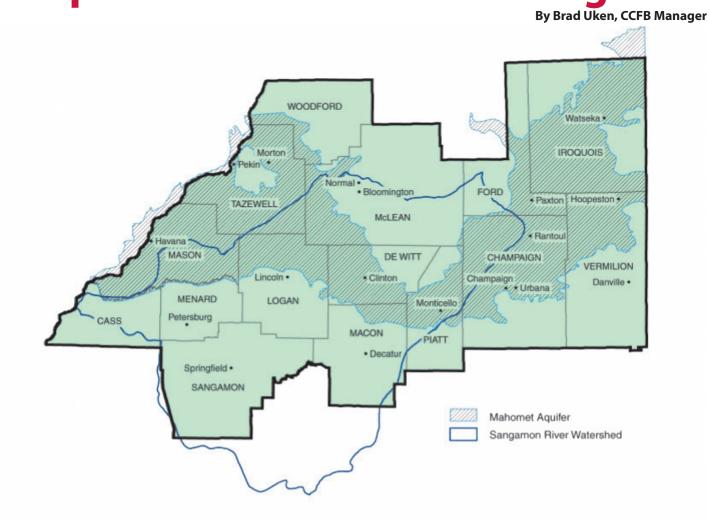


Mahomet Aquifer Stakeholder Meeting

In Champaign County the primary water source is the Mahomet Aquifer. In addition to our rich soils, it's truly an unbelievable asset to our county and the other 14 counties that depend on it. Over the last fifteen years we have enhanced our knowledge about the aquifer thanks to the Mahomet Aquifer Consortium (MAC) and an Executive Order by then Governor Blagojevich. That order mandated a thorough study of the aquifer, in part by examining the supply and demand of the aquifer in order to develop a management plan for the aquifer moving forward.

In 2007, the MAC developed the first Regional Water Supply Planning Committee (RWSPC) in Illinois. The committee consisted of 13 community members from across the aquifer representing various interest groups. That committee published the initial report in June of 2009. A subsequent update of the report was completed in June of 2015. Both reports can be found at www.rwspc.org.

Included in both reports are action items that the MAC and RWSPC are striving to meet. One of the most important action items continues to be enhancing stakeholder involvement throughout the region. Engaging stakeholders is a pivotal task in any organization, and aquifer management is no different. Both entities have worked tirelessly on this action item through the years. A prime example is their hosting of an



SOURCE: MAHOMET AQUIFER CONSORTIUM, <u>http://www.mahometaquiferconsortium.org/info-</u> maps.html

annual stakeholders meeting. These
stakeholder meetings have been held
at various locations throughout the
15-county aquifer region and have
covered a host of topics over the
years. This year's event and schedule is no different, albeit in a slightly
different format due to COVID-19.

This year's event will be held on Thursday, August 6th virtually on ZOOM. The meeting is free and will include speakers and topics including:

- Jason Thomason, Illinois State Geological Survey – Projects Past and Future
- Wes Cattoor, IDNR State Water Task Force – State Water Plan Update
- Brian Wiemers and Steve Wegman, Illinois American Water – Small Towns Needs Regarding Water Systems and New Operations and Plants
- Dan Hadley, Illinois State Water

- Lauren Lurkins, Illinois Farm Bureau
- Sealing Abandon Wells
- Mike Funk, Illinois Water Authority Association - Water Authorities The virtual meeting will start at

9:00 a.m. and will wrap up by noon. This format does offer some advantages in that you can join for specific speakers or stay on during the entire meeting.

If you are interested in joining in on the 6th, please contact Robbie Berg at 217-493-7407 or MAC1998_15@ yahoo.com.

• Dr. Joan Brehm, Illinois State University – Center for a Sustainable Water Future – Projects and Partnerships Survey – Past and Present Projects

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS PEACHES

Orders due August 3 See page 8 for more details

COVID 19 Office Closure

As of printing, the Champaign County Farm Bureau office is closed to the public. Staff will be available daily from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. by phone and email. If you would like to meet with a staff member in-person we will practice social distancing and ask that you have completed a self-assessment of your health before coming to the building. If the weather is cooperative, we will most likely meet outside.

If you need to pay membership dues, you can visit <u>www.myifb.</u> org to either join the CCFB as a new member or to renew your dues. CCFB has also installed a drop box for your convenience. The box is located at the front door of the CCFB Office. Also, before you head out to the office or any event listed in this publication please check <u>www.ccfarmbureau.com</u> or call the office at 217-352-5235 for updates.

