

AGCO rises to '10,000 Gallon Challenge' with donation-and a challenge

Our October edition announced the newly-created "10,000 Gallon Challenge", an initiative to spur milk consumption and address hunger relief

and awareness. Through the program, the KCFB Foundation will lead in soliciting donations for milk purchases to support both local dairy farms and our neighbors in need. Donations will purchase milk for distribution through the Northern Illinois Food Bank (NIFB), or for any food pantry in the area.

AGCO Parts, Batavia has become the first c o m m u n i t y minded employ-

er to rise to the "Challenge". Local AGCO employees recently contributed \$1,170 to the



November 5-7 Live Local Conference, Normal November 6 ELECTION DAY November 7 IFB Region 2, Countryside November 8 Board of Directors, 7:00pm November 11 Veteran's Day November 15 campaign, enough to purchase 500 gallons of milk!

"In AGWN's (AGCO Global Women's Network) constant attempt to support people in

 Image: Strate Strate

ACGO Parts employees pose for a picture outside the groups North American Distribution Headquarters in Batavia. The AGCO Corporation Global Women's Network (AGWN), Batavia Chapter recently hosted a company-wide fundraiser which included a "vacation days" raffle and raised over \$2,100. A portion of those funds will benefit the "10,000 Gallon Challenge", providing 500 gallons of milk for our hungry neighbors. The company has issued a challenge to other Kane County agriculture and food companies to meet or exceed their contribution.

> need, we were already raising funds among AGCO employees for the Northern Illinois Food Bank when this challenge was announced. We realized this was a great opportunity to support local dairy farmers and the community at the same time", said Andrea Achermann, AGCO Forecasting Specialist and AGWN Parts Division President. "We challenge other local agricultural businesses to do the same", she added.

> "AGCO and its local employees have rapidly become very important partners with the KCFB Foundation in providing resources for local college scholarships and for farm safety education. We are pleased to see them also adopt these commu

nity needs – support for local dairy farms during a severe downturn in prices AND hunger relief for our neighbors in need through local hunger relief

agencies – as causes also," said KCFB Foundation President Joe White.

Since announcing the "Challenge", Farm Bureau has had positive response to the initiative from members and the community according to Executive Director Steve Arnold. "Food pantries, in particular, have complimented the manner in which the program seeks to

minimize the challenges of space, or refrigeration, or staffing that many face with unexpected donations of perishable products", said Arnold.

In addition to the donation from AGCO Parts employees and the equivalent of over 400 gallons of early donations from members (see page 3), Arnold said the Kane County Farm Bureau and its not-for profit Foundation also received an Anonymous "Challenge" to match the first 500 gallons of donations from individuals who serve on those organization's Boards of Directors. This is in addition to the Farm Bureau's commitment to match the first 1,000 gallons of milk donated by members to the food pantry

of those members choosing.

To participate in the "10,000 Gallon Challenge" as an individual, group or corporate donor, fill out and return the form on page 8. For more information on how to issue a "Challenge" to a group, contact Steve Arnold at 630-584-8660.

November contributions, plus matches and pledges equal approximately 1,500 gallons of milk committed to the Northern Illinois Food Bank and/or area food pantries – on our way to our 10,000 gallon goal. Outstanding offers to match contributions from Farm Bureau members, or from designated groups could add an additional 1,200 gallons.

Area legislators earn 'Friend of Ag' designation

Kane County Farm Bureau

(630) 584-8660

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- 8,000 GALLONS

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ACTIVATOR, Illinois Farm Bureau's Political Involvement Fund, is a voluntary segregated fund intended to protect and improve the economic and social well-being of farmers. Each year ACTIVATOR tracks voting records of members of



the Illinois General Assembly and the U.S. House of Representatives on issues important to agriculture and relevant to farmers. As part of their effort to build relationships with elected officials on both sides of *(continued on page 6)*

50th District State Representative Keith Wheeler visited KCFB Directors at the October meeting and accepted his ACTIVATOR "Friend of Agriculture" award from KCFB President Joe White. Wheeler posted an impressive 100% voting record on Illinois Farm Bureau priority issues in the 2017-18 General Assembly session. Other state and federal representatives receiving the prestigious "Friend of Agriculture" designation in the most recent sessions of the

County Board Ag Committee, 10am

Turkey Orders Due, 4pm Citrus Orders Due, 4pm District 1 Resolutions, DeKalb Turkey Pick-Up 12-4:30pm **November 20**

Farm Shop Victory Mixer, Elected Candidates

November 22

Happy

Thanksgiving

THANKSGIVING (Office Closed) November 23 Office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

November 27 Young Farmers' Meeting & Election, KCFB November 28 Tour Preview, 6pm

November Featured Item Fresh, local turkey

In honor of Thanksgiving, our featured item for November is fresh HOKA turkeys. HOKA turkeys are locally raised in nearby Waterman, IL at Howard Kaufman Turkey Farm. Turkeys are individually wrapped, fresh and never frozen. KCFB "PLUS" status members receive a 10% discount for a price of \$2.67 per pound. All other KCFB members pay \$2.96 per pound and nonmember price is \$3.41 per pound. Order yours by Thursday, November 15 by calling Kane County Farm Bureau at 630-584-8660 or use the order form on page 4. Pick-up is at Kane County Farm Bureau on Monday, November 19, from 12-4:30pm.



Start planning your Thanksgiving feast and order your turkey from the Kane County Farm Bureau. They're locally produced, delivered fresh, never frozen to our office and you pick it up November 20, just in time for Thanksgiving.



General Assembly and the U.S. Congress are listed on page 6, with their District, voting record and local Farm Bureau farmer-member Trustee.

Farm toy of the month

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month of November and you can save an

extra 10% when you reference this ad.

Supplies are limited, so we'll see you soon!



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31 Days of Christmas Last Chance! See page 3

Board Meeting review – October 11

The Kane County Farm Bureau Board of Directors met October 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Recently appointed 70th District State Representative Jeff Keicher was a guest for the meeting. Keicher informed Directors about his first couple of months as a State Representative, reviewed his committee appointments and spoke about the reelection campaign.

