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## Calendar of Events February



Feb 12	Board Meeting – 7:30PM
Feb 13	Meat order deadline – 4PM
Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Feb 19	President's Day – Office closed
Feb 22	Meat order pick up - 8:30AM – 4PM

*February is*

**Black History Month and American Heart Month**

*Happy Valentine's Day*



## Ellen Sietmann, CFE honored with Heritage Award

The International Association of Fairs and Expositions

(IAFE) proudly honors Ellen Sietmann, CFE, DuPage County

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ty Fair (IL) with a Heritage Award. This distinguished recognition was announced on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at the IAFE Convention and Trade Show held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

"The Heritage Award honors five individuals each year who have a minimum of 10 years of fair management experience and receive less than \$2,500 remunera-

tion annually over expenses," Marla Calico, CFE, President and CEO of the IAFE, said. "Ellen also served a term as Zone Director on the IAFE's governing Board of Directors. We are honored to recognize Ellen for her dedication to the fair industry."

Sponsored by Haas & Wilkerson Insurance, this award recognizes fair management

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### DuPage County Farm Bureau 2024 Bowling Event

Saturday,  
March 16th



**Bowlero**

558 E. North Ave.  
Glendale Heights

**Check in 11:45 a.m.**

All DCFB Members, Family & Friends are welcome!

Bumper Lanes available for kids (under 12)

Cost: \$22.00 per bowler  
(3 games & shoe rental if needed)

**PRIZES! AWARDS! FUN! 50/50 DRAWING!**

To benefit the Farm Bureau Foundation's Ag in the Classroom

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MARCH 8th

**Let's Go Bowling registration form is on page 7**

## Sietmann

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personnel who have invested significant effort into making their organization a valuable part of the community.

Sietmann has been an incredible leader of the DuPage County Fair in Illinois for nearly 50 years. Her initial introduction to the fair came as she participated in 4-H, then following in her father's footsteps, she became involved with the Fair Board in 1975. Sietmann's leadership skills and her passion for the fair were very apparent and she was elevated to 2nd

Vice President in 1981. She continued in a leadership role on the Board until 1991, at which time she assumed the role of Fair Manager, a position she held for 25 years. In 2015, Sietmann retired as Manager and quickly jumped right back onto the Board, holding the office of President and Vice President.

The IAFE Convention and Trade Show serves as a premier platform for industry leaders and partners to gather, exchange ideas, and celebrate achievements within the fair industry. This year's Convention theme, Fairs RISE (Reunite, Inspire, Support and

Educate), focused on how fairs are rising above in their communities and beyond.

The International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE), based in Springfield, Mo., is a voluntary, non-profit corporation serving state, provincial, regional, and county agricultural fairs, shows, exhibitions, and expositions. Its associate members include state and provincial associations of fairs, non-agricultural expositions and festivals, associations, corporations, and individuals engaged in providing products and services to its members, all interested in improving

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fairs, shows, expositions, and allied fields. For more information, visit [www.fairsand-expos.com](http://www.fairsand-expos.com), follow the IAFE on Facebook or Instagram, or call 800.516.0313.



## Welcome New Members

Welcome to the DuPage County Farm Bureau (DCFB)! As a Farm Bureau member, you receive *The Farmer* as part of your membership. Whether you're a farm operator or owner, your membership connects you to a local, state, and national organization dedicated to supporting agriculture and preserving

your way of life.

If you're not directly involved in farming, your membership still plays a vital role in promoting our core belief – to advocate for agriculture's crucial role in our community and everyday life. Moreover, you get to enjoy COUNTRY Financial Insurance and access the numerous advantages

## Truck Driving Scholarships Available

Truck drivers are critical to the success of Illinois farms. Without them, we wouldn't be able to transport commodities or food across the state. In 2024, the IAA Foundation, in partnership with the Illinois Farm Bureau, will offer 20, \$1,000 scholarships to help offset the costs of the training required to ensure more safe truck drivers are available to drive agriculture forward. For more information on how to apply today, reach out to the IAA Foundation.



