

**MINUTES APPROVED AUGUST 14, 2015**  
**AG & EXTENSION EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
Deke Slayton Memorial Space and Bike Museum/Monroe County Local History Room, Sparta, WI  
Friday, June 12, 2015

Meeting was called in accordance with open meeting law requirements.

Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair David Pierce at 9:15 AM.

**Members present were:** David Pierce, James Schroeder, and Gail Chapman. Agents present were: Bill Halfman and Brittany Meyers, Summer Assistant. Others present were: Alli Karrell, Deke Slayton Space & Bicycle Museum Executive Director, Jarrod Roll, Monroe County Local History Room Director, and Bob Micheel. Member(s) absent: Chairperson Nodji Van Wychen, Mary Cook and Joshua Goede.

**Motion** was made by James Schroeder to accept the minutes for the past meeting as printed. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2.

**The next meeting** is scheduled for Friday, July 10, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Monroe County Extension Office, Rolling Hills Conference Room 220, Sparta.

**THE DEKE SLAYTON MEMORIAL SPACE AND BIKE MUSEUM REPORT**— Motion was made by James Schroeder to accept the Deke Slayton Memorial Space and Bike Museum Report. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2. (report attached)

**LOCAL HISTORY ROOM REPORT**— Motion was made by Gail Chapman to accept the Local History Room Report and pay bills for the month. Seconded by James Schroeder. Motion carried. 3-0-2 (report attached)

**COUNTY FARM EDUCATION FUNDS**

> Discussion of Other Potential Projects – no discussion

**COST OVERRUN ON THE STREAM CROSSING**—Bob Micheel presented resolution for consideration. Motion made by James Schroeder to approve and forward to Finance Committee and County Board the resolution to pay \$1,500.84 from the CREP restricted use funds for the additional costs of repairing the stream crossing area at the County Farm. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2.

**EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS AND BILLS**

> **AGENT PROGRAM AND UPDATES/REPORTS**

The Extension educators (4-H & Youth Development and Agriculture) provided education current programs/ impacts. Motion made by James Schroeder to accept agent program reports and review of expenditures. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2 (reports attached)

> **REQUEST FOR BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFER FROM SALARIES AND FRINGE BENEFITS—AGENTS TO SALARIES AND BENEFITS—OFFICE FOR SUMMER ASSISTANT POSITION**—Motion made by James Schroeder to approve Budget Line Transfer in the total amount of \$5,182.56 from Agent Salaries and Fringe Benefits and move to Office Salaries, Social Security, Medicare and Workers Compensation to pay for Summer Assistant position. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2 (form attached)

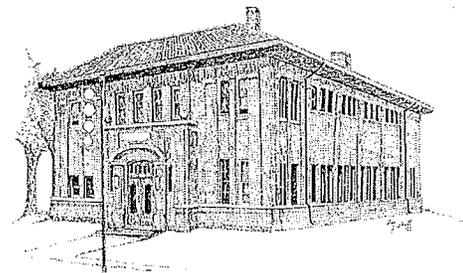
> **UW-EXTENSION 133 CONTRACT (2015) APPROVAL**—Motion made by James Schroeder to approve UW-Extension 133 Contract amendment as presented. Seconded by Gail Chapman. Motion carried. 3-0-2.

**Motion** was made to adjourn by James Schroeder, seconded by Gail Chapman and approved on a 3-0-2 vote at 10:19 a.m.

—Bill Halfman, Recording Secretary

# MONROE COUNTY LOCAL HISTORY ROOM MUSEUM & LIBRARY

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## County Historian's Report, May 2015 Submitted by Jarrod Roll, Director / County Historian

