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Knox County Farm Bureau President, Grant Strom, accepts a recognition certificate awarded to their county for its achievements during 2019. The award was presented during the Illinois Farm Bureau Annual Meeting and calls attention to the comprehensive nature of county Farm

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The Knox County Farm Bureau would like to welcome the following to our organization:

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>January</u>

- Marketing Club, 12:30 PM, Pizza Ranch
- 9 Young Farmers Meeting, 6:30 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- 16 KCFB Board Meeting, 7 PM, Knox Agri-Center 20 Office Closed, Martin Luther King, Jr Day
- 21 PrimeTimers Meeting, 12 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- 22
- Marketing Club, 12:30 PM, Pizza Ranch 24
 - Pork Producers Annual Meeting, 6:30 PM, Lake Storey
- 25 KCFB Annual Meeting, 10 AM, Cedar Creek Hall 30
 - Winter Crop Meeting, 5:30 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- 31-1 Young Leader Conference

February

- Ag Day for Kids, CSC
- Applications Due: Internship & Scholarships
- 18 PrimeTimers Meeting, 12 PM, Knox Agri-Center 20
 - KCFB Board Meeting, 7 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- Knox Agri-Center Meeting, 5:30 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- KCFB Foundation Meeting, 6:30 PM, Knox Agri-Center
- *Time Change

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DESUTTER CHOSEN AS IFB YOUNG LEADER CHAIRMAN

Illinois The Farm Bureau (IFB) Young Leader Committee elected its 2020 executive committee members during the IFB Annual Meeting, held in Chicago, Dec. 7-10.

executive members, which include Chairman Drew DeSutter of Knox County, Vice-Chair Wayne Gehrke of Kane County, Secretary Jenny Jackson of Morgan County, Education and Recruitment Subcommittee Chair Gracelynn Dale of Bureau County, Achievement Subcommittee Chair Victoria Vogt of Monroe County and Governmental Affair and Commodities Subcommittee Chair

Aaron Mitchell of Winnebago County, will assume their positions immediately.

Members of the IFB Young Leaders are 18- to 35-year-old men and women who are passionate about agriculture. It is a member-created, memberdriven program of the IFB that allows members to promote agriculture, attend conferences and compete in events, including the Young Leader Achievement Award, Excellence in Agriculture Award and discussion meets. Giving back is also a priority for Young Leaders. Through their Harvest for All program, Young

Leaders raise funds, donate food and contribute their time to help fight food insecurity throughout the state

The Illinois Farm Bureau is a member of the American Farm Bureau Federation, a national organization of farmers and ranchers. Founded in 1916, IFB is a non-profit, membership organization directed by farmers who join through their county Farm Bureau. IFB has a total membership of more than 386,291 and a voting membership of 79,159. IFB represents three out of four Illinois farmers.

Internship & Scholarships

Be sure to check our website for upto-date scholarship opportunities!

KCFB FOUNDATION SUMMER

The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation is offering an internship with the Knox County Farm Bureau for the summer of 2020. The intern will receive a \$2,000 scholarship and is encouraged to explore the possibility of using the internship to fulfill academic requirements for his/her major.

This is the 28th year for the program, which continues to be very successful. The internship is open to Knox County residents who will be a sophomore, junior, senior, or full-time graduate student at a college or university during the fall 2020 semester. Preference is given to applicants who have a farm background and/or are studying an agricultural-related field.

For more information and/or

an application, please contact the Knox County Farm Bureau office at 309/342-2036; e-mail: knoxcfb@ knoxcfb.org; or visit our website: www.knoxcfb.org. Applications are due February 14, 2020.

FOUNDATION **KCFB** \$1000 **SCHOLARSHIP**

The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship is open to Knox County residents who will be a sophomore, junior, senior, or full-time graduate student at a college or university during the fall 2020 semester. *Preference* is given to applicants who have a farm background and/or are studying an agricultural-related or communication-related field.

