



McHenry County Farm Bureau and McHenry County Antique Farm Equipment Association are co-sponsoring their 23rd Annual “Tractor Trek” on Saturday, July 19.

Participants will have the opportunity to share the day with other antique tractor enthusiast as they travel from Harvard up to Sharon, Wisconsin. The morning kickoff will be held at Milky Way Park (300 Lawrence Rd, Harvard) and will include a free T-shirt, hat, donuts, and refreshments. Our lunch will be held at Pat’s Brew & Que (124 North St, Sharon) and they will offer a buffet lunch. Water will be provided throughout the day, and an ice cream stop is planned for the afternoon.

The registration fee is \$85.00 and drivers are allowed lunch guests for an additional fee.

Proceeds raised from this event are donated to the Agriculture in the Classroom program, to promote agricultural awareness in McHenry County. Additional details as well as the registration form are available on our website [www.mchenrycfb.org](http://www.mchenrycfb.org).

**For more information, please call McHenry County Farm Bureau at 815-338-1520 or email Dan Volkers at [mcfbmgr@att.net](mailto:mcfbmgr@att.net).**



## FAIR HELPERS NEEDED

McHenry County Farm Bureau’s Foundation is planning to operate a food booth at the McHenry County Fair. Volunteers are needed from July 29 – August 3. We are seeking volunteers for two main shifts. The first shift starts at 10:00 am and the second begins at 4:00 pm. We could also use some workers that can come in for a couple of hours to help with the lunch crowds on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

“We need volunteers,” says Dan Volkers, manager. “This food booth is one of our primary fund-raisers for our foundation and it directly impacts our ability to provide quality educational programs for the youth of our county.” Volunteers upon request receive reimbursement for their admission and a free meal. For more information, please contact the McHenry County Farm Bureau at (815) 338- 1520 or email Dan Volkers at [mcfbmgr@att.net](mailto:mcfbmgr@att.net).



Teachers enjoyed hearing about strawberry production at Cody’s Farm & Orchard and they got to pick a quart to take home.)

## SUMMER AGRICULTURE INSTITUTE

Several teachers spent four days visiting over a dozen farms and farm-related venues as part of our Summer Agriculture Institute program. In addition to learning about life on the farm, teachers were given lesson plans and materials to use in their classrooms to help educate students about agriculture.



Hi! My name is Aubrie Ettner. I’ve had the fantastic opportunity to be McHenry County’s Farm Bureau intern for the summer of 2025.

I’m from Marengo, IL. I’m currently attending UW-Platteville for a bachelor’s degree in Agribusiness with an emphasis in Management.

Most of time is taken up by school, but when I’m home I work for Interior Tropical Gardens or around my family’s farm. I also enjoy golfing with my family and friends when I have the time on the weekends.

I’m looking forward to meeting new people and getting involved within the county and state.