

Upcoming Local Government Programs October - November 2009

The UW-Extension Local Government Center (LGC) is publishing this announcement of statewide programs on a monthly basis. It includes Extension programming and other programs of interest relating to local government that are offered in Wisconsin. Asterisked (*) programs are Cooperative Extension programs.

Information about the UWEX Local Government Center and its programming may be found at lgc.uwex.edu.

Please call the specified program contact with questions about the programs.

OCTOBER

October 15, 16, and 17, 2009 – **Annual Conference of the League of Wisconsin Municipalities** with Engineering and Public Works track – held at the Radisson Paper Valley Hotel & Convention Center, Appleton. Fees vary with membership status, early or late registration, and guest or active participant. Optional Preconference Workshops are offered for an additional fee. For more information, call the League at (800) 991-5502 or visit www.lwm-info.org/.

* October 21, 2009 – **“Appointing Election Officials”** (Program #1771-2) Cooperative Extension’s Local Government Center, Conducting Local Elections WisLine Series. Brush up on procedures for appointing election officials, a timely issue because appointments are made in December. Fee: \$20 per session. Available at any WisLine site 10:30-12:00 p.m. Contact WisLine Registrations at (608) 262-0810 or consult the registration brochure online at <http://lgc.uwex.edu/WisLines/index.html>.

October 22, 2009 – **“Recapturing Your Downtown 2009”**. A conference through UWSP Continuing Education and co-sponsored by the Wisconsin Main Street, WI Department of Commerce, Wisconsin Public Service, UWSP Small Business Development Center, Jefferson Street Inn, Vierbicher Associates and Wisconsin Downtown Action Council. Highlights include addresses by Barbara Wold, internationally known speaker in the retail and consumer industries and Kelli Trumble, Secretary-WI Dept. of Tourism and several break-out sessions. Held at the Jefferson Inn, Wausau, with Registration starting at 7:00 a.m. and conference running from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 pm. Cost is \$99. There is a pre-conference reception the night before. For more information and registration online at www.uwsp.edu/conted/conferences/downtown or call 1-800-898-9472.

October 26, 2009 – **“How to Effectively Manage Budgetary Crisis Utilizing Furloughs, Layoffs and Reductions in Force”**. A Wisconsin Counties Association Educational Seminar. Held 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Stevens Point Holiday Inn and Convention Center, 1001 Amber Avenue. Register online at <https://www.wicounties.org/events/registration-attendee/255> or contact the Wisconsin Counties Association at 1 (866) 404-2700 or (608) 663-7188.

NOVEMBER

* November 4, 2009 – **“Completing Election Day Forms and Counting Votes”** (Program #1771-3) Cooperative Extension’s Local Government Center, Conducting Local Elections WisLine Series. An “open mic” session where you ask your own questions. You may submit your questions to dan.hill@uwex.edu or ask them “live” at the program. Earns participants 1.5 hours of credit toward the

re-certification requirement of the chief elections inspectors. Fee: \$20 per person. Available at any WisLine site 10:30-12:00 p.m. Contact WisLine Registrations at (608) 262-0810 or consult the registration brochure online at <http://lgc.uwex.edu/WisLines/index.html>.

November 5, 2009 – **“Leadership”**-- Class in the Wisconsin Certified Public Manager Program of UW Madison, but open to anyone. Understand your own leadership style and learn a variety of other styles to strengthen your leadership practice. Identify the four elements of being an effective leader and the four ways in which you can exercise leadership from the middle of your organization. Held at UW-Madison 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fee: \$128 does not include lunch. For more information call 608-262-3830 / 4354 / 2576 or e-mail: rdreifuerst@dcs.wisc.edu/ sschaefer@dcs.wisc.edu/ spaddock@wisc.edu or visit our Web site: <http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/pda/cpm/>.

November 6, 2009 – **“Leading and Managing from the Middle”** – Class in the Wisconsin Certified Public Manager Program of UW Madison, but open to anyone. In this class you will learn the bases of your power and influence as a middle manager. You will learn strategies for expanding your influence, and four ways to lead from the middle. Before class you will be asked to assess the bases of your power and influence; in class we’ll build on those. Held at UW-Madison 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fee: \$128, does not include lunch. For more information call 608-262-3830 / 4354 / 2576 or e-mail: rdreifuerst@dcs.wisc.edu/ sschaefer@dcs.wisc.edu/ spaddock@wisc.edu or visit our Web site: <http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/pda/cpm/>.