May Report



President, Mike Briggs

I hope everyone is having a safe and enjoyable summer. Things are starting to look more normal around the farm bureau. We have started having more meetings, even if they aren't face to face it has been nice to get back together.

Crops are progressing well even if they are at a variety of stages. Around us there was corn and beans planted in early April and early June. The weather seemed to work out well for most to get side dressing completed and we've got another rain in the forecast as I write this.

Stay safe, enjoy the summer and as always reach out to us with any questions.

Sincerely, Mike Briggs

Women's Committee

(Tentative) Schedule of Events Mark Your Calendars

July 8, 2020 Regular Meeting – 9:30 a.m./Virtual Meeting

Participate to Cultivate - CANCELED

August 5, 2020 CCFB Auditorium

Jim Roberts, Director of Environmental Health at Champaign-Urbana Public Health District "Everything You Have Wanted to Know About Inspections of Food Service Establishments in Champaign-Urbana and Champaign County"

Breaking COVID 19 news impacting Illinois Farm Families available at

Join the Prime Timers!

Tentative Meeting



Entertainment: Chrissy Sparks



Please check the website or call the office for updates. Gerald Henry, Prime Timers Chairman

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month Lunch cost - \$8

Call 352-5235 ahead of each meeting to reserve your spot MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

August 13, 2020

CCFB Calendar of Events

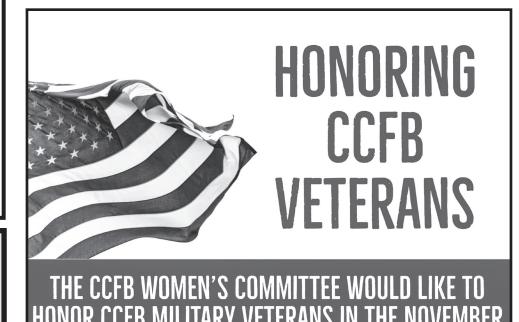
Due to COVID 19 many meetings have been canceled, postponed, or may occur via ZOOM Conference Calling.

Please contact the office at 217-352-5235 to check the status of meetings currently listed.

Staff is checking email & voicemail.

July 2020

July 2	Young Ag Leaders	6:30 p.m.
July 8	Women's Committee	9:30 a.m.
July 9	Prime Timers	10 a.m.
July 14	Governmental Affairs	7:30 a.m.
July 16	Full Board	6:30 p.m.



www.ilfb.org

The Illinois Farm Bureau is announcing a new program in partnership w/ Rep. Mike Bost, AgrAbility Illinois, and the Farmer Veteran Coalition of IL designed to pair unemployed veterans with farmers who have a need for farm labor. To submit an opening or look for jobs, visit: https://www.illinoisfarmerveterans.org/farmcorps

FARMAND RANCH MISSION *

PAIRING FURLOUGHED OR UNEMPLOYED VETERANS WITH WORK OPPORTUNITIES WITH AG-PRODUCERS ACROSS ILLINOIS

For many of our Illinois farmers, COVID-19 has all but eliminated the available labor pool for growing and production. Farm Corps, a partnership of Illinois organizations and agriculture entities, addresses this labor gap by pairing furloughed or laid off veterans with producers across the state of Illinois who have an immediate need for on-the-farm labor. NEWSLETTER. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE HONORED OR HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER YOU WOULD LIKE TO HONOR PLEASE EMAIL THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AND A PICTURE OF THE VETERAN TO MKT@ILLINOIS.EDU

NAME: Branch: Years of service:

*IF YOU NEED HELP SENDING YOUR PICTURE, PLEASE CONTACT BAILEY @ 352-5235.

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS: The Dirt on Perspective-Taking

What is dirt?

To the ordinary person, dirt is icky. Its stains mean more laundry, and it's trails lead to extra mopping. To most, it's filthy, unwanted, and inconvenient.

But to the farmer, dirt is precious. The farmer spends hours each day surrounded by dirt. They eagerly pick up dirt and run it through their fingers. The farmer looks at dirt and sees opportunity. Potential. Growth. Life.

Farmers have a refreshing ability to look at something as common as dirt- something most of the world views as unfavorable- and by embracing a creative and hopeful perspective, they see something worthwhile.

While so many things are beyond our control in agriculture, our perspective is something we own. We get to choose how we're going to view an imperfect situation, and how we're going to respond to it. It's within our control to look at something as an obstacle, or to look at it as an opportunity.

