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Farmers Union to host Women Caring for the Land workshops

CHIPPEWA FALLS – Wisconsin Farmers Union, in partnership with Pheasants Forever, will host five Women Caring for the Land workshops around the state this summer. The workshops are geared toward women farmers or landowners who are interested in learning more about conservation and networking with other farm women in their region.

Each event will be from 8:30am to 3pm and will include a morning learning circle, potluck lunch and afternoon tour of the host farm. Locations include:

- July 25, Brooks Farms, N1757 County Road A, Waupaca. Join former Alice in Dairyland Zoey Brooks at her family's state-of-the-art dairy farm, where animal comfort and environmental stewardship are at the forefront of day-to-day operations.
- August 2, Autumn Moon Farm, 854 Fritz Road, Belleville. Come see how Becky Olson and her husband applied her environmental non-profit experience to transform from dairy to direct grain sales to brewers and bakers. Learn how a trout fishing easement helped bridge their inter-generational farm transition while protecting the watershed.
- August 8, Salas Farm, N8996 Hwy 26, Burnett. On Barb Salas' farm, conservation and animal husbandry go hand-in-hand. Come view this 70-acre all grass sheep farm and learn about Barb's composting system and how she worked with NRCS on fencing and water systems.
- August 9, Glacial Lake Cranberries, 2480 Cty Road D, Wisconsin Rapids. Conservation is at the heart of this 6,000-acre family-run operation, which is headed up by Mary Brazeau Brown. Cranberries have been produced on the property since 1873.
- August 15, Blue Ox Organics, N11253 State Hwy 25, Wheeler. See how Lauren Langworthy's love of the land is at work on the small, diversified farm she runs with her husband. Learn how rotational grazing is helping to rebuild the soil at Blue Ox Organics, where the Driftless and the Northwoods meet.

Registration begins at 8:30a.m. along with coffee and networking. Lunch is a potluck (main dish provided) so bring a dish to pass. Please dress for walking in pastures. The Women Caring for the Land series was developed by the Women, Food and Agriculture Network.

Please RSVP to Deb Jakubek at djakubek@wisconsinfarmersunion.com or 715-590-2130. For more information about this program, visit www.wisconsinfarmersunion.com or www.womencaringfortheland.org.

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