

# 2008 Annual Report



**Extending the resources and  
knowledge of the  
University of Wisconsin to  
the people of Green County**



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Dear Green County Board of Supervisors:

Attached is the 2008 Annual Report for the University of Wisconsin Extension Office. Green County UW-Extension Agents are jointly employed by UW-Extension and Green County. This joint employment assures responsiveness to local needs, reduces county costs, and provides an important link to University of Wisconsin resources. UW-Extension faculty serve under the supervision of the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee.

Cooperative Extension in Green County brings University of Wisconsin knowledge and resources directly to Green County residents. Staffed by UW faculty, we offer Green County residents research-based education designed to meet local needs in the areas of Agriculture and Natural Resources, Family Living, 4-H/Youth Development and Community Resource and Economic Development.

This annual report highlights some of the major educational programs that were conducted by our University of Wisconsin-Extension faculty in Green County during 2008. In addition to the program highlight summaries, we have also listed some of the state and county groups and organizations that we worked with this past year on the back page of this report. We hope this report provides you with a better understanding of UW-Extension programs being conducted in Green County. If you have any questions about this report or our mission, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Mayer, Department Head  
Agriculture Agent

Cara Carper  
Community Resource Development Educator

Alissa Grenawalt  
4-H & Youth Development Agent

Bridget Mouchon  
Family Living Educator

# Meet the Green County UW-Extension Staff

Green County UW-Extension staff are faculty members of the University of Wisconsin, employed by a cooperative arrangement between the University and the county. County faculty are responsible for conducting applied research and delivering researched based information to county residents.



**Mark Mayer** – Associate Professor – Department of Agriculture & Agri-Business, Agricultural Agent and Department Head

**Major responsibilities:** Develop and teach programs to strengthen the profitability and productivity of Green County farms and agri-business.



**Cara Carper** – Assistant Professor - Department of Community Resource Development, Community Resource Development Agent

**Major responsibilities:** Develop and teach programs that build decision-making and leadership capacity in the areas of land use, local government operations, and community and economic development.



**Alissa Grenawalt** – Associate Professor - Department of Youth Development, 4-H and Youth Agent

**Major responsibilities:** Develop and coordinate county 4-H and Youth Development programs.



**Bridget Mouchon** – Instructor – Department of Family Development, Family Living Agent

**Major responsibilities:** Develop and teach programs which build parent support and community partnerships for families.

**Kristi Leonard and Jayne Butts** – Extension Activity Assistants

Major responsibilities: Assist in the promotion and coordination of UW-Extension programs.

**Emily Leistikow** - Student Assistant

Major responsibilities: Assist with clerical functions of office.

The staff serves under the supervision of the Agriculture and Extension Education Committee. Those members are:

**Cathy Cryor-Burgweger, Chair**  
**Oscar Olson, Vice-Chair**  
**Ken Hodgson, Secretary**  
**Arthur Carter**  
**Ron Syse**

## **Green County's Top Ten Issues for 2008-2011**

This document reflects the responses of 32 valued Green County stakeholders who came to our Green County UW-Extension Strategic Planning session on Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007. The participants brainstormed in small groups the top issues facing Green County over the next four years, and then selected their priority issues within our four program areas: Agriculture, Family Living, 4-H and Youth Development, and Community and Economic Development. In the large group, these small group priorities were then voted upon, and higher level priorities were thus selected. Green County UWEX faculty then reviewed this data and thematically organized the priority issues.

It is important to note that while each of these ten issues are of great importance to county stakeholders the Green County UW-Extension office's response to them will come in the form of applied research and educational programs. In some instances, the four agents in the UWEX will work collaboratively to address the issues, both within the office and with other county partners. An appropriate educational response may not exist for all of these issues, and in these cases other entities within the county will be better suited to address the issue.

