



January 2024



Foundation to Hold its First Draw Down Event

We have an evening of fun, food, and fellowship planned that will benefit our foundation. It will be held on Saturday, March 9, 2024, at the Harvard Moose. This adult-only event is a reverse raffle. We will sell a maximum of 250 tickets at \$100 each. The tickets include a prime rib & fried shrimp buffet, 2 drinks and it is your entrance to the drawing. Each ticket holder's name is placed on the wall with their ticket number. As numbers are drawn the names are taken off the wall. Along the way money is awarded with the largest prizes being awarded at the very end. In total \$8,500 is awarded during the night. The grand prize is \$2,500. Other evening activities include a Heads or Tails game and a live auction.



Funds raised from the event will support scholarships, an internship, and our Ag in the Classroom program. McHenry County Farm Bureau Foundation is a 501 C 3 charitable organization. Contact Dan Volkers at 815-338-1520 or email him at mcfbmgr@att.net for further information.

If you would like to enter and attend the Draw Down, please fill out the form below and provide \$100 per-ticket.

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name(s) to be displayed on raffle ticket(s): _____

MCFB Foundation, PO Box 1530, Woodstock IL 60098

Ag Expo is Back!



Third and fourth grade students and their teachers are invited to our popular Ag Expo to be held April 9 -11 at the McHenry County Fairgrounds in Woodstock. Students will learn about agricultural topics from goats and hydroponics, horses, careers, and dairy; to soil, swine and more! Students will see animals, crops, and machinery. Group leaders, presenters, timekeepers, are being sought for this event. Call our office at 815-338-1520 if you are interested in helping with this great event.

Edible Products Available at the Farm Bureau Office:

- Honey (3 lbs.) \$13.50
- Pork Barbeque Spice (12 oz.) \$10.00
- Pork Burgers (1 lbs.) \$5.00
- Bratwurst (1 lb.) \$5.00
- Italian Sausage Links (1 lb.) \$5.00
- Breakfast Sausage (1 lb.) \$4.50
- Italian Sausage (1 lb.) \$4.50

Items are produced locally. Curbside pick-up is available 815-338-1520. Farm Bureau Office is located at 1102 McConnell Rd Woodstock.

**Office hours Monday - Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
(Office is closed 12:00-1:00 pm)**

Agricultural Internship Available

McHenry County Farm Bureau is excited to again offer an agriculture related summer internship.

The internship will provide experiences in program planning, Ag in the Classroom, media, governmental affairs, and public relations. The selected individual will receive valuable work experience, funds to further their education, and the opportunity to receive college credit.

The internship is open to any McHenry County resident who will be a sophomore, junior or senior at a college or university this fall. Preference is given to applicants enrolled in an agriculture related field.

We are taking applications at this time and hope to fill the position in March. To apply, simply email your cover letter and resume to Dan Volkers at mcfbmgr@att.net.

Apply Now for Scholarship Opportunities

McHenry County Farm Bureau Agricultural Education Foundation is offering scholarship opportunities.

The John W. Hoffman Memorial Scholarship - \$1,500

John Hoffman was a long-time member of the Northeastern Illinois Twin Cylinder Club (NEITCC) and served on its board of directors. He was an integral member of the Club, a 41-year employee of Alliance Contractors, Inc., a tractor restoration expert, and a member of the agricultural community.

NEITCC previously decided that a scholarship benefiting someone from the next generation of farmers or tradesmen was a fitting tribute to a man who volunteered constantly and was always willing and able to help. It would be John's hope that a scholarship in his memory would go to someone with the same love of farming and/or the trades that he had.

McHenry County Farm Bureau Foundation serves as the fiscal agent and scholarship

administrator for this \$1,500 scholarship opportunity for high school seniors.

MCFB Foundation Agriculture Scholarship - \$1,000

The scholarship is available for high school seniors pursuing continuing education in agriculture or agriculture-related fields. Additional scholarships may be awarded if funds are available, and we have multiple applicants at the time of judging.

An online application is available through our website at mchenrycfb.org. Scholarship applications need to be received by April 1, 2024. The applicant or the applicant's family must be a member of the McHenry County Farm Bureau to qualify.

If you have any questions regarding these scholarships, please call our office at 815-338-1520 or email mcfbmgr@att.net.

