

Bulletin



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Ag Olympics

The Knox County Farm Bureau Young Farmers hosted Ag Olympics after the Knox County 4-H Show. Over 50 kids participated in the event.



Don Teel Scholarship Recipients Announced

By Dean Nelson

The recipients of the Don Teel Scholarship were announced and awarded on July 13 during the 4-H Livestock Sale at the Knox County Fairgrounds. Each will receive a \$750 scholarship for college.

This year's winners were:

Isabella Kuelper of Rio, a Rio Livestock 4-H Club member. She is a 2021 ROWVA High School graduate. She plans to attend Black Hawk East this fall. Isabella is the daughter of John and Jessica Kuelper.

Katelyn Engel of Galesburg, a Delong Livestock 4-H Club member. She is a 2021 Galesburg High School graduate. She plans

to attend the University of Illinois this fall. Katelyn is the daughter of Kevin and Lori Engel.

Christina Seiboldt of Victoria, a Walnut Grove Progressors 4-H Club member. She is a 2020 ROWVA High School graduate. She will be starting her second year at Iowa State this fall. Christina is the daughter of Patrick and Susan Seiboldt.

The scholarship is in memory of Mr. Don Teel who was well known during his 40 years of employment as an agricultural advisor for the Knox County Extension Service, now known as the University of Illinois Extension.

KCFB Intern Recap

Hey Knox County! I cannot believe my internship with the Knox County Farm Bureau is coming to a close. I have had so many wonderful experiences and met many wonderful people.

During my time as the intern, I was able to host the 5th annual Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation Golf Outing. This event was my favorite part of the summer! Even though the weather during the day was dreary, it didn't stop anyone from having fun and making memories!

I also hosted Ag Olympics along with Young Farmers at the Knox County 4-H show. The kids had so much fun participating in the different games with their friends. I had the opportunity to attend board meetings, young farmer meetings, marketing club meetings, and many more. I was able to learn what goes on during these meetings and learn the significance of what they do for our county.

We had many people come in from different companies and talk to the members about new technology or how the crop markets are doing during these meetings. I thought the discussions about the markets were especially interesting because I was able to get an insight on some topics I will be learning during school.

Hailey and Kim always made the days in the office fun. I never knew what I was going to be doing in the office when I came in, so I just went with the flow and everything turned about just fine. Hailey told me at the beginning of my internship that they go day by day in the office because they never know what to expect, and that's the truth but it also made for great experiences and fun memories. I am truly grateful for the opportunity to be an intern this summer. I will cherish every experience that I had and take that with me during my academic and future career.

This fall I will be going into my sophomore year at Iowa State University, studying Agriculture Business with a minor in Animal Science. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be your 2021 Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation Intern!

Sincerely,
Christina Seiboldt

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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

- Jo Ann Anderson
- Curt Campbell
- Diana Underwood
- Kaitlyn Boyer
- Judy Lawson
- Kathrin Grady
- Mark Johnson
- Roger & Judith Kreig
- Andrew Teel
- Mallory Tolley
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- Kristi Morris
- Kimberly Stevens
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- Anne Magnison

Members are always welcome at Knox County Farm Bureau's Board of Director meetings. They are held the third Thursday of each month. Please call for times.



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Hey, look at the hay

While some people ho-hum about the drive between here and the Rockies, I noted the hay bales during our summer road trip. The large round bundles of dried fresh grasses or clover dotted the landscape, noteworthy in most instances. They sat proudly in fields, waterways and field edges as an iconic symbol of rural America. And they're a major feedstuff for livestock, notably cows that consume more than 30 pounds a day when pasture grass cannot provide.

Iowa farmers baled waterway grasses meandering through corn and soybean fields. Nebraska farmers tended expansive hay

fields. Colorado farmers baled against an impressive mountain backdrop.

In all those road miles, we saw equipment parked in barnyards and at field edges but rarely in action. Bales seem to show up like mole hills across the land, often without notice of the process that has evolved dramatically in the last century. This summer, my dad found an antique hay knife in an old barn. It reminded us that farming ancestors used to manually harvest loose hay, stack it in a barn mow and later cut from the compacted pile for feeding livestock.

Today, mechanical balers handle the bundling and tractors the stacking, unless we opt to harvest a rack of small square bales. Most modern-day round bales don weather-protective net wrap straight out of the baler, a welcome improvement from my childhood when we fitted each bale with a plastic sleeve for outdoor storage.

Mother Nature's reign over the process spans the generations, remaining in control

of when we harvest hay and how much we yield across several cuttings. The sun for hay-making seems to shine more on the week-ends. However, most farmers will tell you that mowed hay, a crop that must dry or cure before baling, seems to increase the odds for a pop-up rain shower.