### **1. Maintaining a solid economic base**

- Keeping and attracting young professionals and families
- New/expanding businesses
- Workforce training and development, skilled higher-wage jobs
- Aging of workforce and infrastructure

### **2. Protecting and preserving our agricultural land uses and natural resources**

- Balance of resources protection - agricultural production and rural living
- Protecting water supply

### **3. Preserving the family farm and adapting to changes in agribusiness**

- Preserving family farm – dairy traditions important to county and way of life...maintaining quality of life in small communities...retaining special character and values rather than just a bedroom community
- Smaller to larger farms, fewer family farms, loss of dairy industry
- Energy and fuel development

### **4. Cultivating future leaders and engaging youth in leadership and life skill development opportunities**

### **5. Providing quality education within state revenue caps**

- Funding cuts, referendums, program cuts, possible school closings

### **6. Addressing alcohol/drug abuse among youth and adults**

### **7. Preparing to meet needs of growing elderly population**

- How can we fund and find people to provide in home supports to elderly for custodial or medication management needs?
- Housing, transportation, and health care

### **8. Integrating the growing Latino population into the community**

### **9. Providing support and resources for parents and childcare providers**

### **10. Addressing the impact of rising costs of living**

# 2008 UW-Extension Program Summary Report

Mark W. Mayer

UW-Extension Agriculture Agent



## **Agriculture Educational Programs:** *Number of Participants in Parenthesis*

Green County Dairy Management Seminar (37)  
Wisconsin Dairy Modernization Survey (104 farms in 30 counties)  
Presented Dairy Survey Results at State Ag and Natural Resources Conference (116)  
Green County Forage Seminar (26)  
Dairy and Livestock Facility Design Consultations in Southern WI and Northern IL (31)  
Taught Two Pesticide Applicator Certification Training Sessions (43 Certified)  
Nutrient Management Workshop on Reducing Fertilizer Costs (26)  
Green County Dairy Modernization Tours (200+)  
36 Hour Specialized Master Gardener Course of Fruits and Vegetables Production (10 Certified)  
Three Agriculture Literacy Presentations to Leadership and Civic Groups (49)  
Co-Chaired Cheese Days Family Farm Adventure Tent (5,000+)  
UW-Extension Master Gardener Gardening Seminar (51)  
Nutrient Management Programs & Spreader Calibration with Land Conservation Department  
PEAQ Spring Alfalfa Readings for Radio and Web  
Consultations with Non-Farm Rural Landowners of Farm Rental Rates (97)  
Pilot Projects for Recycling Agriculture Plastics (60)

## **Youth and Other Programs:**

Assistant Superintendent for World Dairy Expo Dairy Cattle Show  
Advisor and Coordinator for Dairy Youth Recognition and Livestock Auctions (232)  
Conducted Lamb and Swine Weigh-ins for Livestock Youth Projects (176)  
Organized Green County Clean Sweep Committee and served as Chair for 2009 Program  
Instructor for University of Wisconsin Short Course Farm Building Class (39)  
Farm Technology Days Community Grants Program (\$94,000)  
Judged two District FFA Speaking Contests (13)  
Two Presentations to Elementary Students on Groundwater (43)

## **County/State Administration:**

UW-Extension Department of Ag/Ag-Business Post Tenure Review Committee  
Advisory Board for Blackhawk Technical College Agriculture Program  
Member of Agriculture and Natural Resources Dairy Modernization Team  
Mentor Agent for New Southern District Agriculture Agents  
Preparation & Oversight of UW-Extension Green County Budget & Daily Office Operations  
UW-Extension Four Year Civil Rights Review  
Hiring and Evaluation of UW-Extension County Faculty  
Advisory Committee for Green County USDA Agencies

## **Use of Media for Educational Outreach**

52 weekly radio programs and 27 news spots on local and regional radio  
Bi-Monthly DHI Newsletter distributed to 210 clients  
Agri-News Newsletter sent to 797 clients (116 Electronically)  
Over 20 Articles for Local and State Farm Newspapers and WI Agriculturist Magazine

## Contacts Summary

	<u>Individual</u>	<u>Group</u>
2008 Direct Teaching Hours:	645	178
Phone Consultations: 1,092		Office Consultations: 107
Farm/Home Visits: 42		Email Consultations: 1321

