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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL

- 14 Young Farmers Meeting, 7 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 19 PrimeTimers Potluck, 12 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 21 KCFB Board Meeting, 8 PM, Knox Agri Center

MAY

- 4 Touch-A-Truck, 10-11:30 AM, Lake Storey Pavilion Parking Lot
- 12 Young Farmers Meeting, 7 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 17 PrimeTimers Potluck, 12 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 19 KCFB Board Meeting, 8 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 24 KCFB Foundation, 6:30 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 24 KAC, 7:30 PM, Knox Agri Center
- 30 KCFB Office Closed, Memorial Day

Welcome New Members

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

Terry & William Anderson, Alexis	Tom Jones, Galva
Gary Johnson, Monmouth	Ryan Kellogg, Williamsfield
Linda Reschly, Cedar Rapids, IA	Dustin Likes, Williamsfield
Skyler Boughton, Galesburg	Gerald Lynch, Maquon
Jennessa Bresnahan, Galesburg	Nolan Martinson & Kerrie Thorne, Victoria
Brittany & Justin Dean, Dahinda	Donna Moler, Galesburg
Kayla Godsil, Galesburg	Damion Sedwick, Galesburg
Stephanie Graham, Galesburg	Robert Spratt, Galesburg
Becky & Troy Hale, Knoxville	Aaron Taylor, Maquon
Sam Holman & Corinne Nance, Abingdon	Ashley Thomas, Galesburg
	Gary Tomlin, Galesburg



The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation would like to fill a vacant director position. Please contact Caitlin Chrzanowski, Knox County Farm Bureau Manager, if you are interested at 309-342-2036 or knoxcfb@knoxcfb.org.

TOUCH A TRUCK 2016



The Young Farmers Committee is participating again this year in the Touch A Truck event for youngsters organized by the City of Galesburg. A young farmer is providing a semi-truck and trailer to join a variety of vehicles. This event is free for the community and held at the Lake Storey Pavilion parking lot on Wednesday, May 4 from 10:00 am - 11:30 am.



Pictures from Touch A Truck 2015

Hunter Safety Course Scheduled for June 10th & 11th

Area residents, 8 years old and above, will have an opportunity to learn basic principles of safe hunting at a Department of Natural Resources hunter safety course sponsored by the Knox County Farm Bureau Young Farmers. This course is scheduled to be held at the Knox Agri Center, 180 S. Soangetaha Rd, Galesburg, on Friday, June 10th from 5:30-9:00 pm and Saturday, June 11th from 8:00 am-3:00 pm. A snack will be provided on Friday evening and lunch provided on Saturday.

Participants must be 8 years old and above. A 1996 state law requires that all hunters born on



or after January 1, 1980 must successfully complete the hunter education course before they can receive their first hunting license. Participants completing the hunter education course will receive a Hunter Education Certification card verifying that

they have passed the course of instruction.

The minimum ten hour course includes instruction in wildlife management, firearms safety, hunter ethics, game identification, first aid, survival techniques and regulations. You must pre-register by visiting knoxcfb.org or by calling the Knox County Farm Bureau office at 309-342-2036. This course is limited to 50 participants and will be filled on a first come first served basis. The Knox County Farm Bureau thanks Pheasants Forever for contributing to this event.



The Mercer County Farm Bureau and Knox County Farm Bureau were honored to host (seated L-R) Representative Don Moffitt, Representative Norine Hammond, and Senator Chuck Weaver at the annual legislative luncheon. Standing (L-R) are Knox County Farm Bureau members Tim Main, Krista Swanson, Tom O'Connor, Terry Boydston, Dave Asbury, Matt Hennenfent, and David Erickson.



Knox County Farm Bureau Young Farmer, Drew DeSutter, participated in the Illinois Farm Bureau Leaders to Washington Trip in late March. During this fast-paced trip, Drew discussed current issues and advocated for Illinois agriculture.



