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WINNEBAGO COUNTY

April 7-11, 2025

Join us for a week of FREE community programs!

625 E. County Road Y, Oshkosh

Human Development & Relationships

End-of-life planning is a gift for your loved ones. A medical crisis can leave you unable to make health care decisions, regardless of age. Join our **Planning AHEAD** program for tools and resources to start or continue your planning. It's not just for the elderly or ill—plan ahead and leave a legacy!

Dates: Wednesdays for six weeks, April 2 through May 7

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Location: Westgor Funeral Home, 1140 Appleton Rd, Menasha

Cost: \$20 for workbook, materials, and guest speakers.

(Scholarships available to cover the cost if you are unable to pay)

Registration: (920) 832-4763 or online at <https://bit.ly/PlanningAheadWestgor>



Rent Smart equips individuals with the skills for a successful renting experience. Designed for those with little rental experience or difficulty securing housing, participants will learn how to build positive relationships with landlords and neighbors, navigate the application process, and understand tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities.

Rent Smart classes are offered online via Zoom and are FREE! See the 2025 schedule and register for **Rent Smart** classes at <https://go.wisc.edu/Rentsmartregister>

March 2025: 15, 22, 29 @ 9:00AM-11:30AM; Saturdays

April 2025: 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24 @ 7:00PM-8:00PM; Tue/Thurs

May 2025: 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23 @ 1:00PM-2:00PM; Mon/Fri

June 2025: 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25 @ 9:00AM-10:00AM; Mon/Wed

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FoodWise News

2025 WISCONSIN CHILI LUNCH

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The annual Wisconsin Chili Lunch (WCL) supports local food purchasing by encouraging cafeterias to serve a chili dish made with local ingredients in the cafeteria. On **February 27th**, cafeterias around the state will participate in the WCL by **preparing local chili and celebrating Wisconsin farmers**. This event provides a fun way to practice local food procurement and promotion.

The goal of the WCL is to create strong **connections between Wisconsin farmers and eaters**, and demonstrate how cafeterias can serve Wisconsin grown — even in winter. This statewide chili lunch event inspires **nutritious school meals** and **supports farm-to-institution initiatives** throughout the state, while encouraging year-round purchases of local foods.

Learn More and Register on the [Wisconsin Chili Lunch Website](#).

Download this great [Slow Cooker Chili Recipe](#)!

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Community Development

Introduction to Plain Language is back!

Join this FREE virtual workshop to learn strategies for word choice, font selection, grammar use, user testing, and more that help us communicate quickly and effectively with both native and nonnative English speakers.

Thursday, March 13 - 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Wednesday, March 19 - 1:00 - 3:00 PM

Register at: <http://go.wisc.edu/plain>

A partnership between UW-Madison's Cultural Linguistic Services and UW-Madison Division of Extension.

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FEED WEBINARS

2025 FEED WEBINAR SERIES

Mondays at 2pm CST

February 10th, 17th, 24th, March 3rd, 10th, & 17th



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COMMUNITY FOOD SYSTEMS



Learn tips for running and growing a successful food business from specialists and entrepreneurs! This no-cost series of online trainings is for food entrepreneurs and farm-based food businesses.

Mondays 2:00-3:00 pm: February 10-March 17

→ On March 10 Mia is presenting with the Center for Cooperatives on “How Business Cooperatives Can Help Entrepreneurs Access Farmland”

Register at: <https://foodsystems.extension.wisc.edu/2025-feed-webinar-series/>

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Winnebago County

2025 4-H SUMMER CAMP SAFARI

JUNE 26-29TH
UPHAM WOODS, WISCONSIN DELLS
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15TH

4-H camps provide youth with the chance to meet new people. 4-H Summer camp is an overnight experience. Youth learn about the natural world, themselves and each other. Activities include hiking on irregular terrain, swimming, canoeing, crafts, art, music, recreation and campfire time. Transportation is included.

Cost
\$100
per camper

Registration Form:



Grades 3-8



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BEEF SCHOOL

Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Cecil Village Hall & Community Center
Scenic downtown Cecil, WI

- 5:30 PM Registration & Meal **Registration \$25**
Catering by Primal Eats
- 6:15 PM Beef Genetics - Understanding EPD's and Bull Selection
Criteria, Selecting Replacements (In a High Value Market)
- 6:45 PM Virtual Fencing: Current Realities of a New Technology
- 7:10 PM Hands-On Handling Facilities: Understanding Movement
Patterns From Your Animals' Perspectives
- 7:45PM Forages for Your Herd - Options and Practices to Get
the Best Animal Performance from Your Forage Acres
- 8:15PM Heading Homeward

[Sign up](#) is encouraged but not required. This workshop is pay-at-the-door.

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JOIN US FOR 2025 UW-EXTENSION DAIRY PROGRAM “DAIRY FEEDING SCHOOL” WINTER WORKSHOPS

This workshop will address dairy feeding concerns in Wisconsin, including feed safety, management, transition cow health, and the economics of feeding. It will be offered in **English** and **Spanish**.



FEB 20	Darlington
MAR 5	Green Bay
MAR 19	Madison
MAR 26	Fond du Lac
APR 2	Abbotsford

🕒 10AM- 3PM



SCAN ME

COST: \$15 INCLUDES LUNCH

REGISTER TODAY

<https://go.wisc.edu/ext-feeder-school>



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Please contact Katie to inquire about upcoming trainings.

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Horticulture

Spring is almost here, and **Seed Savers of Oshkosh** is ready to kick off the season with two exciting events.

Spring Seed Swap

March 1, 2-4 PM at Oshkosh Food Co-op

Pick up free seeds from local gardeners and the Oshkosh Seed Savers Collection—no seeds required to join! Donations welcome to support future events. You can also trade seeds, plants, and cuttings through our online exchange, with a designated table for pick-ups and drop-offs.

Soil Block Party

March 30, 2-4 PM at 1025 Merritt Avenue

Learn a space-efficient, plastic-free method of soil blocking for strong root growth. This outdoor event is RSVP-only, so email oshkoshseedsavers@gmail.com by March 15 to secure your spot.

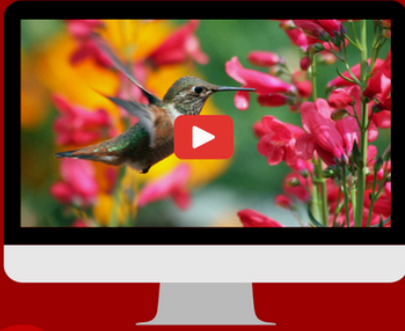
Volunteer opportunities and table reservations for the Seed Swap are also available. [Email](#) to get involved! Don't miss out on these great opportunities to support local gardening and sustainability.

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Free Online Gardening Programs

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