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ACTIVATOR Friends of Agriculture (FOA's) in the Illinois General Assembly were invited to the October meeting to accept their awards. 50th District State Representative Keith Wheeler attended, addressed the Board and was presented his award by President Joe White. Wheeler recorded an impressive 100% voting record with ACTIVA-TOR in the 2017-18 General Assembly session.

Directors gave their monthly reports. It was recommended that staff follow up with former scholarship recipients for feature KC Farmer articles. Luck-E Holsteins will be having a 50th Anniversary Sale on March 30th; Andy Lenkaitis thanked KCFB for helping coordinate tours to view the new robotic milking machines on their farm.

In unfinished business, Arnold announced that the new parking lot and sidewalks have been completed with only finish grading, seeding and landscaping remaining. Eight new shade trees were planted on the grounds and are available for memorials, tributes, etc. New landscaping will commence in the spring.

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expenses were reviewed and approved. The December Illinois Farm Bureau Annual Meeting was discussed. Carolyn Gehrke will participate in the Young Farmer Discussion Meet, White, Long, Schneider and Bradley were the delegates chosen to represent Kane County at the annual meeting.

Directors discussed a Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment providing for solar utilities as a special use in "F" Farming and Airport Districts. Bill Collins reported on the September 18th meeting where the 10,000 Gallon Milk Challenge campaign was conceptualized. Marketing materials, pledge sheets and campaign feedback were discussed.

Upcoming events on the agenda included a Farm Safety Day, Wednesday October 17th, at Big Rock Middle School where KCFB will be displaying the Young Farmers' Grain Bin Safety Display for 165 students and an AGCO Health & Wellness Fair on Monday 10/29. Volunteers are welcome for both events.

In mid-November, DeKalb CFB will host District 1 Resolutions review. KCFB's Legislative Committee will host a late November Farm Shop "Victory Mixer." This invitation only event is an acquaintance event for public officials and for the candidates who win election in November.

In the PR & Membership Report, Bill Collins reported on contributions received by the KCFB FOUNDATION. Thomas Richter, Wayne, donated to the KCFB FOUNDATION as did AGCO and 26 of their employees on behalf of scholarships they sponsor. Donations from David & Judy Klussendorf, Janet Gramley, Phyllis Koppen, Daniel Brummel, George Stare, and Marilyn Swift were received for the 10,000 Gallon Milk Challenge.

written Ag-in-the-А Classroom report based on activities during the month of September was distributed. Information was shared on the "Live upcoming Local" Conference in Bloomington, November 5-7.

In Young Farmers news, an October 15th meeting will be held at the Kane County Farm Bureau. In FOUNDATION news, "31 Days of Christmas" raffle ticket sales are under way. Members are asking about the "2019 Winner's Choice" raffle.

President Joe White reminded the group that 25 employees of INGREDION were expected for an October 22 farm tour. Steve Arnold shared in his Manager's Report that Corporation's McDonald's North American Sustainability Manager would be "job shadowing" a local Kane County farmer this fall to learn more about how farmers make decisions about crops, markets, inputs etc.

At the KCFB office, the Fall Harvest Decoration sale is going on now through the end of October, or until items are sold out. The sale benefits the KCFB Foundation.

In Organizational and Information Items, the 100th Annual AFBF Convention will be held January 12-15th in New Orleans. Reservations are due on the 6th of December and those interested in attending were requested to advise the office ASAP.

Correspondence was circulated from: the Family of John Nepermann - thanks for expressions of sympathy, and Illinois Ag

in the Classroom – a copy of the correspondence naming Beth Gehrke as an Illinois Farm Bureau AITC Volunteer of the Year.

The next scheduled Kane County Farm Bureau Board of Directors meeting is Thursday, November 8, 2018, at 7:00pm.

Delegates chosen for Annual Meeting

Kane County Farm Bureau has announced the local Directors who will represent area farmer's interests at the upcoming meeting of the Illinois Farm Bureau. Kane County Farm Bureau President Joe White of Kaneville has chosen Directors Nan Long of Big Rock, Beth Gehrke of Elgin, and Wayne Schneider of West Dundee to join him on the delegate floor as over 300 farmers from around the state debate and decide organizational policy on local, state,

and national issues. Craig Bradley of Elgin and Mike Kenyon of South Elgin, will be alternates. The recommendation was approved by the organization's Board of Directors.

In addition to decisions on policy impacting farmers, delegates will elect representatives to the Board of Directors of the Illinois Farm Bureau at the 4day meeting. The meeting begins Saturday, December 1 at the Palmer House Hilton in



Beth Gehrke

Nan Long

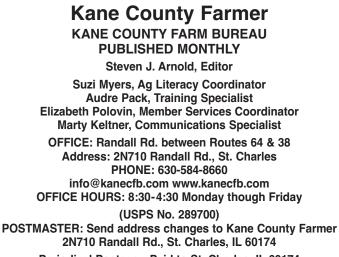
Wayne Schneider

This "Starry Nights" quilt, by Bonnie White of Kaneville will be one of the many items offered at the Silent and Live Auctions for the IAA Foundation

during the Dec.1-4 Illinois Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in Chicago. Machine pieced and quilted, the quilt showcases vintage reds, warm beige, and tan fabrics, perfect for displaying during fall and Christmas.



scholarships and Agriculture in the Classroom programs. Visit www.iaafoundation.org for more information or to donate an item.



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FB to host 'mixer' for newly elected

KCFB Legislative Chair Wayne Committee Schneider of Dundee has announced the organization's intention to hold a post-election "Victory Mixer" in late November. It will be the second bi-partisan, post-election event for the Farm Bureau, which developed the concept in 2016.

"Just as it is essential for voters to acquaint themselves with issues and candidates opinions before the election, it is essential that Farm Bureau leaders acquaint themselves with their newly elected representatives as soon as possible after the election," said Schneider. "This reception is intended to do just that, in a bi-partisan fashion. It is also an opportunity for existDate" on their calendars. "Actual invitations will not be mailed until after election results are announced", said Schneider. Even the "Save the Date" postcard listed only the date and time, keeping the location a secret until the actual invitations are mailed. "We wanted to create a little mystery" said Schneider. "What we have revealed is that it will be in a local farm shop."

