

**New resources developed this year:**

- Learn and Lead-Phase II brochures
- Memorial and In Honor of Giving Envelopes
- Updated WFB Foundation brochures
- More resources on the website
- Betty Engel products featuring Learn and Lead paintings
- AITC apparel
- Downloadable forms on website

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**Year in Review**

**October 1, 2008– September 30, 2009**

**Your support makes our mission happen!**

The generous support of Farm Bureau members, businesses, organizations, county Farm Bureaus, and other sources of funding help the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation achieve its mission of “supporting agricultural education and leadership development”.

This past year, the WFB Foundation was able to increase funding to the Ag in the Classroom program which helped offset the decrease in our grant funding.

The Foundation continued its support of youth leadership in Wisconsin through sponsorship of the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation



**Supporting agricultural education and leadership development**

Key Award– the highest achievement for a 4-H member.

The Wisconsin FFA Foundation received support to assist with Discussion Meet and Food for America Contests and the Wisconsin FFA Convention program booklets. The Foundation continues to sponsor FFA

Farm Forum each year.

Farm Bureau leaders have the opportunity to participate in the Farm Bureau Institute– a one-year leadership development program.

Other funding was given for the UW Foundation– Wisconsin Rural Youth Scholarship fund, Wisconsin Cranberry Discovery Center, UW-Madison Short Course Program, and others.

Do your contributions make a difference? Yes! Since the Foundation was started in 1988, over \$584,442 has been given to support education and leadership development. Over \$67,000 was given this past year. Thank you for your support!

**The Country Today—Supporting Ag in the Classroom**

Thank you to The Country Today (Eau Claire Press Company) and Jim Massey for support of the Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Program.

With every new or renewing subscription to the *The Country Today* by an identified Farm Bureau member, \$5 goes to the

Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation.

This program has generated over \$900 for the Foundation.

Members can help support this program by indicating their Farm Bureau membership number on their newspaper renewal form or

on their new subscription application.

*The Country Today* provides a wide range of news and features coverage about the many issues and interests unique to people living in rural areas. The Country Today is circulated on Wednesdays.

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## GROWMARK, Inc. and Land O' Lakes Foundation Support

Frontier FS and GROWMARK, Inc. cooperatives presented the WFB Foundation a check for \$3074 to use for local and state Agriculture in the Classroom and agriculture literacy programs. This is the fourth year the cooperatives have made this kind of donation to support agricultural education. Based on sales in their counties, checks were sent to Dane, Iowa, Sauk, Lafayette, Green, Grant, Jefferson, Columbia, Wood, Shawano, Richland, Waupaca, Rock, Langlade, Waukesha and Marathon County Farm Bureaus. Land O Lakes Foundation presented the WFB Foundation with a check for \$500. Thank you to Sam Skemp, Frontier FS General Manager, for pursuing this matching fund donation based on the Frontier FS donations. The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation received a check for \$645.45 via Conserv FS Inc., from soybean and corn sales. The check was divided by counties in the Conserv FS Inc. area that had sales including Walworth, Kenosha and Racine.

## Other support

The Herbert H. Kohl Charities, Inc.— \$250; Sygenta Crop Protection, Inc.—\$1,500; Jeanette Poulson Memorial Contributions -\$300; and Dues Contributions - \$691. There was \$1735 given in Memorial Contributions and two “In Honor of” contributions were received from Jerry Bradley and Don & Charlene Lois. Memorial Contributors are listed on page 3.

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## Learn and Lead Campaigns

Thank you to those that have joined the Learn and Lead Campaigns. The first campaign began in 2005 with the first commitments. Some of the members are completing their five-year commitment, some are making installment payments, and some paid the total commitment in one installment! Over \$26,010 was given towards the first campaign pledges this year.

