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DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

Free Movie Night: Collegiate Farm Bureau and McLean County Farm Bureau are sponsoring a free showing of **SILO** on **March 24, 2020 at 6 PM in the Brown Ballroom**. Following the film there will be a panel of speakers. If you are interested in attending, please check out the Collegiate Farm Bureau Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/events/233024571055193/> to RSVP or email Jrmcnel@ilstu.edu.

SILO is an exclusive film that is inspired by true events, SILO follows a harrowing day in an American farm town. Disaster strikes when teenager Cody Rose is entrapped in a 50-foot-tall grain bin. When the corn turns to quicksand, family, neighbors and first responders must put aside their differences to rescue Cody from drowning in the crop that has sustained their community for generations.

REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

***AG SCIENCE CLUB:** Club meeting on **Tuesday, March 3rd at 6pm at the ISU Research Farm in Lexington**. Precision Ag team will be practicing with equipment from 7-8pm. See you there, rain or shine! If you need a ride contact Jessica (jgbowgr@ilstu.edu) regarding a ride to the Farm in the department van.

Collegiate Farm Bureau: will be having a meeting on **Wednesday, March 4th, 2020 at 6:30 in Ropp 108G**. We will be discussing the important events that will be happening in March. Pizza will be provided and you do not want to miss out!

NETWORKING

Flanagan-Cornell FFA Alumni Auction: Saturday, March 7th. Greenhouse Open House 4:30-6 pm. Dinner (cafeteria) 5:00-6:30 pm. (Pork Chop or Ribeye Sandwich Meal). Silent Auction (West Gym) 5:00-7 pm. Live Auction (West Gym) @ 6:30 pm. Like us on FaceBook: Flanagan-Cornell FFA

SCHOLARSHIPS / INTERNSHIPS

***SUMMER INTERNSHIP:** Walsh Hunt Seed Service in Durand, IL is looking to hire a 2020 summer intern for crop scouting and other seed business operations. Position will be 40 hours/week for 12 weeks and pay will vary from \$12-\$14/hr depending on qualifications and experience. Focus on crop scouting as we look to better serve our farmers during the growing season. The goal will be to identify any problems in fields that need to be addressed, and set the stage for expectations for the grower come harvest so that each grower can have the best experience possible. The intern will use Golden Harvest's eLuminate mobile app in order to professionally manage scouting and grower's fields. The position will also give the student an opportunity to see the inner workings and operations of managing an independent seed dealership and will gain sales experience through interactions with growers. Lastly, the intern will learn more about Golden Harvest and the seed industry through meetings and one on one shadowing with agronomists and sales representatives. Position Qualifications: Junior or Senior studying crop sciences / Crop scouting or crops team experience preferred / Has reliable vehicle that preferably can be compensated mileage to use for work duties / Independent person who can perform job duties on his or her own / Strong communication skills. To apply please email cover letter, resume, and references to- David Hunt (hunt.farms.david@gmail.com) Application Due by **March 20th, 2020**

Field Research Summer Intern: SGS is looking for a Summer Intern. Field Personnel will safely conduct field and office tasks related to field research for which they have adequately been trained to complete. Training will be provided on a task-by-task basis by one of the supervisory personnel. This is a temporary position. For more detailed info and/or to apply visit their website at <https://jobs.sgs.com/jobs/field-research-intern-40418>.

Summer Internship: Illinois Foundation Seeds, Inc. is seeking interns to work in our nursery this summer just south of Savoy near Tolono. Duties include but are not limited to: Leading Inoculation Crews, Pollinating, Plot Maintenance, Data Collection. Interns needed June-August. Must be available to work weekends. Time-and-a-half for overtime. No experience necessary – training provided. Free sweet corn! Please apply at www.IFSI.com. (2/24/20)

Landscape Horticulture Intern: The Morton Arboretum is looking for a full-time, Non-exempt Seasonal Intern. Gain experience and knowledge in horticultural care by assisting the Collections and Facilities staff with the care of Arboretum grounds. Experience in gardening or plant maintenance preferred. Ability to operate small equipment and use hand tools required. For more info and to apply, visit <http://mortonarb.org/employment>. (2/10/20)

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Internships: Nestle / Libby's located in Morton, IL is looking for intern students to help produce Libby's Pumpkin Pie. Spring work April through June involves Seed selection and delivery. Fertilizer and herbicide record keeping Field scouting. Grower support Fall work August through October Harvest preparation Equipment operation and maintenance Field scouting and testing. For more info and/or to apply contact Jim Ackerman (309) 657-7671 or jim.ackerman@us.nestle.com. (1/27/20)

Scholarship: Grain and Feed Association of Illinois (GFAI) Scholarships available for Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors. If you are interested in the grain handling and/or feed industries, you should apply for this program. Winners receive a \$3500 scholarship, 4 days of work experience at a GFAI member facility, participate in a 3-day summer Kickoff Tour, and are recognized at the GFAI Annual Convention. **Application deadline is March 2.** Please visit <https://www.gfai.org/scholarship-program.html> for the application form. Please see **Dr. Boerngen (143 Ropp, maboern@ilstu.edu)** with questions or for more information.

