## **Aggie 'Neck News**

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### BOOB-A-PALOOZA II 2019 "WE GOT THIS"

Benefit for KIM CLAYTON - BUSH





LIVE MUSIC

TRIPLE

SWITCH

PLAYING

8 PM TO 10 PM

### SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019

American Legion 221 E Washington, Macomb, IL Doors open at 4:00 pm Silent Auction 4:00pm – 6:30pm Live Auction 6:00 pm

RAFFLES – 1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20 930/935 Mossberg 12g Auto Loading Shotgun 43" Samsung HD Smart Television 50/50 Drawing TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

Follow us on FACEBOOK @ BOOB-A-PALOOZA II

Questions or to purchase Raffle Tickets Kathi Clayton Chaplain 309-337-2867, Stacy Clark 309-333-4731, Angie Eagan 309-331-5081, Lisa Fentem 309-333-0128 Tracy VanBrooker 309-331-4192.

## **Club News**

If you want to join a club, attend an interest meeting!

Ag Council: 1st & 3rd Wed, 5pm, KH 152 Ag Mech: 2nd Wed, 5pm, Ag Shop Ag Vocators: Tues, 7am, KH 152 Agribusiness: 1st & 3rd Wed, 6pm, KH 308 Agronomy: 2nd & 4th Tue, 5pm, KH 226 Alpha Gamma Rho: Mon, 5:30pm, AGR House Alpha Gamma Sigma: Mon, 6pm, AGS House Alpha Zeta: 1st & 3rd Wed, 5:30pm, KH 152 CFFA/ PAS/ AG Ed: 1st & 3rd Tue, 5pm, KH 152 Collegiate Farm Bureau: 2nd & 4th Tue, 6pm, KH 152

**Equestrian Club:** Wed, 6pm, Keeney Room (Rec Center)

**Forestry Club:** 2nd & 4th Thurs, 3pm, KH 201 **Hoof-n-Horn:** 3rd Thurs, 6:30pm, Livestock Center

Horticulture: 2nd & 4th Mon, 5pm, KH 226 Sigma Alpha: Mon, 5:30pm, KH 152

## **Upcoming Events**

3/2: Kim Clayton-Bush Benefit
3/5: All Major Career Fair
3/8: Bull Test Sale
3/19: Ag Internship mtg
3/20: Ag Internship mtg
3/22: Ag Open House
3/23: Equestrian Experience
3/23: HnH Jackpot Show
3/26: Ag Internship mtg
4/10: Stuff the Bus

## ALL MAJOR CAREER & INTERNSHIP FAIR



Friday, March 1, 2019 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Richland Community College Decatur, Illinois

## Union Grand Ballroom March 5th, 2019 12:00pm - 3:00pm



WIU School of Graduate Studies will be hosting their

Graduate Expo directly outside the fair. Career and internship opportunities available as well as free professional head shots!

PROFESSIONAL ATTIRE REQUIRED

## THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019 WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE Conference

womenchangingthefaceofagriculture.com

## THE 2019 EQUESTRIAN EXPERIENCE

Come support the WIU Equestrian Club

## MARCH 23RD

10 am to 3 pm

LIVESTOCK CENTER 2201 WIGWAM HOLLOW ROAD, MACOMB

Bring the whole family out for a fun day full of food, games, crafts, raffle baskets, vendors, petting zoo, and horse rides!

## Ag Internship Summer 2019



Expand networks and gain professional agricultural experience in the operation and management of agricultural businesses, public agencies, or private agencies. Earn college credit as you enhance your preparation for a career in agriculture.

### Mandatory Informational Meetings

You will need to plan to attend <u>One</u> (1) session:

Tuesday, March 19 - 12:00 pm <u>or</u> Wednesday, March 20 - 3:00 pm <u>or</u> Tuesday, March 26 - 7:00 am

All meetings will be in Knoblauch 306

The purpose of this meeting is to explain the requirements and protocol. You will need to have earned 54 hours by the end of Spring 2019 and have a 2.25 cumulative and major GPA to apply.

