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2026 Foundation Scholarships— Now Accepting Applications

High School seniors and college students are urged to apply for the 2026 scholarships provided by the DuPage County Farm Bureau Foundation. Scan the QR code or visit our website at dcfb.org under the Foundation tab to apply today. If you have any questions regarding the application process, please contact our office at 630.668.8161 or email info@dcfb.org.

Arnold Oestmann Scholarship

Up to seven \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who will be pursuing a bachelor's degree. **There are no restrictions on the college course**

of study. This scholarship was created in memory of Arnold Oestmann of Westmont, IL. Mr. Oestmann was a past president of the DuPage *continued on page 2*



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— UPCOMING EVENTS —

Mark your calendars for these 2026 EVENTS

Annual Bowling Event – March 21st

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Calendar of Events January 2026

- January 1st – New Year's Day, Office Closed
- January 2nd – Office Closed
- January 5th – Board & Foundation Meeting 7:30 P.M.
- January 9th-14th – American Farm Bureau Convention
- January 19th – Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Office Closed
- January 20th – Meat Order Deadline
- January 29th – Meat Order Pick-Up

Happy New Year!



The DuPage County Farm Bureau is excited to announce our upcoming annual Bowling Outing for members, families, and friends. Join us, Saturday, March 21st at Bowlero, 558 E. North Ave., Glendale Heights. Check-in is at 11:45 a.m. This annual event is always a great time and serves a vital purpose by raising funds for our Ag in the Classroom program and scholarships. Bowlers of all skill levels are invited to join the fun! Prizes will be awarded in a variety of categories. We will also be offering a 50/50 raffle.

If you are not able to attend but would like to support our event, we are accepting donation items to be used for prizes. Consider donating gift certificates, raffle baskets, and store merchandise. We appreciate your support.

Registration is now open. You can register online at dcfb.org or you can fill out the registration form and send it to The DuPage County Farm Bureau at 245. S. Gary Ave., Carol Stream, IL 60188.

Let's Strike Up Some Fun!

DUPAGE COUNTY FARM BUREAU 2026 BOWLING EVENT

CHECK IN AT 11:45 A.M.

**SATURDAY
MARCH 21ST**

BOWLERO
558 E. NORTH AVE.
GLENDALE HEIGHTS

All DCFB Members, Family & Friends are welcome!

Cost: \$20.00 per bowler
(3 games & shoe rental)

Bumper Lanes available for
kids (under 12)

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DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS MARCH 14TH

NAME _____ NAME AND AGE OF BOWLERS _____

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Scholarships

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County Farm Bureau. **Application deadline is April 1, 2026.**

DuPage County Farm Bureau Foundation General Scholarship

Up to five \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who will be pursuing a **bachelor's degree related to the agriculture industry**. Agriculture involves a wide range of careers. Qualified programs may include, but are not limited to, horticulture, agronomy, engineering, veterinary, communications, environmental science, food science, biology, etc. Applicants must explain how their chosen career path will impact the agriculture industry. **Application deadline is May 1, 2026.**

Culinary & Nutrition Scholarship

Up to two \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to high



IAA Scholarships Now Open

More than \$340,000 in scholarships are available for agriculture students through the IAA Foundation.

A full listing of available scholarships and eligibility guidelines is available at www.iaafoundation.org. Applications must be completed online by February 15.

For more information, contact your county Farm Bureau, the IAA Foundation at 309-557-2232, or email Jennifer Smith at jsmith@ifb.org.

school seniors or current college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors in a **culinary or nutrition-related program**. Food begins on a farm, and those working in related industries can study food and the importance and impact it has in our daily lives. **Application deadline is May 1, 2026.**

Trade Scholarship

Up to two \$2,000 trade scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors enrolled in a **Trade and Technical career program**. Areas may include, but are not limited to, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, truck driving, etc.

Application deadline is May 1, 2026.

Ken F. Ebersold Scholarship

Up to three \$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to current college freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors, or those pursuing a master's degree. Students must be actively and successfully pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in an **agricultural related course of study**. This scholarship was created in memory of

Ken F. Ebersold of Downers Grove, IL. Mr. Ebersold was a past president of the DuPage County Farm Bureau and an active volunteer for many years. Past recipients of this scholarship may apply during each year of their college career. **Application deadline is May 1, 2026.**

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Illinois AGRICULTURE in the ClassroomSM

Kristina Baumbach
Education Coordinator
DuPage County Farm Bureau



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@dcbf.org or 630-668-8161.**

November's Numbers:

3,692 students • 160 teachers
#1 Lesson Topic: Soybeans
Total Students Reached to Date: 20,719

Teacher Quote about an AITC Visit:

"Marilyn does an AMAZING job with teaching the students, and the students learn a lot from her! I appreciate Marilyn coming to St. Joe's to teach these lessons to the 2nd graders. I love the information that I learn, too!"

