**DEPARTMENTAL NEWS**

**BREAKFAST ON US!! FINALS WEEK ACTIVITIES:** The Agriculture Ambassadors are sponsoring breakfast on May 2nd and May 3rd in the Ropp Building from 7:30 – 10:15 a.m.

**Graduation Open House:** Spring and Summer graduate and their guests are invited to the Department of Agriculture Graduation Open House on Saturday, May 7 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Ropp 108G. Come celebrate your ISU achievements!!! Donuts, bagels, bagel sandwiches, coffee and orange juice! Dept. faculty will also be present! Departmental awards will also be handed out to recipients.

**AGRICULTURE IN MEXICO!!!** 12-day study abroad trip to central Mexico in December 2022. 3 credit hours under AGR 302.009 for fall 2022 (email your advisor for approval). Application is due June 1st, 2022 (https://bit.ly/agrmexico_ilstu). For questions about costs, pre-requisites, excursions/tours, etc. please contact Dr. Lugar at (dvwugar@ilstu.edu).

**ISU Farm Hay Rake Fundraiser:** The ISU Farm is looking to update its hay equipment for faculty and staff needs. Two pieces we would like to acquire are a wheel rake and a hay tedder. The hay rake is our first priority. It is used to help gather and cure the hay, putting the forage in a tight row before baling. The hay tedder is our second priority. It is used to help spread out the forage for the drying and curing process of the forage. This equipment will allow student workers at the farm to gain practical experience using the equipment in the field and will help the farm staff be more efficient in producing high-quality forage feed. The equipment will also expand opportunities for faculty teaching and research. Thank you for your support! (https://hatch.illinoisstate.edu/project/30332).

**ISU Agriculture Department:** Follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/ISU.AGRICULTURE or Instagram at https://www.instagram.com/isuagriculture/ Twitter (@isuagriculture) Our ISU Page (https://agriculture.illinoisstate.edu/)

**REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Hoof N’ Horn:** If anyone is interested in joining Hoof N’ Horn reach out to Jenna McNelis (irmcnel@ilstu.edu), Dr. Earing (jeearin@ilstu.edu), or Cori Malone (cjharr2@ilstu.edu) to become a member!

**NAMA:** Follow ISU NAMA Instagram: @ISU.NAMA Facebook: (www.facebook.com/ISUNAMA). For more info, email Joseph Jangulo (jjangul@ilstu.edu).

**Student Pre-Veterinary Association (SPVA):** Questions, contact Hannah Bertok at (hsbert1@ilstu.edu).

**JOB / INTERNSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRICING ANALYST:** Ridley Feed Ingredients®, an Alltech® company, specializes in thoroughly researched, competitively priced micro feed ingredients, vitamin and mineral premixes, and feed additives across key customer segments. This position is designed to ensure pricing and formulation are executed professionally and analyzed to find and recommend margin opportunities. It is also designed to provide consistent, reliable sales and purchasing reporting to the management of the business. This position will be responsible for overseeing the quarterly bid process including price preparation as well as analysis of performance of the bid process, comparison of monthly competitor price data as well as internal metrics and recommending pricing adjustments basis this analysis. This position will also be charged with sales and purchasing report generation and distribution on both a scheduled and ad hoc basis. Finally, this position will be deeply involved in formulation including direct formulation as well as formulation oversight. The ideal candidate will possess a B.S. degree in business or agriculture economics with at least two years of related working experience. To be considered for this position, candidates must demonstrate their ability to work collaboratively with production, supply chain, sales & marketing, and customer service teams. Ideal candidates will also have experience working with formulation tools and an ERP. This position can be based in Mendota, IL, Nicholasville, KY or Mankato, MN. Overnight travel may be required dependent on upon location/proximity to the team. Alltech provides the following benefits, effective on the first day of employment (except for STD and LTD) to employees who have the work ethic and commitment to customers, safety, and product quality that we are known for: •Competitive pay •2 medical plans and 2 dental plans to select from •Vision plan •401k plan with generous company match •Flexible spending accounts •Health savings account •Disability and life insurance •Paid holidays and vacations. We are an equal opportunity employer and do not discriminate against otherwise qualified applicants on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, age, sex, marital status, national origin, disability or handicap, or veteran status. For more information or to apply, contact David Purvines, (david.purvines@ridleyinc.com) (806) 282-5166. (5/2/22)
Help Wanted: Sheep Farm in Arrowsmith, IL. needs help with •setting up fences, •moving, •assisting with repair work. Driver license and reliable transportation required. Ability to work outside in all conditions. Full/Part time. Daily lifting of 50+ pounds. Contact Elton at (309) 825-5435. (4/26/22)