2016 Knox County Plat Books - \$25 for members

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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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Growing the next generation of agriculturalists

With our kids now at ages 10 and 7, I heighten my expectations of a good night's sleep. But sometimes, a worry turns on my brain early in the morning. Too often, our yellow lab barks at nocturnal life, which apparently lurks in the field outside our bedroom window. And our son awoke at 2 a.m. the other morning, panicked and convinced that a tarantula had hopped across his bed.

Yet, it was our local FFA chapter's annual banquet that kept me alert until the wee hours one morning. I returned home from

the celebration excited for the future of our small school's agriculture program. Driven by adrenaline, I completed some bookwork, replied to emails and finished a project for a community service event. I figured it was time for bed when network television began to broadcast infomercials.

The successful FFA banquet spoke volumes about the agriculture instructor and students, as well as the community's passion for both of those ingredients. The room emitted energy, first fueled by the evident depth of quality students (who, by the way, each presented briefly to the audience). Soon after, the crowd participated in a heartfelt, student-led standing ovation to express sincere gratitude for their agriculture teacher and FFA advisor. At the end, the community lit the room on financial fire with its overwhelming and widespread support at the live fundraising auction. The proceeds directly benefit the school's FFA and agriculture program.

I could boast more specifically about our community's agriculture commitment. Rather, I believe the event epitomizes the agriculture industry's impact in communities across Illinois. I have yet to experience a niche industry with as much structured and passionate, steadfast community support for its youth and future as found in agriculture. Amid all of agriculture's changes over the decades – satellite-guided tractors included – the industry steers a steady

course with its values and support system for youth. That support proves as important as ever in the current environment, in which the state budget proposal includes zero funding for agriculture education.

The following Sunday, the banquet rightfully earned a mention during the joyful blessings portion of our small-town church worship service. Community members had filled the school cafeteria for the event, where even local residents without kids or relatives in the FFA program attended. Among them sat members of our local FFA Alumni affiliate. The organization facilitates a relationship between avid agriculture supporters and agriculture students, a unique dynamic that prompts learning on both ends of the age spectrum. Meanwhile, these supporters provide funding, access to resources and keep the program in tune with industry needs.

Farm families desire to leave the land better than they found it. Likewise, agriculture communities work to attain the same ideal for their agriculture education programs. After seeing this aspiration take action, I likely smiled in my sleep.

About the author: Joanie Stiers, a wife and mother of two kids, writes from her home office and works in her family's farm office in West Central Illinois.

Need for a State Budget Tops List of Agricultural Concerns in Illinois

Submitted by Representative Norine Hammond

As a passionate supporter of our agricultural community in Springfield and at home, it came as no surprise to me that topping the list of concerns of the agricultural community is the need for enacting a State Budget that funds critical programs like Soil & Water Conservation Districts and Agricultural Education. As many of you may know, nearly every weekend my husband, Leonard, and I drive from one small town fundraiser to another helping to raise money for local causes and conversing with constituents on issues important to their communities. Needless to say, I hear about the effects of the lack of a state budget at every stop.

Since the State of Illinois failed to enact a balanced budget last June due to infighting between legislative leaders, programs like Soil & Water Conservation Districts and Agricultural Education programs have been left in limbo and patience is wearing beyond thin. I have been proud to support these programs and proud to represent the State of Illinois on the Council of State Governments Agriculture Committee as a member of the Board of the State Agriculture and Rural Leaders (SARL), a group of legislators from throughout the United States and 8 Canadian Provinces focusing on agriculture issues. These programs are critically important to preserving and growing our agricultural heritage in Illinois, as I understand that we need to attract young people to agricultural professions in order to continue to be the breadbasket of America.

The current budget impasse is, quite simply, unacceptable. Since last Spring, I have been pushing hard on all parties to come to an agreement that ensures state government can keep providing these services through a responsible, reliably funded balanced

budget. We all know that Illinois is in a deep fiscal crisis. Without a doubt, it is imperative that state government analyze all areas of spending and ensure that funds are spent in the wisest way possible with as many efficiencies in place as is reasonable. I recognize that we did not get into this budget mess overnight, nor will we get out of it overnight.