**Total 2008 Direct Client Contacts: 7,402**

## Highlights of 2008 Program Impacts:

- The Green County Farm Technology Days Executive Committee conducted a Community Grant Program to distribute show profits to non-profit organizations in Green County. Over \$94,000 in grants were distributed to 45 Green County non-profit groups and organizations in August. This amount, along with the \$93,700 that had already been paid out to groups assisting with the show resulted in a total direct payment of more than \$187,700 back to Green County from hosting the show in 2007.
- Over 200 dairy producers from 16 different counties were able to explore dairy modernization options and labor saving practices through participating in the Green County modernization tours organized by this agent. The tours provided many dairy producers with ideas and information for upgrading the facilities on their own dairy farms resulting in less labor, and increased cow comfort and milk production per cow.
- Two agriculture plastic recycling programs were conducted by this agent in cooperation with the Green County Landfill in 2008. Green County was the first county in WI to offer this type of collection. 50 farms from 13 townships brought in over 82,000 pounds of Ag plastic to the landfill to have it recycled during the two collection periods. Three townships also established collection facilities for Ag plastics in the county at their recycling centers as a result of receiving start-up funds through a Farm Technology Days Community Grant written by this agent.
- This agent conducted a statewide Dairy Modernization Survey that included a total of 104 farms from 30 different counties in the state. Twenty of the surveyed farms were from Green County. The survey was conducted to assess the benefits of modernizing dairy facilities for both the producers and the cows. Ninety-three percent of the dairy farmers reported receiving assistance from UW-Extension in planning their modernization projects and 86% stated that information from UWEX impacted their decisions in planning for their modernization. The farms that had modernized their facilities reduced the amount of labor required for each cow by more than 25 hours/year, increased their herd size by 121 cows and increased their production per cow by 1,439 pounds/cow/year. The average farm in the survey increased their gross milk income by over \$466,000 after modernizing their facilities.
- This agent serves as the advisor for the Green County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction and the Meat Animal Sale. \$6,550 was collected through the dairy auction with 50% being paid directly to the youth and the other half going to a scholarship fund. \$2,000 in scholarships was paid out in 2008 from this fund to Green County youth. \$253,682 was also distributed to over 150 Green County youth through the County Fair Meat Animal Auctions.
- Thirty-six Green County UW-Extension Master Gardeners are now assisting in horticulture programming in Green County. They volunteered 101 hours for Youth Education, 151 hours in Community Education and 1668 hours of Community Support Services. The Master Gardeners also participated in 658 hours of continuing education and training in 2008.
- This agent organized a Clean Sweep Committee to plan a hazardous waste collection program in the county and secured a state grant totaling \$22,750 to help pay for the program that will be held in 2009.

# 2008 UW-Extension Program Summary Report

Cara N. Carper

UW-Extension Community Resource  
Development Educator



The Community Resource Development Educator works to help Green County communities deal with their own unique challenges – resource constraints, leadership development, growth management, environmental protection and the quality of life – through educational programs and applied research. The Community Resource Development Educator works with residents, government officials, businesses and professionals in the areas of community leadership development, community and economic development, land use, local government education and non-profit organizational development. UW Extension outreach and research efforts are supported by hundreds of campus based experts.

Cara Carper started with Green County UW Extension in July 2008. This report represents the last half of 2008.

## **Building Relationships: Getting to Know You**

Much of Carper's first six months was spent building relationships with Green County residents including local officials, County Departments, media representatives, Green County Leaders Alumni and current GCL class members. This is an on-going process.

## **Green County Leaders: Teaching Alumni to Take a Starring Role**

The need for "Leadership Development" has been identified as a top county priority since 1995. The Green County Leaders program has increased the skills, knowledge and confidence of 118 Green County residents since 2002.

In past years, former Green County CNRED Educator Sarah Burgert provided the lion's share of curriculum development and teaching. When Sarah announced she was leaving early in 2008, teams of alumni agreed to coordinate the sessions with the help of the UW Extension and Green County Development Corporation office.

Carper responded to help the alumni teams create continuity across the program and coordinate the overall curriculum development. Carper meets with each team to ensure they are comfortable with the curriculum and are implementing appropriate adult learning principles in their teaching.

The 2008-2009 class includes 25 people; the largest class in Green County Leaders' history. Carper is also an advisory to the Green County Leaders Executive Board, providing direction and education regarding organizational development and future class structure.

Due to positive reinforcement, encouragement, training and resources provided by Carper, alumni leaders have excelled in their teaching. Session leaders have found the opportunity to be personally and professionally rewarding.

Alumni-led sessions have also been a powerful learning experience for class members who are witnessing demonstrations of leadership from well respected members of the community.

## **Immigration in Southwest Wisconsin: Growing Understanding**

The number of Latino people working and living in Green County has increased dramatically in recent years. The 2000 Census identified 327 Green County residents as Hispanic or Latino. However, school enrollment figures for the 2007-2008 school year show 150 Hispanic students. "Integrating the growing Latino population into the community" was identified as a top priority in Green County during UW Extension's 2007 Needs Assessment.

