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Fun at the Timber Rattler Outing By Kelly Oudenhoven

'Take Me Out to the Ball Game!'

Bring the family to watch the Timber Rattlers take on the Quad Cities River Bandits on **Friday, August 18**. Come early and enjoy an all-you-can-eat tailgate party compliments of the Outagamie County Farm Bureau. Then sit back and relax and enjoy some good ole American baseball. If you feel up to it, stay

late and enjoy an amazing fireworks display to top off the night. This night is open to all Outagamie County Farm Bureau members and their families and is compliments of the Outagamie County Farm Bureau.

Please RSVP by **August 15** to me at Kelly.oudenhoven@gmail.com or 920.378.4744. Hope to see you there!



Outagamie County Farm Bureau members filled three rows of a section at the Timber Rattlers game last year. Join in the fun and camaraderie on August 18.

Partnership for Adventures in Dairyland By Kelly Oudenhoven

The Outagamie County Farm Bureau will be partnering with the Outagamie County Dairy Promotion along with some support from the UW Extension to help direct the famous Adventures in Dairyland Program.

ing on June 29 and discussed the history of the program and some things that we can improve during the summer.

We will meet again in the fall to review curriculum.

The steering committee had the first meet-

Great Turnout for YFA Contest Training Night By Brian Preder



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OUTAGAMIE COUNTY FARM BUREAU EDITION



Outagamie County Farm Bureau Celebrates at Breakfast on the Farm By Brittney Muenster



Kelsey Ham portioned out cream for the butter-making project.



All ages got into the butter making process.



Butter making became a family affair for some.



Crackers were provided to taste test the hand-made treat.



The interactive dairy promotion made some special memories for everyone.



Addie the mechanical milking cow was sponsored by Outagamie County Farm Bureau .

On June 10, Farm Bureau members Kelsey Ham, Brittney Muenster and guest Chelsey Thiel worked along with Wes Raddatz to operate a booth at Outagamie County's breakfast on the farm. This year's activity was demonstrating how butter is made. Small containers with covers were filled with heavy whipping cream and YFA mem-

bers showed breakfast goes how by shaking them for a short period of time the cream would form into butter. Crackers were distributed as well so participants could taste test their hand-made product. The activity was very well received with a great amount of positive feedback.

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Get Ready for Octoberfest Cream Puffs By Bernie and Linda Vander Heiden

Come to College Avenue on **Saturday, September 30**, for Octoberfest. Volunteers are needed to help in the cream puff booth. The four tasks we need help with involve whipping the cream, putting the cream into the shells, moving the cream puffs to the sale counter and taking money and making change. We like to have two people helping with each of the tasks.

Wouldn't it be fun to help us in the cream puff booth for a couple hours and then enjoy the rest of the day on the avenue? You can listen to bands playing country, rock and jazz music spread along the blocks of the street, there is a craft fair, things for kids to do, the retail

stores are open and of course there is a variety of food and beverage vendors.

Help is needed starting at 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. This is our one fundraiser for the year to give extra monetary support to the Outagamie County Farm Bureau efforts like Ag in the Classroom, 4-H scholarships and programs, FFA Farm Forum, Fairest of the Fair and the Rural Health Initiative program in the county.

To volunteer in the booth on Saturday, September 30, please call 920.766.9377 and let us know when you can work and if there is a specific task you prefer to help with.



Farm Bureau cream puffs walk away fast. Keep the supply coming by helping at this year's event.

President's Report



This is not a year for farmers to remember as a great crop season.

I've heard reports of people planting corn for the third time already, and it's after the Fourth of July. It's sad to hear reports of many hail damaged fields in the southern part of state, too.

Being a Farm Bureau member can't correct the weather, but is there something the Outagamie

County Farm Bureau could help you with, like a policy resolution for this fall's annual meeting? Let someone on the board of directors know about any ideas or concerns you may have.

Soon, the Outagamie County Farm Bureau board will get a report on what the Collegiate Farm Bureau's activity is and how they promote Farm Bureau and agriculture awareness on the University of Wisconsin campuses.

The newly crowned Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair Amanda Stingle is involved with the Collegiate Farm Bureau, and we're looking forward to a great relationship.

Mike Salter
Outagamie County Farm Bureau President

District 7 Director's Report

On **Monday, August 28**, will be the District 7 Policy Development Meeting and Young Farmer and Agriculturist (YFA) Discussion Meet.

This will be the first time in District 7 history that the two meetings are being held together for an enjoyable night of learning.



The Policy Development Meeting will feature WFBF Local Affairs Director Steve Boe talking about his newly created position, and

how he will interact with county Farm Bureaus around the state to enhance their effectiveness on local issues.

The YFA Discussion Meet competition will feature a panel of YFA members discussing the topic: **"Formation of family farm corporations is common practice. How can Farm Bureau work to ensure that the public's positive perception of the family farm is not lost?"**

Only three panelists will be able to move on to the state competition that will take place at the WFBF Annual Meeting and YFA Conference in December, so come and support your county's candidate.

