

Adventure!

Explore new places or visit old favorites as part of the **4-H Road Trip Family Challenge**!

Follow the directions below to earn one entry into the "County 4-H Family Challenge Prize Drawing" each time you visit a new "destination." Boone, DeKalb, and Ogle will have separate drawings. You will also be entered into the "IL-WI Grand Prize Road Trip Drawing." First county drawing: December 15; second county drawing: March 15. Last date to enter: March 5. IL-WI Grand Prize Drawing: March 15.

How to Complete This Challenge:

- 1) Choose any one of the specific destinations listed to visit, and download the appropriate scavenger hunt questions to take with you. 4-H Road Trip destinations and info are available at https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-road-trip-challenge.
- 2) Visit the destination, and take a family selfie at the designated spot. Post it on social media with the hashtag for your county: **#Boone4H #DeKalbCounty4H**, or **#Ogle4H** AND **#4HRoadTripChallenge**. If you don't use social media, email your selfie to jbmgrtnr@illinois.edu.
- 3) Complete the Scavenger Hunt and upload your answers to the appropriate "Participation Report" link.

Be aware that the scavenger hunt questions for each destination are meant to be answered by *families*. Adult supervision during visits is needed to ensure safety at each of the destinations. Nearby points of interest are provided as a courtesy for families unfamiliar with the locations. No endorsement of attractions/restaurants is intended, and the list of options at any location is not nearly complete.

Destinations to Choose From:

Lowden State Park

Physical Address: 1411 North River Road, Oregon, IL 61061

(Ogle County)

Description: One of the most picturesque sites along the Rock River. Legend has it that Chief Black Hawk, as he left the area after the Black Hawk War, talked of the beauty of the area and admonished his captors to care for the land as he and his

Take your selfie here!

people had. Lowden State Park was established to care for the land and allow visitors to share in the beauty as well. The park serves as a memorial to Gov. Frank O. Lowden, who served Illinois during World War I.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/scavenger hunt handout-lowden state park-final - unit 2.pdf

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here.

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Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Castle Rock State Park
- Conover Square Merchant Mall (once was a piano factory)
- White Pelican Inc. (Offering canoe, kayak, stand-up paddleboard, tube, and bike rentals)
- Maxson Riverboat and Riverside Restaurant
- Jay's Drive In

Rochelle Railroad Park

Physical Address: 124 N 9th Street, Rochelle, IL 61068

(Ogle County)

Description: Rochelle is one of several spots where main rail lines cross as they head from Chicago to all points of interest. Rochelle is one of the few points in the country, however, where such junctions boast two double tracks crossing

each other at grade, forming four "diamonds" (so called for the shape of the rails at the crossing).



https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/scavenger_hunt_handout-rochelle_railroad_park-final.pdf

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.gle/fwdUDEvGRDjD6Ggn6

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- <u>1918 Standard Oil Filling Station</u> (The very first gasoline filling station in Rochelle and the first filling station built along the Lincoln Highway in Illinois.)
- The Kitchen Table
- Flight Deck Bar and Grill / Chicagoland Skydiving Center
- Flagg Township Museum

Ellwood House Museum

Physical Address: 509 N. 1st Street DeKalb, IL 60115

(DeKalb County)

Description: The historic Victorian mansion, situated on 10 acres of parkland, was originally built in 1879 for barbed wire entrepreneur Isaac Ellwood. The museum campus consists of seven historic structures, four gardens, and 6,000-square-feet of exhibit space in the Patience Ellwood Towle Visitor Center. Currently the inside tours of the house are closed however there is still plenty to see on the grounds.

The Visitor Center is free and open year-round by appointment.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/10GRnQaj1CFjv0R6nMGk4yHAqebClShJx/view

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScBQC13VXUisWqsvHfoFPuKDqaHU84W oTiDh-tLJ015-JtxA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0





Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Northern Illinois Univeristy (NIU)
- Egyptian Theater
- Pizza Villa
- Confectionary

DeKalb County History Center

Physical Address: 1730 N Main Street Sycamore, IL 60178

(DeKalb County)

Description: A local county museum that is located at the historic Engh Farm in Sycamore. It includes a windmill, one of the largest corn cribs in the county, a pond and a large area to walk around and enjoy.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

<u>https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/scavenger hunt handout - dekalb county history center.pdf</u>

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.gle/WQmTugZuLhmx5bmcA
Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Historical Markers of DeKalb County
- Ollie's Frozen Custard
- Syco Escape Room
- Taxco Restaurant

Belvidere Park

Physical Address: 1006 W. Lincoln Ave, Belvidere, Il 61008

(Boone County)

Description: A beautiful park with a wide range of amenities to keep the family busy. Within its 105 acres are: 4 shelters, public restrooms, tennis courts, sand volleyball courts, basketball courts, ball diamond, playground areas, accessible fishing pier and the historical swinging bridge.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location below:

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Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.gle/cWsaV4JRkZprJ33f7

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Poplar Grove Vintage Wings and Wheels Museum
- Boone County Conservation District
- Sips and Sprinkles
- Firebox Italian Restaurant



Take your selfie here!