Shortly before Burgert left Green County and Carper was hired by Green County, UW Extension staff in Green and Lafayette Counties applied for joint funding to host a Rural Immigration Summit. CNRED Educator Cara Carper worked closely with Green County Family Living Agent Bridget Mouchon to assist the Green County Latino Needs committee in hosting a 2008 Rural Immigration Summit. Speakers included local, state and nationally-known experts regarding immigration issues. Carper continues to co-facilitate "next steps" the Green County Latino Needs committee will take to address issues identified during the Summit.

## **Food for Thought: Local Foods Survey Ignites Spark**

Carper convened a group of "institutional" officials to discuss the opportunity to survey Green County restaurants, groceries, producers and consumers about their attitudes regarding locally-produced foods. The survey was initiated by Gary Green of the Department of Rural Sociology and Center for Community & Economic Development. Since that day, interest has grown exponentially. Due to that meeting and additional relationships within the local food network, Carper is working to provide research-based information, education and facilitation to develop goals and objectives for 2009 and the future. A dedicated group has formed to potentially bring, not only education to consumers and connections between producers and sellers, but a community kitchen, retail space and a meeting forum for local foods enthusiasts.

## **Encouraging Well Abandonment**

The night Carper introduced herself to the Green County Board, County Conservationist Todd Jenson was there to discuss well abandonment issues in the county. He requested assistance in contacting landowners to convince them to plug their abandoned wells. Carper researched the best methods to encourage behavioral change. Based on this research, Carper produced a guest newspaper article printed widely throughout the county. Town officials have requested and printed copies of the article in their newsletters. Requests for county well abandonment funding have increased in 2008, but it is unclear whether that is due to the article.

## **Building Communities Series Highlights Sustainability: Green County Interest in Becoming "Green"**

Due to attending, or reading in the *Monroe Times* about, the UW Extension Center for Community Economic Development's Building Communities Webinar Series hosted by Green County Educator Cara Carper, interest is mounting for Green County to identify how it can become more sustainable. Sustainable meaning: meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Individuals, educators, local elected officials and local editors have seized upon the opportunity to "Make Green County Green." This initiative is building steam and followers. CNRED Educator Carper is at the forefront, providing research-based information, education and facilitation to develop goals and objectives for 2009 and the future.

# 2008 UW-Extension Program Summary Report

Alissa L. Grenawalt

UW-Extension 4-H & Youth Development Agent



In 2008, the Green County 4-H Program continued to provide youth and adult members' life skill building and educational programming in the areas of leadership development, personal growth and the value of service to their communities. "*Learning by Doing*" is the 4-H slogan while the 4-H Motto is "*Making the Best Better!*" In 2008, approximately 586 youth members and 250 adult volunteers were involved in the Green County 4-H Program.

## Green County 4-H Community Club Program Activities

(Based on quarterly activities)

### January-March

- Planning and preparation for Green County Junior Fair. Recruited 55 superintendents, made 45 contacts to fill 30 fair judge positions, reviewed fair book for changes, met with Green County Fair Board, and assisted with the recruitment of trophy donors.
- Met with the Green County 4-H Executive Board and Adult Leaders organization three times to provide educational programming for leadership and advise 4-H business that affected the program.
- Held 1 New Volunteer Orientation session that certified 16 new leaders to the program.
- Met with 12 4-H county project committees totaling 30 adults and 10 youth to teach program planning, implementation and program evaluation skills.
- Served on the Green County United Prevention Professionals for Youth (G.U.P.P.Y) Coalition. Serve on the Monroe Area Safe Kids/Safe Communities coalition group. Assist in helping organization meet their educational and community wide planning goals. (Yearly)
- Conducted weekly radio programs, and submitted various news releases highlighting 4-H program activities.
- Began organizing and making contacts for the 2008 Tractor Safety Course.
- Began meeting to plan youth activities for the Green County Cheese Days Family Farm Adventure.