— 2nd Grade Teacher, St. Joseph School

In November, many of our classrooms learned about Illinois' top crops: soybeans and corn! As farmers were finishing up their harvest, our students were learning about the lifecycles and uses of these important crops. From animal feed to ethanol, biofuel, and thousands of food and industrial products, soybeans and corn play a huge role in Illinois agriculture. In fact, we are the #1 grower of soybeans and the #2 grower of corn in the United States! Students who learned about soybeans made a soybean "beanie baby" to take home and germinate. Many of our corn classrooms learned about the production process in our "Tassel to Table" project. Thank you to our farmers who graciously donated the corn and soybeans for our presentations! Our students love seeing real-life examples in their classrooms!

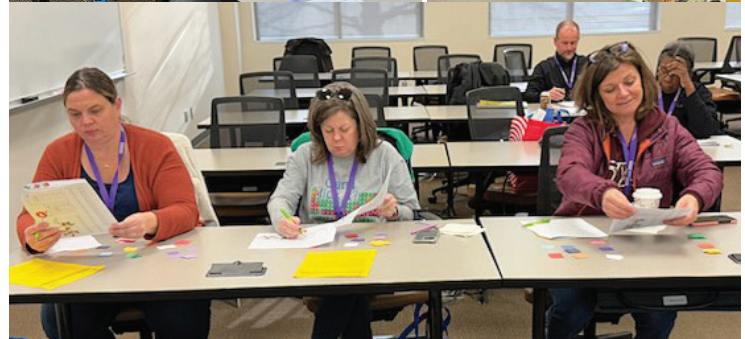
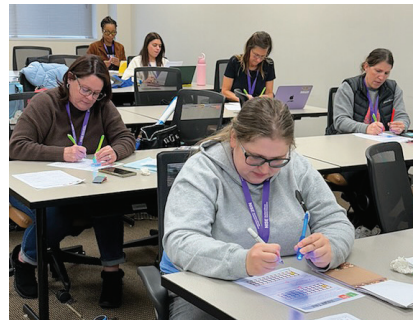


Did You Know?

As a nation, we eat
350 slices of pizza per second!
Every day 13% of the U.S. population
eats a slice of pizza.

NISE Conference: The Story of Agriculture

On November 17th, AITC had the pleasure of presenting a teacher workshop at the 2025 Northern Illinois Science Educators conference in Naperville! During our session "The Story of Agriculture 2.0", K-8 teachers learned about apple production, pollination and honeybees, and the water cycle. We connected these topics with agriculture storybooks and exciting STEM activities centered around math and science concepts. Teachers learned what factors are needed for growing a healthy apple tree, how flowers use UV light to attract pollinators, and made a water cycle in a bag project. Thanks to everyone who attended. We hope to see you again next year!



L-R: The 2nd graders at Arbor View loved learning about soybeans with Marilyn.

The 2nd graders at Briar Glen had fun learning about pumpkins with Kenna.

The 4th graders at Sycamore Trails learned all about soybeans with Denise.

Teacher Institute Day Workshop – Registration Closed

We are excited to announce that our 2026 Teacher Institute Day Workshop "Integrating Agriculture" has reached its capacity. Registration is now closed. We're looking forward to seeing everyone next month for a fun day of learning!

FARM GATE

By Joanie Stiers



Kitchen Legacies Homemade dishes outlive generations

Field meals deliver their own form of heroism, and Mom saves the day. She dishes out the seasonal suppers spring and fall with guidance from her sidekicks – women past and present who submitted their kitchen's best recipes to a church cookbook. Leah's fiesta bake, Marie's orange salad, Debra's pizza casserole and Ann's marble squares have fueled our field crew for years.

Out here in farm country, the names of past landowners often carry forward, becoming part of the land's identity long after ownership has changed. For instance, the "Lievens Back Bottom," which my parents have owned half my life, was previously tended by the late Mr. and Mrs. Lievens. I'll spare you 50 more examples. My point: the same goes for good, home-cooked food.

Thanks to small-town recipe books, home cooks earned their own version of legacy status without needing acreage on a balance sheet. Instead, they claimed a kitchen, embraced a passion and created recipes or refined family ones in 9x13 batches that fed and delighted the local masses.