Commercial Internship Program: Corteva Agriscience offers opportunities across the country to learn about today's problems and finding tomorrow's solutions. They seek Interns who are looking to prepare for a job in tomorrow's agriculture market. Their Interns experience many different aspects of agriculture, while gaining real-world industry knowledge. Their Commercial Intern program includes a competitive salary, budget, use of company computer, industry-leading training, exposure to company leaders, and a company vehicle if in field sales. To learn more and apply for a Commercial Intern opportunity, visit www.Corteva.com. (1/13/20)

JOB POSTINGS

***SUMMER EMPLOYMENT:** Bayer Corn Manufacturing located at 14901 Asgrow Road, Farmer City has current job openings for **Field Inspectors** to scout fields and **Contract Supervisors** to manage crews. No experience necessary, training will be provided. Apply now. Contact: Larissa Kiefer (309) 319-1250 Larissa.kiefer@bayer.com and/or Aaron Price (309) 532-2697 Aaron.price@bayer.com (3/2/20)

***HIRING FOR UPCOMING SEASON:** Wendell Niepagen Greenhouses and Garden Center is hiring. Contact them for an application at niepagen@gmail.com or message them on their facebook page: Wendell Niepagen Greenhouse and Garden Center. (3/2/29)

Full And/Or Part Time: Dorch Landscapes has two positions available. **ASSISTANT:** Alongside owner, Brian Dorch, this position will learn to meet clients, transpose designs, present proposals as well as field work. **INSTALLATION:** This position requires a high level of responsibility in completing a wide variety of tasks including but not limited to tree planting, bed layout, planting, pruning and hardscape skills. Text/email for interview (309) 433-3010. brian@dorchlandscapes.com Assistant. (2/17/20)

Multiple Positions: Wasco Nursery located in St. Charles, IL has several positions open. For more info on any of these positions, view them on the Ropp Ag Job Bulletin Board or visit their website at <https://hire.wheniwork.com/jobs/wasconurserygardencenter>.

Greenhouse Plant & Customer Care Technician – contact Matt Zerby, President & CEO at (matt@wasconursery.com)

Stocking & Maintaining Annuals, Perennials, Herbs & Vegetables Watering, Deadheading (cleaning plants), Facing tables Retail sales and customer service help.

Retail Sales & Customer Service Associate – contact Matt Zerby, President & CEO at (matt@wasconursery.com)

Cashier / Clerk – ringing up customer transactions in an efficient and friendly manner.

Landscape Design Assistant / Customer Service Associate – contact Meghan Provencher, Senior Landscape Designer at (meagan@wasconursery.com): Primary responsibility of the position is to assist the Design Department and the Scheduling Department with daily or weekly tasks and to ensure that our customers are having a positive interaction with our company.

Assistant Park Manager: Peoria Parks needs an Assistant Park Manager for Glen Oak Park & Donovan Park. For info, view posting on the Ropp Ag Job Bulletin Board or visit their website at www.peoriaparks.org – click on Join Our Team for employment listings. (2/17/20)

Grounds Maintenance Supervisor: Westminster Village, Bloomington, IL. is looking for a Grounds Maintenance Supervisor to assist Environmental Director in supervising the operation of the department, Plan, Supervise and coordinate the work of grounds programs and procedures to ensure safe, productive and time efficient accomplishment of departmental operations. Visit their website for more information and to apply: <https://www.westminstervillageinc.com/>. (2/24/19)

Sales Representative: Home Nursery Inc. is looking for a Sales Representative to service Central IL, Southern Chicago, Northwestern IN, Southwestern MI. Meet weekly, monthly, and annual sales quotas through the successful implementation of sales strategies and tactics while building positive working relationships with existing clients to ensure exceptional service and identification of potential new sales opportunities. See the Ag Job Bulletin Board for more info. Contact Hilliary Metzger for more information. (833) 827-4338. (2/10/20)

Delivery Driver: M&M Turf is looking for a full time delivery driver. You need to have a class A CDL or be able to get one (we can train). Main responsibility would be delivering sod, but could turn into more depending on what you are capable of and farm experience. <http://mmsodfarm.com/> (1/27/20)

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Farm Help: Experienced farm employee with management potential needed by 1200-acre central Illinois grain and cattle farm. Must be in good physical health and able to handle 60 pound bags and bales. Planting and harvesting experience helpful. Housing on the farm provided if needed and pay commensurate with abilities. Please send resume to: rwegman@gmail.com. (1/20/20)