Summer Work: Aerotek needs Field Inspection this summer - $18.50/hr + Mileage & Expenses. 40+ hour work weeks. Ability to stat immediately! Contact ( estrohl@aerotek.com ) (309) 834-2946. (4/26/22)

Multiple Positions: JR’s Landscape Services is Growing! Several new positions open. Looking for people with a passion to "make people smile" while working outdoors. Looking for people who love building hardwoods, maintaining lawns and landscapes, planting flowers and/or shrubs, learning the best pest management practices with the least impact on the environment, and have Professional G.R.I.T. (Growth/Gratitude, Respect/Responsibility, Integrity/Initiative, Trustworthy/trainable). Oh, and did we mention, “loves to make people smile”? **Current Positions Available:** Team Lead - Installation/construction Team Team Lead Assistant - Installation/construction Team Team Lead Assistant - Maintenance Team Team Lead Assistant - Seasonal Color Team (Four Season Containers/Plant Health Care) Team Specialist - Enhancement Team. Don’t miss this opportunity to join our team. Complete our online Employment application today! **Apply today!** (4/25/22)

Positions Available: Premier Garden Design is hiring a part-time **Design Apprentice** to help with the design workflow. Includes initial measurements, layout, design sketching, rendering, & 3-D presentation. Also includes working with the installation process. **Lawn care Tech/Intern** position includes applying fertilizer, soil additives, weed control, fungicides, etc. **Landscape/Maintenance Tech/Intern** positions available in landscape/maintenance field. Hardscapes, softscapes, and maintenance work is included. Some positions can be combined to gain experience. Compensation ranges from $14-$20 depending on prior experience. Full time positions include benefits. Call, text or email to inquire. Derek Schrock, President, Premier Garden Design, Congerville IL (20 minute from ISU). ( dschrock@premiergardendesign.com ) Cell: (309) 489-6273 (4/18/22)


Undergraduate Summer Research Experience (Paid): This research internship project is part of the Integrated Pennycress Research Enabling Farm and Energy Resilience Project (IPREFER). Join our research teams as paid summer interns who will work with university researchers to develop pennycress (Thlaspi arvense) as an eco-friendly, biofuel crop for agroecosystems in the Midwest. Interns will: •participate in online training and a project meeting in St. Louis, MO. •Gain technical skills and interdisciplinary competencies that will equip them for work on bio-based solutions to complex food, energy, and environmental challenges. •Receive a stipend ($5,000) and a travel allowance to relocate to their internship site. To learn more and to apply, visit ( iprefercap.org ). We strongly encourage students from diverse disciplinary fields and social backgrounds to apply. Questions, contact ( internship@iprefercap.org ). (4/11/22)

Animal Industry: Kuntz Farm is in search of someone who “loves to make people smile” •Handling and caring for animals (pigs, cows, horses, etc.) •Cleaning stalls, •feeding animals, •grooming, •working with various animal handling equipment. Requires a strong work ethic, strong customer service, good communication skills, and be able to lift 100+ pounds. Experience preferred. **Contact: Christa Kuntz** (812) 593-4317. Or Ashley Decker (advance@illinois.edu) (217) 377-0039 | 617-709-7382/607-502. (4/4/22)

Summer 2022 Research: The Field Crop Entomology program in the Department of Crop Sciences (U of I) is seeking undergraduate student employees for the summer of 2022. Students will participate in research projects to develop and improve pest management recommendations for Illinois farmers. 40 hour per week position with occasional overtime; start and end dates are flexible but will roughly coincide with the UIUC summer break with the potential to continue working part-time during the school year. Students will get hands-on experience in: •Field research •arresting and pest management practices •Scouting corn and soybean for insect pests and other problems (weeds, diseases, nutrient deficiencies, etc.) •Collecting and handling scientific data. Opportunities are also available for independent research and extension projects. No prior experience necessary. Required training in farm safety, pesticide handling, and data collection practices will be provided and compensated. Position requires an ability to work outdoors in occasionally uncomfortable conditions (dirt, heat, moisture, etc.) and a desire to contribute to research efforts to produce meaningful pest management recommendations for Illinois producers. Interested students should contact: Dr. Nick Seiter ( nseiter@illinois.edu ) (812) 593-4317. Or Ashley Decker (advance@illinois.edu) (217) 377-4210. (4/4/22)