It is especially unfortunate that funds designated for agricultural programs are caught up in this budget fight. It's frustrating because under both the Democrat proposed budget and the Governor's proposed budget, there seems to be general agreement on agriculture funding, with the exception of agricultural education which I strongly support. Funding for agriculture education programs must be a part of any eventual agreement on an education budget. I will do everything possible to make sure that happens.

The Illinois Farm Bureau has, also, established a list of priorities for the 2016 General Assembly session. They include; funding for core agriculture programs, maintaining tax incentives for agriculture necessary for production agriculture, reducing the current traffic and criminal conviction surcharge paid on truck overweight fines, allow for the Governor to increase overweight tolerances for divisible loads of agricultural commodities during a declared harvest emergency, an expedited review procedure for new large, complex utility projects that will better protect landowners' property rights, and maintain reduced property tax assessments on agriculture filter strips so that these important tools for nutrient management and the reduction of soil erosion remain economically viable.

I, and many other legislators concerned about the state of agriculture in Illinois, have been advocating that programs

where there is agreement should be authorized, while others where disagreement still exists can continue to be debated. Short of that, I would also advocate for changes that allow for a two-year budgeting process in Illinois. While this would likely require a Constitutional Amendment to the State Constitution, we must come up with ways to support critical state programs and provide assurances to SWCD's, State Fair vendors, and those in our agricultural education community to be able to plan ahead and continue their good work in growing the next generation of those who will grow and raise the food for the next generation. I encourage all legislators, on both sides of the aisle, to strongly consider these suggestions as a means to move past this impasse and help to restore Illinois to the State we all know it can become.

It won't be long and planting season will be in full swing. Green, red and blue will be the colors of the season. I wish you all a safe planting season. I leave you with this quote, "I know of no pursuit in which more real and important services can be rendered to any country than by improving its agriculture, its breed of useful animals, and other branches of a husbandman's cares."

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Be Prepared For Tornado Season

Tornado season begins in April and lasts through June, but actually tornadoes can and do occur in every month of the year. That's why it is important to always be prepared.

The first step of tornado safety is to know the difference between a watch and a warning. These terms often confuse people. A watch always comes before a warning and indicates weather conditions are ideal for the development of a tornado. A warning means a tornado has definitely formed and has been sighted. The best way to remember the difference is to think of a watch as an advisement to be on guard.

The best time to take action is during a tornado watch. Once a tornado warning has been issued, you may not have enough time to get to safety.

If a storm hits while you are outside

- NEVER try to outrun a tornado. Tornadoes can change directions quickly and can easily lift vehicles and toss them around, making vehicles potential deathtraps. Always get out and away from vehicles.
- Take shelter inside a building immediately, if possible.
- Find the lowest point possible. Lie in a ditch, ravine or low area or crouch near a strong building and cover your head and neck, if you cannot take shelter inside.

- Leave mobile homes and get to a safe place. Mobile homes, like vehicles, can be tossed around by heavy winds.
- Be aware of potential flooding.

Once you have taken shelter in a building

- Go at once to the basement, storm cellar or lowest level of the building. Go to inner hallways or smaller inner rooms without windows, such as bathrooms or closets if the building has no basement.
- Stay at the center of the room and away from corners because they tend to attract debris.
- Be mindful of where there is heavy furniture or appliances on the floor directly above you because heavy winds can weaken walls and floors.
- Get under sturdy furniture (i.e. workbench, heavy table) and hold on to it.
- Use your arms to protect your head and neck.

Monitor the news from your local radio station for emergency information and instructions. Make sure the storm is completely over before leaving shelter. Tornadoes often hit in groups, and it is possible that only one of many tornadoes has passed.