The event is slated for Tuesday, November 20, two weeks after the election. The Legislative Committee will serve local spirits, local craft beers and local wines and provide heavy hors d'oeuvres.

Candidates in Federal, State and local races representing any portion of Kane County will be invited. According to Schneider, that extends to County, Township and municipal government as well as appointed officials. "While we hope all the election winners and current government officials receive a direct mail invitation, we recognize that some may be missed," said Schneider. "We encourage those that would like to attend to call the Farm Bureau for further details."

Farm Bureau regular & professional members who would like to attend the Mixer are asked to call the KCFB at 630-584-8660 for further details on how to secure an invitation.

Welcome₁ new members

You receive the Kane County Farmer because you are a Farm Bureau member. If you are a farm



ing elected and appointed officials to get acquainted with their new peers," he said.

The Farm Bureau has not released the location of the event, but has sent election candidates notice to "Save the

operator or owner, you benefit from a local, state and national organization committed to agriculture and your way of life.

If you do not have direct ties to farming, your membership helps promote local farms and farming, encourages wise use of our limited natural resources and preserves farmland and our agricultural heritage while allowing you to enjoy COUNTRY insurance and the many benefits of one of Illinois' premier membership organizations.

We appreciate your membership and continued support and we welcome your comments on the content of the Farmer. We encourage vou to make recommendations about farm, home, food, natural resources, renewable energy or agricultural heritage and history related topics for inclusion in future issues of the Farmer.

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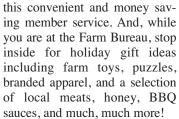
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NOVEMBER 2018 **Christmas tree discount** for KCFB members

Marks' Tree Farm, which has been doing business in St. Charles for three decades, will again establish a Christmas tree lot at the Kane County Farm Bureau between Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve. Marks' provides quality, fresh cut Frasier Fir, Balsam Fir, Spruce and White Pines grown on their farm in Northern Wisconsin. They are also happy to offer evergreen wreaths and crosses.

Kane County Farm Bureau members will receive a \$10.00 discount on all trees on the lot. We hope you take advantage of



MARKS' CHRISTMAS TREE

Harold Marks sold his first trees in Waukegan and made a large profit for a youngster. He then moved his sales location to the St. Charles area. He and his wife currently reside in their home in Wisconsin Dells, WI. We are looking forward to seeing them again beginning the week of Thanksgiving.

Thanks to our Donors...

The KCFB FOUNDATION offers its sincere appreciation to the following for their contributions to our community service, education, and scholarship programs. Names shown are pledges received from September 15-October 17 2017.

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Farm news-from the county of Kane?

Editor's Note: Some area farmers along with regular readers of the Kane County Farmer may already be aware of this, but the Kane County Board has a 'standing" Agriculture Committee. This is unique among county governments in Illinois, the Midwest and perhaps the nation. It is indicative of the County of Kane's longstanding desire to keep agricultural land uses prominent in the county by keeping farms and agriculture profitable. Kane County Farm Bureau makes a monthly report at these meetings. In this and future issues of the Farmer, we hope to keep our readers informed of Agriculture Committee happenings. October 2018

Following monthly reports from the Kane County Farm Bureau and the Northern Illinois Food Bank, Gary Cuneen, Executive Director of Seven Generations Ahead was the guest speaker at the October meeting. Cuneen briefly reviewed his white paper "Analysis of the Barriers and

Opportunities for Use of Compost in Agriculture".

Kane County Land Use planner Matthew Tansley reviewed 2018 grant funding received by the County Development and Community Services Department to further the goals of the "Growing for Kane" initiative, a key result of a 2013 Ordinance. Expenditures from a \$173,000 "Food-Land-Opportunity" grant were detailed. The grant helped provide a promotional video for the County's Food Hub enter-(continued on page 7)

'31 Days of Christmas' raffle ticket & a Pillow Pet[®]-last chance!

November is your last chance to upgrade your membership to PLUS status for just \$25 and get a FREE "31 Days of Christmas" raffle ticket from the Kane Bureau County Farm Foundation in the bargain.

\$25 (in addition to your dues) qualifies you for PLUS member "status" in the Kane County Farm Bureau and includes 1 free entry in the "31 Days of Christmas" raffle and 1 free 16" or 18" tractor shaped Pillow Pet[®]. With prize giveaways starting December 1, "31 Days of Christmas" raffle ticket sales close on November 30, so please hurry.

Your randomly selected "31 Days" ticket, (a \$20 value) will be mailed to your home for your chance to win a prize every day December. Your tractor

picked-up at the Kane County Farm Bureau office in St, Charles. Available in red, green, yellow and pink colors, these tractor shaped "pets" will make a great gift for any child on your



Christmas list.

In addition to these incentives, PLUS members will also receive 1 free "Winner's Choice" raffle ticket in the spring of 2019 (a \$20 value). The KCFB Foundation's 2019

feature a choice between a restored 1966 Ford 100 pick-up or a 1956 Massey-Harris Model 333 farm tractor, in addition to over \$1,000 in food and fuel prizes. And for continuing bene-

fits, PLUS status members also receive a 10% discount on Kane County Farm Bureau Country Store merchandise and 5% off on specialty, seasonal and monthly food specials at the Farm Bureau.

"PLUS" member status delivers \$60+ in value to members for only \$25, and helps support scholarship and ag literacy fundraising program of the not-for-profit Kane County Farm Bureau Foundation. We hope you'll choose to take advantage of this offer. Call 630-584-8660 for more information.

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AG LITERACY CORNER

By Suzi Myers

This fall I've had the pleas-L ure to work with a lot of little children. We've been concentrating on harvesting crops. I've learned quite a bit from these children, as I usually do.

Four year olds don't know what harvest means, no, they've never harvested anything. Then, when I ask if they've ever picked an apple, tomato, zucchini, or pumpkin, they all yell "Yes" and start telling me of their adventures picking foods. When I tell them that means they have taken part in a harvest, they are beaming with excitement. In four year old terms, to harvest is to pick something you will eat.