### Highlighted Projects and Activities

- Promoted and hosted the Thursday evening public program, "Farm Boy Remembers" by Larry Scheckel
- Provided educational programming to 797 students from Warrens Elementary, Brookwood Elementary, Maplewood Elementary, Meadowview Intermediate, Lemonweir Elementary, West Salem Middle School, Bangor Elementary, and WI Heritage Day, both at the History Room and in the classroom and at the Wegner Grotto
- Reviewed applications for the Museum Services Associate position
- Created Local History Room news page for MCHS newsletter
- Updated the Wegner Grotto County Park brochure with new photos and Wandering Wisconsin site map
- Met with Kurt Marshaus about upcoming Justice Center construction projects that will directly affect the Museum Building; sent out an email to involved parties calling them to action
- Attended management training session on "Lean Management and Methods"
- Assigned storage locations to artifacts removed from displays and those recently donated.
- Promoted the Local History Room and Grotto to the Sparta Kiwanis Club at their meeting
- Regular tasks: provide research assistance to the public (via email, telephone, mail, and in person patrons); provide customer service to museum visitors; create agenda and minutes; process photo duplication orders; balance LHR financial books and draft monthly report; check fire extinguishers; process new donation offerings; confer with Alli Karrells about museum issues and activities; attend monthly meetings (Ag/Ex Committee, Co. Economic Development & Tourism Committee, Dept Heads, MCHS)

### In addition to the projects listed above, I supervise the following volunteer and support staff:

- Janet Hendersin: process new donations: assign accession numbers, catalog, store; assist researchers; assist with exhibit development
- Agnes Jenkins: indexing newspapers
- Dennis Burek: photo scanning projects; data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Barb Reedich: research Water St. businesses for book/walking tour; answer research requests
- Helga Rogers: data entry projects; assist with clerical duties
- Kathy Hehn: assist with research requests; process items for sale on eBay
- Scot Simpson: indexing the County Poor Farm / Asylum records
- John Lasko: represents and promotes LHR at public events
- Lucy Bailey: indexing newspapers; inventorying tax records in Courthouse basement
- Audra Hanson: inventorying tax records in Courthouse basement
- Jane Schmidt: indexing newspapers



# MONROE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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MONTHLY YTD COMMITTEE REPORT  
AG AND EXTENSION

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ACCOUNTS FOR:	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANSFRS/ADJUSTMENTS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USED
15120000 515030 LIFE INSURANCE	18	0	18	7.50	.00	10.50	41.7%
2015/05/000100 05/14/2015 PRJ	1.50 REF 150514						
15120000 515040 WORKERS COMP	158	0	158	61.15	.00	96.85	38.7%
2015/05/000100 05/14/2015 PRJ	5.85 REF 150514						
2015/05/000305 05/28/2015 PRJ	6.40 REF 150528						
TOTAL SALARIES & FRINGE BENEFITS	80,809	0	80,809	31,607.16	.00	49,201.84	39.1%
HR600 PROGRAM COSTS							
15120000 534005 OPERATING EXPENSES	15,000	0	15,000	3,200.57	915.55	10,883.88	27.4%
2015/05/000212 05/02/2015 GEN	18.98 REF MAY						
2015/05/000212 05/02/2015 GEN	76.22 REF MAY						
2015/05/000212 05/02/2015 GEN	45.30 REF MAY						
TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS	15,000	0	15,000	3,200.57	915.55	10,883.88	27.4%
TOTAL LOCAL HISTORY ROOM	80,809	0	80,809	29,585.74	915.55	50,307.71	37.7%
TOTAL LOCAL HISTORY ROOM	80,809	0	80,809	29,585.74	915.55	50,307.71	37.7%
TOTAL REVENUES	-15,000	0	-15,000	-5,221.99	.00	-9,778.01	
TOTAL EXPENSES	95,809	0	95,809	34,807.73	915.55	60,085.72	



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## Informational Report:

Audience Served	2015					YTD
	January Month	February Month	March Month	April Month	May Month	
Adult Members 65+	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	
Adult Members Served:	26	18	15	11	11	
6-15 Age Members Served:	4	3	3	2	0	
< 5 Age Members Served:	3	3	2	2	0	
Adult Non-Members 65+	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	27	
Adult Non-Members Served:	50	50	101	99	125	
6-15 Age Non-Members Served:	23	23	24	46	22	
< 5 Age Non-Members Served:	8	8	12	4	9	
Number Served in Groups:	44	44	550	254	471	
<b>Total Audience Served:</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>2098</b>

### Past Events:

April 16: Mr. Science  
 April 18: WCLH Meeting  
 May 9: Dia de los Ninos  
 May 28: Spoke at the Friends and Spouses group, Ft. McCoy  
 May 29: Walk-a-thon, Southside elementary  
 June 6: Dairy breakfast

### Upcoming Events:

June 12-14: Butterfest, Pig Roast booth  
 June 13: Bike Decorating Contest  
 June 14: Butterfest parade  
 July 10: Pig Roast, Justin Trails Resort

### Other:

Change in hours and admission, many school groups with hundreds of kids, Blue Star Museum program, interest in elevator

If you have any questions, please call 608-269-0033. Thanks, Alli Karrels.