The kids don't share those worries and just enjoy the bundled forage, particularly leaping across the large round bales lined at the field edge. They also climb bales in the mow, a good place to talk about the differences between the hay and straw stored there.

During Dad's barn cleanup, he also found a vintage pop bottle near the hay knife. I like to imagine that the laborer enjoyed a cola break from his vantage point at the mow window, overlooking a harvested hay field and a job well done.

About the author: Joanie Stiers farms with her family in West-Central Illinois, where they grow corn, soybeans, wheat and hay and raise beef cattle and backyard chickens.

Getting To Know Your Farm Bureau Policy

117. TRESPASS, VANDALISM, AND PRIVATE LAND ACCESS

We support:

1. Encouraging courts to punish vandals by requiring them to clean up and repair their own vandalism at their own expense or perform some other constructive work. We urge judges, when setting sentences, to require reimbursement of Crime Stoppers or similar reward programs, as a part of the sentence.
2. Legislation to protect landowners and tenants from property seizures, claims, and costs caused by unauthorized activities of trespassers and licensees entering upon and using the landowners' property.
3. Efforts, including legislation and working with law enforcement agencies and prosecutors, to increase the enforcement of criminal trespass laws.
4. Legislation specifying that, in criminal damage to property cases where the damage was caused by the unauthorized operation of a vehicle on private property, the threshold of felony status be elevated to a level suited to the crime and one that would help to remove the law enforcement community's hesitancy to prosecute those violators. In such cases, a minimum fine should be established with required restitution to the victim for property damages caused and the violator's driver's license should be suspended for six months.
5. Legislation linking criminal violations of the Illinois Vehicle Code and acts of criminal trespass or criminal damage to property to the driver's license record of anyone convicted of these crimes for the unauthorized

operation of a motor vehicle on private property.

6. Legislation creating an owner responsibility provision in law that obligates the owner of a vehicle to compensate for damages caused to private property by the use of the vehicle on that property without the landowner's authorization unless the vehicle was stolen or the vehicle's owner took reasonable precautions against misuse of the vehicle.

7. Efforts to educate law enforcement officials and the general public - especially youth - about the property damage caused by the unauthorized operation of vehicles on private property and the liability and penalties for any resulting property damage.

8. The development and dissemination of programs and materials on private property rights and the associated portions of trespass and criminal law. We encourage county Farm Bureaus to pursue similar efforts on the local level.

9. Efforts to educate farmland owners and farmland operators about their legal rights and responsibilities relating to trespass; also, efforts to educate them about insurance coverage relating to liability and property damage caused through trespass. We encourage county Farm Bureaus to pursue similar efforts on the local level.

10. Efforts to establish riding areas for ATVs and other off-highway vehicles and efforts to generate revenues for that purpose from those who use the vehicles for recreation.

11. Efforts to make it clear that persons going to or from rivers, streams, and bike trails over another's land or hunting on

another's land without the owner's or rightful occupant's specific permission, without regard to the presence of any posted notices, are trespassers for the purposes of determining liability of a landowner for any injury which might occur to the trespasser.

12. Legislation that will require owners of recreational trails and their facilities to compensate owners of land adjacent to the trail or facility for any property damage, theft, littering, and/or vandalism caused by users of the trail or facility except where the actual perpetrator can be identified and make restitution.

13. Efforts to educate farm owners and operators about their legal rights as they pertain to utilities and governmental or private surveying companies. We would encourage all surveyors to notify affected landowners and use public property whenever possible.

14. Efforts to educate farm owners and farmers about their legal rights as landlords or managers of residential properties.

15. Landowners being an additional named insured for all government and public utility project work that is being done on private property.

16. Efforts to enforce regulations on hot air balloons regarding their potential trespass on private property and their potential for endangering livestock.

17. A program to reward informants who provide information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons who commit theft, arson, or vandalism to the property or premises of Illinois Agricultural Association (IAA) members.

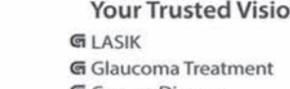
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Make sure you have adequate insurance protection by meeting with your financial representative for a periodic insurance and financial review.

When should I perform a review?

An insurance and financial review will help eliminate gaps in coverage and provide a better understanding of your insurance needs to best protect you and your family.

Many believe performing a review is only necessary after major life changes, such as purchasing a new home or having a child. While these life changes are cause to review your insurance coverage, it is also important to keep little changes in mind. For example, buying a new car, changing jobs or making improvements to your home are changes that can make a difference in your insurance coverage needs. No matter how big or small your life changes, review your insurance coverages to make sure you have the best protection for you and your family.

Can you replace your home and personal property at today's prices?