For example, an equipment breakdown is undoubtedly frustrating. It interrupts your day, throws off your plans, and costs you money. But it can also allow you time

to work on a different project, or head home early to spend time with your family (that chances are, you haven't felt able to prioritize in awhile). All of these outcomes are true, and it's fair to be frustrated about the negative aspects of the situation. Choosing optimism isn't the same as "just being positive." It's acknowledging those valid, negative outcomes, but then recognizing that there are ALSO positive outcomes. You get to choose what perspective to focus on most (and since realistic optimism leads to higher productivity, less depression, and generally better health, there are obvious benefits to choosing the latter).

Developing an optimistic perspective is a tool that takes effort and practice, especially when it's not something you've made a habit of in the past. Start by making a small goal to challenge a negative thought- right in a moment of chaos- once a week. Give one coworker or family member permission to help you identify when you could be looking at something in a new way. Take a moment each morning to reflect on the stressful parts of the previous day, and think about how you could have approached

them differently. Whatever efforts you make to practice taking control of your perspective puts you one step closer to making optimism a habit.

But remember, making an effort to "be better" becomes more and more difficult if you neglect your mental health. Stress weighs us down, and we can grow irritable, cynical, impulsive, forgetful, or careless. At that point, decision-making can feel like an exhaustive burden, and changing your perspective turns into a much harder choice.

If we create a habit of finding the good in difficult situations, we build a personal defense against the blow of defeat.

And as the farmer sees good in the dirt, so too can they see hope in the struggle, if only they make the choice.

Resources:

Controlling attitudes/perspectives- https://www.ag.ndsu. edu/publications/kids-family/farm-stress-fact-sheetsstress-management-fo r-farmers-ranchers

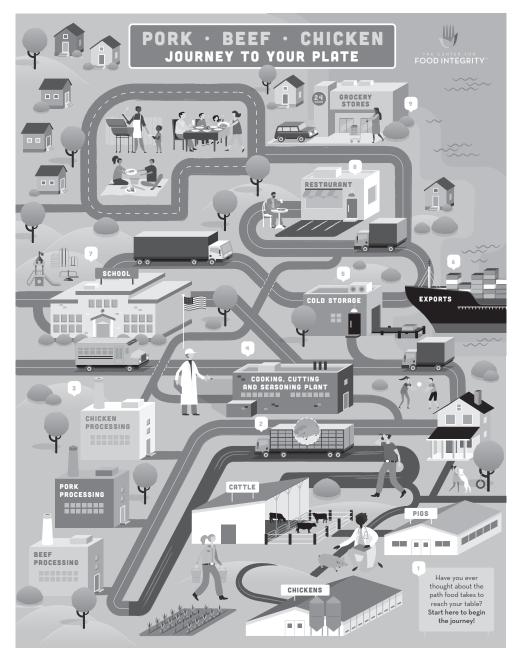


Adrienne DeSutter is a Mental Health Consultant with a Master's degree in Counseling and a Bachelor's degree in Education and Child and Family Studies. A former School Counselor and National Certified Counselor, she has always had a passion for encouraging others to realize their full potential. After marrying Farmer Drew in 2014, Adrienne embraced the world of farming and began advocating for Agricultural Wellness. The couple raises corn, soybeans, cattle, and their most precious commodity, daughters Everly and Emalyn.

- How stress affects us- https:// www.ilfb.org/resources/mental-health-wellness/how-stressaffects-you/
- Optimism- http://positivepsychology.org.uk/optimism-pessimism-theory/

Supply Chain Infograph

COVID-19 on meat in the food supply chain. It is very possible that the food supply chain may continue to struggle as the COVID-19 global pandemic continues. The infograph below may be familiar to you, but



In May 2020, the agriculture community began seeing impacts from it is a great resource to share with neighbors and friends. The infograph & FAQ's can be found at CFI's Best Food Facts website https://www. bestfoodfacts.org/.



The meat we eat begins on the farm where farmers, their families, employees and a team of experts like veterinarians, agronomists and nutritionists work together to produce crops to feed and raise healthy animals. The U.S. is home to two million farms of all kinds providing the

Beef cattle are raised in all 50 states. In total, the U.S. has about 728,000 farms and ranches raising 32 million head of cattle and calves.

- About 25,500 family farmers produce approximately 9 billion chickens each year.
- Nationwide, about 60,000 farmers raise and market more than 115 million pigs annually.