Secondly, they all know some facts about farming. They know what a tractor is and how it is used. They also know about GPS and can tell me how it helps their parents get places. (When I was teaching, my 4th graders had no idea what GPS was, guess we were in the Stone Age 15 years ago.) They know corn, not that

field corn is different from popcorn or sweet corn, but they do know what corn looks like. They also know vegetables, apples, and pumpkins. They have no problem with a farmer being either a man or woman, or that the family might all work togeth-

er to run the farm. Now, what they don't know: They don't know the words for grain bin or grain elevator, but they know it holds "a lot of corn". Actually, the word grain isn't in their vocabulary yet, just wait till they learn about My Plate, then they'll know the word grain. They don't seem to know about corn chips, what wheat or soybeans are, and they don't know how to play Bing-O.

However, they sure caught on quickly when we played "Harvest-O", if the excitement and noise was any indication, they really enjoyed the game. What I saw with all the groups, was the good sportsmanship of the children. They didn't cry or throw a tantrum when they lost,

nor were they bad winners. Now, I'm not saying that I didn't see a bit of concern when they didn't have a lot of markers on their card, but they kept on playing. One little girl was showing a bit of angst about not winning, when she suddenly saw that she had 3 in a row...what pure joy covered her face as she yelled out, "Harvest-O".

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Only one little boy told me he had seen a combine out in the fields. He told me it was "spitting out a lot of corn into a truck." The rest of the children told me they would be looking for the tractors, wagons, and combines as they drove through the countryside.

My conclusions drawn are quite simple. Young children basically drink up knowledge, they have lots of questions and comments and they are ready for new things, just like the kids of past generations. If the children I worked with are any indication, we do have a bright future ahead, but we need to spend more time playing games with them. They like the good old games, we don't have to invent new ones. I see this with my grandkids too, they spend hours interacting with each other playing Rack-O, Uno or putting a puzzle together as a group project. Outside, they

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explore streams, woods, even the back yard with passion. They like getting dirty, exploring and using their imagination. They really don't need to be attached to an electronic gadget to have fun.

Families will probably be

Book of the month

Mrs. Bear's class works on their special Thanksgiving celebration, busy making crafts, food, costumes. All but one, Sam, who can't think of what he is most thankful for to share in the celebration. On the day of the celebration, Sam left his project outside, but when the wind picked up, he went out to save his balloons. The balloons flew past the window and reminded the other animals about the Macy's parade, which was Sam's thing he was thankful for. Having lost all the balloons to the storm, he sat down to think of what these balloons had meant to him and he came up with being thankful for his family with whom he always watched the parade. So he was able to make a "what I'm thankful for" turkey feather that said, "I am thankful for time with my family". He also made another that said "I am

spending time together this month, as well as next, since we are in the holiday season. I hope you enjoy being with the children in your family as much as I have this past month with the students I've interacted with. Happy Harvest.

thankful for best friends" which he gave to Mary Ann who had helped him find the meaning behind his love for the parade.

Not only is this a fun way to go over the special parts of Thanksgiving with your young ones, but there are some Thanksgiving facts at the end of the book which could be used with children also.



Thanksgiving Day Thanks by Laura Malone Elliott

Young Farmers plan meeting schedule

Breaking away from their busy harvesting schedules, the Kane County Young Farmers met in October to talk about past happenings, upcoming events and plan meeting dates for the next few months.

Going forward, meetings will be held the 4th Tuesday of November, January, February, and March. The Young Farmers & KCFB Staff are currently looking for suggestions on potential speakers and topics for each of the upcoming meetings. FB members and Farmer readers are welcome to provide feedback and/or volunteer!

On Tuesday, November 27 the group will meet again to elect officers for the coming

year, choose a date and location for an Annual Christmas Dinner (as well as choose a charitable "cause" for a traditional "pass the hat routine"), and discuss the December IAA Annual Meeting and group dinner in Chicago. Also to be discussed is how the Young Farmers will participate in the 10,000 gallon

Farm Bureau members 18-35 are welcome to attend Young Farmer functions. The group exists to plan and carry-out educational, social, and community service projects in support of agriculture, families and rural communities, and to provide leadership development and networking opportunities.

Order your fresh turkey

Start a holiday tradition like no other with a fresh HoKa turkey for Thanksgiving. HoKa turkeys are locally raised at Howard Kaufman Turkey Farms in nearby Waterman, Ill. They are individually wrapped and boxed, which makes them perfect for holiday entertaining or as gifts. Kaufman Turkey Farms is one of the country's last independent family turkey farms with its own federally inspected dressing plant.

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Squash

In actuality, squash is a fruit. Because it contains seeds, squash is classified as a fruit though, like the tomato, it is used as a vegetable when cooking. There are several varieties of squash, commonly placed into groups such as winter squash and summer squash.

cooking Winfer Squash:

When cooking pumpkin and squash recipes, remember that any sweet, orange-fleshed pumpkin or squash can be substituted for another in recipes.

Winter squash can be cut in halves or pieces.

Dress any cooked winter squash with butter and herbs, a cream sauce, cheese sauce, maple syrup and nuts, marinara sauce or stewed fruit.

Any type of mashed or pureed squash can be used in the place of canned pumpkin in soups, pies, cookies or quick breads. Chunks of squash can be added to soups, stews and casseroles.

To Prepare and Use Summer Squash:

Thoroughly scrub each squash under running water until the skin feels clean. Then cut off and discard the stem end and scrape off the other end. Only if the skin is unusually tough or the surface feels especially gritty after washing, is it necessary to peel the squash. Most summer squash is now ready to be used in any recipe. Depending on your recipe, you may grate, slice, or cut into pieces of various shapes.

- Squash Equivalents:
 - 1/3 to 1/2 pound raw unpeeled squash = 1 serving
 - 1 pound peeled squash = 1 cup cooked, mashed
 - 2-1/2 pounds whole squash = 2-3/4 to 3 cups pureed
 - 1 pound trimmed squash = 2 cups cooked pieces
 - I pound squash = 2 to 3 servings
 - 12 ounces frozen squash = 1-1/2 cups
 - 1 medium-size (15 to 20 pounds) pumpkin = 5 to 7 quarts of cooked pumpkin.