This is the third year the KCFB Foundation will award scholarship. For more information and/or an application, please contact the Knox County Farm Bureau office at 309/342-2036; e-mail: knoxcfb@knoxcfb.org; or visit our website: www.knoxcfb.org. Applications are due February 14,

THOMAS LINCOLN **SCHOLARSHIP**

The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation is currently accepting applications for the Thomas Lincoln Scholarship, awarded annually in memory of Thomas Lincoln, a Knox County Farm Bureau Young Farmer who died in a tragic car accident.

A \$1000 scholarship will be given in the spring of 2020 to a graduating high school senior who is a Knox County resident and has been accepted into an agricultural or agricultural-related curriculum at any college or university in the fall

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Thank You KNOX COUNTY FARM BUREAU



GOOD FOOD BRINGS WINTER COMFORT

These days, my husband's favorite supper of roast beef with mashed potatoes, gravy and homemade rolls prompts him to ask, "What's the occasion?" My response: "We're home." "What's the

With both kids in middle school, a night at home free from extracurricular activities provides reason to celebrate some down time. Comfort foods flow from this availability, which triggers the desire to cook and bake with an enthusiasm that tackles even dish duty with high spirits. The aroma of home-baked goods and from-scratch meals fill our home, hugging hearts before taming empty stomachs.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Greetings of the holiday season, and a collective sigh of relief for the end – finally - of the harvest season.

It's been a challenging year for agriculture, with lousy weather and flooding taking a toll on the quality of the crops and making it extremely difficult to get them out of the fields. Toss in some financial pressure from the markets based on uncertain trade relations, and 2019 has been tough.

There were bright spots, however, such as long-overdue infrastructure improvements at the Illinois State Fairgrounds and the reopening of the Coliseum! And my legislative colleagues and I continue to work closely with the Illinois Farm Bureau and other agricultural stakeholders to pass new laws that affect agriculture, food safety, animals and hunting, including:
Kennel Fire Alarms (HB 3390): Provides

that a kennel operator shall install in the kennel a fire alarm monitoring system that triggers notification to local emergency responders when activated or fire sprinklers. Provides that the Illinois Department of Agriculture shall deny the initial licensure or license renewal of a kennel operator for the failure to comply with this provision.

Healthy Pet Month (HB 2086): Designates April as "Healthy Pet Month" to encourage pet owners to review their pets' health needs and to make arrangements with their veterinarians for annual exams/ evaluations.

Local Foods (HB 2505): Modifies the term "local farm or food products" to include products processed and packaged in Illinois using at least one ingredient grown in Illinois.

Rabies Vaccines for Cats (SB 131): Requires every owner of a cat that is four months or older to have each cat receive a rabies inoculation, and have a subsequent inoculation within a year of

While I love to occasionally dine out and pay someone else to handle the food prep and clean-up, nothing quite matches having or making the time to enjoy the magic of a home-cooked meal around the family dinner table.

Food makes us feel good, and the farm women before me set flavor standards and meal-time priorities that I embrace and share with our kids. Our household teaches respect for mealtime as a family. We also deliver a hands-on education in how food grows, whether in our farm's fields, our backyard garden, the hen house or Grandpa's cattle pasture.

The kids see that the eggs they gather make it into the homemade rolls. We top those rolls with jelly, home-made from the backyard grapevine. From the freezer, we pull steaks and roast beef processed from last year's steer that Grandpa raised. This 30-cubic-foot appliance also holds last summer's sweet corn, homemade pesto from the back-porch basil plant and broilers the kids helped raise.

the first one occurring. Excludes feral cats. Food Handling and Regulation Enforcement (SB 2068): Prohibits a

public health district from regulating the preparing and serving of food in a private residential leasehold that is prepared by or for the lessees and consumed by the lessees and their guests. Farm Equipment License Plates (HB

2669): Removes current law requiring registration of specific farm wagon type trailers having a fertilizer spreader attachment and farm wagon type tank trailers. Removes the \$250 registration fee and existing width and weight restrictions for single unit self-propelled agricultural fertilizer implements.