2 Livestock and poultry are safely transported from farms to packing plants for processing into meat.

Thousands of federally inspected livestock and poultry plants operate in the U.S. including 835 livestock plants for beef and pork as well as nearly 3,000 poultry plants. Each plant is designed to process a specific animal

- USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) ensures that our nation's meat, poultry and processed egg supply is wholesome, safe and properly labeled. Through prevention-based policies and practices. USDA relies on science to continuously improve safety standards.

Major beef plants working two shifts can process 2,000 to 6.000 head of cattle per day. The average weight of a market steer reaches approximately 1250 pounds. Pork plants are located in close proximity to where pigs are raised. The market weight of an average pig is 280 pounds. A single pork plant, if running double-shifts, may process 20,000 pigs a day.

Cooking, Cutting and Seasoning: Beyond the plants that process the initial animals into meat, more than 3,700 meat companies specialize in preparing the vast variety of meat products we enjoy today. This includes a range of activities like making sausages and chicken nuggets; packaging meat for restaurants or fine dining; custom cuts for retail grocery stores; or preparing items for schools, hospitals and other

businesses. These meat companies add further value packaging and branding to meet requirements of their

Cold Storage: Think of this like a large freezer. These locations can safely store meat products frozen until the supply chain needs them. Cold storage facilities are critical to food safety and food security. Meat and poultry products. like fruits and vegetables, are highly perishable and temperature sensitive. In any given month, cold storage facilities in the U.S. house 500 million pounds of beef, 625 million pounds of pork and 900 million pounds of chicken.

Exports: People around the world savor U.S. beef, pork and poultry. The U.S. exports millions of metric tons of meat and poultry products every year including 1.26 MT of beef, 2.45 MT of pork, and 3.7 MT of chicken

Service Institutions: We often only think of eating at home or away at restaurants or our favorite take-out place. Stop and think about other businesses such as hospitals, schools colleges, nursing facilities, retirement homes, military bases and event centers that also prepare and serve food.

Restaurants: The U.S. has more than 650,000 food service facilities across the country. This includes all forms of awayfrom-home eating occasions such as quick-service restaurants, cafes, fine dining, take-out and catering/delivery

Grocery Stores: Some form of meat typically tops consumer grocery shopping lists, whether shopping online or in store. The U.S. is home to 40,000 grocery stores. Consumers find beef, pork and chicken in the fresh meat case, the frozen food aisle, the deli case, and in other food products such as soups and frozen entrees.







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Our NEW agriculture learning resource catalog provides teachers with the most up-to-date lessons, resources, and "live" links to classroom ready activities. All lessons are tied to Illinois Learning Standards...and are *FREE* to Champaign County teachers!

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by Dr. Howard Brown

YELLOW OR LIGHT GREEN CORN. Intensity of the corn plant's green color does not always indicate a shortage of plant-available nitrogen. Other plant-essential nutrients involved with chlorophyll (green color) production include sulfur, iron and manganese to name a few. The reason for the difference in color intensity and/or growth should be determined before any corrective action is taken. A plant tissue analysis, coupled with a soil test, provide a good snapshot of the plant's nutritional status and soil nutrient supply. Collecting a tissue and soil sample from a close "normal plant" provides for a relative comparison (yellow vs. green) to help determine the cause(s) of the abnormal color development.

SAMPLING PLANTTISSUE. Information about plant tissue analysis and how to handle the samples is available at the following website: www.algreatlakes. com . Click on the three lines in the upper right corner, "Resources" in the drop-down menu, "Factsheets" in the next drop-down menu, and finally "Plant Tissue Sampling of Row Crops". All tissue samples collected for our N-TRACKER Plus program are analyzed by A&L Great Lakes Lab at Fort Wayne, IN.

SAMPLING GUIDELINES FOR FIELD

CORN. Plant tissue from corn can be taken at three growth stages:

SEEDLING STAGE LESS THAN 12" HIGH.

- Sample whole plant from 1" above soil surface.

- Collect 15 plants.

PRIOR TO TASSELING.

- Sample first collared leaf below the whorl.

- Collect 15 leaves.

SILKING.

- Sample the leaf opposite and below the ear.
- (Figure 1)
- Collect 15 leaves.

SAMPLING GUIDELINES FOR SOYBEANS. Plant tissue from soybeans can be taken at three growth stages. At all three growth stages, sample the most recently fully developed trifoliate leaf. Do not include the petiole. Collect 25 leaves.

- PRIOR TO FLOWERING.
- EARLY BLOOM.
- PRIOR TO POD SET.