Toasted Squash and Pumpkin Seeds:

Squash and Pumpkin seeds are a great healthy snack and a delicious addition to salads, granola or trail mix.

Different ways to clean seeds:

Separate the squash or pumpkin seeds from the stringy membrane of a freshly opened squash. Rinse the seeds in a colander until they are free of any membrane matter. Spread the seeds on clean kitchen towels or layer of paper towels and dry thoroughly.

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Compiled by Suzi Myers Squash Variefies to savor summer and winter

vase or a bell. This is a more

watery squash and tastes some-

what similar to sweet potatoes. It

has a bulbous end and pale,

creamy skin, with a choice, fine-

Popular winter squash varieties include acorn, buttercup, butternut, hubbard, kabocha and spaghetti squash, as well as pumpkin. Popular summer

squashes include yellow summer squash, zucchini and pattypan squash.

Types of winter squash

Winter squash come in many shapes and colors. The different varieties of winter squash may be substituted for each other in your many squash recipes. Winter squash are also packed with antioxidants and vitamins (and have not fats), and can be prepared sweet or savory.

Acorn Squash

Easily found in supermarkets. As the name suggests, this winter squash is small and round shaped like an acorn. One of the favorite baking squashes, it is easy to slice into halves and fill with butter.

Banana Squash

In shape and skin color, this winter squash is reminiscent of a banana. It grows up to 2 to 3 feet in length and about 6 to 8 inches in diameter. Its bright orange, finely-textured flesh is sweet tasting. Banana squash is often available cut into smaller pieces.

It is considered top tier among winter squash as it is one of the most versatile squash available.

Butternut Squash

Easily found in supermarkets. Beige colored and shaped like a

a sweet, nutty flavor. Some people say it is like butterscotch. The "oranger" the color, the riper, drier, and sweeter the squash. Butternut is a common squash used in making soup because it tends not to be stringy. Kabocha

textured, deep-orange flesh with

Clockwise from top left:

Acorn, Butternut, Spaghetti,

Turban and Kabocha squash.

Each provides delicious flavor,

texture and nutrients.

Kabocha is the generic Japanese word for squash, but refers most commonly to a squash of the buttercup type. This squash has a green, bluishgray or a deep orange skin, the flesh is deep yellow,

It has a rich sweet flavor, and often dry and flaky when cooked. Use in any dish in which butter-

Squash furkey decoration

Let the kids go outside and collect leaves to make this feathered turkey that would also make an adorable centerpiece for your Thanksgiving table.

Materials:

- Butternut squash (or long necked shaped gourd)
- Leaves
- Google eyes - Yellow and red paper
- Scissors, glue, tape

Instructions:

cup squash would work. Spaghetti Squash

A small, watermelon-shaped variety, ranges in size from 2 to 5 pounds or more. It has a golden-

> vellow, oval rind and a mild, nutlike flavor. Although it may seem counterintuitive, larger spaghetti squash are more flavorful than smaller ones. When cooked, the flesh separates in strands that resemble spaghetti pasta.

> Spaghetti Squash can be stored at room temperature for about a month. Spaghetti squash also freezes well.

Turban Squash

Named for its Turban shape. Squash has colors

that vary from bright orange, to green or white. It has golden-yellow flesh and its taste is reminiscent to hazelnut. Has a bulb-like cap swelling from its blossom end, come in bizarre shapes with extravagant coloration that makes them popular as harvest decorations.

It is popular for centerpieces, and its top can be sliced off so it can be hollowed and filled with soup. A larger variety of the buttercup squash, the turban has a bright orange-red rind. Its flesh and storage ability are comparable to the buttercup squash. Use in recipes that call or pie or sugar pumpkin.

It's pretty simple and as you see it. Tape or glue leaves on the back of the squash to form "feathers." Glue on the eyes, a small yellow triangle and red, long tear-drop shape for the wat-

tle. You're done! Idea from Agnes Hsu

November is ...

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Spinach and Squash Month Pancreatic Cancer Awareness

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Return to: Kane County Farm Bureau, 2N710 Randall Road, St Charles, IL 60174 by November 15, 2018 to be entered in our drawing for a squash themed prize. Prize must be picked up at the KCFB office.



Congratulations

Eleanor Rzeminski! Her name was chosen from the entries received for correctly completing last month's Word Search Puzzle. For her participation, she receives a bag of Potato based products! Thank vou, Eleanor, or reading the Kane County Farmer and continue to watch each month for more great opportunities from the Kane County Farm Bureau.

Month Adoption Month Alzheimer's Disease Month Diabetes Month Peanut Butter Lovers Month Pepper Month Caregivers Month Veteran and Military Families Month Native American Heritage Month

Special Days in November:

2: National Deviled Egg Dav 4: Daylight Saving Time Ends 5: National Doughnut Day 6: National Nachos Day 8: National STEM/STEAM Day 11: Veteran's Day 13: World Kindness Day 15: America Recycles Day 22: Thanksgiving 23: Black Friday -24: Small Business Saturday

Dairy insurance and dairy summit

Dairy Revenue Protection was released for purchase in October, prior to the rollout Illinois Farm Bureau hosted an October 4 webinar to share information. The webinar was recorded and is now available for viewing on the IMPA Facebook page. Dairy farmers can learn more about Dairy Revenue Protection at a November 28 session at Stephenson County Farm Bureau in Freeport. COUNTRY Crop Agency Manager, Doug Yoder will present the session. The meeting will begin at 11:30 with Pre-registration lunch. is required. Contact Kane County

Friends of Ag (continued from page 1)

the aisle, Farm Bureau has consistently supported candidates who show support for Illinois agriculture and farmers regardless of their party affiliation. ACTIVATOR's "Friend of Agriculture" designation is a coveted title for both rural and urban members of Congress and the General Assembly. A favorable voting record of a minimum 60% support of Farm Bureau policy positions as well as a recommendation of a majority of Farm Bureau, 630 584-8660 for more information.