Soil and Water Conservation Districts (HB 2737): Provides that the purposes of Soil and Water Conservation Districts include the conservation of soil health, organic matter in soil and plants, and water quality and the improvement of resilience to droughts, floods, and other extreme weather. Adds the incorporation of perennial plants to the conservation of soil and water resources plans.

Bulk Food Handling (HB 3440): Gives retailers the option to allow customers to use their own containers to dispense bulk foods under certain conditions.

Service Animal Documentation (HB 3671): Provides that a housing provider who receives a request from a person to make an exception to the landlord's policy prohibiting animals on the landlord's property because the person requires the use of an assistance animal or service animal may require the person to produce reliable documentation.

As a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee, it is an honor to support Illinois agriculture and agribusiness in Springfield. I also serve on the Property Tax Relief Tax Force, which will submit its report to the Governor by year's end. And I am a member of the Task Force that

This winter, roast beef with mashed potatoes one night may make beef stew with dumplings the next. Our daughter loves from-scratch chicken pot pie with our whole farm-raised broilers. The meal takes hours to prepare but tastes so good that we want to lick the ramekin. Our son cheers for meatballs, formed from our freezer beef and flavored with garden onions stored in the basement. We declare Sunday nights "pizza night" and, when time allows, opt for homemade topped with pizza sauce the kids preserved with me last August.

At another level entirely, Grandma used to butcher a chicken on Sunday morning for fried chicken after church. I take much simpler routes, but still share in ways to celebrate good food. Sometimes, that means leftover chicken noodle soup for Sunday lunch.

About the author: Joanie Stiers' family grows corn, soybeans and hay and raises beef cattle and backyard chickens in West-Central Illinois.

was created when more than \$400 million was set aside in the new funding capital bill for broadband expansion underserved areas.

The new \$45 billion capital plan will also provide significant

boost for our state.

Jil Tracy, State Senator, 47th District upgrades to our state's roads and bridges, which will help in the distribution of Illinois' agricultural commodities throughout the

The capital improvement bill was supported by the Farm Bureau in recognition that farmers need safe roads and bridges to get to their fields and to get their products to market. And the good news is that voters, with the support of Farm Bureau, added an amendment to the Illinois Constitution that creates a "lockbox" for funds generated by the increased motor fuel tax, which prohibits those road funds from being swept by lawmakers and used for other purposes.

nation and provide a valuable economic

IDOT's newly released six-year road project plan includes more funding for Highway 34, adding another two lanes from Burlington to Monmouth, which will benefit local and regional farmers.

Thank you for reaching out to me this year and providing important perspectives on state and local issues. My door is always open to farmers and members of the agribusiness community. Please call my district offices at 217-223-0833 or 217-214-9705, or contact me on my leaislative website at www.senatorjiltracy. com.

Sincerely, Jil Tracy State Senator, 47th District



Corn in the Classroom

in the Classroom coordinators been sharing busy pumpkins, corn and trees with students across Knox County. In early December,



both coordinators and Ms. Aggie helped to teach eight lessons at their Adopt a School, St.Symphorosa in Chicago. Students across Knox County had AITC lessons about corn in November. Kindergarteners made and ear of corn with real kernel and first grade students made Three Sisters Art.

At St. Symphorosa, Mrs. Green taught lessons about corn, and not just about

the sweet corn that was at everyone's Thanksgiving feast! Students in both first and second grade were able to see and touch dent corn, flint corn and popcorn. Second graders used an AgMag about corn to see what the plant looks like and learned about the use's of dent corn. Mrs. Green brought corn oil and corn starch and many other products that contain corn. When discussing processing, students were asked to select a product on display that was made of corn. Everyone learned about reading labels on food that provides the ingredient list. Students were asked to select a product from those displayed that had corn as an ingredient. Products included: candy, macaroni and cheese, batteries, and packing peanuts to name a few. Students could read the word corn on the label, and a discussion about corn syrup help students learn that it is used as a sweetener. Students soon discovered that every product displayed had corn as an ingredient. Students learned about the number of rows and the number of kernels on each cob of corn. Their class project was to make 'an ear