IL Corn Ag Advocacy Internship Summer 2022: The IL Corn Intern will work in the following areas: •Public Relations, Marketing and Communications support. •Graphic design and video production for social media. •Presentations about corn and corn farmers to non-farmers and teachers throughout the summer. •Member data management and analysis. •Policy and advocacy support. •General office administrative tasks (phones, technology support, etc). Required Qualifications: •Must be an Illinois resident and full-time college student, enrolled for the fall 2022 semester. •Must exhibit strong communication and leadership skills. •Must have a driver’s license, reliable transportation and be willing to travel as needed. •Must demonstrate an interest in understanding agriculture and supporting farmers. For more information and to apply, contact Lindsay Mitchell (lmitchell@ilcorn.org ) (309) 557-3257. (4/24/22)

Spring & Summer Opportunities: Flexible schedule based on student schedules •Full-time hours during summer (7am-5pm + 1/2 day Sat) • No experience needed! ** Minimum of $15/hr starting pay + overtime! Learn more:** (https://vimeo.com/2322733007 ). Apply today! (https://jobs.growmark.com/fssystem/job/Bloomington-Seasonal-Turf-Operator-Evergreen-FS-Bloomington%2C-IL-61704/709738200/ ). Questions – contact Christie Rabideau, | HR Manager | Ph: 309-834-0039 | crabideau@evergreen-fs.com . (4/4/22)
Seasonal Help: AgReliant Genetics in Elkmont, IL is currently looking for individuals interested in warehouse/returns, field inspections, harvest, shelling, and bulk movement. Potential 7 days a week – available to work OT, weekends, and shift work as needed. Seasonal Opportunities: - June to August / - August to October. Candidate Qualities: • Team player • Punetual and Reliable • Attention to detail • Able to work in a fast-paced environment • Available to work flexible hours • Valid drivers license. Scan code to learn more. Apply online at (agreliantgenetics.com/careers). (4/4/22)

Summer 2022 Seed Corn Scouting: Agricultural Soil Management, LLC (ASM) has an opportunity for Crop Scouting in west central IL, primarily Beardstown, Mason City and Minier areas, which will include identification and reporting weeds, insects, disease and any other factors. Employees will be expected to properly identify and report agronomic factors relating to seed corn growth, training will be provided, however a solid base of agronomic knowledge is preferred. A high level of honesty and drive is expected, as employees will not be under direct supervision at all times. Employee will be expected to cover a territory and help out teammates in other territories when needed. The geographic region covered, will be West-Central Illinois. A valid driver’s license is required and reliable transportation is a necessity. • $14/HR+ Federal Mileage Reimbursement+ Cell Phone Stipend. • Work opportunity to run from Late May – Late August • Internship credit. Contact Alec Bean for more information. (abean@asmlabs.net) (217) 356-5756. (4/4/22)

Summer 2022 Employment: Farmer City Baking is hiring a Field Inspector who will scout seed fields and work within an agriculture-based business. No experience needed. Training will be provided. $18.50/Hour + Mileage. To apply contact Marissa Borrenpohl (309) 319-5635. (marissa.borrenpohl@bayer.com) or Quincey Olenick (309) 660-6682 (quincey.olenick@bayer.com). (4/4/22)

Marketing Communications Intern: Certified Agriculture Dealers. Intern will work independently and, in a team, to fulfill communications goals and initiatives related to Certified Agriculture Dealers and farm and ranch prospective customers of those dealers. Responsibilities: • Assist in planning, writing, executing and reporting on news releases, e-mails and e-newsletters • Design event/program fliers, graphics and other marketing material • Support Certified Agriculture Dealership social media presence, including monitoring, posting, scheduling and reporting Facebook updates. Including implementation of ads for target dealers and audiences. • Provide input for creative marketing strategies and social media campaigns • Create online advertisements as needed • Collaborate with staff on new ideas, directions, and tools for marketing and communications. Qualifications: • Possess excellent written and oral communication and interpersonal skills • Completed or working toward a college degree in agricultural communications (junior level and up), consideration could be given to those in a related field (e.g., English, Marketing/Communications, Advertising or Public Relations) • Previous internship or related experience in ag marketing or ag communications a plus • Firm grasp of social media tools and platforms including Facebook, Twitter etc. • Must be computer literate (working knowledge of word processing, PowerPoint, Excel). • Knowledge of HTML, website content management and graphic design not necessary but a plus • Understanding of the basic principles of public relations and/or marketing • Self-starter, good time management, creative, with ability to communicate in a professional manner • Ability to work well independently, and within a team. Begin ASAP and continue through the summer. Flexible hours: averaging 6-10 hours/week (or more depending on student schedule and CAD needs), including weekly planning meeting with marketing supervisor. Our organization is completely virtual and we generally utilize Zoom for meetings. Candidate needs to be available during standard business hours for at least 50% of the work week’s hours. The remaining 50% can be completed as desired based on candidate’s schedule. To Apply: Send cover letter, resume and writing sample to Lyle E. Orwig & Jenni Wallace at: (lyle@certifiedagdealer.com) (jenni@certifiedagdealer.com). During or pre-NAMA call to set up interview time: Lyle at: (262) 352-2426 or Jenni at: (980) 234-2884. (4/4/22)