The annual Dairy Summits will take place February 5-7, 2019. This year the program theme will be "Economic Strategies & Reproduction" with Dr. Richard Wallace, Managing Veterinarian of Dairy at Zoetis, presenting the keynote. The first Summit will be Feb. 5 at Kaskaskia Community College, Feb. 6 at Asmark Institute, and Feb. 7 at Highland Community College. For a full agenda, visit the Illinois Milk Producers Association website at http://www.illinoismilk.org/

District ACTIVATOR trustees is required to earn a legislator the title "Friend of Agriculture". This title and award recognizes incumbent legislators for their support of agriculture.

This year ACTIVATOR presented this prestigious "Friend of Agriculture" award to 11 legislators who represent voters in Kane County. Each "Friend of Agriculture" was gifted a com-memorative Case IH model 9240 combine on a white oak base plaque to publicly display their support for Illinois Agriculture.

2018 Friends of Agriculture

District	Voting Record	Kane Co. Trustee								
25th	82.98%	Bill Collins								
35th	95.74%	Joe White								
42nd	93.02%	Bill Keck								
22nd	83.33%	Mike Kenyon								
50th	100%	Bill Collins								
83rd	77.50%	Joe White								
84th	87.50%	Bill Keck								
12th	82.50%	(adopted legislator)								
43th	80%	Mike Kenyon								
14th	90%	Joe White								
6th	90%	Mike Kenyon								
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Save \$1,000 or more on **Ford & Lincoln vehicles**

This past year, many of our Farm Bureau members took advantage of the Farm Bureau's \$500-\$750 bonus cash offer towards the purchase or lease of qualifying Ford and Lincoln vehicles. For those of you still in the market for a new vehicle, we are now offering members \$1,000-\$1,250 off of qualifying Ford and Lincoln vehicles IF you have a non-Ford/Lincoln or Mercury vehicle registered to your household that is 1995 or newer. During the promotional period of October 15th, 2018 thru January 2, 2019, members who qualify for the Farm Bureau Association eCertificate Offer

will be eligible to receive an additional \$500 Conquest Bonus Cash towards the purchase or lease of an eligible new 2018/2019 MY Ford vehicle.

**To reference your member number, refer to your card, starting with 045-XXXXX or 045-XXXXXXX. "A" should not be included in order to retrieve the eCertificate.

Farm Safety Day at Big Rock Middle School – a learning success

"Growing Through а Communities" grant from Monsanto obtained by KCFB Director Nan Long of Big Rock, the Hinckley-Big Rock FAA Chapter and Advisor Tracey Sanderson recently coordinated a Farm Safety Day for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders at Big Rock Middle School. 165 students rotated through 5 learning stations, each presentation lasting 6-8 minutes. Presentations were given by community member and/or Hinckley Big-Rock FFA chapter members.

Lessons focused on grain entrapment, safety, and rescue (2); grain truck/trailer blind spot safety; ATV safety; and fire safety. Kane County Farm Bureau was one of the featured presenters.

Using the AGCO/ KCFB Farmers' GSI Grain Bin Safety Display, KCFB Manager Steve Arnold along

6th, 7th, and 8th graders who rotated throughout the stations.

Many questions were asked and many kids were surprised by what they learned - anything from statistics of grain bin fatal-





Young Day at Big Rock Middle School in October. The tube is part of a mobile display built by AGCO that KCFB's Young a "Tug-of-War" machine Farmers use for educational purposes at events like that mimics the weight of Touch-A-Tractor, National Night Out and for local fire department training.

with local FFA mem- Top: Tomi Harrod (right), Hinckley-Big Rock FFA, demonbers Tomi Harrod strates for 8th graders how quickly a person can become quadruple their actual and Devlin Hicks, entrapped in a grain bin filled with corn, using a glass conattended and present- tainer and figurine. It took only 3-5 seconds in flowing ble to physically pull ed to each group of grain to become completely engulfed.

ities to how quickly one can become trapped, literally in a manner of seconds. Both KCFB & Bayer employees educated the students on what safety precautions to take around grain

bins – the most important being not to enter to begin with and the second, to be properly outfitted with a harness and being sure to abide by the buddy system at all times.

Bayer employee Dave Oest, a Monsanto (now Bayer) employee at the Waterman location for 17 years said "I'm happy to participate in the Farm Safety Day at the middle school, as are my co-workers Matt Watley and GSI Grain Dalton Johnson. We're here to make sure kids understand just how dangerous it is to be around these commodity filled grain bins." Bayer also had someone who has become entrapped in grain, which is at least double to weight, making it impossisomeone out of the grain.

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2019 Farm Bureau calendars available

Believe it or not - 2019 is just a couple of months away! Members are invited to pick up a 2019 calendar at the Farm Bureau office in St. Charles. This year's themes are Antique Tractors and Barns. It's just one more way to say "Thanks!" for being a Kane County Farm Bureau member.





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*Program 36238: \$500 Bonus Cash offer exclusively for active Farm Bureau members who are residents of the United States. Offer is valid through 1/2/2019 for the purchase or lease of an eligible new 2018/2019 model year Ford vehicle. Program 36696: Additional \$500 Conquest Bonus Cash offer exclusively for active Farm Bureau members valid for a purchase or lease of an eligible new 208/2019 model year Ford vehicle. Offer is valid 10/15/18 through 1/2/19. Customer must have a registered 195 or never non-Ford/Lincoln/Mercury vehicle in their name for at least 30 days, to be eligible for this additional \$500 incentive. Not available on Shelby GT350", Shelby" GT350R, Mustang BULLITT, Ford GT, Focus RS, F-150 Raptor and F-150 Diesel. This offer may not be used in conjunction with most other Ford Motor Company private incentives or AXZD-Plans. Some customer and purchase eligibility restrictions apply. Limit one Bonus Cash and Conquest offer per vehicle purchase or lease. Visit FordFarmBureauAdvantage.com or see your authorized Ford Dealer for qualifications and complete details. For Dealers please claim #36238 for Farm Bureau P #36696 for additional \$500 Conquest Bonus Cash in Smart VINCENT.



Perfect for the holidays & for gift giving, our citrus sale is back again this year! Oranges, grapefruit, apples, and so much more, you'll be able to stock up on all of the holiday goodies you need.

See page 8 for order form orders due by November 15 at 4pm.