### Learn and Lead Campaign I Members:

A.M. Mailing Services, Inc.	Taylor County Farm Bureau	Tracy Pape
Barron County Farm Bureau	Washington County Farm Bureau	Robert and Lisa Leege
Brown County Farm Bureau	WE Energies	Vincent and Bernadine Limmex
Buffalo County Farm Bureau	Winnebago County Farm Bureau	Wilfred and Connie Meier
Clark County Farm Bureau	Wood County Farm Bureau	Jane Mueller
Dane County Farm Bureau	Todd and Amy Argall	Peter Pelizza
Direct Printing, Inc, LLC	John and Darlene Arneson	Dale and Julie Peterson
Dodge County Farm Bureau	LaVerne and Beverly Ausman	Howard and Jean Poulson
Dunn County Farm Bureau	Dale and Jillian Beaty	Wesley Raddatz
Dunn County Farm Bureau Women	Jill and Tom Bennwitz	Donald and Jilayne Radtke
Frontier FS	William and Mary Bruins	Debra and Dan Raemisch
Green Lake County Farm Bureau	Carl Casper	Michael Ruder
Kenosha County Farm Bureau	Francis and Beverly Cherney	Karyn and Robert Schauf
Manitowoc County Farm Bureau	Roger and Cathy Cliff	Becky Schollian
Marathon County Farm Bureau	Dave and Kim Daniels	Linda Schopen
Midwest Family Broadcasting	Lloyd and Carol DeRuyter	Sam and Julie Skemp
Ozaukee County Farm Bureau	David and Barbara Diercks	Wayne and Mary Staidl
Polk County Farm Bureau	Jeff and Marie Ditzenberger	Gary Steiner
Professional Dairy Producers of Wisconsin	Jeff and Mary Fuller	Tom and Pam Thieding
Racine County Farm Bureau Women	Sabrina Gentile	James and Nodjii Van Wychen
Rock County Farm Bureau	Richard and Cynthia Gorder	Joseph and La Vae Wantoch
Sheboygan County Farm Bureau	Brian Herr	Eugene and Willie Witter
St. Croix County Farm Bureau	Eileen and Marvin Hoffman	Paul and Kelly Zimmerman
	Jim and Gayle Holte	Darci Meili
		David Kruschke

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## Learn and Lead Phase II is underway! Won't you join us?

The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation would like to invite you to join the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation's "Learn and Lead" Growth Campaign's second phase! The "Learn and Lead" Campaigns are an effort to raise funds over a five year time period from Farm Bureau leaders. Participants pledge a minimum of \$250 per year for a five-year period and are recognized in several ways.

Thank you to those that have joined the campaign with a combined \$10,000 of commitments:

Bragger Family Dairy  
LeRoy and Lori Haeuser  
Reitz Insurance Agency, Inc.  
Rural Insurance Agent Association

Alissa Grenawalt  
Outagamie County Farm Bureau  
Jerry Ring Agency  
David and Teresa Wilke



Did you know that Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom volunteers reached over 57,203 students last year? That's over 6,972 volunteer hours devoted to agricultural literacy!

## Memorial Contributions—A wonderful way to pay tribute to someone

Thank you to those that chose the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation in paying respects to friends and loved ones. This year, \$1,735 was given to the WFB Foundation through memorials from the following people:

Buffalo County Farm Bureau  
Dunn County Farm Bureau  
Eau Claire County Farm Bureau  
Green Lake County Farm Bureau  
Jefferson County Farm Bureau  
Manitowoc County Farm Bureau  
Trempealeau County Farm Bureau  
Washington County Farm Bureau  
Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation  
John Arneson  
Robert Bartholomew  
Jerry Bradley  
Carl Casper  
Roger Cliff

Sandy Dorshak  
John Erbenraut  
Jeff Fuller  
Perry Goetsch  
Robert Larson  
Tracy Pape  
Peter Pelizza  
Paul Peterson  
Michael Ruder  
Kathleen Tober  
Betty Tueting  
Monnie Vena  
Sally Vissers  
Eugene Witter

**Remember– the new Memorial Contribution envelopes are available or you can download donation forms from the website!**

## White Reinhardt Funds Make Pre-Service Resources Available

Until recently, the Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Program had very few resources for pre-service students.

Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom applied for a White Reinhardt Mini-Grant which is made available through the American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture.

This project, "Wisconsin Agriculture- A Pre-Service Resource" enabled college students in educational majors an opportunity to see the valuable agricultural resources, lesson plans

and other activities available to them.

In a 3 ring binder format, the pre-service resource contains resources, references to websites, information on educational standards, samples of various resources, hands-on activities, and information about the Ag in the Classroom Program.

The \$500 has given our program the ability to offset the cost of some key resources that are useful for pre-service students. It has allowed us to develop a tool that we can take to

university and colleges with teacher education programs and establish new relationships with those programs. It also has given us a resource to use at teacher's conventions as we see many pre-service students but never had something tailored to their needs.

The resources were featured in college presentations made at UW-River Falls and UW-Platteville during the past year.