Long before Google became a verb, churches published cookbooks filled with personal recipe submissions, each tied to a name. No digital versions exist of these limited-edition paper relics.

There are no pictures. No reviews. Each recipe stands solely on the credibility of the cook who submitted it as a time-tested family favorite – and that alone serves as a built-in 5-star rating.

I have proof with Lorraine's broccoli soup, Pam's pizza crust, Lou's cool cucumber pasta and Mary's Thanksgiving dressing. Mom and I made 12 batches of Kathy's farm brown au gratin for a farm wedding. I adore Susan's corn casserole and chuck wagon baked beans. And Grandma's published recipe for frosted banana bars is better than bread. It freezes well, too.

The book entries tell stories. Ingredients like strawberries, zucchini, rhubarb and blackberries signal home gardeners and wild blackberry pickers who love to cook. The salad section proves that Jell-O and Cool Whip absolutely qualify as salads by Midwestern standards.

I own hundreds of pages of local recipes in five cookbooks. Mom has a dozen. Grandma's stash fills a cabinet, and my aunt collects them. The recipes are worth repeating, the novelty worth preserving and the pages a testament to the women who – in their quiet heroism – fed a community. And still do.

About the author: Joanie Stiers farms with her parents and brother in Knox County, where they grow corn, soybeans and hay, raise beef cattle and operate side businesses related to the family operation.



Very Pinteresting

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

Easy Spinach & Bacon Quiche

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Ingredients

1 9-inch Refrigerated store-bought pie crust *see notes
1 cup milk
5 eggs slightly beaten
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
4 slices bacon cooked and crumbled
1 cup shredded cheese cheddar, swiss, asiago, etc.
1/4 cup Parmesan cheese grated
1 cup fresh baby spinach leaves chopped (see notes for frozen spinach)
2-3 scallions (green onions) with green parts, sliced thinly

Instructions

Preheat oven to 425°F. Line a 9-inch pie plate with store-bought pie crust and crimp the edges. Blind baking is optional. To blind bake the crust, line it with parchment paper and fill it with pie weights or dried beans. Blind bake for 15 minutes at 375°, then remove weights before filling.

In a skillet, cook the bacon until crisp. Remove, drain on paper towels, and crumble.

In a medium bowl, whisk milk, eggs, salt, and pepper. You can also blend the custard in a blender for an ultra-smooth texture. Set aside.

Layer cooked bacon, cheeses, spinach, and scallions in the crust-lined pie plate. Pour the egg mixture over the top. Bake 15 minutes in the oven at 425 degrees. Reduce the oven temperature to 325 degrees and continue to bake for another 20 to 25 minutes, or until a knife inserted in the middle comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes before cutting into wedges.

Tips

Spinach: If using frozen spinach, thaw completely and squeeze out as much moisture as possible. Excess liquid can lengthen the baking time. Whisk thawed spinach into the egg mixture so it doesn't clump.

Pie Crust: A deep-dish pie crust works especially well. I often use Marie Callender's frozen pie crust with great results.

Storing: Cool completely before wrapping tightly. Refrigerate for 3-4 days.

Reheating: Bring to room temperature while the oven preheats to 350°F. Bake 15-20 minutes, or until the quiche reaches an internal temperature of 165°F.



Happy New Year from DuPage County Farm Bureau

Illinois Farm Bureau Members Elect Philip Nelson as President, Re-elect Evan Hultine as Vice President

Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB) members elected Philip Nelson, a grain and livestock farmer from Seneca in LaSalle County, as the organization's 17th president, and re-elected Evan Hultine, a grain farmer from Princeton in Bureau County, as vice president. They will each serve a two-year term at the helm of the organization.

"I thank all of you for the confidence that you've put into me to lead this organization again," Nelson told delegates following the election. "I'm thrilled. I love this organization."

Five new members were also elected to serve two-year

terms on the IFB Board of Directors. IFB is a nonprofit membership organization directed by farmers who join through their county Farm Bureau. IFB's 324 voting delegates elected these leaders during the organization's annual meeting in Chicago.

Nelson is a fourth-generation farmer and farms with his wife, Carmen, and family members Kendall, Rachel and Kyle. He previously served as IFB's 14th president from 2003 to 2013, vice president from 1999 to 2003, and LaSalle County Farm Bureau president. He also held the position of Trade Advisory Chair of the American Farm

Bureau Federation (AFBF) and served on the AFBF Board of Directors for 10 years. He was the Illinois Director of Agriculture in 2015.



Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB) announced today the election of Philip Nelson, a fourth-generation grain and livestock farmer from Seneca in LaSalle County, as the organization's 17th president during the IFB Annual Meeting in Chicago, Dec. 8. (Photo by Catrina Rawson)

IFB Board Directors Elected

Five new members were elected to serve two-year terms on the IFB Board of Directors:

- Joe White of Kane County will represent District 1, which includes DeKalb, McHenry, Kane and Lake counties
- Brian Corkill of Henry County will represent District 3, which includes Henry, Mercer, Rock Island, Stark and Whiteside counties



Illinois Farm Bureau (IFB) members re-elected Evan Hultine, a sixth-generation farmer from Princeton, as vice president during the organization's annual meeting in Chicago, Dec. 8 (Photo by Catrina Rawson)

Hultine has served as IFB vice president since 2023. He has held various leadership roles with Bureau County Farm Bureau (BCFB), including president from 2017 to 2023, BCFB Foundation president and the Young Leader Committee chair. He was a member of the IFB State Young Leader Committee from 2013 to 2016. He also serves on the agriculture advisory committees for his state senator and state representative as well as U.S. Rep. Darin LaHood.

Hultine is a sixth-generation farmer in Princeton, where he grows corn, soybeans and seed corn alongside his father.

- Brian Dirks of McLean County will represent District 7, which includes Marshall, McLean, Putnam, Tazewell and Woodford counties

- Dennis Green of Lawrence County will represent District 13, which includes Clark, Coles, Crawford, Cumberland, Jasper, Lawrence and Richland counties

- Jason Balding of Edwards County will represent District 17, which includes Edwards, Franklin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Wabash, Wayne and White counties.



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What's the difference between ice and icicle?
Ice has noel.

Where does a snowman get the weather report?
The winifernet.

Deicing Salt & Plants: How to Prevent Damage to Landscape

By Ken Johnson,
Illinois Extension

As we've already experienced this year, winter in Illinois commonly means snow and ice. Though plowing and shoveling are the primary means of removing snow and ice where they aren't wanted, deicing salts also help prevent slick, hazardous conditions. While salt is great in its place, it's not so great for many things that may encounter it, including plants.

Rock salt (sodium chloride) is the most common deicer. It's cheap, effective, and plentiful, but it does have some drawbacks. It is corrosive to both vehicles and concrete, causing billions of dollars of damage every year. It can also damage both soil and plants, as well as pollute waterways. As rock salt dissolves in water, its ions (sodium and chloride) separate. These ions can cause damage in our landscapes in high enough concentrations.

Effect of salt on soil & plants

High levels of sodium can damage the soil's structure, preventing it from clumping and making it susceptible to compaction. This can then lead to reduced permeability in soils (water and air can't get into and through the soil). High sodium levels can also raise soil pH.

Nutrient imbalances can also be caused by high soil levels of sodium and chloride. These high levels can restrict plants' uptake of other essential nutrients, leading to nutrient deficiencies. Chloride ions can also accumulate in the growing points of plants and become toxic, resulting in stunted, yellow foliage, leaf scorch, twig dieback, and overall stunted growth.

Just like the salt in a saltshaker, rock salt absorbs water. As it holds onto water, there is less available for plants to use. This can create drought-like conditions for

plants, even when there is adequate soil moisture.

Salt spray from passing vehicles can also damage plants. Salt that lands on plant tissues can dry them out by pulling water out of plant cells. It



can also enter the plant and accumulate in the growing tips to toxic levels. This most commonly occurs on the sides of trees facing a road.

Many evergreen plants are very susceptible to salt damage, developing pale green, yellow, or brown foliage in late winter and early spring. Deciduous plants may suffer from killed or damaged buds, and if flower buds are damaged, plants may have fewer or no blooms. Branch tips can also be damaged, which can lead to the formation of dense clusters of twigs, known as witches' brooms. Fortunately, if the damage is not extensive, plants may recover from it.

Preventing salt damage

So how can we help prevent salt damage to our soil and plants? There are various steps we can take:

Use salt judiciously, especially after March 1. Once plants begin to break dormancy, they become even more susceptible to damage.

Limit salt applications to high-risk locations like steps, along with walkways and driveways on an incline.

Finish clearing snow before applying salt. This will help prevent the movement of salt into the landscape.

Small amounts of salt can also be applied before a storm arrives. This helps prevent ice from sticking to

pavement, making removal easier and reducing the amount of salt required.

