



NEWSLETTER

of the Denmark FFA Alumni & Supporters

Three Denmark FFA Alumni Members Seek Nomination for Board of Director Positions



Christy Chervenka

Hello, My name is Christy Chervenka, I am a new member to the Denmark FFA alumni. My husband Mike and I have been married for 16 years and we are raising our family on a small hobby farm in Glenmore. I have worked for Associated Bank for the last 14 years as an Operations Team Lead. We are proud parents of 4 children, Austin 15, Nathan 13, Alissa 12, and Tessa 3. Our children love to be involved in FFA and I am very excited to serve on the FFA board!



Mark Olsen

Hello, Mark Olsen here. Here's a little bit about me. I am 65 years old, I owned and operated a dairy farm in Glenmore for 32 years. I am currently a substitute teacher in the Denmark School District. I've been involved in a number of FFA activities, from Dairy judging, forage judging and helping with the fruit sale and concession stand at the fair. I am currently advisor for the Powered By chocolate milk group which makes half pints of milk available to the students after school. I have seen firsthand how the FFA programs have benefited many students, from building leadership skills to developing great work ethics. I would like to continue building this great tradition. Thank you



Karen Schultz

Hello! My name is Karen Schultz and I am excited to be a board member with the top Alumni and the best organization in the nation. I grew up on a dairy farm in Denmark and graduated from Denmark High School. I was involved in the FFA in high school and my favorite memory was attending the National Convention. After high school, I graduated from UWGB and began teaching at the Denmark Elementary School. For the past 12 years I have been involved in our family business, Schultz Trucking Enterprises. We have 4 children: Courtney, Justin, Derek, and Connor. I look forward to supporting the FFA and Alumni as they continue to be a strong and successful organization in the Denmark community.

Voting will take place at our annual FFA Alumni Banquet on Saturday, January 29, 2022. See back cover for more info.

Outgoing board members include:

Dennis Schultz

Kathy Vander Kinter

Matt Wavrunek

Thank you for serving our membership over the last 3 years!

February 19-26

**NATIONAL
FFA WEEK**

FFA

Thoughts from Retiring Denmark FFA Alumni President

Denmark FFA Alumni and Supporters:

As the temperature turns colder and the days get shorter, I'd like to take this time to thank all of the Denmark FFA Alumni and Supporters for your many hours of volunteering to help make activities and events run smoothly and successfully. Without your support of our Alumni, we wouldn't be able to support the FFA and support Ag education in the Denmark community. Thank you again for your support in 2021, and keep us in mind your continuing support in 2022.

Happy Holidays,
Steve Vogel

Denmark FFA Alumni President 2021



Wallander Supply Sale

The Nut and Bolt Sale will start the week of January 24th. Randy Wallander along with Tony Pribyl, Dave Salzeider, Mike Pribyl, John Calaway, and Pat VanRite will be making stops around the area. The sale is not just nuts and bolts but also drill bits, normal to unique tools, shovels, shop supplies, welding supplies, lubes and fuel additives, and much more! The FFA Alumni made over \$4,000 on the sale last year!!

If anyone wants to make a purchase from Randy throughout the year to support the FFA Alumni, please call Randy Wallander @ 920-973-3466 or Dennis Schultz @ 920-615-1477.

Upcoming Events

Feb 4-5- 50th Wisconsin FFA Convention Central Wisconsin Expo Center - Register at <https://wisconsinaged.org>

Feb 22- FFA & Alumni Snow Tubing RSVP to Mr. Nowak

March 21- FFA Worker/Pie Auction
6:30pm Dinner 7pm Auction

April 4- Sectional Speaking Contest @ Denmark HS.
Volunteers needed. Contact Mary Handrich to help out.

FFA Alumni Spring Fling- TBD

May- Watch for Greenhouse Plant Sale dates TBA

May 2- FFA Awards Banquet @ Beverly Gardens

June- Brown County Breakfast on the Farm- Brickstead Dairy Farm, Greenleaf. Volunteers will be needed!

June 13-16- WI State FFA Convention

Aug 17-21- Brown County Fair Food Stand. Watch for Sign up as we need lots of volunteers to make our largest fundraiser of the year a success!