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Farm news

(continued from page 3) prise; agricultural technical advisors to Food Hub growers and operators; processing, refrigeration and delivery equip-

ment for the Food Hub; a farm to cafeteria workshop and contract support for a Fresh & Local prescription (Rx) produce program.

Tansley also announced that the County had secured \$125,000 in grant funding from the same funder for 2019. These funds will be used for Food Hub business planning; farmer readiness training and cost share for food safety certification. In

addition the grant will expand local support for food service

institutions for "local food" readiness. This will include kitchen audits by Seven Generations Ahead, a Kitchen Equipment Fund, based on the audit findings, to help offset costs to community kitchens for

Thomas (TR) Smith closed the monthly meeting of the Kane County Agriculture Committee as he had all previous meetings, with an agriculture trivia question and a gift certificate "prize" for the correct answer from one of the stores or restaurants in his home

District. Smith, the first and only Chair of the Committee since its inception, will not to seek reelection to the Kane County Board in November.

> equipment needed to process and serve locally grow foods and a second farm to cafeteria

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workshop.

In other reports to the Agriculture Committee, Development and Community Services Director Mark VanKerkhoff reported on proposed Zoning Ordinance

changes to make solar utility installations a special use in the F and Airport Districts and proposed County Code Building and Building Regulations changes to amend building permit fees. Both proposals go to the County Board in November. The County Agriculture Committee meets the third Thursday of each month at 10:00 am in the County

Administration Building, 719 South Batavia Avenue in Geneva.

IFB's ALOT program looking for applicants

Illinois Farm Bureau's Agricultural Leaders of Tomorrow (ALOT) program is seeking Farm Bureau members who want to enhance their leadership skills and gain knowledge for the 2019 program. The program, which begins Jan. 22 in Ogelsby, is limited to 25 participants with applications now being accepted.

The nine 2019 classes will occur in northern and central Illinois locations, including Ogelsby, Cambridge, Polo, Springfield and Bloomington. Overnight sessions will occur in Bloomington, Oglesby and Springfield.

Participants must be willing to serve as a leader or spokesperson for agriculture and show past agricultural leadership, involvement and support. A \$700 tuition fee includes meals, lodging and instructional materials.

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Farm Bureau members interested in applying may contact their county Farm Bureau or call the Illinois Farm Bureau Training and Development Department at 309-557-3943. Applications also may be found at www.ilfb.org under the "Get Involved" tab. Application are due by November 15.

Great Lakes Apple Crunch

The Great Lakes Great Apple Crunch day was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018. Students and other groups in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio

This month we feature a tidbit sent

to us by KCFB member Mrs. Charlene

THE ELDERLY

which delivered meals to the elderly, I

would take along my four year old daugh-

ter. She was always fascinated by the appli-

ances of old age - canes, walkers, wheel-

chairs, etc. One day I saw her staring at a

set of false teeth in a jar. She said to me,

"The tooth fairy will never believe this."

When I worked for an organization

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crunch into a locally grown apple. Last year over 1,500,000 stuchildren, dents, teachers and other supporters across the region crunched delicious into apples.

Seven schools in East Aurora District 131 joined in

the crunch this year. The photos below were taken at O'Donnell School. Students and faculty, as well as some administrators took part in the celebration of apples. Students joined together in a countdown to noon and then crunched in unison. Exclamations of "yum" were heard throughout the cafeteria.

> and their 5th grade student helpers at O'Donnell School enjoying Apple Crunch Day. Left: Apple Crunch Day Celebration, October 11th at O'Donnell School, East Aurora

included Margo Schmidt, District 131 grant writer, Suzi Myers: KCFB Ag Literacy Coordinator and Karen Pearson: Pre K teacher and event organizer.



A group of 11 volunteers attended the Farm Safety Treats assembly day held in the Kane County Farm Bureau conference room. Volunteers had a great time preparing tasty candy treats with farm safety slogans.



Recruiter of the Month

Each month we honor the person who signs the most members into our organization. This month, the honor goes to Lulu Medina! Lulu has been a COUNTRY Financial Representative since January of 2017.



Oak Street, North Aurora and she may be reached at 630-449-0910.

Her office is located at 1161

Thank you for your continued support of the Kane County Farm Bureau and congratula-Lulu Medina tions on your success!

What's new in the **COUNTRY** agencies?

Aurora Agency, Kevin Gomes, **Agency Manager**

ASHRAF GERGES has been named the Financial Representative of the Month for September 2018 in the St. Charles/Elgin Agency, as announced by Agency Manager, Robert J. Effner, Sr., CLF®, LUTCF. Ashraf has provided tangible plans for addressing the immediate and long term insurance and financial security needs of his clients through COUNTRY Financial's diverse products and services: Auto, Farm, Home, Life/Disability /Health/Annuities/Long Term Care, Retirement Planning, Business and Investments. Let Ashraf's expertise help you! Contact Ashraf at his office, 896 S. Frontenac St., Ste. 104,

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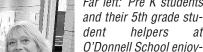
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Aurora or by phone/email/ website: 630-898-3750, ashraf. gerges@countryfinancial, countryfinancial.com/ashraf. gerges. Congratulations, Ashraf! St. Charles Agency, Bob Effner, Agency Manager

Greg LeBeau, Financial Representative with the Aurora Agency, is our Financial Representative of the Month for September 2018. Greg began his career with COUNTRY Financial in October of 1987 and services clients out of his office located at: 1920 Wilson Street Batavia, 60510, (630) 406-6900 Greg's professionalism and vast knowledge of auto, home, life, and commercial products make him a great person to do business with. Congratulations, Greg!

employment offering paid vacation, self-directed savings plan, partial tuition reimbursement. Call Bob to discuss this position: 630-<u>377-5</u>807

PART-TIME CUSTOMER SERV-ICE approximate 20 hours weekly, morning or afternoon M-F, we do not work Sundays. Applicant must be computer literate with pleasant phone voice and manner. Applicant must be self-starter and able to work as part of a team. We are located in Saint Charles. Entry level employment offering paid vacation, self-directed savings plan, partial tuition reimbursement. Call Bob: 630-377-5807



Far left: Pre K students

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FB Group Travel preview

You're invited to a travel preview! Lindstrom travel will present information on FOUR fantastic tours. November 28th, 6:00 PM at Kane County Farm Bureau .Enjoy a great evening with hors d'oeuvres and learn more about our exclusive travel opportunities! This is the perfect chance to invite friends to join you!