Assistant Superintendent: Beverly Country Club located in Chicago. Duties include but not limited to: • Assist with hiring and training of maintenance personnel. • Help with organizing and executing day-to-day operations. • Fertilizer and chemical applications, record keeping and supervision of applications. • Assist with irrigation management and scheduling. • Assist with course construction projects. • Inspects golf course, identifies opportunities to improve the golf course. • Irrigation Repair. • Minimum Requirements: 2-4-year turf grass related degree. • Prior experience as an Intern, Assistant-in-Training, First or Second Assistant. • Self-motivated and hard worker with a positive attitude and proven leadership skills. • Strong attention to detail. Ability to schedule, train, and supervise staff on all turf related equipment. • Knowledge of calibration and application of pesticides and fertilizers. • Possession of a valid driver’s license. • Able to obtain an IL pesticide applicator/operator’s license. Please email Cover Letter/Resume to: (dleve@beverlyCC.org). (3/24/22)

Full-Time: Gibson Mowing and Landscape located in Bloomington-Normal is looking to hire. You must: • have reliable transportation to and from the shop • have a valid drivers license • be on time, be respectful and be reliable • No drug usage or prior convictions • No experience necessary. Job Duties will include: • Operating zero turn, stand-on and walk behind mowers • Operating string trimmers, edgers and backpack blowers • Providing our customers with high quality mowing service each week • Spring/Fall cleanups • Pruning • Aeration • Being attentive to detail • Being mindful of our clients properties • Heling with landscaping projects • Communicating with customers. This is a full-time position with weekly pay. Overtime pay after 40 hours. Pay will depend on experience. Questions, further info, or to be considered for the position please email Riley Gibson (gibsonmowing@yahoo.com). (3/24/22)

Professional Farm Manager: Hertz Farm Management, Inc. is looking for a Professional Farm Manager who will represents individuals, families, and entities that own farmland but do not farm themselves. Develop and maintain detailed communications with clients, prospects, farm operators, farm vendors and professional service providers consistent with the company’s mission, vision, and values. Requirements • Bachelor’s degree – required. • Ag background beneficial • Excellent verbal and written skills • Thorough commitment to customer service, internally and externally • Work under minimal supervision. For more info contact Troy Coziahr, (309) 944-2184. (3/21/22)

Full-Time: Earlybird Feed and Fertilizer in Goodfield, IL. You will exercise your agronomy skills and use tools (including drones and NDVI images) to identify various pests and plant stressors. Prepare reports and communicate with the respective farmers. Additional roles: Mapping: We utilize Variable Rate Technology for spreading fertilizer and lime. You will prepare some of the prescription maps for those fields. Dry Fertilizer: You will learn how to mix dry fertilizers according to order and how to load trucks. CDL: Having a CDL is not required, but desirable. Earlybird will assist you in acquiring your CDL. Warehouse Management: We have a retail store and warehouse with constant inventory flow. You will assist in keeping products organized and clean. Contact Erik Wieand (309) 208-8984 (erikle76@gmail.com) or Andrew Cottrell (309) 573-1231 (andrew44@gmail.com). (3/14/22)
Summer Internship: Bayer Crop Science in Manito, IL is currently hiring for full time seed technician roles. Questions or want to learn more? Scan the QR code to apply online. Eric Reiger (eric.reiger@bayer.com). (3/14/22)

County Manager Trainee Program: IL Farm Bureau County Manager Trainees train to become County Managers. Meet with staff from various divisions at IFB and Affiliated Companies, participate in leadership and skills training, and take part in programs and sessions. County Manager Trainees are given the support, tools, and resources needed in their training to become County Managers; while helping to grow the following skills: Leadership, Teamwork, Communication, Networking, Interpersonal/Organization/Planning, Industry Knowledge. For more info visit (ilfb.org/careers) or reach out to our recruiter (jobs@ilfb.org). (3/14/22)

Part-Time Seasonal: Kickapoo Creek Nursery needs help fall 2022 and spring/summer 2023. Duties may include but not limited to: General labor on field, greenhouse, or laboratory experience related to plant science research. If selected for this competitive, USDA initiative for an application. 1106 South East Avenue, Manito, IL 61759. Application due May 13, 2022. Interested students should contact Mary at jobs@ilfb.org for the Announcement and Application files.