Fall Appreciation Pig and Corn Roast



FFA Alumni Fruit Sale Fundraiser

The Annual FFA Alumni Fruit & Pizza Sale starts January 28 and runs through February 15. In addition to fruit and homemade pizzas this year aged cheddar cheese will be available for purchase! Pick up is **tentatively** scheduled for March 11 in the maintenance garage on the north side of the high school.

Contact Jeremy Krerowicz 920-619-2296 with any questions.



FFA & Alumni Snow Tubing Event



On Tuesday, February 22nd, the FFA and FFA Alumni have rented the Winter Park Snow-tubing Hill in Kewaunee. All FFA members and their family members and FFA Alumni members and their family members are invited to tube for free from 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM. Bus Transportation will be available for students who do not have other family members attending.

We ask that if your last name begins with an A-M, you bring a dish/dessert/snack to pass and if your last name begins with a N-Z, you bring a beverage (Soda, Water, Juice, etc.) to pass.

We hope that this will be a great way for our alumni members to get to know our FFA students and have a chance to mingle with other alumni members. Those parents who have a student in FFA will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the alumni also! Contact Marty Nowak to reserve your spots as soon as possible at nowakm@denmark.k12.wi.us or 920-863-4134



Whitetails Unlimited Banquet

The Annual Whitetails Unlimited Denmark Area Chapter Banquet will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at Beverly Gardens. The event will include games, raffles and a social hour beginning at 5:30 P.M. and a family-style dinner at 7:00 P.M. Tickets should be ordered ahead of time through James Grasee or online at www.whitetailsunlimited.com search Denmark Chapter

Whitetails Unlimited is a nonprofit organization with the purpose of raising funds in support of educational programs, wildlife habitat and acquisition, and the preservation of the shooting sports and hunting tradition for generations to come. This year the Denmark FFA has been chosen to receive the proceeds from this event. If you are interested in attending please contact James Grasee from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. at 920-863-5539.

Denmark FFA Alumni Gives Back

The Denmark FFA Alumni and Supporters donated to the Denmark Community Cupboard during the Green Bay Gives Big Event. Donating during the Green Bay Gives Big Event allowed the donation to be doubled. Donations from the Alumni were used for a voucher program with Main Street Market. Voucher recipients could go to Main Street Market to get free food staples for their family. This is a win, win, win. Supporting local non-profits, business, families, and agriculture products.

Christmas Ham Donation

Having a great meal is a Christmas staple for many families. The Denmark FFA Alumni and Supporters partnered with the Denmark Community Cupboard and Main Street Market to make this happen. Over 70 families in need will receive free ham to help them celebrate the holidays. The FFA Alumni is lucky to have great community partners!



Vogel Earns Top in the Nation in Ag Communications Proficiency Area



Lashawna Vogel, daughter of Steve and Patti Vogel, has become an expert at communicating information and ideas with her larger community and FFA chapter. Out of 735,038 members, Lashawna earned the honor of National Winner in the area of Ag Communications. Leading up to National FFA Week, she has written articles reflecting on each of the chapter's annual events for the newspaper to educate the Denmark community about FFA. Using Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook and YouTube, she managed the social media outlets to be able to tell the story of agricultural education. Congratulations!

Membership Corner

If you are a current H.S. FFA member and are interested in joining the FFA Alumni, our alumni offers \$175 towards the cost of a \$350 lifetime membership if you become a life member before the annual FFA banquet. Contact Ms. Handrich, Mr. Nowak or Kathy Vander Kinter for details.

DID YOU KNOW?

Annual membership is **FREE** and open to anyone interested in supporting and advocating for FFA, agricultural education, agriculture or volunteerism through their gifts of time, talent, and financial resources on a yearly basis.

Lifetime membership is a one-time \$350 **INVESTMENT** in the future of our organization. Your investment ensures that the FFA and FFA Alumni will be around for future generations of agriculturalists and to help us reach as many members as we possibly can so that they can exert an influence in their home and community. Feel free to reach out to Kathy Vander Kinter @ 920-375-0569 for more info or to join today!

Denmark FFA Alumni Banquet

Saturday, January 29, 2022
6:30pm Social - 7:00pm Dinner
Eddie Whipp's

5073 State Hwy 29 Green Bay WI 54311

Please RSVP By Friday, January 17, to
Steve Vogel 920-288-1373



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