## Joke of the Month-February

*Submitted by DCFB member, Paul Maas.*

**Why do Farmers avoid buying skinny cows?**

**Because they only produce non-fat milk.**

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# Illinois AGRICULTURE in the Classroom<sup>SM</sup>

Kristina Baumbach  
Education Coordinator  
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Ag in the Classroom is a free program that visits DuPage schools to teach the importance of agriculture. The lessons can be adjusted for all age levels and meet learning standards. We would also be happy to be a part of community events that relate to our agricultural literacy program vision and goals. Virtual options are available.

**For more information contact:**  
**[dupageaitc@dcfb.org](mailto:dupageaitc@dcfb.org) or 630-668-8161.**

## December's Numbers:

3,273 students • 161 teachers  
#1 Lesson Topic: Dairy  
Total Students Reached to Date: 21,558

## Teacher Quote about an AITC Visit:

*"Kathy's ability to interact with the students and easy hands-on activities that matched our standards were most valuable."*

— 2nd Grade Teacher, Carol Stream Elementary

December was a whirlwind of lessons ending in a much-deserved holiday break for our team! This month most students learned about dairy cattle, pigs, and corn. Winter is a great time to talk about livestock as farmers continue to care for their animals despite the frigid temperatures. Did you know that Illinois ranks 4th in pork production? Our students learned about livestock care, housing, and the products that come from these animals. The lessons ended with two of our favorite activities: butter making and designing STEM barns! As we wrap up the calendar year, we would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our AITC program. We've had a very successful program this year and are excited to kick off 2024!

Top row, left to right:

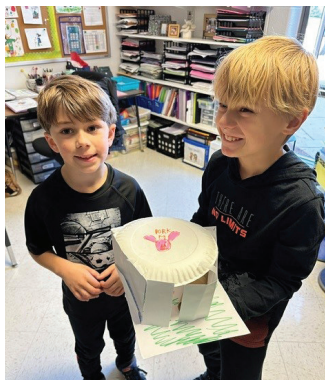
The 3rd graders at Briar Glen learned about pigs with Kenna and made STEM barns.

The 1st graders at Pierce Downer learned about corn with Marilyn and renewable resources.

Bottom row, left to right:

The 4th graders at Washington learned about dairy cows and made butter with Kristina.

Fourteen libraries received 1,550 copies of our new Holiday Ag Bags.



## Did You Know?

Illinois has over 700 different soil types!  
Our state soil is Drummer Soil, a silty clay loam.

## Teacher Institute Day – Registration Closed

Registration is now closed for our 2024 Teacher Institute Day Workshop "Agriculture in YOUR Classroom"! All 35 spots have been filled, and we look forward to seeing all the teachers on March 1st! Our five-hour workshop features hands-on activities that introduce K-12 teachers to agriculture lessons and activities that can be incorporated into their classroom.

## 2024 Bookmark Contest

All 2nd-5th grade classrooms in DuPage County are invited to participate in our spring Bookmark Contest! This year's theme is "If I Were a Farmer". Students should depict what their farm would look like if they were a farmer. This includes pictures showing their farm layout and the crops and animals they would choose to raise. The winner's design will be made into a bookmark and donated to local libraries along with our annual book donation. We will also use the bookmarks as a DCFB promotional item. Entries are due to the DCFB office by April 12th at 3:00pm. Teachers please email [dupageaitc@dcfb.org](mailto:dupageaitc@dcfb.org) to receive an entry form and full contest rules.





# FARM GATE

By Joanie Stiers



## Farms need licensed truckers

CDL? 10-4.

That three-letter acronym for Commercial Driver's License also stands for one of my biggest life achievements. Until two years ago, I had no idea how to drive a stick shift. Not even in a car. But our family farm needed more truck drivers, and I wanted to contribute. I stood determined to drive a 10-speed-transmission semi and learn to double clutch while mindful of a 42-foot-long trailer behind me.