### April-June

- Met with the Green County 4-H Executive Board and Adult Leader's 3 times to provide educational leadership and advised the group with 4-H business.
- Helped 15 county volunteer 4-H committees implement 12 countywide educational programs and events with over 200 youth and adults involved. Activities included: style, cake and foods review, 8 dairy judging practices, Livestock and Meats Judging, 14 dog and 3 horse project trainings, Communication Arts and Performing Arts program and 4-H camp.
- Collaborated with area organizations and businesses to implement the Green County Tractor Safety and Machinery Certification program. 34 youth were certified in 2008. Handled all organizational aspects of the program as well as taught portions of the classes.
- Conducted weekly radio programs, and submitted various news releases highlighting 4-H program activities
- Continued planning for the Green County Cheese Days Family Farm Adventure.

## July-September

- Green County 4-H volunteer leaders met with Green County 4-H Executive Board and Adult Leader's 2 times to provide educational leadership and advised the group for 4-H business affecting the program.
- Helped implement the junior portion of the Green County Fair for approximately 650 youth exhibitors.
- Held a mandatory orientation for the 70+ Green County youth who participated at WI State Fair. I also coordinate volunteers as chaperones and collect paperwork for this cause. UWEX office staff help tremendously in this also.
- Collaborated with 4-H youth and adults in planning for National 4-H week promotion. Conducted weekly radio programs, and submitted news releases highlighting 4-H program activities.
- Followed through with Green County Cheese Days "Family Farm Adventure" where approximately 16,000 youth and adults took part during the event.

## October-December

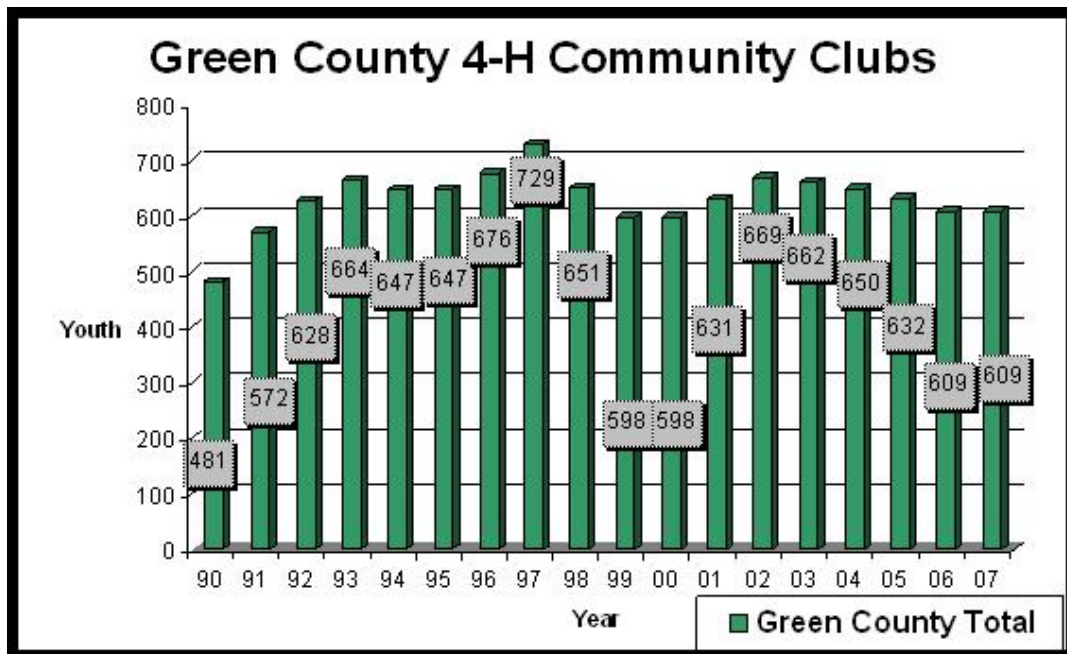
- Green County 4-H volunteer leaders met with Green County 4-H Executive Board and Adult Leader's 3 times to provide assistance for leadership and advised the group for 4-H business that affected the program.
- Held 1 New Volunteer Orientation session that certified 24 new leaders to the program.
- Helped coordinate Green County "Reality Check" at the YMCA. Over 283 youth from six Green County school districts participated in the event learning about life and life's choices.
- UW-Extension staff orchestrated the 4-H re-enrollment process. The 4-H year runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> annually.
- Held 4-H club officer and general leader trainings to help assist general leaders and officers in their leadership positions.
- 4-H volunteers orchestrated the National 4-H week promotional activities. Held a fall open house during enrollment time called the Green County 4-H F.A.R.E. (Fun Activities Reward Everyone in 4-H) to help 4-H recruitment.
- Conducted weekly radio programs, and submitted news releases highlighting 4-H program activities

