Thank you to all who made our Wisconsin Crop Management Conference, Fresh Market Vegetable Conference, and UWEX-WPVGGA Grower Education Conference such successful and well-attended events. This newsletter highlights a few more of our upcoming UWEX-sponsored vegetable educational conferences here in Wisconsin.

**February 17, 2015 – Farmer’s Market Workshop.** Coordinated by Waukesha, Racine, Kenosha, and Walworth County Extension. The meeting will be held at the Government Center at 100 W. Walworth St., Elkhorn, WI from 9AM to 3PM. The meeting agenda and registration form are below. Contacts for further information: Kristin Krokowski, Waukesha County, Kristin.krokowski@ces.uwex.edu; Leigh Presley, Racine & Kenosha Counties, Leigh.presley@ces.uwex.edu; or Peg Reedy, Walworth County, peg.reedy@ces.uwex.edu.

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**Farmers’ Market Workshop**

**February 17, 2015 Government Center 100 W. Walworth Street Elkhorn, WI 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**

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**Registration:**

- Adults (15 years old and over): $10
- Youth (10 years old and under): $5
- Family Registration (two adults and unlimited children): $20

**Make Checks Payable to:**

Walworth County UW-Extension

**AGENDA**

- **8:30 Sign-in/Registration**
- **9:00 Vegetable Insect Pests, Russ Groves, UW-Extension Vegetable Insect Specialist**
- **10:15 On Farm Food Safety, Erith Silha, UW-Extension Organic Vegetable Production and Food Safety Specialist**
- **11:30 Lunch**
- **12:00 Vegetable Diseases, Amanda Gevens, UW-Extension Vegetable Disease Specialist**
- **1:15 Farm Liability and Insurance, Rachel Armstrong, Attorney, Farm Community**

**For more information, please contact:**

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March 3, 2015 – 12th Annual Fresh Market Produce Workshop for Organic & Conventional Growers. Coordinated by Monroe County Extension. The meeting will be held at the Ontario Community Center on Main Street in Ontario, WI from 9AM to 3:30PM. The meeting agenda and registration form are below. Contacts for further information: Bill Halfman of Monroe County at bill.halfman@co.monroe.wi.us.

2015 Workshop Agenda

9:30 am Registration

10:00 Vegetable Crop Insect Management Update
  Dr. Russ Groves, UW Extension Vegetable Crop Entomologist

10:30 Break

10:45 GAP Certification and the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA): Current and Future Implications for Wisconsin Farmers
  Dr. Erin Stitko, UW Extension Organic Production Specialist

12:00 noon Lunch

1:00 Managing Mildews in Cucurbit Crops and a Late Blight Update
  Dr. Amanda Owens, UW Extension Vegetable Crop Pathologist

1:40 Preparing the Soil and Site for Planting a Fruit Crop
  Dr. Amaya Atucha, UW Extension Fruit Crop Production Specialist

2:15 Pollinators: who are they and how can we promote healthy pollinators?
  Dr. Christelle Guardoli, UW Extension Fruit Crop Entomologist

3:00 pm Adjourn

All presentations will include both organic and conventional management considerations.

Participants will receive (one copy per Farm) of UW Extension Publication A3422 Commercial Vegetable Production in Wisconsin 2015— which includes organic and conventional pest and disease control recommendations.

There is a $5 per person registration fee for the workshop which includes lunch, and materials for the meeting.

Fresh Market Produce Workshop
March 3, 2015
Pre-registration Form

Number of people attending ______

Name

Address

Phone

Registration deadline:
Tuesday, February 24th

Send to:
Monroe County Extension Office
14246 County Hwy B, Rm 1
Sparta, WI 54656
Or call:
Phone: 608-369-6822
March 4, 2015 – Central Wisconsin Processing Crops Conference, Coordinated by Waushara County Extension. The meeting will be held at the Hancock Agricultural Research Station on Highway V in Hancock, WI from 8AM to 3:15PM. The meeting agenda and registration form are below. Contacts for further information: Ken Williams of Waushara County at ken.williams@ces.uwex.edu.