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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Knox County Farm Bureau was held on Thursday, March 10, 2016

WOMENS COMMITTEE – Lori Engel

The Women's Committee teamed up with the Knox County Pork Producers and Knox County Corn Growers to bag groceries and provide information regarding Knox County agriculture to 300 HyVee shoppers. To end the event, 37 pounds of pork chops and 41 pounds of ground beef were purchased and donated to the ROWVA Community Food Pantry. The meat was purchased thanks to a grant from the Illinois Corn Marketing Board and the Illinois Farm Bureau.

The WC presented an ag themed gift basket on March 3rd to the first baby born at St. Mary's Hospital.

Spring safety bags will be distributed in April.

YOUNG FARMERS – Caitlin Chrzanowski

The Driver Education Farm Safety Lesson will be on March 9th & 11th at Knoxville High School.

The Tractor & Lawn Mower Safety School will be on March 14th at Martin Sullivan's and registration is at 5:30 pm, program at 6 pm.

The Hunter Safety Course is scheduled for June 10th & 11th at the KAC.

The committee wants to host a trap shoot on July 30th.

MEMBER RELATIONS TASK FORCE – Brett Swanson

The Membership report was reviewed.

GOVERNMENT & POLICY TASK FORCE – Jim DeSutter

A legislative luncheon is scheduled for March 22nd at noon at the Packinghouse. Norine Hammond, Don Moffitt, and

Chuck Weaver will be attending.

FARM BUSINESS TASK FORCE – Todd West

Business After Hours event with the Chamber will be on March 31, 2016 at 156 East from 5-7 pm. COUNTRY Financial is co-sponsoring the event.

EDUCATION – Monica Stevens

Farm Safety Camp is on June 25, 2016 at the fairgrounds.

A 5K run called the "Stampede" will be hosted in August at Lake Storey Park.

PRIMETIMERS – Caitlin Chrzanowski

The committee is not meeting in March due to the election.

FOUNDATION – Caitlin Chrzanowski

The Foundation is in the works for hosting a "buy a barn" gas station campaign with Casey's.

There is currently a vacant seat on the Foundation Board.

Interviews will be conducted for the summer internship.

AGRI CENTER – Grant Strom

Spring Clean-Up Day is April 1st.

ILLINOIS FARM FAMILIES – Lori Engel

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OLD BUSINESS

The audit was reviewed in the final form.

The Governmental Affairs Leadership Conference will be April 6-7, 2016 and AFBF President will be the speaker on the 7th.

The ACTIVATOR Fundraising Event will be in June 2016.

The Business After Hours will be at

156 East from 5pm-7pm on March 31st. COUNTRY Financial will provide a \$350 sponsorship.

The Candidate Forum drew about 36 people to the KAC on February 29th. After the welcome and introductions, the candidates had 10 minutes for a prepared talk followed by 5 minutes for questions from the audience. At the end, all candidates were available for one-on-one questions from the audience during a reception. Grant Strom served as moderator.

The St. Louis Science Center would like a video of a farming family from each county in Illinois. The Nathan Link Family will provide a video.

The Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner & Knox County Area Partnership Breakfast were both well attended.

A program will be created that recognizes members' efforts regarding the Nutrient Loss Reduction Strategy and conservation practices.

NEW BUSINESS

The Future of the Organization was reviewed.

KCFB Manager Caitlin Chrzanowski will be attending the AFBF New Employee Orientation & Grassroots Engagement in Washington, D.C. on April 26-28.

The current KCFB website is www.knoxcfb.org and Websites to Impress designed it.

The KCFB office layout and desks will be revised this spring.

Hosting an IFB policy resolution meeting for members was discussed. A presentation on the current policy

process would begin the meeting followed by discussions for potential policy resolutions.

A planning committee will be created for the Harvest Dinner.

WRAM approached KCFB to sponsor their Spring Ag Roundtable Broadcast on March 29th 12pm-2pm at Midwest Bank in Monmouth.