## Joshua L. Goede



### **Community Learning Centers**

CLCs for the year wrapped up and after talking to the staff it was felt that we had a successful year. The Agent's goals of recognition of 4-H Programming is well on its way. Most kids recognize the agent and associate the program with a fun science lesson. The Agent has also met with the Tomah Agriculture Advisory Committee. A grant through United Health Care will fund an agriculture/Nutrition program taught by the Tomah FFA students. Different delivery methods were looked into. The Agent and the Tomah FFA Advisors will meet again over summer hammer out details

### **Crawford Monroe Vernon Leadership Program**

The 14-15 program has concluded. The summer will be spent recruiting a new cohort for the 15-16 iteration of the program. We will strive for student in Vernon and Crawford to join three Monroe County youth.

### **Ft. McCoy**

The School Age Services just moved into their new building on Fort. It is much improved over the previous facility. The Summer Assistant and Agent will recruit and train teen members at the center to teach the grant based nutrition and cooking program in the new demonstration kitchen at fort.

### **By-Laws**

The Executive Board will meet in August to create the up to date set of by laws that include all current policies.

### **2015 Plat Books**

The 2015 Plat Book are still moving well. The full size maps are a popular addition. We have also ordered 28"X24" folding road maps to add to our offerings. They will replace the ones currently given with a plat book purchase.

### **Youth Protection Training**

The Agent will do two more sessions on May 12 & 14. These are to help out LaCrosse County as Families are signing up to host exchange students this summer.

### **GOT: VIVA**

Growing 4-H Opportunities Together: Volunteers in Vision and Action is a training on June 12 The Agent will attend to get ideas and training to inspire the 4-H Volunteers in Monroe County to get involved in shaping the possibilities and future of the program. Through the process a neighboring agent will meet with Monroe County Volunteers and help them assess the program's strengths and places to build up. Most importantly there will be a plan to follow to get the organization to our higher potential.

### **Junior Leaders**

The Jr. Leaders are gearing up for summer and planning their Ice Cream Booth for the fair. They are also looking forward to helping the judges at fair as well as the trip they planned to the twin cities. This fall the Jr. Leaders will look at ways to partner with Monroe County Safe Communities Coalition to work on tobacco prevention and other tobacco product awareness.

### **Summer Assistant**

Brittany Meyers started on June 8<sup>th</sup> as the 2015 Summer Assistant. Brittany has already proven a valuable asset as we have wrapped up prepping for 2015 Summer Camp. She proves to be efficient thinking of improvements before The Agent sees they need to be made.

## Joshua L. Goede



### Summer Camp

2015 LaCrosse Monroe County 4-H Summer Camp is June 17-20. The Agent has had much of the planning and training for this year's camp as LaCrosse County navigated their staffing transition. The new Agent in LaCrosse Suzanna Barnhardt joined us for the final counselor Training on June 10<sup>th</sup> and was happy with the progress we had made with the counselors.

### Upcoming Events

#### Wed Jun 17-20, 2015

##### **2015 4H camp at Upham Woods**

**Where:** Meet at Gordy's (Burnstad's) on the 17th at 12:30pm for drop off. Meet at Gordy's (Burnstad's) on the 20th at 11am for pick up

