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McHenry County Farm Stroll

Sunday, September 30, 2018 – from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Farm Stroll is a self-guided tour of McHenry County's diversified family farms. There is no beginning or end of the tour: just choose the farms you wish to visit and go during the stroll's timeframe.

There is no charge for Farm Stroll. However, bring some cash; individual farmers will be selling products and produce.

Some farms will conduct tours and demonstrations. For your safety, follow the farmers' instructions, be respectful of the animals, and have control over small children. Wash your hands after exposure to livestock. Don't bring pets, please.

Visit McHenry County Farm Bureau at mchenrycfb.org or at facebook.com/McHenryCountyFarmBureau or call 815-338-1520.

Visit U of I Extension Master Gardeners at web.extension.illinois.edu/lm or on Facebook at facebook.com/McHenryCoMasterGardener or call 815-338-3737.

Visit facebook.com/northernfarmstroll for other events.

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Golden Oaks Farm NEW in 2018

27730 W. Bonner Rd., Wauconda

Golden Oaks Farm breeds both Black and Red Holsteins. The herd consists of 720 milking females and 680 young. Golden Oaks aims to produce 19 million pounds of milk per year. Tours on the hour of the dairy and 25-acre composting facility. Bags of compost will be sold. Visit Goldenoaksfarm.com; 847-526-6644.



Dykstra's Farm NEW in 2018

2917 Greenwood Rd., Woodstock

Laura and Jeff Dykstra's farm is on just 2 acres, and every inch is used. Since 2010, they have raised heritage breeds of pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, and English shepherds. They also have a vegetable garden and 100-plus-year-old buildings. The Dykstras will be taking orders for breeding stock and freezer meat. Visit their Facebook page Dykstra's Farm; call or text 224-848-0270.



Knotty Pine Farm NEW in 2018

6011 Miller Rd., Wonder Lake

Stacey Splendoria and family own and operate Knotty Pine, an equine center offering a variety of animal-related activities. They offer English and Western riding lessons, horse camps, pony rides, a petting zoo, scout outings and a party facility. Visit knottypinefarm.webs.com; call 815-648-1459.



Main Stay Therapeutic Farm NEW in 2018

6919 Keystone Rd., Richmond

Main Stay provides therapeutic riding, equine and animal-assisted therapeutic activities for individuals with physical, developmental, emotional and social disabilities. Activities at the farm enrich lives in a caring, safe, and challenging environment that enables individuals to reach their full potential. Visit mainstayfarm.org; call 815-653-9374. Toilets available.



Patyk's Farm Market and Greenhouse

8519 Route 173, Richmond

Patyk's Farm grows vegetables and fruits they sell at their farm stand, two farmers' markets and to CSA customers. John and Myra raise goats, cows, turkeys, pigs and hundreds of chickens. They sell homegrown produce, locally grown fruits, handmade soap, meat, eggs, farm animals, and annual and perennial flowers. Visit patykfarms.com; call 815-648-4065.



Von Bergen's Country Market

9805 Route 173, Hebron

The farm encompasses 1,200 acres; 150 acres are devoted to the fresh vegetables sold at the market. Mel and Bobette grow sweet corn, tomatoes, muskmelon, peppers and more; in autumn they feature squash and you-pick/we-pick pumpkins. They also sell locally grown fruit, pies, breads, jams, jellies and pickles. Visit vonbergens.com; call 815-648-2332. Toilets available.

Hephzibah Farms, Inc.
13202 Hebron Rd., Hebron

Hephzibah Farms, run by the Millers, raises a variety of animals. They sell grass-fed beef, range-raised pork, and eggs from their pastured poultry. A food truck will sell hamburgers, hotdogs and bratwursts (all the meat was raised on their farm). Visit hephzibahfarms.com; call 847-530-7373.



Harvard Eggs, Feed and Produce
17205 McGuire Road, Harvard

Sue and Bruce Dietz own this family-run farm and feed store that stocks livestock, horse and pet feeds, beekeeping supplies and bee orders. They sell eggs, chicks in the spring, turkeys for Thanksgiving, poultry meat, produce, hay, honey and beeswax, and yarn from their sheep and llamas. Visit harvardeggsandfeed.com; call 815-943-4837. Toilets available.



ALsPACAs of Dutch Mill Farms
19860 Lembcke Road, Harvard

Al VanMaren and his family have 64 Suri alpacas on two farms on Lembcke Road. Al's alpacas come in various colors of white, black, brown, beige and gray. The VanMaren family hopes visitors will enjoy taking photos and feeding the alpacas grain. There will be spinners and weavers as well as alpaca fibers and finished goods. Email avanmaren@aol.com; call 815-569-4548.



Thornpaw Lea Farm
510 South Menge Road, Marengo

In 2011, Robert and Therese Orloff found land and built a 10-acre farm from the ground up. Their five daughters help out, as do their five grandchildren. Thornpaw Lea sells organic free-range eggs, Katahdin lamb (whole or half), pork (whole or half hog), and free-range heritage Bourbon Red turkeys. Call 224-587-8832 or 847-477-4399; visit thornpawleafarm.com.



Cody's Farm and Orchard
19502 River Road, Marengo

Cody's is a family-owned business selling fresh homegrown fruit and vegetables. In addition to the farm market at the farm, they have three mobile farm stands. Cody's offers seasonal vegetables, sweet corn, pumpkin picking and apple picking. They also have goats and rabbits plus a multi-acre corn maze. Visit codysfarm.com; call 815-568-7976. Toilets available.



Hoffie Nursery
17102 Marengo Road, Union

Carsten and Allyson Hoffmeyer began Hoffie Nursery, Inc. in 1990. Carsten's dream had always been to grow "Perennial Quality" plants for garden centers and landscapers. Today Hoffie is one of the leading wholesale perennial growers in the area. During Farm Stroll, a selected group of perennials will be on sale, as will local artists' works. Visit perennialquality.com.



Farm Stroll 2018 Participants & Map



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- B: Dykstra's Farm, 2917 Greenwood Rd., Woodstock, IL 60098
- C: Knotty Pine Farm, 6011 Miller Rd., Wonder Lake, IL 60097
- D: Main Stay Therapeutic Farm, 6919 Keystone, Richmond, 60071
- E: Patyk's Farm, 8519 IL Route 173, Richmond, IL 60071
- F: Von Bergen's Market, 9805 Route 173, Hebron, IL 60034
- G: Hephzibah Farms, 13202 Hebron Rd., Hebron, IL 60034
- H: Harvard Eggs & Feed, 17205 McGuire Rd., Harvard, IL 60033
- I: ALSPACAs, 19860 Lembcke Rd., Harvard, IL 60033
- J: Thornpaw Lea Farm, 510 S. Menge Rd., Marengo, IL 60152
- K: Cody's Farm & Orchard, 19502 River Rd., Marengo, IL 60152
- L: Hoffie Nursery, 17102 Marengo Rd., Union, IL 60180