Avoid using pure salt by mixing it with an abrasive material such as sand, ash, or kitty litter to help with traction.

Spread salt evenly, instead of in clumps. Aim to leave about 3 inches of space between the salt grains.

If there is leftover salt after ice has melted and surfaces have dried, sweep it up to prevent it from washing or blowing into plants or bodies of water.

Use deicing materials that are less damaging to plants, such as calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, and calcium magnesium acetate. (These are more expensive than rock salt, however, and can still cause some plant damage.)

Protect plants near the

street with a temporary barrier, such as plastic or burlap.

Hose off any plants that have experienced salt spray as soon as possible.

As the ground thaws in spring, soils that have had a heavy salt load on them can be thoroughly watered to leach salt out of the root zone.

If there are areas in a landscape, such as near a road, which commonly have issues with salt damage, consider growing plants that can tolerate higher levels of salt. There are several ways plants can protect themselves from salt. Some plants may have physical features that protect them from salt spray (these adaptations won't protect them from salt in the soil). This can include thick, waxy surfaces or tightly arranged bud scales. When it comes to salt in the soil, some plants can prevent salt from entering their cells or can simply withstand higher salt levels in the soil. It's important to note

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NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATIONS

To all persons of legal voting age who own or reside on land located within the boundaries of the Kane DuPage Soil and Water Conservation District. Beginning on December 12, 2025, nominations will be accepted for the two year term of the office of Director of the Kane DuPage County Soil and Water Conservation District at the District's Office at 2315 Dean St, Suite 100, St Charles during our normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To be considered for nomination as a candidate for the office of Director, nominees must provide proof of residency or ownership of land located within the boundaries of the District. Interested persons must respond by 4:30 p.m. on January 21, 2026.

The 2026 Board Election will be held on February 10th, come by the DCFB office and vote from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.



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Farmer's Almanac – January 2026

Sky Watch:

The year begins with Saturn, in Pisces, halfway up the southern sky at nightfall; through a telescope, the Ringed Planet's famous rings can barely be seen, as they are just weeks from angling nearly edgewise toward Earth and the Sun. After 8:30 P.M., brilliant Jupiter rises in the east and is visible all night. In the daytime sky, the Sun appears bigger because Earth arrives at perihelion on the 3rd. The 10th brings Jupiter's opposition, its nearest and brightest

Salt & Plants

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that even plants with some tolerance to salt can still be damaged by high levels of it.

Some plants that have tolerance to both salt in the soil and spray include sweet gum, bald cypress, Kentucky coffeetree, common horsechestnut, red

PALLET JACK, \$100; antique 21", 2 wheeled garden tractor \$25. Call 630-669-0042. Leave message.

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moment of the year. On the 27th, the Moon hovers to the left of the famous "seven Sisters" (Pleiades) star cluster; a stunning scene visible through binoculars. The 30th presents an eye-catching, all-night conjunction when the nearly full Moon hovers above Jupiter.

January 2026:

Temp. 26° (2° below avg.); precip. 1.5" (1.5" below avg.). 1-9 Snowy, very cold. 10-21 Flurries east, sunny west; cold, then turning mild. 22-31 Snowy, turning cold.

oak, juniper, eastern red cedar, sumacs, potentilla, and rugosa roses.

Good Growing Tip of the Week:

When applying salt, it's likely you're using too much. According to the Salt Smart initiative, 12 ounces of salt, about as much as would fill a coffee mug, is enough to treat a 20-foot-long driveway or approximately 10 squares of sidewalk.

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Find these special discounts now online at

<https://dcfb.org/member-to-member-discounts/>

Present your paid-up current Farm Bureau Membership card at any of the area businesses operated by Farm Bureau members and take advantage of special discounts.

DCFB Discounts (on page 8) are subject to change without notice. Restrictions may apply. Must show membership card.

Hooray for DCFB DISCOUNTS

Restaurant Discounts

Adelle's Modern Kitchen + Bar
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

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

Egg'lectic Cafe
10% off bill. Not valid with other offers or promotions.
145 N Hale St, Wheaton, IL 60187
(630) 690-9001

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. Must show membership card.
437 S Addison Rd, Addison, 60101 •
630.833.2570
https://www.muggsnmanor.com/

Papa Rays Pizza & Wings
Two large pizzas, two toppings for \$29.99;
Family Meal Pack – 1, 16" cheese pizza, 10" cheese garlic bread, 10 pics. wings, 1, 2 liter soda
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 \$20 purchase while dining in
132 S Cass Ave, Westmont, 60559
630.493.9000 • www.unclebubs.com

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

ADVENTURELAND
Online ticket purchase program
Save up to \$30 on any day admission tickets all season long. Tickets only \$37.99 Visit www.AdventurelandResort.com/PromoCode. Call the DCFB Office for code.

