

Annual Meeting Announcement



Wednesday, October 24, 2018

6 p.m. Social • 7 p.m. Meeting

Location: Bleachers Sports Bar & Grill

Franklin St., Watkins Glen, NY

Includes heavy appetizers • Cash Bar

Join us to voice New York Farm Bureau policy
making your voice heard!



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President’s Message - Nicole Dockstader

The first step in creating a Farm Bureau policy is someone just like you having an idea on how to improve agriculture. The second step is to share the idea with other members of Schuyler County Farm Bureau, and the best way to do that is to attend the County Annual Meeting. Please come and share your idea at the County Annual Meeting on October 24, 2018 at Bleachers Sports Bar and Grill, 6-7 p.m. social hour, 7-8 p.m. business meeting.

As much as I hate to admit that summer is winding down, the sight of bare cornfields is a glaring reminder. The year has passed quickly as there have been a lot of activities going on. We gathered to enjoy a beautiful summer night at Lakeland Farm. The Farm Bureau held its annual picnic. Members enjoyed a dinner by Art & Nancy’s, wine and beer from Schuyler County with friends and neighbors. Attendees included many government representatives. It was a great opportunity for collaboration.

We also had a group of members from Schuyler County on a lobby trip to Washington, D.C. The group had the opportunity to meet with the Farm Bureau Federation, USDA, and Canadian Embassy. They visited the offices of Senator Gillibrand and Senator Schumer. Members were able to voice local issues and concerns directly to the members Barlow Rhodes and Mark McCulloch on behalf of Schuyler County.

I hope to see you all at the County Annual Meeting!

Policy Reminder

by Lindsay Wickham, Senior Field Advisor

A quick note on policy development. We are entering the end of year again when our members consider, develop, and vote on positions on issues affecting the agriculture industry. This is an opportunity as a member to be heard with your comments. As a grassroots organization, Farm Bureau relies on members to guide its legislative work throughout the year. You are invited to a policy development meeting. If you have concerns, suggestions, changed, added or just brought to our attention, please bring them to the meeting. This is the most important aspect of your involvement.

Nationwide Update

Advisor

for 2018. We have finished off our 2018 year to everyone who helped and supported us. We are now in the middle of our 2019 campaign. This is the best time of year to sign up for the rest of 2018 and all of 2019. As always, we can use your help. We all know neighbors, family or businesses that should be insured. It is convenient. Either get the \$75 check (we can gather the information), or call 1-800-342-4143 (using a credit card). It is that easy.

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- Live or work on a farm or be involved with agriculture via any avenue.
- Family Farm Bureau membership or student Farm Bureau membership is required on the application.

Process and Procedure

- Applications and information available at NYFB.org or by calling 1-800-342-4143.
- Students are required to complete an application which is a fillable pdf and submit a brief 300-500 word essay discussing an issue facing agriculture and how they think NYFB can support members who may deal with this issue.
- Completed application packets must be returned to New York Farm Bureau by **A March 1, 2019 postmark deadline or via email.**
- A district-level competition will be held. Scoring will determine the county winner. The judging event may necessitate a personal interview and essay upon the application and attachments. The judging will take place prior to the selection. The winner will receive \$100 plus a memento of their selection.

State winner selection will be made from district winners, **based solely** on the application and attachments. **No** personal interviews.

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