* November 10, 2009 – **“Local Government Liability”** – (#1770-2) – Part of the Current Issues Affecting Local Government WisLine Series. Find out about your personal liability exposure as a local government official. Learn about statutory limits on local government liability under Chapter 893 in the Wisconsin Statutes, issues associated with these limits, and recent proposed law changes. Raymond J. Pollen, JD, of Crivello Carlson, SC and Philip Freeburg, JD, UWEX Local Government Center. Available at any WisLine site 10:30-12:20 p.m. Contact WisLine Registrations at (608) 262-0810 or consult the registration brochure online at <http://lgc.uwex.edu/WisLines/index.html>.

November 11, 2009 – **“Management Assessment for Personal Planning and Development”** – Class in the Wisconsin Certified Public Manager Program of UW Madison, but open to anyone. This class is an essential career tool for any public manager and shows you the value of diverse styles in the workplace. You must register by October 28 to complete self-assessments before class. Held at UW-Madison 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Fee: \$128, does not include lunch. For more information call 608-262-3830 / 4354 / 2576 or e-mail: rdreifuerst@dcs.wisc.edu/ sschaefer@dcs.wisc.edu/ spaddock@wisc.edu or visit our Web site: <http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/pda/cpm/>.

November 12, 2009 – **“Strategic Thinking, Planning and Organizational Transformation”** – Class in the Wisconsin Certified Public Manager Program of UW Madison, but open to anyone. Strategic planning provides both a process and a set of outcomes that help public managers find the answers to the core questions of organizational identity and direction. Attend this session to find out how to construct your department’s strategic plan, how to involve other stakeholders in its development, and how to ensure successful implementation. For more information call 608-262-3830 / 4354 / 2576 or e-mail: rdreifuerst@dcs.wisc.edu/ sschaefer@dcs.wisc.edu/ spaddock@wisc.edu or visit our Web site: <http://www.dcs.wisc.edu/pda/cpm/>.

*November 17, 2009 – **“Growing Communities, Greening Communities: Focus on Floodplains – Management, Resources and Policies”**. Cooperative Extension’s Land Use and Zoning WisLine Series. This session reviews flood plain regulations and new policy initiatives; the Community Rating System; new FEMA maps and flood insurance; and what to expect about changes in floodplains due to climate change. Presented by Gary Heinrich, WDNR Floodplain Planning Program Manager; Pete

Nowak, UW Gaylord Nelson Institute and Environmental Resources Center; and Bob Watson, WDNR flood plain engineer. Moderated by Elaine Andrews, UW-Extension Environmental Resources Center. Fee \$20 per person. Available at any WisLine site 10:30-12:00 p.m. Contact WisLine Registrations at (608) 262-0810 or consult the registration brochure online at <http://lgc.uwex.edu/WisLines/index.html>.

*November 17, 2009 – **“The U.S. Economy Today and the Post-Recession Prognosis”** – A session in the “Building Communities Webinar Series” Hear from “Rural America At A Glance” primary author and economic researcher Lorin Kusmin about the conditions that led to our current economic conditions and the outlook for a post-recession recovery offered by economists Steve Deller and Russ Kashian. If interested in attending contact your local UW Extension office and County CNRED Educator. To find your local UW Extension office on the web, go to: <http://www.uwex.edu/ces/>.

* November 18, 2009 – **“Getting Candidates on the Spring Ballot”** (Program #1771-4) Cooperative Extension’s Local Government Center, Conducting Local Elections WisLine Series. Session covers the procedures for getting local candidates on the ballot when nomination papers are used. Includes questions and answer session about campaign finance reporting and local candidate filing deadlines. Fee: \$20 per person. Available at any WisLine site 10:30-12:00 p.m. Contact WisLine Registrations at (608) 262-0810 or consult the registration brochure online at <http://lgc.uwex.edu/WisLines/index.html>.

*November 19, 2009 – **“Working with Big Box Retailers”** – A session in the “Revitalizing Wisconsin’s Downtowns – Through E-Learning and Networking” webinar series, sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Extension, the Wisconsin Main Street program, and the Wisconsin Downtown Action Council. Held from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. at sites around the state, or by Internet and dialing in from your own office. For more information contact Bill Ryan at (608) 263-4994 or Chuck Law at (608) 265-2501, or visit lgc.uwex.edu/downtowns.