Central Wisconsin Processing Crops Meeting
Hancock Agricultural Research Station
March 4, 2015

Registration Form
Central Wisconsin Processing Crops Meeting
Hancock Agricultural Research Station, Hancock WI
March 4, 2015
Pre-registration by March 1 is REQUIRED

Participant: Name(s)
Address
City/State/Zip
Hand
Affiliation or Farm Name

Registration: $25.00 Per Person
Make checks payable to UW-Extension, Waushara County

MAIL REGISTRATION TO:
Ken Williams
UW-Extension, Waushara County
P.O. Box 487
Wausau, WI 54401
Telephone: 715-848-0415
ken.williams@ces.uwex.edu

Central WI Processing Crops Meeting, March 4, 2015

8:30 – 9:00 Registration
9:00 – 9:30 Commercialization of Food, Insects: opportunities in insect science and native pollinators
Rachel J. Bruns, Chair, UW-Madison Department of Entomology
9:30 – 10:00 Scanning Electron Microscopy of Insects: a Common Tool for Many Biological Questions
Dr. Pit V. van der Zee, UW-Madison Department of Zoology
10:00 – 10:30 Break
10:30 – 10:45 Processing Vegetable Marsupiality Industry: Trends and Analysis of Economic Impacts
Speaker: TBA
11:45 – 12:00 Develop New Markets for Local Non-Food Products: A Community Workshop
Speaker: TBA
12:30 – 1:00 Sweet Corn, Soybeans, Chickpeas, Potatoes and Other Minor Grains: Procuring, Plant Breeding, and Disease Management
Dr. Scott Kates, UW-Madison Department of Food Science
1:00 – 1:30 Time to Talk (Lunch)

Central Wisconsin Processing Crops Meeting
Hancock Agricultural Research Station
N3999 County Hwy V
Hancock WI
March 4, 2015

General Information
This seminar concentrates specifically on issues affecting vegetable production in Central Wisconsin.

Seminar Date:
Wednesday, March 4, 2015

Registrations:
$25.00 per person
Includes seminar, refreshments and lunch.

Location:
Hancock Agricultural Research Station
N3999 County Hwy V
Hancock, WI 54443

Credits: CCA CEUs will be requested.

Directions: Hwy 108 Hwy 51
Table Exit 121, Proceed West toward South of Hwy V. The Research Station is about 1.5 miles South on the West side of Hwy V.
March 5, 2015 – 2015 Commercial Vegetable Update, Coordinated by Clark County Extension from 8:30AM to 2:45PM at the Thorp Fire Hall, 101 S. Wilson St., Thorp, WI. The contact for the meeting is Richard Halopka at Richard.halopka@co.clark.wi.us. Please see below for the meeting agenda and further registration logistics.

2015 Commercial Vegetable Update
Thursday March 5, 2015
8:30 a.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Thorp Fire Hall
101 S Wilson St
Thorp, WI

Tentative Agenda 2015
Vegetable Workshop

8:30 am  Registration
9:00 am  Vegetable Insect Pests – Russ Groves
10:00 am Break
10:15 am On Farm Food Safety – Erin Silva
11:30 am Lunch
12:00 pm Vegetable Diseases – Amanda Gevens
1:15 pm Farm liability and insurance – Rachel Armstrong
2:45 pm Wrap up/adjourn

Registration Form due by February 27

Name(s): ____________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________________________________________
City/ State / Zip: ___________________________________________________________________
County: __________________________ Phone: __________________________

Registration Cost: $5.00 PER PERSON
Make check payable to: Clark County UW-Extension
Registration and check must be postmarked by February 27, 2015
Return registration form to:
Clark County UW-Extension
517 Court Street, Room 104
Neillsville, WI 54456

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