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DEPARTMENT NEWS

***3MP COMPETITION:** Come cheer on your classmates during the Department of Agriculture 3 Minute Presentation competition **Wednesday, April 17th at 6:00 PM at the Alumni Center room 118.** Competitors will present for 3 minutes with one static slide targeted for a lay audience. A 3-judge panel will evaluate each student and select a winner and runner-up to win cash prizes!

Science And Technology Week: Find additional info at <https://about.illinoisstate.edu/scitechweek/>.

- Monday, April 8** - Keynote Speaker: Nita Farahany | Brown Ballroom, BSC | **7pm keynote lecture** | Free and open to the public.
- Tuesday, April 9** - Connecting tomorrow’s problem solvers with leaders of today. CONNECT offers the opportunity for current students to network with recent alumni. Brown Ballroom, BSC | **10am-1pm** | Contact Tamekia Bailey, tybaile@ilstu.edu
- Wednesday, April 10** - The Academy brings together alumni who are “thought leaders” in their fields and who serve as an inspiration to others with similar career paths. Aaron Leetch Club, Hancock Stadium | Schedule: **8:30am, coffee hour** (free and open to the public) | **9:30am, induction ceremony** (free and open to the public) | 10:30am, brunch (invitation only) | Get to know this year’s [class of inductees](#). Please email Kara Snyder at kepool@ilstu.edu with any questions or requests for accommodations.

Cover Crop Field Day: The ISU Cover Crop Field Day will be held from **4-6 pm on Friday, April 12** at the ISU Farm in Lexington. Researchers will discuss agronomic successes and challenges of growing cover crops in traditional corn-soybean rotations along with discussing ecosystem service benefits and their role in climate smart agriculture. The field day will highlight many cover crops, including pennycress, cereal rye, wheat and others.

Illinois State University Horticulture Center Seeks Student Artist In Residence – Summer 2024

The ISU Horticulture Center invites proposals for Artist-in-Residence projects to produce an outdoor work of art, an installation, or a sculpture for public viewing at the Horticulture Center’s annual Autumnal Festival in September. Proposals should reflect the artist’s personal style combined with the Center’s 2024 theme, Awestruck: The Wonder of Nature. This program honors the spirit of former student, Grant Walsh, and his passion for nature and art; successful proposals will do the same. The selected artist will receive a \$1,500 honorarium. Half of the Honorarium will be paid upon the start date in May, and the second half will be paid upon completion in September. Funding for reasonable materials, presentation, and display expenses will be provided up to \$750. The Horticulture Center will order all supplies. Applications are due, **Friday, April 12, 2024.** For more info and to apply visit <https://agriculture.illinoisstate.edu/grant-walsh-program/index.php> | Jessica Chambers | horticulture@ilstu.edu | (309) 438-3496

REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Farmhouse Fraternity: Looking to meet new friends on campus? Come check out Farmhouse and see the benefits it can offer you! If interested, contact recruitment chair Hunter Ketchum at 217-649-9758 or scan the QR code to our Instagram.



Equestrian Club: No previous riding experience required! The mission of the Illinois State University Equestrian Club and Team is to offer any ISU student the opportunity to engage in horse related activities, riding and non-riding, in an environment of fun, physical and mental challenges, and learning. Participation in the club contributes to life-long learning, not only in terms of equine activities, but for leadership, teamwork, competition, advertising, and organizational skills. We pride ourselves on providing an environment where both experienced and inexperienced horse enthusiasts can follow their passion.



Cannabis Club Redbirds: Spark your passion about the blooming cannabis industry!
Meets every **Monday from 6:00-7:00 pm** in Ropp 108G. (Zoom in to scan the QR Codes)
April 8th – Felix, The Bettering Company & Brunch of Stoners



Indy-Pendence Service Dogs: Learn about the rights and training of service dogs with hands on experience and opportunities to become a Student Trainer! Indy-Pendence Service Dogs meets **every Wednesday night** in Schroeder Hall 244 from **7:30 – 8:30.** There is no formal application to join; [this form](#) is just to get basic info and you put on our email list. Follow our socials here: <https://linktr.ee/IndyPendenceServiceDogs>.