Semis arrived on our farm about 30 years ago, a need driven by greater crop productivity, bigger farm equipment and the desire for efficiency. Today, we require people with this licensed skill in the spring to deliver seed and fertilizer to planters in the field, in the summer to get product to the sprayer, in the fall to move grain from field to storage, and another

nine months of the year to haul grain to market.

Given my serious lack of experience, I must credit the patience of six men with licenses on the farm who encouraged and helped me earn a full-fledged CDL about 14 months ago. Poor Kent on the first day I attempted to learn straight-line backing, and poor Dale, who witnessed me crawl a hill in first gear from a standstill while fully loaded.

With the help of YouTube and excessive amounts of practice with members of our farm team riding shotgun, I passed all the required tests: the three written exams, the detailed under-hood inspection, the skills course, and the drive. Per test requirements, I parallel-parked the semi and grain trailer, successfully putting all 18 wheels inside the lines from the driver's side. (Just in case I ever need to parallel park on a one-way street.) I aced offset backing with no pull-ups on my

second skills course attempt, and afterward drove the city streets and interstate without missing a gear. Whew.

Most importantly, I gained empathy and respect for our team and other men and women who have mastered the skill. I now drive my minivan differently, understanding the risks that drivers

of passenger vehicles can create in their sudden stops, haphazard lane changes and merges without consideration. All drivers should take a written CDL exam, if nothing more than to learn the length a semi needs to stop. To that, I would expect a loud and clear 10-4.



## Very Pinteresting

A column dedicated to finding you healthy recipes using the freshest ingredients

### Broccoli Cheddar Chicken Pot Pie

[melissassouthernstylekitchen.com](http://melissassouthernstylekitchen.com)

#### Ingredients

- 1 14 oz package refrigerated pie crust, bring to room temperature per instructions
- 2 Tbsp light butter or butter
- 3 green onions chopped
- 1 cup whole milk plus 3 Tbsp
- 4 oz onion & chive cream cheese softened
- 1½ tsp garlic salt
- 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1/8 tsp ground mustard
- 2 Tbsp all-purpose flour
- 2 cups shredded sharp cheddar cheese divided
- 3 cups rotisserie chicken roughly chopped
- 1½ cups broccoli florets steamed crisp tender and chopped
- 1 large egg beaten with 1 Tbsp water

#### Instructions

Preheat the oven to 350°F. Lightly spray a 9-inch deep dish pie dish with cooking spray. Fit one pie crust into the dish leaving enough overhang to crimp with the top crust. Set aside.

In a medium-size skillet over medium-high heat melt the butter. Cook the green onion just until softened, around 1-2 minutes.

Add the milk and cream cheese. Cook over medium-heat stirring until the cream cheese has melted. Add the garlic salt, black pepper and ground mustard.

Dissolve flour in 3 Tbsp cold milk until dissolved. If needed, add more milk 1 Tbsp at a time. Whisk the flour slurry into the sauce. Cook over medium-high, stirring constantly until thickened. Once the sauce begins to thicken, lower the heat and simmer for 2 minutes.

After 2 minutes mix-in 1½ cups shredded cheese. Stir until melted.

Remove from the heat and add the chopped chicken and broccoli florets. Mix until combined, then pour into the pie shell. Sprinkle the top with the remaining 1/2 cup shredded cheese.

Fit the second crust on top. Fold and crimp the edges of the two pie crusts together. Cut 4 slits in the middle of the pie.

Whisk together the egg and cold water and brush over the entire crust.

Bake for 40-45 minutes until golden. Rest for 10 minutes before serving.



## Farmer's Almanac Predictions

### Sky Watch:

From the 11th through the 13th, the crescent Moon appears as a smile in dusk's fading twilight-in contrast to the upward-aiming archer's bow orientation in which it can be seen for the rest of the year. Saturn is now too low to observe, but Jupiter remains the night's brightest "star" until 11:00 p.m. A Valentine's Day gift is Jupiter hovering just to the left of the Moon on the 14th, when early risers can also observe

Venus above Mars low in the brightening dawn twilight to the southeast. Earth's two nearest planetary neighbors (Venus and Mars) form a close morning conjunction in the southeast from the 20th to the 24th.