SOYBEAN GROWTH STAGING. A good resource to understanding growth staging of soybeans can be found at: www.coolbean.info . Dr. Shawn Conley, University of Wisconsin Research Specialist, has provided an easy-to-understand description of staging soybean growth throughout the growing season. We requested he add a button to the website's landing page to make it easy to access this publication. A sincere "thank you" is extended to Dr. Conley and the University of Wisconsin.

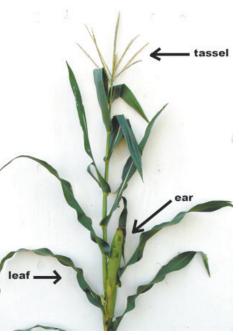


Figure 1. Leaf opposite and below ear should be harvested at tassel emergence to check nutrient status of developing plant. Some references suggest harvesting the ear leaf, which is the leaf attached to the same node as the ear. Source: University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

tissue samples suggested "Sufficiency" for all three at V3-5, many sites were at the low end of the Sufficiency Range. Plant demand for nutrients at early vegetative growth are significantly less than early reproductive stages. The next sampling date will be pre-VT. Both plant tissue and soil samples are anticipated to fall below the Sufficiency Range at these sites, suggesting the need for supplemental nutrient applications in 2021 or at least test strips to check for an economic crop response to supplemental nutrient applications.

TASSEL EMERGENCE. Uneven tassel emergence should be expected in many fields exhibiting significant differences in early growth. Differences in pollination time will be a benefit for the early silking plants compared to the late silking. Pollen shed will be extended with differences in crop growth, providing pollen to tip kernels that pollinate last. Unfortunately, plants with late emerging tassels will need to rely on good weather to allow for pollination to take place over the normal 5-7 day pollen shed period, the length of time a plant normally sheds pollen. If hot and dry ear tip embryo abortion may be common.

POLLINATION. Pollination is driven by both heat units and environmental conditions. Tassel emergence is considered the last vegetative growth stage. It is estimated by accumulated heat units. Once enough heat units are accumulated the tassel emerges and pollen is shed. Silks are more related to environmental conditions. Dry, hot weather tends to delay silk growth, until conditions are more favorable. Hot, dry weather at time of pollen shed may result in pollen shed without the presence of silks. A delay in silk emergence may result in a lack of viable pollen to fertilize the last emerging silks, leaving ear tips without fertilized embryos.

CRITICAL PERIOD FOR KERNELS PER ROW ON EAR. Avoid growth regulator-type herbicides before or after pollination. Herbicides that influence plant growth may have a detrimental effect on kernel development, whether affecting the number of kernels per row prior to pollination or embryo growth soon after pollination. Follow label guidelines for applications prior to pollination. After pollination wait until dough stage to use growth regulator-type herbicides in corn.

GREEN SNAP/BRITTLE SNAP. The use of growth regulator-type herbicides during the rapid stage of corn growth may cause stalks to be brittle. If possible, minimize use of growth regulator-type herbicides between the rapid growth stage (V6+) and the Dough Stage (R4) of development (pasty consistency inside developing kernel). Always follow label directions and restrictions when making herbicide applications.

ON-FARM DISCOVERY TRIALS WILL EXCEED 100 in 2020. Whether testing for crop response to sulfur, zinc, boron, fungicides or biological agents, there is no better way to learn about economic crop response to new products or practices than to test on your farm, under your environmental conditions, using your practices and collecting your data. We refer to the process as ON-FARM DISCOVERY. Illini FS is entering our third year of testing, evaluating over 140 sites so far. The number of trials in 2020 now exceeds 100. No better data to review than data gathered locally. Remember to ask for your copy of our ON-FARM DISCOVERY REPORT after the 2020 harvest. No better time than now to ask your local crop specialist for a copy when released this fall. Want to know what type of trials are in place and will be reported? Visit with your crop specialist and find out.

N-TRACKER PLUS: PLANT-AVAILABLE N. Detected Plant-Available N at most sites reinforced what would be expected with N applications this past Spring with a few exceptions. Creating a 2nd site at V3-4 growth stage provided an opportunity to compare the results from two N-TRACKER sites close to each other. While many replicated sites detected a similar amount of PAN, some were different as much as 20-30 lbs N/Acre. What was learned? The 2021 testing program will establish the 2nd site at V3-4 on the same row to eliminate any differences caused by sampling a different applicator knife (N-TRACKER Plus sites detect N applied by one knife when injected). The 2nd site was normally established side-by-side with the original site (different knife on an applicator). The 2nd N-TRACKER Site is established to detect N mineralization/loss after rapid growth has started (rapid N uptake). The crop is removed from the 2nd site to eliminate uptake. Whatever change in PAN detected between the within crop and bare soil sites at the pre-tassel (pre-VT) sampling date will be attributed to plant uptake. The bare soil site will also provide a late-season check for possible N loss, something N-TRACKER Plus missed in 2018 when sampling ended in early June.

