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WHY IS FARM BUREAU SO IMPORTANT?

Here are a few past successes and current issues on the national level:

- Constantly advocates tax landscape for famers including permanent Section 179 expensing and bonus depreciation to name a few.
- Working to reduce regulatory impacts on farms including: WOTUS - "Waters of the U.S." rule, ensuring access to biotechnology and monitoring FSMA implementation to ensure FDA provides information to states to implement the rule fairly and consistently.
- Action on a modern highway funding bill which will provide long-term certainty of funding, more flexibility for states and local governments and streamlines the project approval process.
- Passage of the Trade Promotion Authority, paving the way for modern deals to grow markets.
- Repeal of the mandatory county of origin labeling provisions.

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A Message from the President

Are you one of the many or the few?

Do you make the decisions or do you allow others to decide for you?

As you take an inventory of the current condition of our country, our state, our county and our organization, where do you fit in?

Do you hide behind the lack of time or is it a lack of interest?

We are governed by the people who speak up and show up.

If you don't allow your voice to be heard above the crowd, it will simply blow away with the wind. Make your mark, speak up, step up and fight for a cause.

~Jenny Lundberg

Calendar of Events

Deadline to purchase Celebrate Aug. 1 Agriculture Dinner advance sale tickets

Board of Directors Meeting Aug. 2

Aug. 3-5 Monroe County Fair Aug. 7-9 Empire Farm Days

Aug. 12 Celebrate Agriculture Dinner

Board of Directors Meeting Sept. 6

Follow us on Facebook and visit our website to stay up to date with news and events.

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New York Farm Bureau Offers **FREE** Student Memberships

4-H and FFA members who are high school juniors and seniors and collegiate students with an agricultural major are eligible for complimentary student membership.

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Eighth Graders from Eugenio Maria De Hostos Charter School Visit Local Farms

Eighth grade students from Eugenio Maria De Hostos Charter School visited Lamb Farms in Oakfield and KESBLAM in Albion in June. While at Lamb's dairy farm, the students learned about sustainability, different breeds of cows and milk production. The students were able to visit five new baby calves!

During their visit at KESBLAM Farms, the students learned about horses, the process for growing and harvesting both hay and wheat and how straw is made. While on the 450 acre farm they learned about the different pieces of machinery that help to sustain the family and their horses. The students not only learned about horse tack and the different breads of horses, but even pitched in to clean the stalls!





Pioneer Farm and Heritage Farm Awards

Nominate a deserving farm that you feel should be highlighted for the positive impact they have made on their community. All Monroe County Farm Bureau members are eligible. The awardees will be announced at this year's Celebrate Agriculture Dinner. The deadline to submit an application is July 31. To obtain an award application and other details about the

awards please visit MonroeCountyFarmBureauNY.org or call 585-343-3489.



The Heritage Farm Award honors farms with a long-standing history of 50 years or more under the same family ownership - "Taking Pride in Our Heritage"

The Pioneer Farm Award honors farms in their first five years of new amily ownership - "Pioneering For Our Future"



NOMINATE NOW!

Celebrate Agriculture Dinner- A "Farm to Table" Event

**NEW THIS YEAR - Reserve a table for \$200! **

We are excited to announce that this year's dinner will be prepared by Chef's Catering and be held at the Clubhouse at Durand Eastman Park. A huge thank you to our venue sponsor, the Monroe County Parks Department!



We are looking to procure local ingredients that will be featured in our "Farm to Table" dinner presentation. Contact us at MonroeCountyFarmBureau@gmail.com to learn more.

Come To The 2018 Monroe County Fair August 3-5!



Plenty to see, do and enjoy:

· Great Food

HOTS, BURGERS, CHICKEN AND BEEF BARBEQUE, ICE CREAM AND MUCH MORE

Family Friendly Live Music

FEATURING THE JIMMY JAM BAND AND CROSSEYED CAT BAND ON SATURDAY

Horse Show

OVER FENCES, ENGLISH FLAT, WESTERN, RANCH RIDING, AND TIMED EVENTS -SUNDAY STARTING AT 9AM

Garden Tractor Pull

THE HOTTEST, WILDEST GARDEN TRACTORS YOU'VE EVER SEEN -SUNDAY STARTING AT 1PM

Trolley Rides

THE NEW YORK MUSEUM OF TRANSPORTATION IS JUST A SHORT WALK FROM THE FAIR WITH TROLLEY RIDES (ADDITIONAL CHARGE) THROUGHOUT THE THREE DAYS OF THE FAIR.

Competitions - Talent Show - Pet Show

FOOD, FLOWERS, PHOTOGRAPHY, FINE ARTS, HOME ARTS, AND WOODWORKING COMPETITIONS—TO ENTER: GO TO MCFAIR.COM AND CLICK "SHOWBOOK"

NEW LOCATION! 6565 EAST RIVER ROAD, RUSH, NY ADMISSION IS FREE - PARKING \$5 PER CAR MORE INFORMATION AT — MCFAIR.COM

Young Farmers and Ranchers Award Applications

The 2018 NYFB Young Farmers and Ranchers Achievement and Excellence in Agriculture award applications are now available at www.NYFB.org

The Achievement Award highlights young Farm Bureau members' efforts in production agriculture and leadership achievement. Applicants are actively engaged in farming with the majority of their income coming from production agriculture.

The Excellence in Agriculture Award spotlights young Farm Bureau members who are agricultural enthusiasts but have not earned a majority of their income from an owned production agriculture enterprise in any of the past three years.

The deadline to submit an application is Aug. 15, 2018

Wanted - Your Photos

Share your photos with us - whether you are out in the fields, in the community or on your farm!



Monroe County Farm Bureau would like to feature your photos on our brand new website and at the 2018 Celebrate Agriculture Dinner - A "Farm to Table" Event! Send your pictures to MonroeCountyFarmBureau@gmail.com. Be sure to let us know the name of your farm and what town you are located in.