of corn' using beads and pipe cleaners, but students used only 48 beads for their

kernels instead of 800! First graders learned about the different types of corn, but also how three plants were grown together many, many years ago. Students helped act out the story of the Three Sisters: Sister Corn, Sister Bean and Sister Squash. They learned that each plant helped the other in growing a healthy crop. Students created art to depict the three sisters using popcorn kernels grown right here in Knox County! Pilot Knob popcorn was used to create their art, along with bean and pumpkin seeds (squash). All teachers that had a visit from Ag in the Classroom received their own bag of Pilot Knob popcorn and popcorn on the cob, and a copy of

Popcorn Country by Cris Peterson.
Our hosts at St. Symphorosa are always welcoming and appreciative. They enjoy the activities brought into their rooms and that students are learning about where their food comes from. We hope to return in the spring with new lessons about





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When Winter Covers Your Roof, Make Sure to Cover Your Home

A roof covered high in snow might provide the perfect backdrop for your holiday card photo or a soft landing pad for Santa and his sleigh.

But a serious risk to your home and family may be lurking beneath that beautiful bed of white.

Heavy snow and ice buildup can routinely cause roof collapses. Even partial collapses can cause extensive damage to the interior contents of a home or business. And you're not out of the storm when warmer weather begins to roll in. Rain on top of snow can significantly add to the weight on your roof, and poor drainage can mean interior flooding.

As little as 6 inches of snow packed on your roof could cause major damage to your home—and your wallet.

Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS) research shows about \$1 of every \$5 paid for home and business property losses in recent years has stemmed from damage due to freezing weather, snow and water leaks.

With many areas of the country witnessing record snowfall and the wintry season lasting longer, the risk factors for roof and home damage could be snowballing.

The IBHS has some guidelines to help you determine the risk posed to your home and roof. First, the age and design of your roof are major factors:

- Light metal buildings typically have less capacity to handle a high snow load, so it's essential to keep all outbuildings clear as well as your home.
- For flat roofs, the step-down area between roof sections is a potential source of roof overload because of the tendency for ice and snow collection.

Fresh snow is two to four times lighter than old snow, so your roof could hold up to four feet of fresh snow safely. But new snow on top of old snow can multiply the risk of collapse. Ice mixed with snow is extremely heavy-just one inch of ice can weigh as much as 12 inches of fresh

To be safe, consider hiring a licensed roof contractor to remove any snowfall over two feet.

To help reduce the risk of roof damage and flooding during the winter, take these preventative measures throughout the rest of the year:

- Clear roof valleys and gutters of debris in the fall.
- Caulk all cracks and openings in the
- Inspect downspouts. They should carry water at least five feet away from foundation walls.
- Ensure that the surrounding landscape is graded away from your home.







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Most home insurance plans cover roof collapse, but many older policies may not. So don't let your family get left out in the cold. Check with your COUNTRY Financial representative to make sure your home and family are covered.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Knox County Farm Bureau was held on December 19, 2019.

Education & Outreach – Becky King

The committee met December 19 at the Holiday Meal.

Farm Business – Todd West

The 2018 Plat Book is available and is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-

2018 Knox County Wall Plat Maps are available for \$50 for members and \$55 for non-members. We have Peoria County Plat Books available in the office

The winter marketing club meetings have started for the 2020 year.

The COUNTRY Winter Crop Meeting will be held on January 30 at 5:30PM at the Knox Agri Center. Henn House BBQ will cater supper. RSVP's are needed at the KCFB office.

