

CORN HUSKER DAYS 2017

37th Annual Illinois State Corn Husking Contest

The Hand Corn Picking Contest will be held **Sunday October 1, 2017** at the Barb and Harlan Jacobson's farm 3.5 miles south of Roseville, Illinois. The contest site is on the west side of Highway 67.

The contest will start at 9AM. A paid membership of \$15 is required to pick in the contest for the adult classes and \$3 for the youth. Please register by September 25, 2017 if you are planning to pick in the contest. The Illinois Association will draw for lands before the contest to save time. Lands will be assigned by a random method within each class. Sign in for the contestants starts at 8 AM the day of the contest.

There is no fee for spectators and participants of the Pee Wee Contest.

Changes in the 2017 Illinois Contest

There are two registration forms for the 2017 Illinois State Contest. The youth form is for the Pee Wee Contest and anyone under 18 years of age. The adult registration form is for anyone that is 18 year old and older. Please read the forms and fill them out to match your age and the class you are picking in.

TEN MINUTE CLASSES The first contestant will pick then their load will be scooped into a contractors bag and placed in a garbage can with their gleanings sack. The next contestant will start picking were the last contestant finished. We are trying to eliminate short rows and speed up the contest.

Newsletter for 2017

There will not be a mass mailing of the 2017 newsletter. All of the information and registration forms are available on the Illinois State web page, www.illinoiscornhusking.com and the Illinois Facebook page, [facebook.com/ilcornhusking](https://www.facebook.com/ilcornhusking). A newsletter will be mailed to each family. Please pass information on to anyone who wants to pick in the contest.

Hall of Fame

Nominations should be submitted to Leroy Tappe by September 25th, 2017.
212 30th St Roseville, IL 61473

Board and Illinois Officers for 2017

The Board Of Directors for 2017 are
Leroy Tappe (Chairperson), Harlan Jacobson, Nancy Miller, Dick Humes, and Frank Hennenfent.

Officers for 2017

Dick Humes was appointed President, Leroy Tappe 1st Vice President, Thad Tharp 2nd Vice President, Jim Brechbiel Treasurer, and Frank Hennenfent Secretary.

St. George Memorial Contest

A memorial plaque in honor of Bob St. George was established in 2006. It is awarded to the contestant that has the least deductions and most pounds picked per minute that does not qualify for the National Contest To qualify you must have 3 lbs. or less gleanings, 1.25 oz of husks or less.

The winners of the Bob St. George Memorial Contest are 2006 Leroy Tappe, 2007 Jim Daugherty, 2008 Steve Humes, 2009 Ted Molitor, 2010 Don Mckinley, 2011 Richard Ristau, and Jim Daugherty in 2012. No-one qualified in 2013, Max Anderson won in 2014 and Tim Brechbiel won in 2015. Ron Baucom was the 2016 winner.

First Time National Winner

Congratulations to Jerry Miller on winning the 2016 Senior Men's National Contest. It was his first National Contest and first Illinois Contest. He lead Illinois to the National Championship title.

Work Day for the Illinois Contest

The work day for the Illinois contest is Saturday, September 30, 2017 starting at 9 AM. Contact Harlan Jacobson at 309-426-2854 or Dick Humes at 309-729-5261.

Obituary

Murle Kell 93 of Aledo passed away May 6, 2017. He was one of the best left handed Illinois State cornhusker, winning several Illinois cornhusking contests in the 1980's and 1990's.