All Farm Bureau members are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Date: Monday, August 28
Time: 6:30 p.m. - Registration 7 p.m. - Meal served
Location: Shawano 4 Seasons Resort, 201 N. Airport Road, Shawano

Meal: Family-style chicken and cod dinner
Cost: \$15.60 per person, your county Farm Bureau will reimburse the cost

RSVP by **Sunday, August 20**, to wraddatz@wfbf.com or 920.713.4753 (leave message). Please state your name, county and how many will be attending.

Adam Kuczer
District 7 Board of Director

Farm Bill Committee Update By Mike Salter

Wisconsin Farm Bureau has two committees for the farm bill. One is the general farm bill the other is the dairy portion of farm bill.

I've been appointed to the general committee and it has met twice so far. There is a learning curve involved with both meetings as we try to gain understanding about where the money goes that is allocated through the farm bill.

The last meeting, staff members from DATCP were there and provided details about the money that they receive and how they use it. UW College of Ag and Life Sciences joined us and gave an overview of their program.

Then UW-Extension explained what part is federal farm bill and what part is county and state. The last

part of the day was spent with crop insurance, the different kinds and how each one is supposed to compensate farmers.

Our next meeting will be to put together priorities for the farm bill programs. Of course, one question that always comes up is should the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) continue to be part of the farm bill, or should it be a stand-alone program.



I'm representing you on this committee, so I welcome hearing your thoughts and concerns about any farm bill issues.

Fairest of the Fair Selection By Kelly Oudenhoven

On June 11, at the Outagamie County breakfast on the farm, Amanda Stingle was crowned the 2017 Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair with Alyssa Seitz as the runner-up.

We are excited for the fun things that Amanda will be able to do during her reign as Fairest. We also want to thank Angela Penterman for her reign as the 2016 Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair and making Outagamie County proud.

Make sure to like the Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair page on Facebook.



(from left) 2016 Fairest of the Fair Angela Penterman, Fairest runner-up Alyssa Seitz and 2017 Fairest of the Fair Amanda Stingle.



Last year, Kristi Fiedler (left) participated in the District 7 YFA Discussion Meet and went on to win the WFBF Discussion Meet.

Register Now for the 2017 Wisconsin Ag Open

This year's Wisconsin Ag Open will be held on **Monday, September 11**, at Christmas Mountain Village in Wisconsin Dells.

For information, visit wfbf.com/aboutwfbf/foundation/wisconsin-ag-open.



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A Report from the Fairest of the Fair By Amanda Stingle



Hello everyone, I am Amanda Stingle, and I am honored to be the 2017 Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair.

I would first off like to say thank you to the Outagamie County Farm Bureau for helping to sponsor the Outagamie County Fairest of the Fair Program. I also want to thank the Outagamie County Fair Board and the Outagamie County Dairy Promotion for their support of the Fairest of the Fair Program.

I am looking forward to my year as Fairest and being able to promote both the fair and agriculture. I am excited take part in all the fair festivities.

I am also looking forward to attending other festivals and parades in the county throughout the year.

Since being crowned Fairest of the Fair at breakfast on the farm, I have attended the 'Salute to Cows' night at the Wisconsin Timber Rattler game, where I helped hand out string cheese.

I am looking forward to seeing you at the Outagamie County Fair this year.



Amanda Stingle was crowned the 2017 Fairest of the Fair at the Outagamie breakfast on the farm.

YFA Happenings in Outagamie County By Kelly Oudenhoven



YFA members helped at Outagamie County breakfast on the farm.

The Young Farmer and Agriculturist (YFA) members are having a busy summer with many events.

In June, the YFA members volunteered for the Outagamie County breakfast on the farm teaching children how to make butter and serving food.

In July, the YFA members went to the Outagamie County Fair and watched an a cappella country group 'Home Free' put on their unique show on July 28.

Then in August, the YFA members will

enjoy a good game of baseball by attending the Timber Rattler game on **Friday, August 18**. This includes an all-you-can-eat buffet and fireworks after the game.

Don't forget to volunteer at Octoberfest in September and the Family Day at Porter's Patch in October.

For more information or for questions, please contact me at 920.378.4744 or Kelly.oudenhoven@gmail.com.

Don't forget to 'like' us on Facebook!

Humor Corner By LeRoy Van Asten

A sports writer interviewed a college football coach about his star player. "He's great on the field," the writer noted, "but how is he in the classroom?"

"He makes straight As," the coach responded. "That's terrific!"

"Yes, but his Bs and Cs are a little slanted."

Megahertz: What you feel when your lap top falls on your foot.

A woman should not ask for help from her brother, because he can't be a brother and assist her, too.

Many young people today are still willing to strive for success ... if they can start from the top and then move up.



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Peaches and Blueberry Sale Report

By Mike and Judy Salter

We checked with Michigan they said the order deadline for their fresh and delicious fruit will be about **August 4** with the delivery somewhere around **August 14**.

If you have any questions or if you have interest in purchasing fruit, please call us at 920.739.0403.



YFA Contest Training Night

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