Board Meeting Attendance

NAME	January	February	March
Bewley, Beau	P	P	P
Boydston, Terry	P	P	P
Cain, Jarid	P	P	P
DeSutter, Jim	P	P	P
Engel, Lori	P	P	P
Erickson, David S	P	P	P
Goedeke, Phil	*	P	P
Hennenfent, Matt	A	P	P
Hoben, Tom	P	P	A
King, Becky	P	A	P
Link, Jeff	P	P	P
Link, Nathan	P	A	P
Main, Tim	P	P	P
O'Connor, Tom	P	P	P
Serven, Sam	A	A	P
Seiboldt, Pat	A	P	A
Stevens, Monica	P	P	P
Strom, Grant	P	A	P
Swanson, Brett	P	P	P
Webel, Joe	P	P	A
West, Todd	A	P	P
Bohnert-Yoder, Tara	A	P	P

*New Director

Illinois Farm Bureau® ACTION TEAM

The Illinois Farm Bureau ACTION TEAMS met recently in Bloomington to develop program-related recommendations. A total of 54 Farm Bureau members are currently appointed to IFB ACTION TEAMS, serving on his or her choice of Leadership Development, Membership Promotion, Consumer Outreach, or Quality of Life TEAMS.

Serving on the Consumer Outreach ACTION TEAM from Knox County are Tara Bohnert-Yoder of Gilson and Krista Swanson of Oneida.

The Consumer Outreach ACTION TEAM will focus on one or two innovative projects annually, creating awareness and educating consumers within targeted segments about Illinois agriculture. The TEAM's most recent activities include pro-ag grocery cart ads in grocery stores in various cities in Illinois.

The Chair and Vice Chair of all four ACTION TEAMS comprise the ACTION COORDINATING COUNCIL (ACC). Leading the ACC is Heather Poppy, Chair – Lynn Center, Henry County and Roger Christin, Vice Chair – Rockford, Winnebago-Boone.

Farm Bureau members interested in applying for any of the four IFB ACTION TEAMS can contact the County Farm Bureau for more information. Applications are due November 24, 2016, for TEAM members that begin a two-year term in January 2017. TEAMS meet in Bloomington twice a year.



Members of the Consumer Outreach ACTION TEAM are front row, left to right: Fred Meyer, Pekin, Tazewell County; Elizabeth Bollin, Nauvoo, Hancock County; Tara Bohnert-Yoder, Gilson, Knox County; Karen Zelko, Morris, Grundy County; Sara Mitchell, Verona, Grundy County; Athena Van Dyke, Mason, Effingham County; and Heather Henkhaus, Vice Chair, Alhambra, Madison County. Back row, left to right: Roger Hardy, Jacksonville, Cass-Morgan; Jim Bloomstrand, Hoffman Estates, Cook County; Krista Swanson, Oneida, Knox County; Nicole Bromberek, Seneca, Grundy County; Leonard Sheaffer, Chair, Dixon, Lee County; and Brad Zimmerman, Groveland, Tazewell County. Team members not pictured: Chad Miller, manager of Kankakee County Farm Bureau; and Karl Spencer, Yale, Jasper County.

Young Farmers Host Safety School

The Knox County Farm Bureau Young Farmer's Tractor and Lawn Mower Safety School was held on March 14th at Martin Sullivan, Galesburg. Nearly 30 FFA and 4-H members were educated about proper safety procedures as they are working with farm machinery.

The attendees were then divided into two categories: some learned about lawn mower safety and others focused on tractor maintenance, parts identification, and safety. They had the opportunity to ask a variety of questions and were also given a test during the course to quiz them on their knowledge of topics that were discussed.

This program is a prerequisite for the Tractor and Lawn Mower Driving Contests that are held at the 4-H Fair in July.

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Kids ages 8-13 are invited to attend...it's free!

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Nursing Scholarship Application Available

Applications are now available for nurse practitioner scholarships through the Illinois Farm Bureau® Rural Nurse Practitioner Scholarship Program. There will be five scholarships, worth \$4,000 each, granted this year.