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## Wisconsin Ag Open– Sunshine and Success in 2009!

120 golfers participated in this year's event on September 21 at Christmas Mountain in Wisconsin Dells. Mother Nature cooperated and the day was a success! New sponsors included Grant County Farm Bureau, Flint Communications, and Investors Community Bank (Manitowoc). The event raised \$10,190 which compares to \$10,577 in 2008.

### 2009 Registered Golfers

#### Club House Sponsors of \$1000

- Alliant Energy
- American Agriculture Insurance Company
- Aon Corporation
- Grant County Farm Bureau-In Memory of Lois Alcorn
- Mortenson, Matzell & Meldrum
- Rural Mutual Insurance Company
- Stroud, Willink, and Howard, LLC
- Xcel Energy

#### Hole Sponsors of \$500

- GROWMARK, Inc
- Strohm Ballweg, LLP
- Wisconsin Soybean Marketing Board

#### Tee Box Sponsors of \$300

- AMCORE Bank
- Flint Communications
- Grant Signs
- Investors Community Bank
- Rural Mutual Community Insurance Services
- Wisconsin Agribusiness Council
- Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board
- Wisconsin State Cranberry Growers Association

#### Door Prize Donors

- Christmas Mountain
- Coakley Tech
- Investors Community Bank
- John and Darlene Arneson
- Jim's Cheese
- Rural Mutual Insurance Company
- We Energies
- Wisconsin Farm Bureau Service Cooperative

Bill Bruins	Gary Keesling	James Herr
Richard Gorder	Diane Schoenherr	Don Steinbach
Jim Holte	Chris Schoenherr	Adam Steinbach
Bill Hanson	David Cagigal	John Sternad
Todd Conkey	Pat Keenan	Rick Radloff
Roger Cliff	James Hanson	Dan Devault
Dan Pietrzykowski	Kenneth Ehrhardt	John Hoffman
Mike Wehler	Kevin Malchine	Lloyd DeRuyter
Bruce Barganz	Ken Ridzinski	Chad Koser
Ed Rader	David Donovan	Jeff DeRuyter
Dan Rohrer	Stuart Lorentz	Justin Sieraki
Kevin Skemp	BJ Raukman	Steve Ellison
Dave Daniels	Kevin Schmack	Joe Gibson
Carl Daniels	Peter Richter	Troy Jeske
Ernie Zinzer	Robb Kahl	Candy Flynn
Andy Steiner	Ron Todd	Wayne Wolff
Jon Bruins	Tom Stitgen	Leroy Haeuser
Joel Bruins	Judy DeMarco	John Butler
Jason Mulder	Tony DeMarco	Henry Kultgen
John Steen	Donna Walters	John Arneson
Mark Vossekuil	Richard Walters	Mark Arneson
Larry Mulder	Kirk Friederick	Paul Ketring
Bruce Henning	Marty Ploessl	Tom Thieding
Gary Navis	Mark Weno	Dan Van Alatta
Denny Worth	Ken Sue	
Keith Watson	Jerry Ring	
Tom Dawson	Brent Kaske	
Gary Strohm	Doug Lefeber	
Brad Niebuhr	Betty McCormick	
Ed Rapee	Mike Ruder	
Mike Victorson	Bob Larson	
Mark Schuster	Gail Luedke	
Eric Liebetrau	Monnie Vena	
John Umhoefer	Dave Kreutz	
Pat Geoghagen	Dan Merk	
Steve McKeon	Ken Israelsen	
John Rahman	Jason Kollwelter	
Todd Argall	Dan Craig	
Bill Falkenstein	Fred Daniels	
John Quirk	Randy Jerome	
Tim Geiger	Alissa Grenawalt	
Liz Geiger	Marla Hallmark	
Donna Matts	Craig O'Leary	
Alan Matts	Jon Wangen	
Roger Sinkula	John Freitag	
Bob Baumgartner	Ed Lump	
Russel Strutz		

**Thank you to  
this year's  
golfers!**

**Please**

**mark your  
calendars for  
the 2010  
Wisconsin Ag  
Open will be  
on September  
13 at  
Christmas  
Mountain  
Village in  
Wisconsin  
Dells**

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## WFBF Silent Auction 2008– Thank you for your support!