### February 2024

Temp. 25 degrees (3 degrees below avg.); precip. 2" (avg.). 1-12 Lake snows, frigid. 13-16 Rainy, milder. 17-20 Snowstorm east, flurries west; chilly, 21-29 Rainy periods, mild.



# Dig In Confidently—Spring Vegetable Gardening Workshops

By Emily Steele

Growing a vegetable garden takes work, but sometimes the hardest part is knowing where to start. Grow with confidence this spring with Growing Great Vegetables, a five-week webinar series from University of Illinois Extension that explores everything from seeds and soil to a successful harvest.

Log on for the weekly online workshops starting February 27. Each session will explore a new topic and give participants the opportunity to engage with University of Illinois Extension horticulture experts and receive emails with even more research-based tips and factsheets.



Sessions will be from 6 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays. Each class covers a different topic and will consist of a live 50-minute presentation followed by a Q&A. Extension horticulture educators Chris Enroth, Jennifer Fishburn, Nicole Flowers-Kimmerle, Ken Johnson, and Sarah Vogel will lead this series.

February 27, Where Will You Garden? Build a garden using whatever space you have. Learn about traditional garden plots, raised beds, salad tables, container gardening, growing vertically, and more.

March 5, Seed and Plant Choices, Soils and Fertilizers: Planning, design, and layout are key elements to successful gardening. Learn

about hardiness zones, frost and freeze dates, how to order plants or seeds from a garden catalog or lo-

cally, reading and selecting seed packets, and starting plants from seed. We'll also *continued on page 6*



## Kane DuPage Soil & Water Conservation District

Board of Directors Election

Thursday, February 8, 2024

7 am - 5:30 pm

Owners and occupiers of land in Kane and DuPage Counties are entitled to vote in the election of KDSWCD Board of Directors, which is held at:

KDSWCD office, 2315 Dean St, Suite 100, St. Charles.

Three Director positions are up for election this year.

Absentee voting will be available for those who cannot vote on election day, February 8, 2024. Absentee voting will be available at the KDSWCD office January 29 through February 6, 2024, 8 am - 4:30 pm. Absentee voters must certify the nature of their inability to vote on February 8, and then cast their ballot, which will be held in a locked ballot box to be counted with the election day votes after voting closes at 5:30 pm on February 8, 2024.

More details are available at [kanedupageswcd.org/kd/elections](https://kanedupageswcd.org/kd/elections)



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# Shifting USDA Plant Hardiness Map—changes for climate, plants

On a cold, February day, it may be hard to remember that 2023 was the hottest year on record. But the newest update to the plant hardiness map, in which half the country shifted to warmer zones, is a stark reminder that the climate is changing and changing fast.

“The magnitude of change in the new maps re-

## Great Veggies

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cover soil testing and amendments, fertilizer, manures, mulch, watering, and weeding.

**March 12, Cool-Season Vegetables:** Cool-season crops can be grown in spring or fall, each with its own characteristics and potential issues. Learn about growing and harvesting cool-season vegetables, including how to manage common insect pests.

**March 19, Warm-Season Vegetables:** Warm-season crops grow during the hottest part of the year. This session will cover how to make vegetables such as peppers, tomatoes, squash, and more flourish while keeping pests at bay.

**March 26, Insects and Diseases:** New and experienced growers alike are challenged by pests, diseases, and disorders of vegetable plants. Learn about insects, diseases, and wildlife pests and how to prevent and handle them.