> Bring your internship manual! http://www.wiu.edu/cbt/agriculture/internships/

> > Faculty Supervisor: Dr. Graciela Andrango gc-andrango@wiu.edu 309-298-4688



We are excited to introduce the newest venture of the WIU School of Agriculture, Leatherneck Country Meats. This student centered offering allows for the purchase of high quality pork from the WIU farm. Bundles of 25 pounds, 70 pounds, or a whole hog can be purchased. Contact Jana Knupp at jm-knupp@wiu.edu for more information.



### THE ROCKY BUNDLE \$120

2 ROASTS OR HAMS 6-8 PORK CHOPS

3 LBS BACON 8 LBS SAUSAGE

### THE PURPLE & GOLD BUNDLE \$310

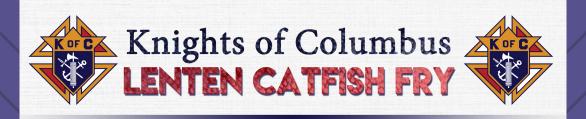
3 LBS RACK SPARE RIBS 4-2 LBS BOSTON BUTT ROASTS 2-Shoulder Roasts 8 LBS Bacon 10-12 BONE IN CHOPS 5 LBS SAUSAGE 2 Packages of Brats Whole Ham, Halved

### THE WHOLE HOG \$400

THE WHOLE HOG, PROCESSED TO YOUR SPECIFICATIONS PROCESSING COST NOT INCLUDED APPROXIMATELY 150 LBS

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WHEN: 4:30pm - 6:30pm, Fridays During Lent (March 8th - April 19th)

WHERE: St. Paul's Gym 322 W. Washington St., Macomb, IL

### \$10 CATFISH DINNER

Choice of Fried Whole Catfish, Pollock or Tuna Casserole Two Sides, Drink & Dessert

**\$5 KIDS MEAL** (All ages may order) Choice of Grilled Cheese or Pizza, One Side, Drink & Dessert

**FREE PIZZA** With the Purchase of a Catfish Dinner for Children 10 & Under

NOW ACCEPTING CREDIT, DEBIT AND APPLE PAY







## Alpha Zeta

## Jeopardy Night

March 7<sup>th</sup> at 6 P.M

Knoblauch Hall, Room 152

Teams up to 5 people! \$10 entry fee per team. Drop payment off in the Ag Office (AZ mailbox) by March 4 OR pay at the door! If there are any questions please contact Jonathan McConville by email (jm-mcconville@wiu.edu).

**\*\*For more employment** opportunities, please check the bulletin board by the Ag Office (Knobby 145)\*\*

## Employment **Opportunities**



Summer Internship / Research Crew

CRD Advisors LLC is a privately owned, contract corn research testing and corn breeding company, located NE of Springfield, IL.

CRD Advisors LLC is currently seeking applicants for summer positions and internships in the Research Department. These positions will provide a unique opportunity to learn about the agriculture industry from a research and breeding company. The internship will provide a basic understanding of the corn breeding and research industry. Major duties will include working in the corn breeding nursery developing new parent inbred lines and assisting with corn hybrid yield trial plot observations.

Summer Research Crew positions can last up to three months and include activities like hand pollinating in nursery blocks, plot maintenance, stand counting of yield trials at home and away locations, and field notes. Plan to work 20-40 hours per week during June and August, 30-40+ hours per week in July and some weekends. The start and end dates vary based on weather, type of position and location.

Individuals interested in any of these positions must meet the following job requirements to obtain summer employment or internships:

- Willingness to work 40 or more hours per week, including some weekends.
- Ability to work around corn, and other crops, pollen, and dust.
- Ability to walk and stand for long periods of time.
- Willingness to work outdoors, in a variety of conditions.
- Must be self-motivated and possess a positive attitude.

For more information and an application please contact:

Nathan Bergschneider Eastern Location Manager CRD Advisors, LLC 4275 Camp Butler Rd Springfield, IL 62707 217-415-0220 nbergschneider@gmail.com www.crd-advisors.com

### DES MOINES COUNTY SOIL & WATER

#### CONSERVATION DISTRICT 3625 Flint Ridge Drive **Burlington IA 52601**

319-753-6221 Ext. 3



The Des Moines County Soil & Water Conservation District is accepting applications for a summer internship position.