**2008 Phone Contacts: 1000**

**2008 E-Mail Contacts: 1000**

**Total Teaching hours: 400**

**2008 Club Visits: 5 out of 19 clubs**



# 2008 UW-Extension Program Summary Report

Bridget L. Mouchon

UW-Extension Family Living Educator



The Green County UW-Extension Family Living Program serves as a link to University resources for local clientele in such areas as:

- Nutrition, food safety and food preservation (canning/freezing)
- Family financial and housing issues
- Family policy education
- Child development and parenting
- Family caregiving and aging
- Building support for and capacity of families in the community context

In 2008, the Family Living Agent focused her programs on three areas, based upon the 2007 Green County Extension Needs Assessment and information collected from county partnerships such as the Green County Healthy Communities Coalition. These three areas included: 1) Caregiving Across the Lifespan, 2) Family Financial Management, and 3) Diversity and Latino Immigrants. UW-Extension's Family Living Programs bring research and evidence-based programs, assessment and evaluation tools and strategies to bear on local community issues. Family Living Agents also bring content area knowledge and resources to work with community partners and families. Following are the program highlights for 2008:

## **Caregiving Across the Lifespan:**

### **Trainings for Childcare Providers:**

Childcare providers play a crucial professional role, helping families understand child development and parenting issues and challenges. They also enable parents to work, both adding to and providing stability to local economies. Childcare providers receive research-based and relevant training through Green County Extension. They also receive continuing education hours which they need in order to maintain their certification or licensure. Topics covered in 2008 included: helping children with problem-solving, math and science readiness, transitions, nutrition, diversity in childcare, and children's problem behaviors.

### **Parent Education:**

Parents are faced with a different set of circumstances than they were a couple of decades ago. Dual-income and single parent households are now the norm, and often neighbors and grandparents are working. Technology, changing cultural values, and less first-hand knowledge of infants and children on the part of new parents make parenting a significant challenge. Extension is responding with programs like the evidence-based "Raising a Thinking Child". This program helps parents to learn and use new strategies, and practice them with their children. A group of parents in New Glarus experienced positive behavior changes in both themselves and their children in just eight weeks. The Family Living Agent will train other parent educators in the community, so that this excellent program can be offered more widely.

### **Family Caregiving and Aging:**

As our population ages, and the work and role of caring for aging or disabled parents and other loved ones is shared by fewer available family members, this will become (and already is becoming) a larger community issue. State specialist Mary Brintnall-Peterson was invited to come and present about her recent research on caregivers which shows the normal process and identity change of people who become primary caregivers to loved ones. People were very appreciative of this presentation.

## **Family Financial Management:**

### **Financial Counseling training:**

Financial literacy, or basic understanding of how to budget, manage credit, and save for the future is no longer something we can assume young people know. Even middle-aged adults have not saved nearly enough for their retirements (notwithstanding the stock market crash). The Family Living Agent coordinated and provided a training for local professionals and volunteers who work with families and individuals who need financial help. Participants rated the training on a scale of 1-5 (1 was “not useful” and 5 was “very useful”) an average of 4.64. Participants also felt that their specific skills and knowledge increased due to what they learned and practiced in this training. Participants included employees from local banks, Green County Human Services, St. Vincent’s, Monroe Senior Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Green Haven Family Advocates.

### **Tax Credit Outreach and Free Tax Prep Site Development:**

Tax time can be a real help to low to moderate income families, as many are eligible for significant credits and the resulting refunds. This can be of benefit to local communities and economies in many ways. However many people are not aware of the credits and what a boon they can be to their household income. The Family Living Agent worked with the Green County Housing Partnership to develop a free tax site on Saturdays, to make it easier for lower-income working people to use this service. She also engaged in a tax credit education campaign to help encourage people to file and claim their tax credits in early 2008 (and again in 2009).

## **Responding to Growing Latino Community**

### **Latinos in the US Book Discussion Series:**

The Latino immigrant population is growing throughout the Midwest, and Green County, Wisconsin is no exception. The Family Living Agent collaborated with previous Community Development Agent Sarah Burgert, the Latino Needs Advisory Committee, Monroe Public Library, and Wisconsin Humanities Council to provide this book discussion series aimed at increasing cultural and diversity awareness for Green County professionals.

