

UW Extension 2019 EPIC

Wednesday, November 20—Concurrent Sessions Workshop Descriptions



1:15 - 2:15 pm Concurrent Sessions:

- ◆ **Controversial Topics in Public Settings** (2 hour session—please register for the 2:30 to 3:30 pm session also) - How do we recognize when a topic is going to be particularly touchy for the audience? How do we engage participants who continually interrupt and disrupt a conversation? How do we participate fully when we are pretty sure that the other side's facts are just wrong? In this session we'll discuss how to conduct public meetings that are productive even when everyone can't agree and how to handle tough topics that come up in public meetings or individual conversations.
Lucy Pauley, Wyoming Agriculture and Natural Resources Mediation Program Coordinator
- ◆ **Social Media: Where should I be and what should I be doing?** - Let's discuss selecting, using, creating content for, and understanding social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and others. The how and why of social media marketing including building a strategy, scheduling posts, and understanding the analytics.
Tanya Engel, Graphic Designer/Coordinator, Area Public Relations, UWE Communication & Technology
- ◆ **4-H Weather and Climate Youth Learning Lab** - The USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub (NPCH) partnered via a mini-grant with Colorado, Montana, South Dakota and Wyoming to develop a youth learning lab to explore the difference between weather and climate. There are 9 units that can be used separately within a club setting, afterschool, walk up event thru hands on experiences.
Mary Louise Wood, 4-H Youth Development Educator, Albany Co
- ◆ **Stronger Partners, Bigger Impact: Examples from the Field** —Partnership development is a key component to leverage resources, expand capacity, and maximize program impact. In the Cent\$ible Nutrition Program, partnership development is an essential piece of programming, particularly to influence community-level change. During this panel presentation, participants will hear several examples of how partnerships were developed to enhance programming and create sustainable changes. The discussion will include best practices, overcoming barriers, and how these partnerships have led to stronger, more sustainable impacts.
Cent\$ible Nutrition Panel: Mindy Meuli, Abby Rux, and Shelley Balls
- ◆ **Open Lab for WyoCloud Financial Questions** - no registration required, anyone is welcome to drop in.

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2:30 - 3:30 pm Concurrent Sessions:

- ◆ **Controversial Topics in Public Settings - continued**
Lucy Pauley, Wyoming Agriculture and Natural Resources Mediation Program Coordinator

- ◆ **Social Media: How do I do what I need to do?** - Tools for building social media posts including Spark, Canva, and other Adobe alternatives.
Tanya Engel, Graphic Designer/Coordinator, Area Public Relations, UWE Communication & Technology

- ◆ **r3 - Real Kids, Real Fun, Real Food**—Mary and Julie will share information about cooking with youth 5th through 8th grade. This curriculum is a work in progress, pilot classes have been held in Wheatland, Torrington and Lingle; we will share results with the group. The cooking lessons be used with after-school classes, 4H youth, and other youth groups. Food safety, nutrition, meal planning and preparation are all part of the r3 program.
Mary Evans, CNP Educator and Julie Balzan, SE Area NFS Educator

- ◆ **Maker Movement, Augmented & Virtual Reality, and Emergent Technology in Extension**—This session will be a discussion about how Extension (and especially 4-H) might scale up efforts around the maker movement and emergent technology, exploring collaborative potential with the makerspaces on campus. Jane Crayton, the Makerspace Coordinator of the COE makerspace will be co-presenting. She comes to UW from Pueblo, CO where she was a STEAM 4-H Agent. Jane brings a wealth of ideas and energy to her collaborations and grant funded projects relating to Extension. The session will include a few demos of the equipment that the makerspace has to offer and examples of programs that can be delivered in collaboration with Extension professionals.
David Keto, UWE Communications and Technology Manager and Jane Crayton, Makerspace Coordinator

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4:00 - 5:00 pm Concurrent Sessions:

- ◆ **Conflict Management in the Workplace**—Whether you are a supervisor or an employee, conflicts can occur in the workplace on a daily basis. Disagreements over schedules, shared projects, work spaces, personalities and much more can lead to long-standing issues that impact our ability to be productive. In this session, you will gain a better understanding of your own approach to conflict and develop some strategies to manage the variety of disputes that can arise in the workplace.
Lucy Pauley, Wyoming Agriculture and Natural Resources Mediation Program Coordinator
- ◆ **Social Media: Do the work!** Get started by developing a strategy and building and scheduling posts. Bring your laptop or iPad.
Tanya Engel, Graphic Designer/Coordinator, Area Public Relations, UWE Communication & Technology
- ◆ **Understanding Temperature Inversions to Mitigate Pesticide Drift**—Spray drift associated with applying pesticides during a temperature inversion can result in unintended damage to non-target crops and vegetation. Participants will learn why temperature inversions are important to pesticide applicators; what a temperature inversion is; and how they develop & dissipate including common weather and surface conditions that influence these processes. Additionally, participants will learn about available weather resources they can use to inform their pesticide application schedule for a given week. This session is recommended for individuals who teach the Pesticide Applicators training, who administer the Pesticide Applicators test, or who personally use pesticides.
Windy Kelley, USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub Extension Coordinator
- ◆ **Grant Writing Tips and Tricks**—Grants can be a vital piece in your programming, and important in your community's funding puzzle. We'll talk about where to find grants, elements of a good proposal and practicing the grant elements. This session will be useful for Extension programming or for advising community organizations.
Cole Ehmke, CDE Extension Specialist, Department of Ag and Applied Economics
- ◆ **Open Lab for WyoCloud Financial Questions** - no registration required, anyone is welcome to drop in.