The scholarship program, now in its twenty fourth year, helps encourage and develop the pool of rural health practitioners to help meet primary health care needs in rural Illinois. Students who receive scholarships agree to practice for two years in an approved rural area in Illinois.

To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be Illinois residents and be a Registered Nurse accepted or enrolled in an accredited Nurse Practitioner Program. Funding is provided by the Rural Illinois Medical Student Assistance Program.

Applications are available at county Farm Bureaus® throughout the state, on the Rural Illinois Medical Student Assistance Program website at RIMSAP.com, or by writing Peggy Romba, Program Manager, Illinois Farm Bureau, PO Box 2901, Bloomington, IL 61702-2901. Applications are due May 1.

For additional information, contact Peggy Romba at 309-557-2350, or via e-mail at promba@iffb.org.



The first County Farm Bureau Board Development Program was held on Thursday, March 17, 2016 at the IAA Building. Lori Engel represented Knox County as one of twenty-two people from twelve county Farm Bureaus participated in the program. This same program will be repeated for any County Farm Bureau Board member on August 23, 2016.



June 14 & 15, 2016

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

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June 14th - Includes workshop at *WIU-QC, John Deere Harvester Works, Bent River Brewery* plus great presentations!

June 15th - beginning day at *Monsanto Learning Center in Monmouth* and ending it at *a family cattle farm near Monmouth.*



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Farmer's Market Food Sampling

In July of 2015, the Governor signed amendments to the Food Handling Regulation Enforcement Act to add the ability for Farmer's Market Vendors to offer prepared food for free for sampling purposes in a way that is more convenient. This was effective January 2016. In the past, if food was prepared or produce was cut, vendors would need to obtain a temporary food permit each time from the local health department.

With this new ability, vendors can now apply for a state-wide 3 year permit to do so. This process will reduce burdens on the vendor and local health department as well as ensure that any food prepared and distributed to the public is safer.

The permit may be obtained through two different ways:

1) If you have your 5 year Food Service Sanitation Manager's Certificate you will have to send in a copy of the certificate, the Food Sampler application, and the \$10 application fee to the state health department (IDPH).

OR

2) Through obtaining a 3 year Food

Handler training certificate and the 3 year Food Sampler training certificate. Submit a copy of both certificates, the Food Sampler Application, and \$40 application fee. The Food Handler training can be obtained through ANSI-Accredited online training sites for \$7-15. The Food Sampler training is obtained through the State of Illinois training site, I-Train: www.i.train.org Other details are thoroughly discussed in the trainings.

The onsite setup for food sampling is the same as a temporary food event, a proper hand washing station and 3-basin style sink set up is required as well as other factors to prevent cross-contamination and maintain food safety temperatures.

This new ability allows for the safe preparation, handling, and free distribution of prepared food products to potential customers to help drive sales, generate word of mouth about your products, and educate on the healthy benefits and taste.

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MEMBERSHIP RECRUITER OF THE MONTH



Jason Lumberry

The Knox County Farm Bureau would like to recognize COUNTRY Financial Representative Jason Lumberry as top membership recruiter. Jason signed 12 new associate members in March.

Call your COUNTRY Representative for all of your insurance and financial needs.

DON TEEL SCHOLARSHIP

The Don Teel Scholarship is a product of many who were privileged to experience the contribution Don made to agriculture. Members of Knox County agricultural organization and individuals have joined together in hopes of helping provide an opportunity for young people to pursue higher education in an agricultural or related field. Each year applicants will be considered for one \$500 scholarship. Applicants must have

a home address within Knox County and be a past or present 4-H member. They must be enrolled as a full time student in a university or community college with a declared agriculture or related course of study.

Applications are available at the Knox County Farm Bureau. Completed applications must be submitted no later than June 1, 2016 to the Knox County Farm Bureau.

