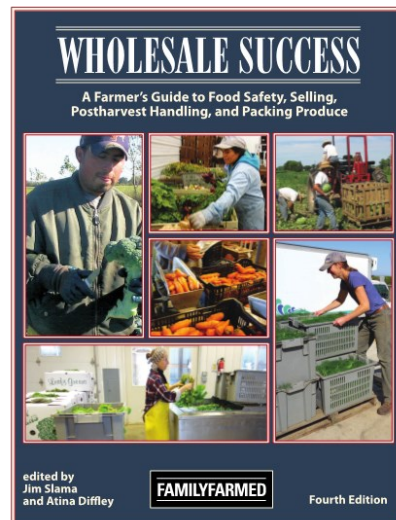
Learn about:

Food Safety Best Practices - Working with Wholesale Buyers
- Post-Harvest Handling - Maintaining the Cold Chain -
Cleaning and Drying - Packing and Grading

- March 14, Amery, WI, Hungry Turtle Institute, (Contact Kim Blue info@hungryturtle.net or 715.268.4510 for registration information)
- **March 15, Stevens Point, WI, UWPP**, (Location: Portage County Annex, 1462 Strongs Ave, Stevens Point, WI Contact Ken Schroeder ken.schroeder@ces.uwex.edu or 715-346-1316 for registration information)
- March 17, Waunakee Village Center, Waunakee, WI, UWCIAS, (Contact Kelly Maynard kelly.maynard@wisc.edu or 703-343-3358 for registration information)
- March 18, Viroqua, WI, UWPP, (Contact Erin Silva emsilva@wisc.edu or 608-890-1503 for registration information)

What Farmers Are Saying:

"Tremendous resource! Wholesale Success book is a gem."
"Easily one of the best presentations I have heard on anything anywhere!" "Wonderful! Lots of very useful, actionable information that will help me grow my farm business."
"Atina Diffley did an excellent job! Good presentation from someone who has actually been a grower."



Our trainer, **Atina Diffley**, is an organic farmer and author of the 2012 award winning memoir, *Turn Here Sweetcorn, Organic Farming Works*. Atina draws on her decades of experience in vegetable production and marketing to provide operators of produce farms of any size with useful, practical, profit-making guidance on how to achieve the highest quality produce for sale!

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Calendar of Events

January

- 14-16 [Grassworks Grazing Conference](#), Wisconsin Dells
20-21 [Wisconsin Cranberry School](#), Holiday Inn and Convention Center, Stevens Point
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27 [Pork Quality Assurance Plus Training](#), Marquette County UW-Extension office, Montello

February

- 2-4 [2016 UW-Extension and Wisconsin Potato and Vegetable Growers Association Grower Education Conference](#), Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, Stevens Point
3 [Wisconsin Muck Growers Association](#), Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center, Stevens Point
4-5 [Driftless Region Beef Conference](#), Dubuque, IA. More information will be available at: <http://www.aep.iastate.edu/beef/>.
4-5 [Wisconsin Pork-Corn-Soy Expo](#), Wisconsin Dells. Expo details are available at: <http://www.wppa.org/expo/>.
4, 11 Two Part Nutrient Management Training, 10-3, Green Lake Co Govt Center Training Room, Registration: 920-294-4032 OR email: kathleen.ninneman@ces.uwex.edu or in person at 571 County Road A, Green Lake
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March

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22 [Heart of the Farm for Women in Agriculture](#), sponsored by Marathon and Wood County UW-Extension

July

- 19-21 [Wisconsin Farm Technology Days](#), Walworth County



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