#### Position Title: Conservation Internship

Employment Term: 480 hours (approximately 12 weeks)

Education/Qualification: Must be enrolled in college or a recent graduate majoring in a field of study related to agriculture, conservation, engineering, construction trades, GIS, communications, public relations or urban planning.

Opening Date: January 14, 2019 Closing Date: February 8, 2019

Wage: \$12/hr. No holidays, vacation or benefits included.

#### **Description of Duties:**

- Conduct Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) field reviews
- Organize/plan a special project
- Assist with conservation practices survey and layout
- Soil health promotion activities
- Other duties may be required and assigned as deemed appropriate by the Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners

Skills & Abilities: The employee must be able to drive and have a valid driver's license. Knowledge of plants, soils and map reading is beneficial. Must have the ability to work outdoors in all types of weather conditions. Ability to walk through tough terrain and carry equipment.

### Contact: Send resumes via email to:

jamie.stewart@ia.nacdnet.net

### **Rising STAR Partner** Internship Program



### PROGRAM

PROCRAM To maintain our standard of excellence, we are continually looking for quality candidates to add to our team. Our Rising STAR Partner internship program is a rare opportunity which allows you to take the skills and knowledge gained through your college education, plus the extensive sales, agronomy, and business skills training from our Seed Academy and apply them in a practical setting to grow your own seed business. Our Rising STAR Partner Internship program will provide in-depth training, support and business planning assistance to help college students build their own LG Seed kealership. This is a great opportunity, with excellent income potential, for students returning to their home farm after graduation.

Members of the LG Seeds Rising STAR Partner Intern Team will gain the tools and information needed to run a Members of the Decks to be been shown in the thread of the

#### RESPONSIBILITY AREAS INCLUDE:

- Marketing/Sales Advantage Acre

- Agronomics Training Administrative

#### QUALIFICATIONS

- Background in farming preferred Pursuing agriculture related degree with Junior or Senior standing (or in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of Associates degree) Highly self-motivated with strong work ethic Desire to start their own seed business
- Excellent written and oral communications
- Possesses effective organization and time management skills Ability to complete responsibilities without supervision Professional attitude with great leadership qualities Ability to lift at least 50 lbs. Valid driver license & meet MVR guidelines

- Dependable personal vehicle

#### COMPENSATION

- \$15.87 per hour for the months of June, July, and August Additional opportunities for compensation may be available during the school year

#### HOW TO APPLY

Go to: <a href="http://agreliantgenetics.com/careers/">http://agreliantgenetics.com/careers/</a>, Select "View Current Job Openings", Type "Rising STAR" in search box, Click on job name then Select "Apply for this job on-line" then complete requested information and attach resume

1122 East 169th Street | Westfield, Indiana 46074 | (800) 752.6847 | laseeds.com

### CAREER **OPPORTUNITY**

### FARM ASSISTANT

A Western Illinois crop operation is seeking a full time employee for a year-round farm assistant position. The position has a flexible start date and salary dependent on experience.

### Responsibilities

Farm Assistant will perform a variety of tasks including, but not limited to: operating and maintenance of large machinery, drying and storage of grain, applying fertilizer and chemicals, mowing, and hauling grain.

### **Required Qualifications**

A valid driver's license and ability to perform labor-intensive tasks are necessary.

### Preferred Experience

Knowledge of agriculture and a commercial driver's license are preferred.

Please submit resume and/or questions to Mark Hawk at



### 2019 Internship Program

#### Our Company

Great Lakes Grain & Transportation was founded with a better vision for our food production system. We promote regenerative agricultural practices that protect the land, provide clean and safe food ingredients, and create economic opportunities for American farmers. We use technology to do things faster, smarter, and with a smaller environmental impact. And we're built to succeed, with the capital resources and experience to reach our goals.

Our core business is safely transporting the highest quality certified organic grains. We work in partnership with our suppliers to offer innovative forward pricing contracts and merchandising opportunities throughout the year. We currently have logistics operations in Michigan and Iowa, with ambitious growth plans for 2019.