GET READY TO LACE UP YOUR RUNNING SHOES

Ready, Set, GROW! The IAA Foundation presents its 6th annual 5K Grow & Go to celebrate Illinois farm families and the important role they play in putting food on your table. Learn more about our roots in agriculture while supporting a great cause! Proceeds from this race benefit Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom, a program providing free resources to teachers in an effort to help students make the connection between food, fiber, fuel & farming.

This accurately measured course has a cross-country feel with well-maintained grass, pavement and a few rolling hills. Finishing times and results are provided by the Lake Run Club of Bloomington/Normal. Pre-registrants receive a T-shirt and a healthy, hot breakfast after the race.

FUN FOR ALL AGES ~ Join us for the 1/4 mile Cock-a-Doodle Dash, sponsored by the IAA Credit Union, for children 10 & under. All participants win an award and then move indoors for breakfast!

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE ~ Post-race, join us for an indoor open house featuring interactive learning stations from the Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom program.

We are pleased to provide a hot breakfast, awards ceremony and an all-around celebratory great time!

BECOME A HERO ~ Go the extra mile for IAITC and become a **"Grow & Go Hero"** by asking for donations to sponsor your run and come out ahead while giving to a great cause!

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~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~

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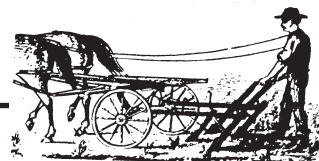
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Looking Back



TAKEN FROM THE APRIL 1955 BULLETIN

A group of 15 young married couples met at the Farm Bureau building on Saturday evening March 26, and formed an organization with the assistance of the extension service for educational and recreational purposes.

TAKEN FROM THE April 1990 BULLETIN

Self-employed people will find significant changes in computing their 1990 Social Security taxes. Both the Social Security tax rate and the formula used to compute taxes have changed this year. The 1990 tax rate for self-employed people is 15.3 percent, up from 1989's 15.02 percent rate.

TAKEN FROM THE APRIL 2011 BULLETIN

The PrimeTimers met on Tuesday, March 15th, for a potluck and meeting at the Knox Agri Center at 12:00 pm. Ten members and KCFB Manager, Kelly Wagahoff was in attendance. Maxine Windsor and Dolores Roberts hosted the meeting and luncheon. Maxine let the group in prayer before lunch. Everyone enjoyed our guest presenter, Peter Schwartzman. Peter presented a very informative program on composting.

PRIMETIMERS NEWS

The PrimeTimers committee did not meet in March due to the primary election. The next meeting is Tuesday, April 19 at 12 PM at the Knox Agri Center and

Bruce Lauerman will provide a program about hummingbirds. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass to this potluck meeting. PrimeTimers invite members 55+ to attend.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Peach Cobbler

Ingredients

- 1 ½ c self-rising flour
- ½ c shortening
- 1/3 to ½ c milk
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 stick oleo
- 2 (16oz) cans sliced peaches, sliced thinner
- 1 ½ c sugar
- 2 c liquid (peach juice from can & water)

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

Directions

Cut shortening into flour, add milk, roll into a rectangle approx. .20 inches wide.

Drain juice from peaches, add water to make 2 cups.

Pour into saucepan, add sugar, heat until sugar is dissolved (sugar-syrup).

Slice peaches thin and spread over dough, sprinkle with cinnamon.

Melt oleo in 9x13 inch pan at 350 degrees.

Roll peaches and dough into jelly roll.

Slice into 1 inch sections, about 20 pinwheels.

Place pinwheels into oleo, pour sugar-syrup over carefully.

Bake at 350 degrees for approx..55 minutes.

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE EXTENDED

To qualify for the Knox County Cattlemen's scholarship, applicants must be a full-time college student or will be attending college this fall and the applicant's parents must have been members of the Knox County Cattlemen's Association for at least two (2) consecutive years prior to submission of the application. The scholarship application can be found on knoxcfb.org/foundation or at the Knox County Farm Bureau. The deadline has been extended to April 30, 2016.



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