

AUGUST 2021



Pictured, front, from left: Jenna Preston, Tara Mayhew, Mia Freyermuth, Sammi Reese, Miranda Reininger. Middle, from left: Cole Whisman, Chad Bell, Carson Hank. Back, from left: Gage Hank, Grant Biddle, Brad Reininger.

## YL bags tournament raises \$962

The Mercer – Rock Island Farm Bureau Young Leaders raised \$962 at their Bags' Tournament held at Lloyd's Longbranch, Reynolds, on July 1. Proceeds from the tournament were split between the Mercer and Rock Island County Farm Bureau Foundations.

Thirty-four teams participated in the single-elimination event. Prizes were awarded to Nick Madison and Kameron

Macke for first place, Andy Lloyd and Dusty Macke for second place, and Joel Preston and Paul Rosmann for the best team name, The Great Cornholios.

A special thanks to Lloyd's Longbranch and staff for allowing us use of your location, and to everyone who participated in making the first annual Young Leaders Bags Tournament a huge success!

## Calendar of Events

### AUGUST

- 10 District 3 Meeting, Lavender Crest Winery; 6 p.m.
- 16 RICFB Annual Meeting and RICFB Board of Directors meeting; 6:30 p.m.
- 25 RICFB Foundation Board of Directors meeting
- 31 Farm Progress Show, Decatur

### SEPTEMBER

- 1-2 Farm Progress Show, Decatur
- 6 Office closed for Labor Day
- 10 Young Leaders Night at Modern Woodmen Park
- 20 RICFB Board of Directors meeting
- 24 Freezer meal orders due

## WANT TO STAY UP TO DATE WITH UPCOMING EVENTS?

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## Annual Meeting

of the Rock Island County Farm Bureau  
will be Monday, Aug. 16, 2021

at the Rock Island County Farm Bureau office  
1601 52nd Ave., Suite 3, Moline, IL  
and will start promptly at 6:30 p.m.

*No meal will be served.*

*Only a business meeting and official business will take place.*

## Basting featured at next Outlook

Brian Basting, economist with Advance Trading, will be the featured speaker Thursday, Sept. 16 at 6:15 p.m. at Lavender Crest Winery, 5401 US Highway 6, Colona. Dinner will be followed by an update from a local grain merchandiser.

Reservations are required and must be made by Sept. 9 to guarantee your attendance.

Brian Basting was born and raised in Bloomington, Illinois, on a grain and livestock farm. He earned bachelor and master's degrees in agricultural economics from the University of Illinois. Prior to joining Advance, he worked for a farmer advisory service based in Wisconsin.

He is an economist responsible for wheat market fundamentals and domestic grain consumption trends, assisting in feed grains and soybean analysis.

He assists in the preparation of a weekly fundamental review of commodities for clients and brokers. He also writes a weekly summary of fundamental market developments and the importance of implementing disciplined risk management strategies.

Brian has been a featured guest on



Brian Basting

many national media television outlets, including U.S. Farm Report, Ag Day and This Week in Agribusiness. He has participated in press briefings at the Chicago Board of Trade and for the Minneapolis Grain Exchange following monthly USDA Supply/Demand reports. Brian also provides periodic market updates for several radio stations and wire service

providers and has been interviewed by various newspapers and magazines.

Cost for the series is \$85 and a single session is \$30 (if not pre-registered, cost will be \$35). To make reservations, please call the Henry County Farm Bureau at 309-937-2411, Rock Island County Farm Bureau at 309-736-7432 or Mercer County Farm Bureau at 309-582-5116.

Additional dates and speakers for the 2021-2022 series include: Nov. 18, Joe Camp, Commstock Investments; March 10, Mike McClellan, Mobile Weather; July 7, Ted Seifried, Zaner Ag Hedge.

The Market Outlook Series is sponsored by the Henry, Rock Island and Mercer County Farm Bureau Marketing Committees.

## Young Leaders invited to River Bandits game

The District 3 and 4 Young Leaders are invited to watch the QC River Bandits play the Peoria Chiefs on Friday, Sept. 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Modern Woodmen Park, Davenport.

Cost is \$25, which includes ticket and

meal. Join us for a fun night at the ball park and mingle with other area Young Leaders!

RSVP by Aug. 31 by calling our office at 309-736-7432 or emailing [rmayhew@ricofarmbureau.org](mailto:rmayhew@ricofarmbureau.org).



Pictured is Fred Nightingale, retiring District 2 Director

## Thanks to our retiring directors

The Rock Island County Farm Bureau Board of Directors would like to thank and recognize three retiring directors this year.

Brian Brown, Fred Nightingale, and Mike Saddoris have served the members of the Rock Island County Farm Bureau for a combined 53 years. Brian has represented District 1 since 2013. Fred has served District 2 since 1987, including many years as board treasurer. Mike has represented District 3 since 2010.

Thank you for your many years of loyalty and service to the Rock Island County Farm Bureau!



Pictured is Rock Island County Farm Bureau member Lylah Jo Franks.

## Youth activities at fairs

The Mercer-Rock Island Farm Bureau Young Leaders hosted free youth activities at each of the Mercer and Rock Island County fairs. A pedal tractor pull was held at the Mercer County Fair for children 12 years and under. Forty-four kids participated in four weight classes, with the top three placings in each class recognized.

An ag scavenger hunt was held at the Rock Island County Fair for families and children of all ages. About 20 participants joined in the fun, following clues to each of the livestock barns and participating in an activity and ag trivia at each station. The first team completing the scavenger hunt was Lylah Jo and Landry Franks. Congratulations!