Cooperative Extension Centennial Celebration Your Trusted Partner...Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow

As Cooperative Extension wraps up a year-long celebration of 100 years of working for Wisconsin, Grant County UW-Extension looks forward to the next 100 years of bringing University research to the people of southwest Wisconsin.

With an office in each Wisconsin county, Cooperative Extension develops practical educational programs tailored to local needs and based on university knowledge and research. Expertise is delivered to the public, addressing a wide range of needs to people, plants and animals, in both urban and rural areas of the states.

Fulfilling the UW-Extension mission is a team effort. The Grant County team includes: Ted Bay, Crops & Farm Management & Co-Dept. Head; Bev Doll, Family Living, & Co-Dept. Head; David Wachter, Dairy & Livestock; Betsy Olson, 4-H Youth Development; Ione Meoska, WNEP Coordinator; Cindy Busch, Instructional Specialist; Todd Johnson, Community Resource Development; Cathy McPhail, Youth Programs Assistant; Bev Broihahn, Administrative Support Assistant; Lori Vesperman, Administrative Support Assistant; and Jenny Dixon, Receptionist.

UW-Extension staff's role is to teach, learn, lead and serve, connecting people with the University of Wisconsin, and engaging with them in transforming lives and communities. Techniques for doing so have changed over the past 100 years.

UW-Extension has been embracing new technology and is making information available to the public through various electronic media. State-wide general information about UW-Extension can be found on the web at <u>http://www.uwex.edu/ces/</u>. UW-Extension programs can be found on facebook and twitter at <u>http://www.uwex.edu/news/social-media.html</u>. You do not have to have a facebook or twitter account in order to read the posts. More press releases can be found at <u>http://www.uwex.edu/news/</u>.

UW-Extension has developed a network of websites organized by topic to deliver information on subjects their staff are involved in. Anyone can access this FYI (for your information) site at <u>http://fyi.uwex.edu/</u>. UW-Extension publications are available on line at <u>http://learningstore.uwex.edu/</u>, where most publications can be viewed and printed on your home computer.

For Grant County specific information, go to <u>http://grant.uwex.edu/</u>. There you'll find event calendars, contact information and many links to topics important to Grant County residents. Of course, the UW-Extension office can also be reached by phone at (608) 723-2125. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The office is located at the fairgrounds in Lancaster, 916 E Elm Street.

UW-Extension staff are committed to deliver education where people live and work – on the farm, in schools and community centers – and welcome questions from all Grant County residents.