The Silent Auction at the 2008 Wisconsin Farm Bureau Annual Meeting raised \$11,157. There were over 210 items given for the auction from Farm Bureau members, counties, business sponsors and other groups and organizations. **Thank you to the following that donated items**

ANSUL Fire Protection of the Americans	Derek Orth	Pierce County Farm Bureau
Harold Schoessow	Brad Schulte	Calumet County Farm Bureau
Marquette County Farm Bureau	The Gooseblind Bar & Grill	Andrea Brossard Martin
Sawyer County Farm Bureau	Coakley Tech	Ken & Lydia Turba
Woodward Printing	Dick and Cindy Gorder	Monroe County Farm Bureau
Waupaca County Farm Bureau-Young Farmer Committee	American Farm Bureau Federation	Tom Thieding
Superior Shores County Farm Bureau	Wood County Farm Bureau	Rural Mutual
Grant County Farm Bureau	Wisconsin Beef Council	Price County Farm Bureau
Plaza Hotel & Suites	Rock County Farm Bureau	Kalahari Resort
Green Bay Packers	Sheboygan County Farm Bureau	Kalahari Resort
Winnebago County Farm Bureau	Oconto County Farm Bureau	Beaver Machine
Katie Reichling	Door County Farm Bureau	Midwest Stihl, Inc
Marathon County Farm Bureau	Jerry Maurer	Nina Poch
Racine County Farm Bureau	St Croix County Farm Bureau	Jaclyn Pettis
Richland County Farm Bureau	Portage County Farm Bureau	Christmas Mountain Village
Adams County Farm Bureau and Young Farmers	Herb Kohl Charities	Sarah Horsch
GROWMARK, Inc	Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board	Columbia County Farm Bureau
Pat Denor	Marathon County Farm Bureau	Trempeleau County Farm Bureau
Radisson Hotel LaCrosse	Alissa Grenawalt	Jackson County Farm Bureau
Joan Stanstadt	Roger Cliff	Lincoln County Farm Bureau
John and Darlene Arneson	Strohm Ballweg, LLP	Jim and Sally Schoenike
Ron Johnsrud	Juneau County Farm Bureau	Dodge County Farm Bureau
WFBF Womens Committee	Kewaunee County Farm Bureau	Outagamie County Farm Bureau
TASC/Agri Plan	Vernon County Farm Bureau	Bob Bartholomew
Cold WaterCanyon/Chula Vista Resort	Sauk County Farm Bureau	Walworth County Farm Bureau
Dane County Farm Bureau	Pat Schaffer	Kathleen Tober
Pat O'Brien	Eau Claire County Farm Bureau	Fond du Lac County Farm Bureau
Lafayette County Farm Bureau	Dunn County Farm Bureau	Taylor County Farm Bureau
Chippewa County Farm Bureau	Wayne and Mary Staidl	LaCrosse County Farm Bureau
Brenda Sikorski	Marinette County Farm Bureau	Wausara County Farm Bureau
Kenosha County Farm Bureau	Ryan and Amanda Staidl	Shawano County Farm Bureau
Barron County Farm Bureau	Charlotte Rasmussen	Tim Haack
Iowa County Farm Bureau	Maders Cabinet	Jeff Ditzenberger
World Dairy Expo	Outagamie County Farm Bureau	Langlade County Farm Bureau
Hotel Sierra - Green Bay	Waupaca County Farm Bureau	Buffalo County Farm Bureau
Brown County Farm Bureau	Rusk County Farm Bureau	Joe Bragger
Manitowoc County Farm Bureau	Ralph and Becky Lezvow	Jefferson County Farm Bureau
Jim's Cheese	Christine Lepple	Econoprint
Rosalie Geiger	Ozaukee County Farm Bureau	Grainger
Hotel Mead	Mike Wenker	Grainger- Milwaukee Tool
Marvin Daniels	Betty Engel	Jim Schneider
Kim Jensen	Mary Ann Rabitz	Rosie Well
	Badger Steel	Florian Zajackowski
		Lynn Kinnard

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## Silent Auction Purchasers– Supporting the Foundation & Enjoying the Items!

Another important group of people are those that bid on and purchase items at our Silent Auction. Thank you to those that are right in there bidding, having fun, and taking home some wonderful items to enjoy. Our apologies on several names that were difficult to read from the bidding sheets! Thank you for your support!