N-TRACKER PLUS: OTHER NUTRIENTS. Several 2020 N-TRACKER Plus Sites suggest a possible short-fall of zinc, boron and sulfur in 2020. Soil sample results suggest below sufficiency concentrations in the upper profile of all three. Although

KEEP AN EYE ON REPLANTED CORN. Replanted corn may serve as a trap crop for silk-clipping insects and may be more vulnerable to leaf disease. Fresh silks will attract insects within a field that feed on silks. With all other silks dried-up from the original planting, an accumulation of insects feeding in the replanted crop may impair pollination. Young plants will be more vulnerable to leaf disease due to their stage of growth when lesions are commonly found. Lesions found after brown silk may not have a significant impact harvest yield of the original crop but the replanted crop, likely not yet pollinated, will be susceptible to early leaf area loss having a significant impact on harvest yield. If there is not an environment for fungal leaf disease development (periods of prolonged leaf wetness), leaf disease should not be an issue. Visit with your local Illini FS Crop Specialist about insecticide and fungicide options for replanted corn and how an application can be applied in a timely manner. Better to be prepared and ready in case a combination treatment is needed.

FUNGICIDE APPLICATIONS TO CORN WITH REPLANTED AREAS. Non-ionic surfactants can cause significant crop injury if applied prior to pollination. Visit with your local Illini FS Crop Specialist about what fungicide and additives should be used when spraying fungicides on corn fields with two or more planting dates.

PRACTICE SAFETY EVERYDAY. Make time to walk ditches with heavy vegetation before mowing. Some of the heavy Spring rains may have caused gully erosion that could be masked by vegetative cover. Watch for potential gully erosion when making post-emerge nutrient or fungicide applications as well. Heavy Spring rains may have caused significant erosion that is well hidden under the corn canopy. Avoid working in the heat of a sunny day without skin protection and a fresh source of water. Stay hydrated. Always wear a hat that protects your face from direct sun contact.







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Figuring out the "50-30-20 rule"

As the economy is impacted by the COVID-19 crisis – and as your personal situation evolves – it's a good reminder that our financial lives aren't linear. That's why developing a realistic budget is so important.

I know it's stressful to take a hard look at the numbers, but you can reduce some of the anxiety by thinking about your budget as a living document that can be adjusted over time. One way to adjust your budget it trying out this 50-30-20 rule!

It calls for 50 percent of your income to go toward your needs, 30 percent to your wants, and 20 percent to your savings.

Step one: Figure out your monthly income. Calculate your income after tax (also known as your net income). This is how much you make annually, minus federal and state taxes. Also, go ahead and subtract any deductions that are withdrawn automatically from your paycheck like healthcare, life insurance, or retirement plan contributions.

Step two: Identify your needs. Fifty percent of your income should go to needs. This is mortgage/rent payments, car payments, utilities, debt, and groceries. Basically, the stuff you can't get away with not spending money on. Say goodbye to at least half of your paycheck for the necessities.

Step three: Explore your wants. Thirty percent of your income can go to wants. This is the stuff you like spending money on, like your streaming subscription services, gym memberships, going to see movies, restaurants, and travel. This is the fun stuff, but try not to let it creep past the 30% mark, or it will begin to eat into your savings.





Terry Hill 469-9800

Step four: Start saving. Twenty percent of your income should go into savings. This is where you'll begin to grow your <u>emergency fund</u>, put money away for retirement or save up for debt repayment. The better you are at limiting your "fun" spending, the better your savings account will look. Also, you should have a savings account that is separate from your checking account, so you're less tempted to spend the money you should be putting away for rainy days.

What budget issues do you struggle with? Do you have some savings tips that could help others? Let us know!

This article and additional resources can be found by visiting www.countryfinancial.com





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Maggi's Membership Corner



This year has flown by! We are halfway through the calendar year, and as promised this month, I'm covering local and national benefits offered. It's one of my favorite perks of a Farm Bureau membership.

We are proud to have over 35 local benefits, combined with thousands found throughout Illinois and worldwide! One of my favorite past-times during the stay-at-home order was to coordinate road trips or trips abroad, utilizing as many Abenity discounts as possible.

