Boone County FARM STROLL

Sunday, September 18, 2022
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Welcome to the Farm Stroll, a self-guided tour of Boone County’s diversified family farms. There’s no beginning or end, just choose which farms to see and hit the road. Satisfy your local food cravings and curiosities on farms that grow your food!

- The Stroll is free, but bring cash for food and activities at the farms.
- Dress for a farm visit in all-weather clothes and closed-toe shoes.
- Turn in a completed Farm Stroll Passport for a chance to win prizes!
- Get info and share your pictures at facebook.com/northernilfarmstroll.

For your safety:
- Drive carefully on rural roads
- Follow farmers’ instructions
- Wash your hands regularly
- Keep children under control
- PLEASE NO PETS!

For information about upcoming educational programs and events offered through U of I Extension, visit our website at extension.illinois.edu/bdo.

Scan here for Google Maps.
Alpaca Pines Farm and Fiber Mill
21756 Beaverton Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Alpaca Pines is home to both suri and huacaya alpacas, plus a llama. The mill processes a variety of fibers into yarn and more. Stop by the farm with the family to interact with the animals, tour the mill, enter a coloring contest, drawings and see demos of hand spinning. A variety of alpaca products available for sale.

BraveHearts Therapeutic Riding & Therapy Services
4950 Route 173, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

BraveHearts, a 501c3 organization founded in 2002, provides equine assisted services to children, adults, and U.S. military veterans - serving all veterans at zero cost. Receive a hands on experience with BraveHearts therapy horses and learn the many ways BraveHearts serves our community at their Poplar Grove location.

Illinois Wool and Fiber Mill
10828 Caledonia Road, Belvidere, IL 61008

Visit Illinois' first full-service fiber mill. Learn how wool and other fibers are made into yarn for knitting. Demonstrations all day. We raise Shetland sheep and Scottish Blackface. See the sheep and learn how we take care of them. We love to talk about how nice their wool is. Shop at the Complete Sheep Shoppe for warm mittens, boots, slippers and wool blankets. All at our family farm.

Paulson's Ag Museum of Argyle
6950 Belvidere Road, Caledonia, IL 61011

Welcome to PAMA! The home of the largest and best collection of farm equipment and antiques of yesteryear! Warren and Helen Paulson began this amazing collection that has grown into a museum. The museum displays local, regional, national and worldwide artifacts. Here you will find a large display of farm toys, cast iron implement seats, gas engines, antique tractors and more. Tours of the museum take about two hours. We recommend arriving before 3pm so you have a chance to see everything. Board members will be available to answer questions about the collection. A free will donation to help support operations of the museum is appreciated.

Ramsay Farm
16810 Ramsay Road, Caledonia, IL 61011

Soybeans & Soil. See the plants and equipment we use to grow soybeans. More soybeans are grown in Illinois than any other state in the USA. Learn about the exceptional soils of Boone County and how local farms work with this ancient resource. Ask about our experiences with conservation/soil health practices no-till and cover crops, having land in the State of Illinois/Boone County Agricultural Areas, or participating in the Precision Conservation Management program.

Susie's Garden Patch
10258 US Highway 20, Garden Prairie, IL 61038

Susie's Garden Patch is family-owned and operating since 1985. Growing lots of amazing veggies and strawberries, picked at the peak of ripeness, and extending the growing season with high tunnels. Offering u-pick pumpkins. Come ask questions, take a tour, and meet the family!

Troogg's Hollow CSA and Market Farm
11577 Poplar Grove Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Chemical-free, regenerative agriculture, local microfarm. Growing produce you would normally get on your trip to the grocery store, year-round through CSA, farmers markets and an on-farm stand. Farm tours at 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 and 4:00pm. Don't forget to say hi to the furry and feathered friends!

Thank you for participating in this year's Boone County Farm Stroll!

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