#### Job Description

This is an 8 week internship for current college students interested in gaining real world agribusiness experience. We kick things off in June with a multi-day orientation program where you'll learn the basics of the grain trade (including conventional grains), an overview of the specialty crop markets, and everything you'll need to know about Great Lakes operations. For the remainder of the program you will work primarily from one of our regional sites, or from home. Tasks will include:

- Market research projects, typically involving visits to the local FSA
- Serve as a brand ambassador, communicating the Great Lakes value proposition to organic & conventional growers. This may be done by visiting farms, attending industry events such as conferences or other ag events such as the state or country fair, or meeting with other related businesses
- Develop contacts for potential grain origination.

#### Qualifications

- · Must be enrolled at an accredited university in an ag science, agribusiness, or general finance curriculum, with at least one year completed.
- Must have an exceptionally outgoing personality. This position often involves meeting new people and talking about ag. You have to be passionate about it!
- Farm experience strongly preferred. The ideal intern will have been a 4H member and spent considerable time on the farm before college. In fact, this internship offers the flexibility to continue working on a family farm operation throughout the summer and we encourage our interns to do so.

#### Location & Compensation

The three day paid orientation will be held in Chicago. The remainder of the program will be completed either from your home territory, one of our facilities in Michigan, Illinois, or Iowa

Compensation is based on an hourly rate plus additional bonus incentives for high performers. Travel expenses (such as the Chicago orientation program) are 100% covered by the company.

Please email us at careers@GreatLakesGT.com to be considered for this position



with livestock shows to join our communications team for the summer.

#### Based in Dunlap, Iowa May-August

Send Resume & Cover Letter to luke@sullivansupply.com

### **DEADLINE • MARCH 1ST**

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# plant care

Frisella Nursery is hiring full-time, part-time, and seasonal associates with a passion for plants and learning!



### We are looking for hardworking, reliable individual/s to join our growing business team.

### Positions open are as follows:

Full Time Bag Delivery truck driver - Must have or have capability of gaining a Class A CDL license, lift with no with restraints, motivated, reliable person that is able take instruction and follow directions. Capability of operating a fork lift, and hand truck are a plus

Full Time Warehouse Manager - Must be a reliable, responsible person with good organizational skills. Job will pertain to warehouse upkeep, stocking, helping load orders for customers, as well as assisting the Mill manager. Person must have capability of lifting with no restraints, operating a fork lift and hand truck are a plus. Must be able to work as a team and take instructions

Part Time Warehouse' Mill support - Must be a reliable, responsible individual, able to operate a fork lift and hand truck are a plus. Ability to lift with no restraints, and take instructions well.

Please apply at Earlybird Nutrition - Roseville Mill 300 East Broadway Street, Roseville, IL 61473 309-705-3010



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### Summer Field Inspectors & Contract Coordinators

Positions available with teams in the Manito, Minier, and Beardstown areas.

#### Requirements:

- Ability to work in all-weather conditions Ability to work flexible hours, including
- Team player Adaptability Technology experience Safety oriented

maximum sustainable vields Desired Skills/Experience

Self-motivated individual

Opportunity to work with an energetic team focused on bringing the best corn products to farmers for

If you, or someone you know, is interested, email <u>madison.mohr@bayer.com</u> or <u>illinois.illiopolis@monsanto.com</u> or visit either of our site at Manito or Illiopolis for an application.

Manito, IL 61546

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weekends

- Must be at least 18 years old Drug screen upon start date
- Reliable form of transportation Valid driver's license

### HOW TO APPLY

1106 South East Ave

WIU Agricultural Farm

Job title: Student Livestock Farm Workers - Summer

Reports to: WIU Farm Coordinator Job purpose: Student Livestock Farm Workers will assist university farm staff in all areas of farm operation including livestock care, breeding and record keeping, building, grounds, and equipment operation & maintenance, as well as special projects. Student

workers get opportunities to learn and become proficient at new skills and equipment. Student workers must complete chores on weekends and holidays. Duties:

Duties:

- Feed & water livestock
- Recognize when livestock are not healthy and bring to attention of farm staff
- Mowing and upkeep of farm grounds Monitoring all buildings, barns, and fences for repairs and safety
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- Cleaning of livestock pens and activity centers
- Assist on special projects as directed by supervisors
- Drive trucks & tractors with trailers
- Safely operate push mowers, pull-behind mowers, string trimmers, and chainsaws
- Use of agricultural hand tools proficiently (Shovels, forks, rakes, brooms, hammers, drills, wrenches, etc.)
   Occasionally operate skid steer and loader tractor (under direct supervision of experienced staff operator)

### Qualifications:

#### Required:

- Student Workers must be enrolled in summer class(es) at WIU or registered for classes in the upcoming fall semester.
  - Valid Driver's License and satisfactory driving record
  - Reliable
  - Punctual
  - Available to work on weekends and holidays (Students rotate and we try to work with your schedule)
  - Fluent in English language
- Ability to lift 50lbs

#### Desired:

- Positive attitude
- Hard working
- Work as part of a team and/or on independent tasks
- Previous agricultural experience with livestock
- Ability to operate farm equipment
- Contact Information: To schedule an interview, please submit a resume to Paul Blome, WIU Farm Coordinator via e-mail or submit a hard-copy in the WIU Ag office (Knoblauch room 145)

Thank you,

Paul Blome WIU Farm Coordinator Instructor of Arboriculture & Urban Forestry School of Agriculture WIU Agricultural Field Laboratory Farm Livestock Center Room 101 Western Illinois University Macomb, IL 61455 O: 309-298-1160 C: 309-252-1075 E: PH-Blome@WIU.EDU



### SUMMER FIELD HELP WANTED

The Bayer North America Field Testing Operations (NAFTO) Group in Monmouth, IL is now accepting summer field position applications for our upcoming season running May through August 2019. We have positions available for college students who would like a rewarding job experience where there will be a variety of agronomic research learning opportunities. Agricultural experience is not required for this opportunity.

#### Job tasks could include:

- Early season May and June
  - Assist in staking and identifying discard plots at our ~25 corn and soybean yield trial locations across Western Illinois
  - Utilize handheld computing devices (such as ipods/ipads) for in-season data collection at our field locations for corn and soybeans
  - Assist with installation and maintenance of irrigation drip tape for disease trails
     Collect soil and/or plant samples and installation of soil probes and weather monitoring devices
- Mid-season June, July, and early August
  - Monitoring previous 2018 yield trials for volunteer corn and soybean plants
  - Rouging off type (hybrid) plants in inbred trials
  - Collect plant tissue samples and ship to labs for analysis
  - General plot maintenance and removing weeds in trials
  - Assist in collecting a variety of opportunistic agronomic notes that may become present throughout the growing season
  - Assist in collecting flowering data of soybeans

Late season – August and September

- Collect plant and corn ear height data from offsite locations
- Assist with soybean maturity and growth stage notes

Again, If you are interested in working please fill out the enclosed application and email it to samantha.arnold@bayer.com or mail it to the Monsanto Agronomy Center. The deadline for application submission is April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. Our mailing address is as follows:

Monmouth Agronomy Center C/O Samantha Arnold 1677 80<sup>th</sup> Street Monmouth, IL 61462

Employees will typically work 8:00am to 5:00pm weekly and some weekends will be required based on work load. Weather plays a huge part in determining schedule and work load. Chosen candidates will also be required to pass a drug test prior to their start date. If you have any questions or for more information, please call or text Samantha Arnold at 309-221-4461 or contact via e-mail at <u>samantha.arnold@bayer.com</u>.



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### <u>Current Openings Include:</u>

·Field Inspectors to scout fields

-Contract Supervisors to manage crews

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#### Apply now!

Contact: Aaron Price (309) 532-2697 <u>aaron.price@bayer.com</u> Larissa Kiefer (309) 319-1250 <u>larissa.kiefer@bayer.com</u>

## **Scholarship Opportunities**

\*\*For more info, please check the bulletin board\*\*







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OCTOBER 5, 2018 & MARCH 22, 2019

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