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

DOLLYWOOD
Online ticket purchase program
Visit Dollywood Store to save on tickets to your next visit to Dollywood theme park and Dollywood's Splash Country. Call the DCFB Office for code.

Enchanted Castle
Purchase one regularly priced ride or attraction ticket, get one of equal or lesser value FREE. Discount available in-park only and may be used up to 4 times on the same transaction. Present your DCFB membership card at the Ticket Booth to receive discount.
1103 S. Main St. Lombard, IL 60148
630-953-7860
www.enchanted.com

Fox Bowl
Buy one game, get one free for up to 4 people, subject to lane availability
1101 Butterfield Rd • Wheaton, 60189
630.690.2400 • www.foxbowl.com

HOLIDAY WORLD
Online ticket purchase program
Members will receive exclusive discounts when they purchase Admission Tickets and Season Passes for the Fun Club. Log on to www.holidayworld.com/funclub and enter your exclusive username and password for discount. Call the DCFB Office for username and password.

Mighty Oak Athletic
50% off the first month of training
6424 S. Cass Ave., Westmont, 60559
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 FARBUREAU at checkout.
3823 E. Main St., St. Charles • 630-338-0278
www.pinotpalette.com/stcharles

RAGING RIVERS
Online ticket purchase program
Raging Rivers Waterpark | Outdoor Waterpark | Grafton, Illinois. Click on Corporate Discount Club under groups tab, choose the number tickets to purchase. Call the DCFB Office for code.

Raging Waves
DCFB members can purchase discounted tickets to Raging Waves, Illinois Largest Waterpark, located in Yorkville, IL. Save money on Any Day Admission tickets. Tickets are only available for purchase online. Please use promo code DCFB25 at checkout. Limited Time Only!

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

Ferrari Plumbing
\$55.00 off any plumbing service
1727 Stoddard Ave.
Wheaton, IL 60187
630-709-7277
www.ferrariplumbing.net
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

Gravity Express
10% off services
546 N. Stewart Ave., Lombard
224-200-4543

Hills Roofing Inc.
10% off any job up to \$200
6817 Hobson Valley Dr. Ste.112
Woodridge, IL 60517
630-963-1555
hillsroofinginc.com

HR Skylights
6817 Hobson Valley Dr. Ste.112
Woodridge, IL 60517
630-592-2418
hrskylights.com

Light of the Soil
50% off retail price on all worm castings and compost teas purchased through website, shows, or calling.
2479 Baier Rd, North Aurora, IL 60542
630-439-7966

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

January Meat Order

Pick up is located inside the DCFB office.
More product is available on our website store : [DCFb.org](#)

PRODUCT	PRICE	QTY	COST
Hamburger Patties, 5lb	\$35.00		
Bourbon Marinated Steak, 8pc	\$44.00		
Ground Round, 10lb	\$56.00		
Bratwurst Burgers, 5lb	\$35.00		
Top Sirloin Butt Steak, 8pc	\$54.00		
Hot Dogs, 5lb	\$44.00		
Honey BBQ Chicken Breast, 10pc 5 lb	\$37.00		
Plain Chicken Breast, 10pc 5 lb	\$34.00		
Tequila Lime Chicken Breast, 10pc 5 lb	\$37.00		
Bratwurst Links, 20 pc	\$30.00		
Chicken Bacon Ranch Burgers, 5lb	\$37.00		
BBQ Boneless Pork Chops, 10pc	\$34.00		
Plain Boneless Pork Chops, 10pc	\$34.00		
Stuffed Pork Chops, 4pc	\$34.00		
Bone In Pork Chops, 10pc	\$34.00		
Boneless Beef Short Ribs, 5 lb	\$41.00		
Pork Back Ribs, 5 lb	\$32.00		
Italian Sausage Links, 20 pc	\$32.00		

Grand Total \$ _____

Name: _____ FB#: _____

Contact Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Send payment payable to : DuPage County Farm Bureau 245 S. Gary Ave.,
Carol Stream, IL 60188

Order Deadline: January 20th

Dates/prices subject to change

Pick up: January 29th at the DCFB office from 8:30am-4pm