Participants can also ask their plant and garden questions during a bonus session with Extension gardening experts on April 23. Register for the series by February 25 at [go.illinois.edu/GrowingGreatVegetables](http://go.illinois.edu/GrowingGreatVegetables). The cost is \$10 for the series. Sessions will be recorded and made available to registered participants if they are unable to attend live. For more information, contact Ken Johnson at [kjohnso@illinois.edu](mailto:kjohnso@illinois.edu).

ally surprised me since it just reflects the last 30 years,” said Illinois State Climatologist Trent Ford. “One of the most consistent changes in Illinois’ climate directly linked to human-caused global warming is warming winters.”

In November, the U.S. Department of Agriculture updated its plant hardiness zone map, giving growers across the nation a better understanding of which perennial plants will survive a region’s winter and thrive long-term. The map, available at [planthardiness.ars.usda.gov](http://planthardiness.ars.usda.gov), was previously updated in 2012, and the new, more detailed version is based on 30-year averages of the lowest annual winter temperatures from almost twice as many weather station sites.

Illinois now has six zones, with 12 sub-zones, ranging from zone 5a in northwestern Illinois to the newly added 7b zone in southern counties.

“In Illinois, the most obvious change between the new hardiness zone map and the 2012 map is a northward progression of zones 6a, 6b, and 7a,” Ford said. “The boundary between zones 5b and 6a migrated 60 miles north, from around Springfield in the 2012 map to around Peoria in the 2023 map.”

On the new map, most of

central Illinois now falls into zone 6a, with zone 6b moving north into parts of Coles, Moultrie, and Shelby counties. Zone 7a also migrated 50 miles north from Cairo into the St. Louis Metro East area. This has also pulled a small section of 7b into Il-

linois, which is the first time this warmer zone has occurred this far north.

Warming winters can reduce stress on plant populations, helping some landscape plants thrive, but also bring negative impacts, such

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Did you know that milk makes its way from the farm to the grocery store in under 48 hours? This is in large part thanks to dedicated truck drivers hauling milk across the state. This allows you to have the freshest milk you can in your refrigerator, and it may be more local than you think. If you want to know where your milk came from, check out this graphic at right!

## Supporting LOCAL FARMERS IS AS EASY AS DRINKING A Glass of Milk

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- The second part of the code (after the first two numbers) can be one to five digits long, can contain numbers or letters, and may include a dash.
- Add your product code to the website's dairy code search function to learn where your product was processed and packaged before being delivered to your local store. Commonly, dairy products are made with milk that is sourced within a short distance of the processing plant.



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## USDA Plant Zones

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as introducing invasive species from the south, introducing new pest pressure on crops, or ecological competition in natural areas.

“Zones are a shortcut we use when thinking of an area’s general climate and how plants will fare,” said Jamie

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Viebach, University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator. “The new changes in the map may actually explain trends gardeners have already seen.”

If a gardener’s zone shifted with the new map, Viebach says that’s not a reason to worry or change existing landscaping, but it could be an opportunity to try to overwinter new perennial plants.

## Recruiters of the Month February 2024

Congratulations to our recruiters of the month, **Orazio Difruscolo** (St. Charles), **Nhon Truong** (Lombard) and **Michael Weinstein** (Arlington Heights). These agents each signed 3 new members to the DuPage County Farm Bureau. We appreciate all that you do!

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Michael Weinstein

## Financial Rep of the Month

Congratulations to **Bill Asimakopoulos**. Bill has been named Career Financial Representative. The Financial Representative of the Month program is designed by COUNTRY Financial Agency Managers of DuPage County to recognize overall insurance leaders in life, disability, auto, home and health production during the month. Bill earned this award through efforts to provide quality service to all clients. Thank you for all you do, Bill.

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Clarendon Hills, IL  
60514



Bill Asimakopoulos

## Let's Go Bowling Registration Form

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MARCH 8th

Name	Name of Bowler Players	Age
_____	_____	_____
FB Member # _____	_____	_____
Email _____	_____	_____
Phone _____	_____	_____
Mixed Doubles _____ Couples _____	_____	_____
Total amount enclosed (\$22 per bowler) \$ _____	Number of Bowlers _____	

Send with checks payable to: DCFB 245 S. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, IL 60188 or pay online at [dcfb.org](http://dcfb.org).