Government and Policy – Joe Webel

Sign up for FB Act text alerts by texting the word FARM to 52886. Adopted Legislator Lamont Robinson visited the county on November 20 and toured Triple E Farms, A&J Cattle, and 4th Meridian Farms. Representative Dan Swanson, Representative Norine Hammond, and Adopted Legislator Representative Lamont Robinson attended the Knox County dinner at the IAA Annual Meeting on December 9.

Member Relations – Jennifer Beard

The Health Fair was November 19 at

Foundation – Hailey Weyhrich

The Board will meet November 26.

PrimeTimers - Hailey Weyhrich

Their Holiday Luncheon was November 19 at Pizza Ranch. The next meeting is in January for the Program of Work meeting.

Young Farmers - Jeff Grady

The Leadership Bootcamp was held on November 21 at the Agri Center.

The Young Leader Conference will be held on January 31-February 1 in East Peoria.

On December 12, Young Farmers prepared and served dinner at the Galesburg Rescue Mission.

KAC - Terry Boydstun

The Agri Center Board met on November 26. One additional security camera will be installed on the Farm Bureau side of the building, outside. All locks and keys have been replaced in the building. The lighted sign by the street will be updated with newer logos throughout the year.

OLD BUSINESS

IFB Annual Meeting in Chicago went

Districts 1 and 5 have open seats on

KCFB Annual Meeting is January 25 at Cedar Creek Hall.

IFB Priorities were suggested by the Board focusing on regulatory climate in Illinois, trade, and biofuels.

NEW BUSINESS

The KCFB Annual Meeting Viewpoint Survey will be updated.

The meritorious Service to Ag Award

will be presented at the KCFB Annual

The program reporting system is now called Counties Activates of Excellence, formally known as PEARS, and it was discussed together with the 2020 Quota Program.

The Peoria Chiefs invited us to Ag Night on July 22, 2020.

Knox County to Springfield program will involve commodity groups and KCFB visiting legislators while in session.

Board Meeting Attendance

NAME	Oct	Nov	De
Beard, Jennifer	С	Р	Р
Bewley, Beau	С	Р	Р
Bohnert Yoder, Tara	С	Р	Р
Boydstun, Terry	CCC	Р	Р
Cain, Jarid	С	Α	Р
DeSutter, Drew	Č	Р	Р
Engel, Lori	C	Р	Р
Erickson, David S	С	Р	Р
Goedeke, Phil	Č	Р	Α
Grady, Jeff	CCC	Р	Р
Hennenfent, Matt	С	Р	Р
Hulsizer, Matt	С	Α	Р
King, Becky	Č	Α	Р
Link, Jeff	C	Р	Α
Link, Nathan	С	Α	Р
O'Connor, Tom	č	Р	Р
Stevens, Monica	CCC	Р	Р
Strom, Grant	С	Р	Р
Swanson, Brett	С	Α	Р
Webel, Joe	Ċ	Α	Α
West, Todd	С	Р	Р
C - Cancelled			

Getting To Know Your Farm Bureau Policy

How well do you know Farm Bureau policy? In order to better understand it, KCFB will run monthly excerpts from the 2019 policy book. Interested in learning more about how our policy system works? It all starts with you! For more info contact the office.

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Working with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to review the legal and technical issues related to agricultural UAV use.

Reasonable FAA regulations regarding agricultural use and permitting for private and commercial applications.

4. Requiring the operator of the UAV to gain the consent, in writing, of the landowner or tenant, if the UAV will be surveying or gathering data above the private property.

5. The development of guidelines for the safe operation of UAVs for all users.

6. Landowners and tenants to be able to fly their fields, for any reason, without it being considered a commercial activity.

7. Protecting property and privacy rights of farms and livestock operations while encouraging legitimate commercial and recreational uses of UAVs.

We oppose:

1. Federal, state, and law enforcement agencies using UAVs for the purpose of regulatory enforcement, litigation, and as a sole source for natural resource inventories used in planning efforts.