### **Green-Lafayette Counties Rural Immigration Summit:**

The Family Living Agent planned and organized this event in coordination with the Green County Latino Needs Advisory Committee and a planning subcommittee which included Lafayette County Extension. The educational goal of the program was to provide information about immigrants and immigration, so that local professionals, policy-makers, and others interested in the topic can better understand: a) the process of immigration, b) the immigrants themselves. The event took place on October 17, 2008. 36 of the 77 who attended were from Green County. 28 of the 36 Green County attendees responded to the evaluations: 17 rated the summit as excellent, and 11 rated it as good. Comments indicated higher levels of awareness and knowledge on the issue.

### **Haciendo Amigos, monthly Spanish educational newsletter:**

Research-based information and resources for local Latino families and community.

## **Additional Roles of Family Living Agent**

- Educational advisor for the Green County Association for Home and Community Education (HCE), a local non-profit organization with 112 members.
- Serves as the food safety, food science, clothing, and textiles advisor for the Green County 4H clubs and Green County Fair.

Take calls and provide information to general public about food safety, food preparation, food preservation, and other household and home management issues.

# Agencies & Groups the Green County UW-Extension Office Worked With in 2008

The Green County UW-Extension Office reaches a wide variety of groups and organizations through educational programming and collaborations. Many of these groups are listed below.

- Area Childcare Centers
- Area Clergy
- Area Financial Institutions
- Area In-Home Family Childcare Providers
- Area School Districts & FFA Chapters
- Arts Build of South Central Wisconsin
- Barn Quilts of Green County
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Green County
- Blackhawk Technical College
- Business Improvement District Boards
- Chambers of Commerce
- Child Care Resource & Referral of South Central WI., Inc.
- Dairy Herd Improvement Association
- Department of Natural Resources, State & Local
- Farm Services Agency
- Green County 4-H Adult Leaders Inc.
- Green County Ag Chest
- Green County Association for Home & Community Education
- Green County Beef Producers
- Green County Birth to Three
- Green County Board of Supervisors
- Green County Cheese Days, Inc.
- Green County Dairy Youth Recognition Auction
- Green County Development Corporation
- Green County Emergency Management
- Green County Fair
- Green County Family Court Commissioner
- Green County Farm Bureau
- Green County Future Forward!
- Green County Garden Clubs
- Green County Health Department
- Green County Holstein Breeders & Jr Holstein Breeders
- Green County Housing Partnership
- Green County Human Services
- Green County Job Center
- Green County 4-H Adult & Junior Leaders
- Green County Leaders
- Green County Landfill
- Green County Law Enforcement Agencies
- Green County FFA & 4-H Meat Animal Auction
- Green County Milk Quality Council
- Green County Pork Producers
- Green County Sheep Producers
- Green County SmART Communities
- Green County Tourism
- Green County Zoning Department
- Green Haven
- GUPPY, Inc.
- Land and Water Conservation Department
- Literacy Council of Green County
- Local Fare
- Local Media (Newspapers, Radio and Internet)
- Monroe Area Safe Kids/Safe Communities
- Monroe Chamber of Commerce
- Monroe Clinic Hospital
- Monroe Main Street
- Monroe Public Library
- National Farmers Organization
- National Historic Cheesemaking Center
- Parks & Recreation Departments
- Property Owner's Associations
- South Central WI Master Gardener Association
- Southern WI Dairy Modernization Task Force
- Southwest WI Arts Build
- Southwest WI Small Business Development Center
- Southwest WI Community Action Program
- Southwest WI Technical College
- Southwestern WI Regional Planning Commission
- State Legislators
- Town, Village and City Elected Officials
- Town, Village and City Plan Commissions
- Town, Village and City Public Works
- United Way of Green County, Inc.
- United States Department of Agriculture
- UW-Madison Department of Animal Sciences
- UW-Madison Short Course
- UW-Platteville Continuing Education
- Vo-Ag Instructors at Area Schools
- WI Association of County Extension Comm., Inc.
- WI Cattlemen's Association
- WI Center for Agriculture Safety and Health
- WI Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection
- WI Pork Association
- WI Towns Association
- World Dairy Expo
- Youth and Adult 4-H Volunteers and Members
- Young Professionals of Green County