# Love is in the Air with DCFB Discounts!

## Restaurant Discounts

### Adelle's

15% off full meal for 2 guests or fewer (excludes alcohol, tax & gratuity). Cannot be combined with other discounts, promos and/or carryout.  
535 W. Liberty Drive, Wheaton, 60187  
630.784.8015

**Anyway's Pub – Bloomingdale**  
**Anyway's Pub – Oakbrook Terrace**  
10% off of food purchase  
304 W Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale, 60108  
5 E Roosevelt Rd, Oakbrook Terrace, 60181  
www.anywayspub.com

### Blueberry Hill

10% off bill. Not valid with other offers or promotions.  
405 N Eola Rd, Aurora, 60502  
630.499.1500  
blueberrybreakfastcafe.com

### BRAUERHOUSE

15% off purchase  
1000 N Rohlwing Rd, #13, Lombard, IL 60148  
630.495.2141  
www.brauerhouse.com

### Caliendo's Restaurant and Bar

10% off food and non-alcoholic beverages. Not applicable for specials  
05050 Winfield Rd, Winfield, 60190,  
630.690.1555 • www.caliendos.com

### Cooper's Corner

15% off food bill up to \$15 value, dine in only. Not valid with other offers or on holidays. One discount per table and one beverage must be purchased per entrée  
27W150 Roosevelt Rd, Winfield, 60190,  
630.690.2668 • www.cooperscorner.com

### Culver's

10% off purchase  
Only at participating locations  
290 S Schmale Rd, Carol Stream, 60188  
908 E. Roosevelt Rd., Wheaton 60187  
630.889.1140  
4068 E. Main St., St. Charles, 60174  
630.444.1700 • www.culvers.com

### Hawthorne's Backyard

10% off food (excluding specials).  
1200 West Hawthorne Ln, West Chicago, 60185 • 630.293.6700  
www.hawthornesbackyard.com

### Hopvine Brewing Company

10% off food purchase. Cannot be combined with any other offers or discounts. Dine-in only.  
4030 Fox Valley Center Dr. Aurora, 60504  
630-229-6030  
www.hopvinebrewingcompany.com

### Muggs-N-Manor

10% off all food orders. Not valid with other offers/discounts. Offer valid for pick-up/dine-in only.  
437 S Addison Rd, Addison, 60101 • 630.833.2570  
https://www.muggsnmanor.com/

### Papa Rays Pizza & Wings

Any \$20 or more order 15% off, buy any 16" pizza and get 10" cheese pizza free  
267 West Elk Trail, Carol Stream, IL 60188  
630-752-9680  
www.paparays.com

### Sarpinos Pizzeria

(Downers Grove Location)  
Buy one pizza at regular price, get a second pizza for \$5  
5107 Fairview Ave., Downers Grove, 60515  
630.515.0005 • gosarpinos.com

### Shinto Japanese Steakhouse and Sushi Bar

20% off full priced items, max value of \$20, not valid with any other discounts or offers  
504 N. Route 59, Suite 116  
Naperville, 60563  
630.637.8899 • www.shintorestaurants.com

### Uncle Bub's BBQ

\$5 off purchase of \$25 or more  
132 S Cass Ave, Westmont, 60559  
630.493.9000 • www.unclebubs.com

### Two Hound Red Brewing Co.

10% off (excludes Friday & Saturday)  
486 Pennsylvania Ave. Glen Ellyn 60137 • 630-547-2912

### Village Tavern & Grill

10% off Sunday-Thursday  
Not valid with other offers  
291 S Schmale Rd, Carol Stream, 60185 • 630.668.1101 • villagetavernandgrill.com/carolstream

## Entertainment Discounts

### Arcada Theatre

15% discount on tickets to the theatre  
105 E. St. Charles, 60174  
630-962-7000 – oshows.com