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NAMA WEEKLY MEETINGS: NAMA meets weekly on **Thursdays in RAB 108G from 4-5 PM**. Join ISU NAMA! Get Professional Experience | Create a Team Marketing Plan | Network with Industry Professionals | Get Senior Level Credit | Attend the Annual NAMA Marketing Conference – April 23-25, 2024. For more information email: ajschl3@ilstu.edu.



ISU Student Pre-Veterinary Association: Calling all animal lovers! Open to all Majors! Bi-Weekly Meetings on **Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 pm in Ropp 106**. •Learn more about all things vet and animals | •Guest Speakers | •Hands-on Workshops | •Volunteer Opportunities.

CAMPUS / COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gamma Phi Circus is the oldest collegiate circus in the nation. From its beginning in 1929, Gamma Phi has established itself as a unique performance troupe, supporting acrobatic and circus arts in higher education, and continuing the legacy of circus history in the state of Illinois. Join us on **April 19 and 20** for the experience of a lifetime as we celebrate our 95th anniversary!

<https://goredbirds.eventue.net/cgi-bin/ncommerce3/SEGetEventList?groupCode=GP&linkID=illinoisst&shopperContext=&caller=&appCode=>

JOB / INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

***AGRONOMY OPERATIONS INTERN:** Evergreen FS – Long Point, IL is hiring. Get hands on experience working with state-of-the-art equipment and technology to help keep crops healthy by learning about top-performing protection and fertilizer during and after the growing season. Our family-oriented team is looking for someone who wants to help growers succeed by: •Learn and assist in all areas of agronomy operations including product knowledge, blending, storage, transport. •Learn about the operation and application techniques for agronomy equipment. •Experience hands-on service-related opportunities by working with customers. Skills required: •Ability to work outdoors in various weather conditions. •Good customer service, problem-solving and work ethic. •Team-player eager to help other departments of the company. •Normally requires a high school diploma or the equivalent thereof and currently attending college for a certificate, 2 year or 4-year degree program in an agriculture-related field. •Ability to work at varying heights and lift 51 - 70 lbs. •Must be able to pass pre-employment background and drug screen.. Call or stop by the Long Point Location: 110 W 7th Street | Long Point | 815-854-2525 | Or you can email us at: jcompton@evergreen-fs.com. (4/8/24)

***MULTIPLE POSITIONS:** Prairieland FS, Inc. is currently hiring multiple positions in various locations. For more details and to apply



visit: <https://www.prairielandfs.com/Careers>. (4/8/24)

***MULTIPLE POSITIONS:** WGM Western Grain Marketing is currently hiring multiple positions in various locations. For more details and to apply visit: <https://www.westerngrainmarketing.com/careers>. (4/8/24)



Intern: This position offers up to 20 hours per week, with a starting wage of \$15 per hour. The ideal candidate will be willing to work outdoors and have a strong interest in learning about the market garden industry. Responsibilities: -Assisting with various farm tasks, such as planting, weeding, and harvesting crops. -Participating in the maintenance and upkeep of the farm, including irrigation systems and equipment. -Learning and applying sustainable farming practices. -Collaborating with the team to ensure efficient and productive operations. -Optional opportunity to work at farmers markets on Saturdays, promoting and selling farm produce. And learning sales techniques. This internship offers a valuable opportunity to gain hands-on experience in the market garden world, while working alongside a fast growing farm. For more info and an application, contact Jase Kath (kathfamilyfarms@gmail.com). (3/25/24)

Full Time Farm Job Opening In Alexis IL: This farm comprises of a wean to finish swine operation, beef feedlot enterprise, and corn and soybean acres. Wanting to find someone who enjoys working with both pigs and cattle, but who also can run machinery. Someone that could obtain a class A CDL and willing to do some minor mechanical work would obtain additional compensation. Housing could be provided. Salary based on skill set and experience and would also include health insurance. Wanting to find an individual to be part of team as soon as possible. Please contact me via email at aaron_kaylin@yahoo.com. (3/25/24)