### Thank you to the following that purchased items

Alice Ketter	Jean Sheahan	Mary Prent	Sue Wollin
Allen Dormacher	Jeff Ditzenberger	Mary Staidl	Tom Riley
Andy Schuh	Jeff Lyon	Matt Adrian	Tom Thieding
Ashleigh Calaway	Jenny Mueller	Maurice Cooper	Tracy Pape
Beth Wells	Jerry Bradley	Melanie Peterson	Violet VandeBoom
Betty Steiner	Jerry Ring	Mike Immel	
Bev Meyer	Jerry Zauncki	Mike Ruder	
Bill Falkenstein	Jilayne Radtke	Milt Kraus	
Bill Herbst	Jill Bennwitz	Miranda Leis	
Bob Zinck	Jim Holte	Missy Peterson	
Bonnie Gneise	Jim Klutzman	Nancy Degnitz	
Brent Sinkula	Jim Reisinger	Nancy Meyers	
Cal Dalton	Joanne Fronke	Nicole Adrian	
Cecelia Brooks	Joe Birchill	Pat Kling	
Charles Heitke	Joe Bragger	Paul Fischer	
Charlotte Heir	Joe Wollinger	Paul Schomberg	
Cheryl Duckow	John Kauffman	Paul Wehrs	
Cindy Hardy	Joyce Christian	Paulette Schoenberg	
Colete Singerhouse	Joyce Clemens	Peggy Woodworth	
Dale Beaty	Karen Reisinger	Phil Ullmes	
Dale Clemens	Karen Schauf	Rachel Crane	
Dale Peterson	Karen Schwandt	Ralph Lezow	
Dale Webster	Kathy Opperman	Ray Kohn	
Dan Meyer	Kathy Tober	Ray Maciejewski	
Dave Daniels	Katie Reichling	Ray Tauscher	
David Rebout	Ken Soda	Reed Hardy	
Dawn Jones	Ken Turba	Reuben Hopp	
Dean Meinholz	Ken Wagner	Richard Julka	
Dennis Stair	Kim Daniels	Robert Schwandt	
Don Meyer	Kim Thompson	Roger Fust	
Earl Martz	Lanell Jaquish	Rosalie Geiger	
Eunice Soda	LaVoe Wantock	Ross Bishop	
Eunice Yanke	Lisa Pettis	Ruth Wolfe	
Fay Hildebrandt	Lloyd DeRuyter	Ryan P.	
Fritz Anding	Lori Steingraber	Sally & Jim Schoenike	
Gary Peterson	Marci Nichols	Sam Skemp	
George Engel	Marcia Fenner	Sandy Dorshak	
Harold Schoessow	Marcy Bishop	Sandy Wasserstrass	
Harvey Kamps	Marian Strupp	Sara Bredesen	
Jack Meffert	Marie Wagner	Sara Fischer	
Jaclyn Pettis	Marilyn Thelen	Sarah Henich	
Jake Rockweiler	Marlene Sabelko	Scott Sherry	
Jane Mueller	Mary Breitlow	Stan Jahn	
Jane Schmidt	Mary Bruins	Steve Schmidt	
Jean Reisinger	Mary Fuller	Steve Trescher	



### Wisconsin FFA Program Support

The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation is a member of the Wisconsin FFA Foundation Blue & Gold Society for its longstanding support of FFA programs.

The Foundation sponsored the Wisconsin FFA Discussion Meet Contest, Food for America, State FFA Convention and other program support.

Each year the Foundation also sponsors FFA Farm Forum which is for high school juniors. This leadership event offers workshops and leadership development opportunities that FFA members can use in making career and school choices.

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## General Contributions help build the Foundation

Thinking of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation when making charitable contributions is greatly appreciated. There was \$12,283 given in General Contributions this past year by individuals, county Farm Bureau programs, and corporate and business sponsorships. Thank you to the following who gave in this way!