2. FAA regulations that classify UAVs as fixed-wing aircraft.

FAA regulations that require a private pilot's license and third-class medical certification to operate UAVs under 55

Hailey's Manager Update

Man, are we all ready for 2020! I am not one for New Years Resolutions or things like that but this year I did one of those quizzes to find your 'word' for the year and mine was REFRESH. After thinking about it, I could not think of a better word to focus on. The end of the year just wears a person down and what better way to regain energy by focusing on refreshing yourself.... Do you still think I am talking about myself? I think this is a good word for all farmers and those in agriculture. Take a moment to think about this word and how it could work for you. Refresh by taking care of yourself with less soda

or coffee or by cleaning your vehicle inside and out, start a new workout r o u t i n e whatever works for you! 2020 isn't only a new year but a new decade



and what better way to start a clean slate and forget about the trials and tribulations of 2019. I hope you have a very refreshed January- February will be here before we know it!



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Jeanne Bernick, to Headline Women in Agriculture Conference; Friday, March 27th

All women involved in farming and the agriculture industry are encouraged to attend the Women in Agriculture Conference, Friday, March 27, 2020 at Jumer's Casino and Hotel in Moline, Illinois. This one-day seminar empowers women within agriculture industries.

This conference, celebrating its ninth year, will feature keynote speaker Jeanne Bernick. Bernick is an agri-business consultant and market Growth Leader for national business advisory firm,

K-Coe Isom. She offers a depth of industry insights and works alongside clients with financial tools that help keep their farms and businesses not just viable but thriving. Her presentation "How Women Change the World One Farm at a Time" will focus on how the world is changing for the better as more women are coming back to their agricultural roots. Bernick will provide tips and tricks on leading as a woman working in agriculture. She also co-authored the book, "Ceres Rising: How Women are Leading Farm Business."

variety of breakout sessions that participants may choose from. Breakout sessions themes include Livestock Panel, Mental Health, Meal Planning, Contacting your Legislators, Dress for Success and Tax Planning.

The Conference will wrap up with Dr. Kim Kidwell, Dean and Robert A. Easter Chair in the College of Agricultural Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES) at the University of Illinois. Dr. Kidwell is a proud Alumna of ACES where she earned a bachelor's degree in both genetics, development and agriculture sciences. She received her masters and Ph.D. in plant breeding and genetics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Her presentation "Women Changing Agriculture", will highlight how women have served as the heartbeat of agriculture since the beginning of civilization.

Included in the day is an exhibit area, with many businesses and organizations offering materials, promotional items, and give-away drawings, a breakfast and luncheon buffet and mid-day snack break. Conference cost prior to March 1 is \$60, after March 1, the cost is \$80. Walk-in registrations the day of the conference are \$100. Registration the day of the conference begins at 8am. To pre-register, contact any sponsoring Illinois County Farm Bureaus or register online at womeninagricultureconference.com.

The Conference is sponsored by the Farm Bureau Women in Agriculture Conference

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Health on the Farm







January is Cervical Health Awareness Month, and the Knox County Health Department and Knox Community Health Center wants you to Knox that there's a lot you can do to prevent cervical cancer. Each year, more than 11,000 women in the United States get cervical cancer.

Cervical cancer is one of the most preventable types of cancer affecting women in the United States. That's because there are two good screening tests for cervical cancer. One is the Pap test performed during a pelvic exam that can identify pre-cancerous cells and early-stage cancers, which are highly treatable. The second is testing directly for the presence of the cancercausing human papillomavirus, or HPV.

Since virtually all cervical cancers are caused by HPV, much of the attention in recent years has focused on preventing infections in younger women through vaccinations against HPV. But this may be taking attention off of another population that stands to benefit greatly from regular screening: women over 45.

Despite the fact that half of cervical cancers are diagnosed after age 49, participation in preventive screening steadily declines between ages 45 and 65.

To start the year right, we encourage women to contact the Knox County Health Department or their health care provider to schedule a Pap test to check for cervical cancer This screening is a crucial part of a woman's health care regimen, yet one that many overlook. It's important to remember that cervical cancer is a preventable disease – as long as it's caught early enough.