Manager Trainee: The Illinois Farm Bureau is hiring for the County Farm Bureau Manager Trainee position that starts in June. Please click on the link below for more information or contact Emily Zelhart (ezelhart@ilfb.org or (309) 557-2300) for more information . [Job Description - County Manager Trainee - June 2024 \(230410\) \(taleo.net\)](#). (3/18/24)



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Summer Help: Schroeder-Turner Farms is a corn and soybean farm just north of Mansfield, IL. They are looking for someone to help this summer with planting, spraying, mowing, tiling and more. Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. \$15-20 an hour depending on experience. Contact Matt Turner for more information (217) 800-2760. (3/18/24)

Agronomist: DeGroot’s Vegetable Farms is seeking to hire a full-time Entry-Level Agronomist. This position offers the opportunity for someone with a passion for agriculture to gain hands-on experience in sustainable vegetable farming practices. The successful candidate will work closely with our farm owners to support all aspects of crop production, from soil management to harvest. Additionally, the individual will assist in the ongoing operations of our Food Safety program and annual audits allowing DeGroot’s Vegetable Farms to maintain a high level of certification in Food Safety. If you are passionate about agriculture and eager to learn, we want to hear from you! Please send a letter of interest and a resume to andrew@degrootfarms.com. (3/18/24)

Announcer: The Miller Media Group in Taylorville, IL, has an immediate opening for a full-time announcer. Duties include hosting Morning Shows on music or information stations; production; creating local news content from interviews; sports play-by-play or color and remotes. A competitive salary, relocating allowance, and a \$1000 signing bonus, are offered. Be part of a great radio group committed to localism! E-mail resume and air check to kamip@randyradio.com. No phone calls. EOE/M/F. (3/18/24)

Pathways Development Program – Associate Merchant: Scoular is currently hiring n Peotone, IL.. This position is more for college seniors. Application can be found on Indeed or ZipRecruiter [Scoular Jobs, Employment in Peotone, IL | Indeed.com](#) (3/18/24)



Entry Level Account Manager: RB Enterprises in Aurora IL is a full service commercial landscape company who provides maintenance, pesticide applications, design & installation, seasonal color installation, tree work and restoration. We do not subcontract so everything is kept in house. The Landscape Division is looking for an entry level account manager to assist with the daily operations and tasks. This position has the potential advance once the training has been completed. If you are an upcoming graduate that is looking for a career in this industry please reach out an let me know. You can reach me at Cell: (630) 301-1178 Email: SMiller@rbenterprisesweb.com. (3/18/24)

Internship Program: Home Nursery based in Albers, IL internship program is June 3 – August 2, 2024 (Dates negotiable based on school schedule). Gain experience in every aspect of the nursery business including but not limited to potting, pest management, propagation, sales & shipping. Housing is available. Email your resume to taylorh@homenursery.com to receive more info and a one page application. No cover letter required. (3/4/24)



Internships: ADM is seeking 5-7 Grain Operations Interns for the summer of 2024. For the job description and to apply: <https://jobs.brassring.com/TGnewUI/Search/home/HomeWithPreLoad?PageType=JobDetails&partnerid=25416&siteid=6007&Areq=76161BR> (2/12/24)

SCHOLARSHIPS

GROWMARK Scholarship: The GROWMARK Foundation will provide a total of (55) \$2,000 scholarships to students pursuing agriculture and business-related degrees or certificates at colleges, universities, and technical schools in the U.S. and Ontario, Canada. For more information and to apply, [click here](#). Deadline to apply is April 15th at 11:59 pm

NETWORKING

Illinois Landscaping Contractors Association (ILCA): ICLA has multiple upcoming events. Please check out their website! <https://ilca.net/ilca-events/>

Young Professionals Council: The YPC offers leadership and networking opportunities for young industry professionals while getting involved in volunteer opportunities within the floral/horticultural industries. Join today! Membership is Free! For more info and to become a member, visit their website at [https:// endo wment.org/ypc/](https://endowment.org/ypc/).

