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Chautauqua County Farm Bureau News



NYFB members can now save up to \$2,500 on new CAT machines.

Including: wheel loaders, skid steers, backhoes, excavators and more.

Members must provide a valid Member Verification certificate at the time of purchase. Go to fbadvantage.com/cat to obtain your certificate.



1.800.342.4143 NYFB.org

New York Farm Bureau Offers Agricultural Youth Scholarship

Applicant Guidelines

2019 graduating high school seniors who will continue their education to prepare for a career in some way connected to the diverse agricultural industry.

Live or work on a farm or be involved with agriculture through any avenue.

Family Farm Bureau membership or student Farm Bureau membership is required and may accompany application.

Process and Procedure

Applications and information available at www.nyfb.org or by calling 1-800-342-4143.

Students are required to complete an application which is a fillable pdf available on the NYFB website and submit a brief 300-500-word essay discussing an issue facing agriculture in their county, explaining how they think NYFB can support members who may deal with this issue.

Completed application packets must be returned to New York Farm Bureau in Albany. A March 1, 2019 postmark deadline or via email.

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DAIRY RISK SEMINAR **Come join us for an information** session on dairy risk management

> Wednesday, February 27 12:00 pm

> > The Falcon's Nest **Banquet Hall**

2001 E. Main Street Falconer, NY 14733

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Dairy Revenue Protection Presented by



Your first choice for crop insurance.

The Evans Agency, LLC will also be available to share information and answer questions on insurance options.

> RSVP to CCE by Wed., Feb. 20 at: 716-664-9502 or kaw249@cornell.edu



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Calendar of Events

Feb 19:	Mid Winter Regional Meeting, Ellicottville. NY
Feb 27:	Dairy Risk Seminar, Falconer, NY
March 1:	NYFB Scholarship Application Deadline
March 2:	Wine Tour
March 4-5:	Lobby Days, Albany, NY
March 18-22:	Agricultural Literacy Week
March 23:	Trivia Night



"Chautauqua County Farm Bureau"

Agriculture Literacy Week - March 18-22 **Volunteers Needed!**

From March 18-22, over 45 volunteers from the agricultural community will read to elementary classrooms across Chautauqua County in an effort to increase agricultural literacy. Agricultural Literacy Week is a celebration of our county's heritage and number one industry that works to produce healthy, local food 365 days a year! Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County and the Chautauqua County Farm Bureau are

currently in need of volunteer readers for this program. They are also seeking donations to ensure the success of this exciting outreach effort. Please contact Katelyn Walley-Stoll, Farm Business Management Educator with CCE-Chautauqua, at 716-664-9502 ext. 202 or kaw249@Cornell.edu for more information.



This year's book: On the Farm, At the Market, written and illustrated by G. Brian Karas, takes students on a journey to farmers markets. They find an interconnected community following food production and sales processes of three different farms. An understanding of the food sold at the market comes together to create the meals we share.

CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY **AG TRIVIA NIGHT**



How many gallons of sap is

needed to make one gallon of

maple syrup?

March 23, 2019 6 - 8 PM **Noble Winery** 8630 Hardscrabble Rd. Westfield, NY

TRIVIA. NOUN. A QUIZZING GAME INVOLVING **OBSCURE FACTS. (AN EXCUSE TO HAVE AN EVENT...)**

Share your knowledge of agriculture with your friends in a fun, low-key event. Teams of four will answer trivia questions related to agriculture as a group. The highest scoring team will win a prize (and bragging rights). Cash Bar. Pizza and bottled water provided!

average ear of corn? **Proceeds of** this event will be donated to the 2019 Chautauqua **County Visit** the Farm Day

How many kernels are in an

Call to register your team of four by March 20th. Ginny Carlberg: (716) 969-3525 or virginiacarlberg@gmail.com Registration fee, payable at door: \$10/person

Promotion & Education Committee

Have you ever had a conversation with a friend or neighbor who you thought had a decent understanding of what you do, only to find out that they have misplaced conceptions or have been misinformed by the media?

Every day we engage in conversations like this, but why not take a proactive approach and participate in an activity that promotes awareness of agriculture?

I would encourage you to make it a New Year's resolution to assist with some kind of Pro-Ed activity this year, because we need to have a voice in how the community perceives agriculture. One such activity is Agricultural Literacy Week. See the information above.

I am also encouraging any local youth interested in pursuing a career in agriculture to send in an application for the NY Farm Bureau scholarship. Details on the back of this newsletter.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me regarding Pro-Ed ideas and activities.

> Ginny Carlberg, Pro-Ed Chair vec22@cornell.edu

5th Annual Young Farmers and Ranchers Wine Tour

WHO:

All young farmers and ranchers of legal drinking age. Farm Bureau membership **not** required. However, new memberships received the day of the tour will receive a bottle of their choice of wine (up to a \$15 value)!!

WHEN: Saturday March 2, 2019

TIME:

Noon to 5:30 The bus will be leaving Dunkirk Movieplex 8, 10520

Bennett Rd, Dunkirk, NY (next to the I90 ramp) at noon and returning to the same location at approximately 5:30pm

WHERE:

Liberty Vineyards & Winery, 21 Brix Winery, Noble Winery, Five & 20 Spirits & Brewing, and Lake Erie Grape **Discovery Center**

COST:

\$30 to cover bus, tastings, snacks and bottled water Bring extra money to support local agriculture and bring home some of your favorite wines

RSVP:



For more information or questions call Evan Schiedel at 716-223-0030

Chautauqua County Farm Bureau Members Attend New York Farm Bureau's 2018 State Annual Meeting

Chautaugua County Farm Bureau would like to thank its delegates for their representation at the State Annual Meeting in Syracuse this past December. While at the State Annual Meeting, members took part in the grassroots process of laying the groundwork for the year ahead. More than 150 delegates from across New York proposed, discussed and voted on resolutions that will guide NYFB's public

policy agenda for 2019.

Fred Croscut, Rosie Joy, Jim Joy and Evan Schiedel on the delegate floor at State Annual meeting in Syracuse

Mid-Winter Regional Meeting

NYFB will be hosting a Mid-Winter Regional Meeting in Ellicottville on Feb. 19 to share updates with members and talk about local issues and concerns.

Meeting topics include:

NYFB Membership Update

A discussion around innovative ways to grow membership throughout the agriculture community

NYFB Policy Update Navigating the changing political climate in Albany and Washington, D.C.

Tues., Feb. 19, 12-2 pm (Lunch served at 11:30)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 6360 Rte. 242 E., Ellicottville, NY 14731

Open to ALL members RSVP by calling: 1-800-342-4143



Chautauqua County Farm Bureau was given an honorable mention at the State Annual Meeting for the Pro-Ed Project "Adopt-A-Classroom Calf." County Farm Bureau Board President Dick Kimball presented the award to Pro-Ed Chair Ginny Carlberg at a recent board meeting.

