



# **Boone County FARM STROLL**

Sunday, October 1, 2023 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!

# **2023 Boone County FARM STROLL Farms**



## 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.



## **S & J Farm Kirkland LLC** 1745 Cherry Valley Rd. Kirkland, IL 60146

We started with 6 baby chicks and when chicken math took over, we had to find more land. We bought this 150-year-old fixer upper and have since expanded to cows and fresh veggies. You'll see the cows grazing and the chickens right there with them! We will have fresh pasture raised eggs and fresh veggies available. Our greenhouse is a work in progress, and we hope to have it finished soon!



#### Homestead Farm 9222 Huber Road, Belvidere, IL 61008

Come see an assortment of farm animals! We will have farm raised meat and eggs for sale, so please bring a cooler.



#### 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!



#### 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.



#### **Trogg'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!

For information or questions, please contact: Judy Hodge, Program Coordinator 815-544-3710 or hodg@illinois.edu



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