"City of Murals"

Physical Address: The murals are located along both sides of State Street from Hurlbut Street and progressing east to Logan Avenue

(Boone County)

Description: The "City of Murals" began with ten murals created in downtown Belvidere in June 1997 during a festival initiated by the Belvidere Chamber of Commerce. As a result, Belvidere received the 1997 Governor's Art award and was named the Illinois "City of Murals." Since that time, the community has supported adding additional murals along State Street.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

https://uofi.box.com/s/kbapgbeoel8goddsmck8Inhe9x887l14

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.qle/dazF5tuhseJ4B7nF8
Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Boone County Museum of History
- Frank Lloyd Wright Memorial Chapel
- Sips and Sprinkles
- Shortline Sushi Bar



Kishwauketoe Nature Conservancy

Physical Address: 251 Elkhorn Road, Williams Bay, WI 53191

(Walworth County)

Description: A 231 acre property comprised of trails, ponds, streams, boardwalks, various ecosystems (prairie, wetlands, deciduous forest, oak woods, kettle, and meadow), a tower, and more.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-road-trip-challenge

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.gle/VghGbrT5VYQbt1i48

Caution: Bug spray is recommended while weather is still warm. A short easy hike is required to complete

the scavenger hunt—some of which is on boardwalks. Do not take the path off the bridge until after you have confirmed its length and know what you are getting yourselves into. It's a long trail.

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Black Point Estate
- Williams Bay Beach
- Geneva Lake Shore Path
- Frosty Moose Restaurant



White River County Park

Physical Address: 6503 Sheridan Springs Road, Lake Geneva, WI 53147

(Walworth County)

Description: A 195 acre park features about two miles of White River frontage, approximately five miles of walking trails, a canoe/kayak launch, cross country

skiing, fishing, and more.

Download scavenger hunt questions for this location here:

https://extension.illinois.edu/bdo/4-h-road-trip-challenge

Enter your scavenger hunt answers here: https://forms.gle/emh4ZCUVf4tCTjSF9

Caution: Bug spray is recommended while weather is still warm. An easy 20-minute hike (10 min each way) is required to complete the scavenger hunt. Boots are recommended in case of rain or snow.

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Lake Geneva Ziplines & Adventures
- Safari Lake Geneva
- Tristan Crist Magic Theatre
- Geneva Lake Museum
- Next Door Pub & Pizzeria

Hidden Alley Cat Murals

Physical Address: 1016 16th Ave, Monroe, WI 53566 (Green County)

Description: These fun, colorful murals are "hidden" in the alleys, in a 1-2 block radius around the historic Green County Courthouse. The murals are part of a larger beautification in Monroe, featuring local and regional artists. As an added bonus, see how many colorful woodcarvings you can find all around town. **Take**

your selfie with your favorite alley cat!

Download the SCAVENGER HUNT for this destination here:

https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/scavenger hunt handout-alley cats.pdf

Enter your scavenger hunt answers and REPORT PARTICIPATION here:

https://forms.gle/qCWmuKB6jbcnMRS5A

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Historic Green County Courthouse
- **Enjoy a Sweet Treat!**
- Disc Golf at Twining Park
- **Badger State Trail**









Pearl Island Recreational Corridor

Physical Address: W705 Golf Course Rd, Brodhead, WI 53520

(Green County)

Description: Pearl Island is the area between the Sugar River and Mill Race, north of Brodhead. **Take your selfie at the Head Gates Park sign** (pictured), then access a well maintained walking / biking / skiing trail that will take you .6 miles northwest to the Decatur Lake Dam or 2 miles southeast to Brodhead. The hike to

Decatur Lake Dam is required to complete the scavenger hunt.

Download the SCAVENGER HUNT for this destination here:

https://extension.illinois.edu/sites/default/files/scavenger hunt handout-pearl island rec corridor-final.pdf

Enter your scavenger hunt answers and REPORT PARTICIPATION here:

https://forms.gle/5bZ8voSSRR6ZMe9e7

Some nearby Points of Interest:

- Brodhead Jaycees Covered Bridge
- Ten Eyck Orchard & Corn Maze
- Decatur Dairy
- Magnolia Bluff Park



Destinations in other Wisconsin and Northern Illinois Counties are coming soon! We are proud to be collaborating with several other colleagues in offering this challenge opportunity.



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