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Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

▶ Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

▶ Go to *www.irs.gov/Form990EZ* for instructions and the latest information.

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A For the 2017 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending

B Check if applicable
- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Final return/terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
CARROLL COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) | Room/suite
408 WEST 8TH STREET

City or town | State | ZIP code
CARROLL | IA | 51401

Foreign country name | Foreign province/state/county | Foreign postal code
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D Employer identification number
42-0680704

E Telephone number
(712) 792-9296

F Group Exemption Number ▶ 0626

G Accounting Method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify) ▶

I **Website:** ▶ N/A

J **Tax-exempt status** (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (5) ◀ (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

H Check ▶ ☐ if the organization is *not required* to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts If gross receipts are $200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, column (B) below) are $500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ ▶ $ 191,773

Part I **Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (see the instructions for Part I)
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I . . . . . ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received		1	32,600
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts		2	
	3	Membership dues and assessments		3	70,480
	4	Investment income		4	42,049
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a		
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b		
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)		5c	0
	6	Gaming and fundraising events			
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than $15,000)	6a		
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including $ ____ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds $15,000)	6b		
	c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
	d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)		6d	0
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
	b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
	c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		7c	0
	8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)		8	46,644
	9	**Total revenue.** Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	▶	9	191,773
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)		10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members		11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits		12	22,867
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors		13	765
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance		14	13,384
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping		15	648
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)		16	102,409
	17	**Total expenses.** Add lines 10 through 16	▶	17	140,073
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)		18	51,700
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)		19	361,576
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)		20	13,316
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	▶	21	426,592

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Part II Balance Sheets. (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II . . . X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
22	Cash, savings, and investments	281,746	22	313,336
23	Land and buildings	78,416	23	69,769
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	3,843	24	48,769
25	**Total assets**	364,005	25	431,874
26	**Total liabilities** (describe in Schedule O)	2,429	26	5,282
27	**Net assets or fund balances** (line 27 of column (B) **must** agree with line 21)	361,576	27	426,592

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐

Expenses (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? PROVIDE CURRENT AG INFORMATION

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title

28 AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO HELPING FARM FAMILIES PROSPER AND IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE PROVIDED INFORMATION ON AGRICULTURAL ISSUES THROUGH NEWSLETTERS, MEETINGS, ETC 1,827 MEMBERS WERE BENEFITTED IN 2017

(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 28a

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 29a

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(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 30a

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)

(Grants $) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ▶ ☐ 31a

32 **Total program service expenses.** (add lines 28a through 31a) ▶ 32 0

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated—see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV ☐

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
KYLER OSWALD PRESIDENT	Hr/Wk 2 50	0	0	0
JASON NEES VICE PRESIDENT	Hr/Wk 2 50	0	0	0
JOYCE BRINCKS SECRETARY/TREASURER	Hr/Wk 2 50	0	0	0
BRIAN HOFFMAN VOTING DELEGATE	Hr/Wk 2 50	0	0	0
JASON NIELAND DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
RUSS SCHELLE DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
STUART CONNER DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
KEVIN BOYLE DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
ESTA RAASCH DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
RANDY KERNEN DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
TONY EICKMAN DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0
BEN KLOCKE DIRECTOR	Hr/Wk 1 50	0	0	0

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Part V **Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V . ☐

			Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33		X
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)	34		X
35 a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a		X
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? *If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O*	35b		X
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c		X
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36		X
37 a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶ 37a			
b	Did the organization file **Form 1120-POL** for this year?	37b		X
38 a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee **or** were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a		X
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b			
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 . 39a			
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities . 39b			
40 a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶ _____ , section 4912 ▶ _____ ; section 4955 ▶ _____			
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b		
c	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶ _____			
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶ _____			
e	All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e		X
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶ IA			
42 a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ THE ORGANIZATION Telephone no ▶ (712) 792-9296 Located at ▶ 408 WEST 8TH STREET City CARROLL ST IA ZIP + 4 ▶ 51401			
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR)	42b		X
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the United States? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ _____	42c		X
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041**—Check here . ▶ ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43			
			Yes	No
44 a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a		X
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b		X
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c		X
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? *If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O* .	44d		X
45 a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a		X
45 b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b		X

			Yes	No
46	Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I	46		X

Part VI **Section 501(c)(3) organizations only**

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47–49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI . . . . . ☐

			Yes	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47		
48	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48		
49 a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a		
b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b		

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees, and key employees) who each received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
Name None Title	Hr/WK 00			
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f Total number of other employees paid over $100,000 . . ▶

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Name None Str City ST ZIP		
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d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over $100,000 . ▶

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A . . . ▶ ☐ Yes ☒ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge

Sign Here

Signature of officer [signature] Date 7/23/18

Type or print name and title

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Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☒ if self-employed	PTIN
MAX N STUDER	Max N. Studer CPA	7/17/2018		P01272566

Firm's name ▶ MAX N STUDER CPA Firm's EIN ▶ 27-5346832

Firm's address ▶ PO BOX 1463, JOHNSTON, IA 50131 Phone no (515) 238-1766

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions . . . ▶ ☒ Yes ☐ No

SCHEDULE O (Form 990 or 990-EZ)	Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ	OMB No 1545-0047
Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information. ▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ. ▶ Go to *www.irs.gov/Form990* for the latest information.	2017 Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
CARROLL COUNTY FARM BUREAU	42-0680704

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue Expense Recoveries 6,259

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue Reclassification of Prior Contributions to be Recovered 40,322

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 8, Other Revenue Miscellaneous 63

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Travel 637

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Conferences, conventions, and meetings 5,635

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Equipment rental and maintenance 4,483

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Supplies 618

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Telephone 4,279

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Depreciation 8,580

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Federation Dues 37,002

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Management Expense 1,762

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Advertising & Public Relations 3,580

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Membership Acquisition 2,725

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Dues & Subscriptions 4,542

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Insurance 835

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Program Services 16,839

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Ag In The Classroom 169

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Young Farmer Activities 165

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Board of Director Expense 3,632

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16, Other Expenses Ag & Community Support 6,926

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 20, Net Assets Unrealized Gain on Marketable Equity Securities 13,316

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24, Other Assets Accounts Receivable Beginning of year. 3,843, End of year 4,385

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24, Other Assets Heifer Program Receivable Beginning of year 0,

Name of the organization: CARROLL COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Employer identification number: 42-0680704

End of year 44,384

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26, Liabilities Accounts Payable Beginning of year 2,429, End of year 5,282