Dane County Farm Bureau	Ellen Johnson
FBL Financial Group Inc.	Clarice Kalscheur
Green Lake State Bank	Eugene Keener
Herbert H. Kohl Charities, Inc	Young Kim
Mark Wilke Estate	Jennifer Kohlwey
Superior Shores County Farm Bureau	David Kruschke
Syngenta Crop Protection	Oscar Linnerud
Wisconsin Farm Bureau Women's Committee	Arthur Luedeke
Women's Seminar Basket Auction	Donald Luetkens
Rodney Adams	Dennis Mashock
John Alexander	Jerry Maurer
Don Armitage	Martin Meinholz
Ronald Ballard	Albert Meinholz
Lorraine Barta	Elaine Muehlius
Brian Bayley	Sue Mussehl
Dwight Becker	Ken Natzke
Gregory Beirne	Kevin Nehls
Janice Bierman	Wayne Neu
Michael Birling	Lance Nielsen
Marilyn Bishop	Pat O'Brien
Brad Bishop	Darryll Olson
Jerry Bradley	Patricia Oltz
George Brown	Willard Papenfus
Robert Bruketa	Dale Quilling
Dave Buholzer	Donald Radtke
Dave Butz	Lynette Rhodes
Joseph Cappelle	Troy Ripp
Carl Casper	Tonya Roberts
Dave Daniels	Todd Schroeder
Glen Denk	David Schultz
John Dexter	Robert Schwandt
Ronald Dritlein	Marjorie Slaughter
Valoria Featherston	Michael Straszewski
Leslie Fredrick	Eleanor Sullivan
Robert Gault	Edwin Theis
Perry Goetsch	Jerome Tomcek
Pearl Goetsch	Henry Umstadt, Jr
Thomas Gunnesch	Walter Vogl
Raymond Handrick	David Wagner
Elmer Hanson	Gordon Wendt
Richard Hass	Jerry Wendt
Peter Herman	Ellen White
Elizabeth Herold	Carolyn White - Knapp
Jeff Hicken	Howard Williams
Roxie Hoffman	Donald Wirz
Jim Holte	Harvey Wolter
	William Zawistowski



**34 years of 4-H**

**Key Award**

**Support**

For the 34th consecutive year, the 4-H Key Awards are being sponsored by the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation and Rural Insurance Companies.

The Key Award, the highest award given to 4-H members, recognizes those who have shown consistent growth in their 4-H program, who have developed their citizenship and leadership abilities, and who have been helpful members in their club and community.

Although it is a state award, Key Award recipients are determined by the county 4-H leader's organization, which evaluates a member's total record in making its decision.

Congratulations to all of the 4-H Key Award recipients and thank you to county Farm Bureau leaders who helped present them.

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**Please note: The annual report is based on the financial reports from October 1, 2008—September 30, 2009. We regret if we have missed a contributor. Please contact Darlene Arneson with any questions.**

## A message from Darlene Arneson, Director

It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation Director. We are truly blessed to have the support of our members, county Farm Bureau programs, and corporate and business sponsorship. The thank you notes that we receive are a testament and reassurance of the good work and support we are giving to Wisconsin agriculture. It is our hope that this "Year in Review" gives you a snapshot of the generous support the WFB Foundation has received and the many supporters that we have. I hope that it peaks your interest in joining our Learn and Lead Phase II Campaign, encourages you to use our Memorial or General Contribution donation options, or that you contact me about potential sponsors and contributors. I wish you a wonderful holiday season and wish you the best in the New Year! Thank you again for your support! *Darlene*

## It's been a Betty Engel Year!



### Wilfrid Going Home

Someone took a picture of Wilfrid Turba when he was taking the last of his animals home from the field before they were sold. The barn was on his second farm near St. Anna in Sheboygan County.

His family used this photo when they sent out the thank you cards after Wilfrid's funeral and when Engel's received the thank you card, Betty knew she had to paint it

Betty Engel and her husband, George, have been active in the Calumet County Farm Bureau and Wisconsin Farm Bureau. Both have served on the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Board of Directors- Betty during her time as chairwoman of the WFBF Women's Committee. They continue to attend many Farm Bureau functions and participate in county and state activities. Though retired from dairy farming, they keep busy in property management.

Betty started painting in 1990 by taking a one-day oil painting class. It was an instant love affair. She had loved art for as long as she can remember, but thought she needed to have talent to paint. Betty has taken classes in

Missouri, Door County and other places to further develop her skills. She has been teaching acrylic painting classes at Moraine Park Technical College for a number of years and previously taught craft painting classes in Kiel and Chilton.

The Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation has been truly honored to have Betty Engel, Calumet County Farm Bureau Member, donate four paintings for the *Learn and Lead Growth Campaign*.

As we enter the fifth year of the campaign, the four original paintings will be auctioned off at the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Extravaganza on Saturday, December 5.

The four images used in the Learn and Lead Campaign were also made into ceramic trivets that could be purchased individually or as a set. Note cards were made each year of the paintings.

Betty continues to support the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation with an annual painting donation for the Silent Auction. Beginning at the 2009 annual meeting, both the painting and note cards with that image will be sold.

**Thank you Betty for your generous support of the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation!**