### Des Plaines Theatre

15% discount on tickets to the theatre  
1476 Miner St. Des Plaines, 60016  
630-962-7000 – oshows.com

### Enchanted Castle

Buy one ride or attraction ticket, get one FREE  
1103 S. Main St. Lombard, IL 60148  
630-953-7860  
www.enchanted.com

### Fox Bowl

Buy one game, get one free for up to 6 people, subject to lane availability  
1101 Butterfield Rd • Wheaton, 60189  
630.690.2400 • www.foxbowl.com

### Mighty Oak Athletic

50% off the first month of training  
9s550 Lorraine Dr. Willowbrook, 60527  
630-464-9498 – MightyOakAthletic.com

### Parkside Lanes

Free shoe rental with purchase of 2 paid games  
34W185 Montgomery Rd • Aurora, 60504  
630.898.5678 • www.parkside54.com

### Pinot's Palette – St. Charles

15% off (online only). Must use discount code FARMBUREAU at checkout.  
3823 E. Main St., St. Charles  
630-338-0278  
www.pinotspalette.com/stcharles

## Local Business Discounts

### A-Archer Sewer & Plumbing

\$50.00 off any service call  
504 W. Edgewood Rd. Lombard, 60148  
630-932-9800 – www.a-archer.net

### Downers Grove Training & Grooming

\$100.00 off all training schools and \$10.00 off any grooming  
2151 63rd St., Downers Grove, IL 60516  
630-724-7039

### Fresh and Silk Flowers

(Carol Stream Location)  
15% off all goods and extras  
578 W Army Trail Rd • Carol Stream, 60088  
630.690.7822  
www.freshandsilkflowers.com

### Great Gutters & Exteriors

10% off  
189 Oakwood Dr. Wood Dale, 60191  
773-952-1737  
greatguttersandexteriors@gmail.com

### Jay's Plumbing

\$15 off any service calls, must mention discount at scheduling.  
Not valid towards call out fees or RPZ testing.

1509 Ogden Ave • Downers Grove, 60515  
630.434.9200 • www.jaysplumbing.net

### Royal Polish Nail Salon

10% off your scheduled visit  
116 Galena St. West Chicago, IL 60185  
630-876-1202

### Upfront Concrete

10% off epoxy flooring  
630-306-3720  
upfrontconcrete@gmail.com

*Discounts are subject to change without notice. Restrictions may apply. Must show membership card.*

## February Meat Order Form

Order Pickup is inside the office.  
More product is available on our website store : [DCFB.org](http://DCFB.org)

PRODUCT	PRICE	QTY	COST
Bacon Wrapped Filets, 4pc, 10oz	\$57.00		
Bourbon Marinated Steak, 8pc, 8oz	\$51.00		
Ground Round, 10lbs	\$45.00		
Top Sirloin Butt Steak, 8pc, 8oz	\$51.00		

Chicken Taco Meat, 5lb	\$33.00		
Honey BBQ Chicken Breast, 10pc, 8oz	\$33.00		
Plain Chicken Breast, 10pc, 8oz	\$33.00		
Pepper Jack Stuffed Chicken Breast, 8pc	\$32.00		
Tequila Lime Chicken Breast, 10pc, 8oz	\$33.00		

Bacon Wrapped Pork Chops, 8pc, 10oz	\$33.00		
BBQ Boneless Pork Chops, 10pc, 8oz	\$32.00		
Italian Sausage, 5lb box	\$31.00		
Plain Boneless Pork Chops, 10pc, 8oz	\$32.00		
Stuffed Pork Chops, 4pc, 10oz	\$29.00		

Grand Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ FB# \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mail or drop off payment to: DCFB 245 S. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, IL 60188

Checks payable to: DCFB

Order Deadline is February 13th

Pick up at the DCFB office on February 22nd from 8:30am-4pm

Dates/prices subject to change

**Remember to  
check out all your  
membership  
benefits at:  
[http://ilfb.  
abenity.com](http://ilfb.abenity.com)**