Lawn/Landscape Crew Member: Knueger Lawn Care needs a team member with attention to detail to assist in landscape installation and maintenance operations. Tasks may include: Weekly Lawn Maintenance • Shrub Pruning and Trimming • Planting of Perennials, Trees and Shrubs • Installation of Rock or Mulch • Hardscape Construction: Patios, Seat Walls, and Landscape Borders • Landscape Bed Maintenance • Snow and Ice Removal. Experience is appreciated, but not required. Training will be offered. Requirements: • Valid driver’s license • Attention to detail • Lift 60-80 pounds on a routine basis. Contact Jordan Kruger at (309) 838-9089 or jordankrue1@gmail.com to apply. (3/14/22)

SCHOLARSHIPS

*NATIONAL SOCIETY DESCENDANTS OF AMERICAN FARMERS AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP: The National Society Descendants of American Farmers Agricultural Scholarship is available to college students pursuing an undergraduate or graduate level agriculture-related degree. Scholarship awards may be as high as $2,000.00 and may require an interview. Application Deadlines: August 1st for Fall semester. return application to: NSDOASF Scholarship Committee, at 2022@nsdoafscholarship@gmail.com (do not mail this application). Computer generated applications only. Applicants must have completed sophomore credits, and exhibit Junior, Senior undergraduate, or graduate-level standing in an agriculture-related degree program. For more information and application visit (https://www.nsdoaf.com/)

USDA-Funded Fellowship: Are you an incoming junior for Fall 2022 and a “numbers person” who is interested in using that talent in the context of agricultural or biological research? Then we have a need for you! Every research discipline is becoming progressively more data-driven, agriculture and biology included. In an effort to address the projected shortage of applied statisticians and data analysts, the ELIAS fellowship has been designed to support the concurrent training of students in both applied statistics and a hands-on field, greenhouse, or laboratory experience related to plant science research. If selected for this competitive, USDA-funded fellowship, you will receive: 1. A scholarship of $7,250 per year. 2. An independent research experience with a faculty member of your choosing. 3. Multiple opportunities to present your research at university events and on your home university’s social media. To be considered, you take AGR 363 Spring 2023, and passed (or willing to enroll in) a computer programming course. Application due 12 May 2022. Interested students should contact Mary at mfarmers@ilstu.edu for the Announcement and Application files.

Women In Agribusiness (WIA) Student Scholarships: Accepting applications until July 1, 2022. To apply, please fill out the application and email it to Carrie Vita at (evita@highquestgroup.com). For more info about WIA and the Summit visit the following websites: (https://www.womeninag.com/), (https://wia.highquestevents.com/website/34360/), (https://www.womeninag.com/_files/ugd/df0f1b3_2586c1bc543040a0b24673007cd47acd.pdf).

NETWORKING

2022 IL Livestock Leadership Institute: The Illinois Livestock Leadership Institute (ILLI) is a combined effort from IPPA, the Illinois Beef Association (IBA) and Midwest Dairy (MWD). ILLI provides an opportunity to become actively involved in the livestock industry and all of agriculture. ILLI is a 4 day trip that focuses on leadership, citizenship, and communication skills through hands-on experiences. Youth will learn about pork, beef and dairy production, research, consumer information and issues that affect the livestock industry today. ILLI participants must be 16-20 years old by the time of the trip. A maximum of 30 students will be accepted. Registration is based first on age, then on the quality of response to the prompt listed on the registration form. If chosen, there is a $150 registration fee to attend the trip, with all other trip expenses covered by ILLI. Please contact (lana@ilpork.com) (217) 529-3100 with any questions. The 2022 trip will take place June 20 - June 23 to Lexington, Kentucky. Application is due May 13, 2022. Follow all instructions on the application. Apply Here…

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO ARE GRADUATING!! EVERYONE HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!