#### Sun Jun 21, 2015

##### **7pm Dog Training**

**Where:** Rolling Hills, Sparta

##### **7:15pm Dog Training**

**Where:** Cattle Barn/Recreation Park Tomah

#### Mon Jun 22, 2015

##### **9am Clothing Preview**

**Where:** Rolling Hills Auditorium

##### **6:30pm West Beaver Creek Club Meeting**

**Where:** Gospel Baptist Church

#### Thu Jun 25-28, 2015

##### **Tomah Tractor Pulls**

**Where:** Recreation Park/Tomah

##### **2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting at Brookwood High School**

**Where:** Brookwood High School

#### Sun Jul 5, 2015

##### **1:30pm Jolly Joiners monthly meeting**

**Where:** Cashton High School Cafeteria/Cashton

#### Mon Jul 6, 2015

##### **6:30pm Denim n Dust club meeting**

**Where:** Cataract Sportsmen's Club, Cataract WI

##### **7pm Leon Livewires Meeting at Leon Community Center**

**Where:** Leon Community Center, Leon WI 54656

#### Sun Jul 12, 2015

##### **2pm Norwalk Clovers Meeting**

**Where:** Norwalk Village Hall/Norwalk

##### **5pm LaGrange Tunnel-Lites at Greenfield Town Hall**

**Where:** Greenfield Town Hall, Tunnel City WI

#### Wed Jul 15, 2015

##### **6pm 4-H Foods Review**

**Where:** Sparta United Methodist Church

#### Sat Jul 25, 2015

##### **9am Fairgrounds set up day**

##### **12pm Mock Dog show after ring set up at Monroe County Fairgrounds**

**Where:** Monroe County Fairgrounds

#### Sun Jul 26, 2015

##### **2pm Hill-N-Valley Club Meeting at Brookwood High School**

**Where:** Brookwood High School

#### Mon Jul 27, 2015

##### **6:30pm West Beaver Creek Club Meeting at Gospel Baptist Church**

**Where:** Gospel Baptist Church

#### Wed Jul 29-Aug 2, 2015

##### **Monroe County Fair**

**Where:** Monroe County Fairgrounds/Tomah



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Bill Halfman, Agriculture Agent

### **Agriculture Extension Update May 9, 2015 to June 12, 2015**

The Ag Agent assisted with the District FFA Tractor Driving Contest held at Tomah HS. There were approximately six participants. The contest included a written test, safety inspection of a tractor, and two driving courses. The Ag Agent served as a judge/ referee for the contest. The top two contestants will compete at the state level contest.

The Ag Agent attended the statewide Extension Department Heads conference in Green Bay, May 19 to the 21<sup>st</sup>. There were presentations on a number of topics.

The 4-H shotgun and .22 rifle projects were completed for the year on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Farm visits were done around the county to address a number of topics ranging from crop trouble shooting to helping develop plans for modernizing or re-modeling buildings and facilities for livestock.

The Ag Agent had an Extension Office display at the Monroe County Dairy Breakfast.

The Ag Agent attended the Monroe Co Farm Bureau Board meeting and the Western WI Beef Producers board meeting.

Three Cashton High School Students are co-investigators on field projects this summer. The projects they are working on are 1. a potassium fertilizer response field trial, 2. a vine crop disease resistance and sentinel plot and 3. a spotted wing fruit fly trial comparing a new lure from Spain with the yeast and sugar lure in the traps. A fourth field project is a tomato disease resistance trial that will be completed with a cooperating farmer near Cashton without a student cooperator.

The Ag Agent is part of a working group to develop and conduct a pilot project to look at the feasibility of farmers growing small acreages of fresh market produce that would be sold through grocery store chains or through wholesalers as a way to diversify their income and provide produce that is in demand.

The Ag Agent is leading another tractor safety curriculum development project that will be developing and making videos of tractor operation and filmed using drones to get aerial views to show viewers how the wheels track, and how to turn the wheel to get the implement to go where you want when backing up and similar tasks.

The Extension Office and Ag Agent are assisting with the Wisconsin Tree Farmers summer field day that will be held near Cataract. UW Extension Specialists are involved with the field day.

### **Upcoming Events- more to be added as they get finalized**

June 16 Ft. MC Coy Tour for Ag Agents	Aug 25 to 27 Farm Technology Days
June 25 Fair livestock clean up and set up day	Sept. Beef Cow-calf workshops
June 29-July 1 Tractor Safety	Oct 20 Demographic Mapping workshop
July 7 GAP-FSMA workshops- Wilton and Cashton	
July 29- Aug 2 Monroe County Fair	
Aug 5 Carcass Judging	
Aug 11 Agronomy Field Day	
Aug 18-19- Native American Culture Education Conference	