I am always on the look-out for new businesses to add and updates to existing benefits! If you know someone who wants their company advertised to 10,500+ people in the county, have them fill out the form below and send it in!

Below you will see what discounts and benefits you can find within the Champaign County lines. For the full listing of benefits, log in to ilfb. abenity.com.

Apparel

Country Squire and Garber's Cleaners: 15% Discount at the Champaign locations.

Nancy's Creations: 10% off any Seamstress Services.

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SUBSCRIPTION RATE -- \$3 PER YEAR

Pard's Western Shop: \$25 off any pair of boots. Unlimited pairs per year/in store purchases only.

Red Wing Shoe Discount: 15% off retail price of Red Wing brand footwear and 10% off retail price of other brand footwear at the Champaign location.

Automotive

Arrow Glass: 20% discount on any Residential glass services and inshop services except auto glass.

C.A.R.S. Auto Detailing & Upholstery: Members receive \$30 off any detail or upholstery services.

Fastenal: 15% off discount.

Goodyear Tire Center/Rantoul: \$10.00 off lube oil & filter and free tire rotation.

Interstate All Battery Center: Every battery for every need, save 5-20% off retail pricing.

Napa Auto Parts: 10% off retail prices. Visit in-person at the Champaign location!

O'Reilly Auto Parts: Dealer pricing on all parts.

Rahn Equipment Company: 5% Discount on Tow Ropes and Straps. Visit online, in-store, or call 217-431-1232.

Sullivan Parkhill Automotive: GM Supplier Preferred Pricing plus any other rebates that may apply.

Food

Culver's: 10% off Entire order at Champaign and Urbana Locations. Not valid with any other discount.

Rosati's Pizza & Catering: 10% off regular priced item. Call to order. Sidney Dairy Barn: \$1.00 off of a \$10.00 or more purchase. Limit one discount per family per day.

Sun Singer Wine & Spirits, Ltd.: 10% off the purchase of 6 or more bottles of wine.

Wyldewood Cellars: Located in St. Joseph and offering 10% off entire purchase.

Home

A & R Electric: \$5.00 off the regular hourly rate. Call 217-649-9830 for more details.

A.G.Electric: Save \$25 off \$250 or more, save \$50 off \$500 or more, or save \$100 off \$1000 or more. Call to schedule an appointment.

By Maggi Maxstadt, CCFB Membership & Outreach Coordinator

fee instead of \$60, a savings of \$15.00 per year. Call for more information.

Houchens Group, Inc.: Heating & Air Conditioning Specialists. ¹/₂ price diagnostic analysis (service call) with Repair. Call to schedule an appointment.

Illini Contractor's Supply: FREE Milwaukee Shockwave Bit Kit with any purchase over \$100. Visit the store at 706 W Bradley Ave, Champaign.

Nick's Porterhouse of Paints: 15% off all Benjamin Moore Paints and 10% off Sundries

ServiceMASTER Restoration: 20% off Carpet Cleaning & \$50 off Air Duct Cleaning. Call 619-0312 to schedule an appointment.

Sherwin Williams: Members can receive up to 20% off at the Champaign and Urbana locations.

Local

BARBECK Communications/ Motorola: 10% discount on Motorola radios & 15% discount on Motorola accessories. Call to customize special farming communications and radio packages.

Blossom Basket Florist: 10% off in store arrangement orders of \$50 or more, exclusive of delivery fees. For Champaign call 359-7673, and for Urbana call 367-7673.

Events at Refinery: Members receive 10% off Room Rental Packages.

Goose Creek Firearms Training, Inc.: Offering Concealed Carry classes to members with savings of \$25-\$150.

SafelyFiled.com: 20% off your first-year annual membership fee. Store your documents safely online.

Wellness

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Local Benefit Provider Interest Form

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2020 CCFB Trips We are still taking reservations for September and October Trips!