• Tournament of Roses (Dec. 30, 2018 – Jan 4, 2019)

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Kane County Farm Bureau FOUNDATION Educational & Community Service Programs	Explore the endless opportunities: Education Advocacy Networking Visit www.kanecfb.com to join today!
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For Courters For Courts For Cour	Make checks payable to Kane County Farm Bureau Foundation or the Food Pantry of your choice and mail to 2N710 Randall Rd., St. Charles, IL 60174. 100% of all contri tions will be forwarded to Food Bank/Food Pantry with NO administrative fees. Donors will receive receipt of donation and a "10,000 gallon Challenge" window cling

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KANE COUNTY FARMER



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Kane County Farm Bu for the holidays trucked freshness are hard to be one you'll be glad to be members get an even b giving. Complete the order for Bureau, 2N710 Randal Pickup is Wednesday	Day Product Order Form <i>as, Nuts, Cheese, Meat, Popcorn, Spice</i> reau is once again offering fresh citrus and seasonal items d in fresh to fill our orders. Members say the taste and eat! An annual tradition for at least half a century, this is e a part of. KCFB members receive a discount & PLUS better deal. Check out the gift boxes for holiday gift rm and return with your payment to Kane County Farm Il Road, St. Charles, IL 60174, by Thursday, Nov.15th <u>c. December 12, 2018</u> at Heinz Brothers Greenhouse 10 E. Main St., St. Charles (just west of Dunham Road).	OTY CITRUS GRAPEFRUIT (RED) 2/5 BUSHEL GRAPEFRUIT (RED) 4/5 BUSHEL MAVEL ORANGES 2/5 BUSHEL NAVEL ORANGES 4/5 BUSHEL TRIO PACK 2/5 BUSHEL 18-20 Navel oranges, 4 Grapefruit, 10 Red Delicious apples GRAND SLAM PACK 6 Red Delicious Apples, 6 D'Anjou pears, 3 Golden Delicious apples, 18-20 navel oranges	Non- Member \$22.00 \$40.00 \$26.00 \$44.00 \$37.00 \$37.00	PRICE KCFB Member \$19.00 \$35.00 \$23.00 \$39.00 \$33.00 \$33.00	KCFB Plus (+) Member \$17.00 \$31.00 \$21.00 \$35.00 \$30.00 \$30.00
ADDRESS: CITY, STATE, ZIP):	CHEESE GIFT BOXES (10 oz. of each cheese) BOX "A", Mild Cheddar, Swiss, Longhorn, Calico BOX "B", Mild Cheddar, Swiss, Calico, 5 oz. sausage BOX "C", Longhorn, Mild Brick, Mild Cheddar, 12 oz. sausage BOX "D", Calico, Mild Cheddar, Swiss, Colby, Gouda, two 5 oz. sausage	\$25.00 \$23.00 \$26.00 \$32.00	\$22.00 \$20.00 \$23.00 \$28.00	\$19.00 \$18.00 \$21.00 \$25.00
EMAIL: KCFB MEMBER#: CREDIT CARD#:	: TE: CVC#:	NUTS PEANUTS - 16 OZ. SKINLESS CAN HONEY KRUNCH PEANUTS - 12 OZ. CAN PECAN HALVES - 16 OZ. BAG MILK CHOCOLATE COVERED PECANS 12 OZ. BAG MILK CHOCOLATE COVERED PEANUTS 12 OZ CAN HONEY ROASTED PECANS 9 OZ CAN MILK CHOCOLATE PECAN S 9 OZ BOX	\$6.00 \$ 6.00 \$12.00 \$11.50 \$6.50 \$10.00 \$8.50	\$ 5.00 \$ 5.00 \$10.50 \$10.00 \$5.50 \$9.00 \$ 7.50	\$ 4.50 \$ 4.00 \$ 9.50 \$ 8.50 \$4.50 \$8.00 \$6.50
ORDER D	EADLINE: Thursay, November 15, 2018 <u>Aember Pricing (OPTIONAL - Additional benefits apply)</u> Questions? Call 630-584-8660	DARK CHOCOLATE SEA SALT CARAMELS 8 OZ BOX DARK CHOCOLATE SEA SALT CARAMELS 8 OZ BOX DARCELLANEOUS POPCORN, YELLOW 2 LB BAG BBQ SPICE, 12 OZ. SHAKER JAR MEAT - 5 LB BOX (all individually wrapped)	\$8.50 \$4.00 \$11.00	\$7.50 \$ 3.50 \$ 9.50	\$6.50 \$ 3.00 \$ 8.50
LOCATION:	Wednesday, December 12, 2018 10:00 A.M 5:00 P.M. HEINZ BROS. GREENHOUSE 2010 E. MAIN ST., ST. CHARLES (JUST WEST OF DUNHAM ROAD)	BOURBON SIRLOIN STEAKS, 8 OZ. PORK CHOPS 8 OZ, SEASONED W/BONE PORK CHOPS 8 OZ, SEASONED BONELESS PORK CHOPS 10 OZ, SEASONED BONELESS CHICKEN BREASTS GROUND BEEF PATTIES	\$47.00 \$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00 \$30.00	\$41.00 \$25.00 \$25.00 \$25.00 \$25.00 \$25.00	\$37.00 \$24.00 \$24.00 \$24.00 \$24.00 \$24.00 \$24.00
PAYMENT: SEND ORDER TO:	<u>WITH ORDER PLACEMENT</u> WE ACCEPT VISA, MASTERCARD & DISCOVER KANE COUNTY FARM BUREAU 2N710 RANDALL ROAD ST. CHARLES, IL 60174	OROUND BEEF PATTIES LEMON ROSEMARY PORK ROAST /QTY 3, 24 OZ PER BOX \$25 FOR PLUS MEMBER PRICING (Optional - additional bend TOTAL # ITEMS ORDERED TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	\$24.00 efits apply)	\$20.00	\$24.00 \$19.00 \$25.00