We also encourage pre-teens to get the HPV (human papillomavirus)

vaccine. HPV is a very common infection that spreads through sexual activity, and it causes almost all cases of cervical cancer. About 79 million Americans currently have HPV, but many people with HPV don't know they are infected.

In honor of National Cervical Health Awareness Month, the Health Department encourages:

- •Women to start getting regular cervical cancer screenings at age 21
- •Parents to make sure pre-teens get the HPV vaccine at age 11 or 12

Teens and young adults also need to get the HPV vaccine if they didn't get it as pre-teens. Women up to age 26 and men up to age 21 can still get the vaccine

The Health Department and Community Health Center continue to focus on providing high quality care and having the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program as part of its services is another way to care for patients. The IBCCP offers free mammograms, breast exams, pelvic exams and Pap tests to eligible women living in Knox, Warren, and Henderson Counties. Even if a woman has already been diagnosed with cancer, she may receive free treatment if she qualifies. If you do not have a health care provider, are insured, uninsured or underinsured, call today to learn more about IBCCP and the Knox Community Health Center.

Please contact us at the Knox County Health Department at 309-344-2224 or visit www.knoxcountyhealth.org, to see if the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program can be of assistance. If more women have access to care, we can reduce the rates of cervical cancer.

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- You are between the ages of 35 and 64.
- · You have no Medicaid or Medicare Part B.
- Your health insurance will not cover these services, the deductible is a financial hardship, or you have no health insurance.

For more information about the program, or to make an appointment, call the Knox County Health Department at (309) 344-2224.







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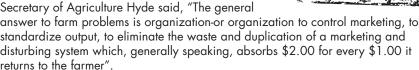
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Looking Back

<u>Taken from the January 1930 Bulletin</u>



Taken from the January 1940 Bulletin

On December 18, 1939, there were 20,000 hogs in Chicago including 4,900 direct. The market was 10c to 20c higher. Top was \$5.60

On December 18, 1924 (15 years earlier) there were 123,000 hogs in Chicago. The market was strong to 5c higher. The top as \$9.80. That was before direct

Taken from the January 1950 Bulletin

Exchange Ad: A re-conversion Holland Oil Burner plus a 250-gallon Butler tank. In perfect working condition. Phone 1747-2



Oh Henry!

Sweets

America was on a high in the 1920s and people indulged in sweets. Here are the new sweets of the 1920s and the year they were introduced to or became common in the United States:

- 1920 Baby Ruth candy and Oh Henry candy
- •1922 gummy bears
- •1923 popsicles
- •1925 Mr Goodbar candy
- •1928 Reeses peanut butter cups
- 1929 Snickers
- •1929 Twizzlers

If you would like to submit a family-favorite recipe, please provide the recipe with a picture to the KCFB office.

~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~

To place ads in the Bulletin or on the website, you must be a Knox County Farm Bureau member. Call 309-342-2036 or e-mail us at ireedy@knoxcfb.org by the last Friday of each month to place the ad.

FOR SALE: Paperback westerns \$0.25. Call 309.344.3806 1/20

FOR SALE: 2013 30' cargo trailer, 9950# GVWR, 5900# cargo weight, \$5500 OBO. Call 309.299.2594

FOR SALE: 2019 Alfalfa grass and grass round bales of hay, 1st, 2nd, 3rd cutting, no rain, priced between \$80-\$120/bale. Small square bales of straw for \$6/bale. Call 309.368.0561.

FOR RENT: Lakewood Resorts in Osage Beach Lake of the Ozarks, sleeps 6 people, \$950 for week of June 28-July 4, 2020. Call 309.368.0561 12/19

AVAILABLE: 20,000 bushels aerated/ heated drying grain storage in bins available 6 miles north of Galesburg. Recent use with semis. Contact Paul at 916-335-3991, please leave a message. 12/19

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