Replacement cost coverage may be available on your homeowners policy to help protect you from economic fluctuations and depreciation if you have a claim.

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Annual reviews also allow you to examine rebuilding costs for your home and replacement costs for your belongings. Fluctuations in the economy and depreciation of household items often make it hard to determine the exact cost to rebuild your home and replace its contents.

Being underinsured may result in a claim payment less than the amount of the damaged item. Annual reviews and purchasing the appropriate replacement cost coverage are ways to ensure you won't be unpleasantly surprised if you have a claim.

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Ed Johnson

August Board Highlights

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Knox County Farm Bureau was held on August 19, 2021.

A quorum was not met so the business meeting of the Knox County Farm Bureau Board of Directors was not held.

KCFB Board Attendance 2021

	June	July	August	
Beard, Jennifer	P	P	P	(P) Present (A) Absent
Bewley, Beau	P	P	P	
Boydston, Terry	A	P	A	
Courson, Dustin	P	P	A	
DeSutter, Drew	P	P	P	
Emken, Kurt	P	P	A	
Engel, Lori	P	P	P	
Goedeke, Phil	P	P	A	
Grady, Jeff	P	P	A	
King, Becky	A	A	A	
Link, Cory	A	A	P	
Link, Nathan	P	P	P	
Nelson, Brian	P	P	P	
O'Connor, Tom	P	P	P	
Shea, Damon	P	A	A	
Stevens, Monica	A	A	A	
Swanson, Brett	A	P	A	
Underwood, Kyle	-	-	P	
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Health on the Farm

By the Knox County Health Department



Health Department Encouraging Flu Vaccine; Drive-Thru Clinic Sept. 25

As with every year, flu season is quickly approaching, which means it's time to get your flu shots. Now more than ever, the flu vaccine can make a big difference in the overall health of the community. It is especially important for people who are at high risk from flu; many of whom are also at high risk for COVID-19 or serious outcomes. Getting an annual flu shot is the best way to protect yourself and your loved ones.

"It's very important for people to once again get a flu shot this year because of the COVID-19 outbreak," said Michele Gabriel, Public Health Administrator. "When a person is ill with a respiratory virus, it weakens their immune system, increasing the chance they could become ill with another illness, including COVID-19." And vice versa, as well. While the two have similar symptoms, the two are separate viruses. Getting sick with one can be rough, but the bigger problem can be what happens after. Since it takes some time to recover after an illness, getting sick a second time has a chance to be very damaging, especially if that illness is the flu or similar. Developing pneumonia is just one example of a complication that could happen.

The Knox County Health Department in conjunction with Hinchliff Pearson and West will be holding their convenient Drive Thru Flu Vaccination Clinic on Saturday, September 25 from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Hinchliff Pearson and West, 1070 West Fremont Street, Galesburg. This clinic is for those 18 years of age and up

Seasonal flu vaccinations are recommended for everyone! Beginning with those who are at least 6 months old; however, it is especially important for pregnant women, people 65 and older, and people

with compromised immune systems, as well as anyone who lives with them. It takes up to two weeks for the body to build full immunity after vaccination, which is why getting vaccinated early is important. The typical peak flu season is January through March.

The Health Department will again have Fluzone High-Dose influenza vaccine this year. Fluzone High dose is an inactivated influenza virus vaccine for people ages 65 years and older to prevent disease caused by influenza virus. The Fluzone High-Dose vaccine contains four times the amount of antigen (the part of the vaccine that prompts the body to make antibody) contained in the regular flu vaccines.

It takes up to two weeks for the body to build full immunity after vaccination, which is why getting vaccinated early is important. The typical peak flu season is January through March.

In addition to receiving a flu shot, it is important to practice the 3 C's -

- **Clean** - wash your hands
- **Cover** - cover your cough and sneeze
- **Contain** - contain your germs- stay home if you are sick

The absolute best way to prevent the flu is to receive a flu vaccination. The CDC recommends everyone aged 6 months and older receive the flu shot. Proper and frequent hand washing is so important during flu season. Wash your hands often, especially after being in contact with someone who may have the flu. Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. This is how germs are spread. Also, practice other good health habits such as eating well and getting enough sleep.

If you have any questions about seasonal flu, contact the Knox County Health Department at 309-344-2224.



Fidget Blanket Ministry

"For those with dementia and being care for in the home" Ellen McRell has created the Fidget Blanket Ministry based on her personal experience caring for loved ones with dementia. This Fidget Blankets allow for those suffering to move things around, touch and feel different textures and find hidden treasures. If you have a friend, loved one, or someone you know who suffer from dementia, please contact Ellen McRell at 309-221-3436 or email emcrell@gmail.com



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