Call 217-352-5235

September 16, 2020 (Wednesday) The Ark, Myers Dinner Theatre-Hillsboro, IN

This exciting new musical is sure to delight and inspire audiences of all ages as they enter the theatre transformed into an ark only to discover they are the animals and this is not only Noah's adventure, it's theirs. A fresh take on a familiar tale, it's the story of how one family learns to brave life's rough waters by sticking together. The music for the show will have you dancing in the "isles". The



Ark proves that, just like the waters, the depth of human emotion knows no bounds. *Price per person: \$85.00(gratuity included)*

Deadline to register, be paid in full or cancel: August 21, 2020

October 14, 2020 (Wednesday) Is there Life After Fifty, The Barn III-Goodfield, IL

This new comedy flirts with a topical theme: the aging of the Baby Boomer generation. Three couples who all raised their kids on the same street have found a way to keep in touch after they move to new cities. Each year, on Labor Day weekend, the friends vacation together. This year, the ladies have planned a little surprise: a healthy, all



-natural weekend at a trendy health resort, complete with organic food and exercise. The men, who really come for the beer and snacks, are not pleased when they find out. Tensions escalate into an all-out battle of the sexes, and the cabin is divided, literally, into the men against the women. They battle over health food, exercise,pizza, The Godfather, rock and roll, hot tubs, hot flashes, tummy tucks and their refusal to become middle-aged!!

Price per person: \$92.00

Deadline to register, be paid in full or cancel: September 14, 2020

Please note the deadlines posted for each trip: Any cancellation, for any reason, must be made on or before the deadline posted for each individual trip to guarantee any refund. We ask that all day trips are paid for in full when you register.*** Gratuity not included in the price unless indicated***Please feel free to share this information with friends, neighbors and family. We would love to add them to our list of travel friends. Thank you and we look forward to traveling with you.

WOMEN'S COMMITTEE RECIPE OF THE MONTH Submitted by Paulette Brock

Try this summer salad for a tasty and different spin on getting your fruit and vegetable servings. It has been popular with all of my friends when I have entertained.

Blueberry Corn Salad

- 6 ears fresh corn, cooked until tender and cut off the cob
- 1 small (baby type) cucumber- peeled, quartered and sliced
- 2/3 cup diced green pepper
- 2/3 cup diced red pepper
- 2/3 cup diced celery
- 1/2 cup diced sweet onion (if desired)
- 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ cups fresh blueberries
- 1/8th to $\frac{1}{4}$ c. fresh cilantro- to taste- chopped

Dressing:

2 T. lemon juice

after 10:30a.m.

- 2 T. honey
- 1 T. olive oil
- ¹∕₂ t. salt
- ¹/₄ t. pepper

Combine cooled corn, vegetables, blueberries and cilantro. Make dressing and marinate salad ingredients in the dressing for a few hours before serving. This mixture gathers moisture from the vegetables as it marinates, so I often strain it immediately before serving. Enjoy!



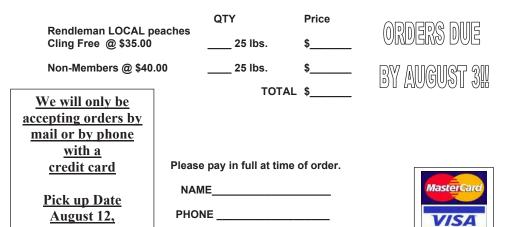
PROTECTING PRIVATE PROPERTY WITH NO TRESPASSING NOTICES Issues for Property Owners to Consider

Property owners can take action to protect their property from trespassing by providing notice that entry to the property is not allowed. Property owners seeking to protect their private property from trespassing should be aware of and consider the following:

- A property owner must place a written notice (i.e. no trespassing sign) prohibiting entry in a conspicuous fashion at the main entrance to the property or the forbidden part of the property. The property owner can also inform someone verbally or in writing that they are prohibited entry as well.
 - No trespassing signs are widely recognizable, but they can easily be removed allowing trespassers to claim ignorance of their location.
- A property owner may also paint purple marks on trees or posts, at least 8 inches in length between 3 and 5 feet off the ground and no more than 100 feet apart, around the property as notification of no trespassing. A fence post can be capped or marked with purple paint on at least the top 2 inches of the fence post between 3 and 5 feet off the ground and no more than 36 feet apart. If fence posts visible from both sides of a fence shared by neighboring landowners are to be marked with purple paint, both landowners must agree. All purple markings must be readily visible to anyone entering the property.
 - The paint is a more permanent solution than no trespassing signs, but there are still many people who are unfamiliar with this law.
- A person also commits trespassing if they present false documents or falsely represent their identity to an owner in order to obtain permission to enter or remain on the land.
- A person who commits criminal trespass may be charged with a Class B misdemeanor. A person who trespasses in a farm field, an enclosed area containing livestock, or a building containing livestock in a motor vehicle after having been notified that entry is prohibited may be charged with a Class A misdemeanor.



Orders and payment <u>must be received by the CCFB office</u> by August 3! Peaches are from Rendleman Orchard in southern Illinois.



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