

## WAYNE COUNTY FARM BUREAU COURTESY INSPECTIONS FOR FARM AND AGRICULTURE PLATED TRUCKS

### AUGUST 2019

Tues., Aug. 13 (Starts at 9 a.m.)

Wed. Aug. 14 (Starts at 8 a.m.)

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is a change from previous years which were usually scheduled over three days. Appointments will be on a first-come first-served basis.

### LOCATION

K M Davies Co., Inc.  
6509 Lake Avenue, Williamson

### TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

Call the NYFB Regional Office at 1-866-995-7300. If you get the answering machine, please speak slowly and clearly when leaving your name and phone number. We will call you back to schedule an appointment.

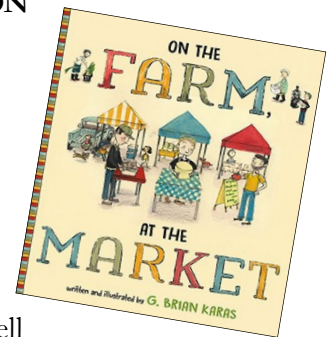
NYSDOT is solely responsible for the operation of the program at the inspection sites. There will be no law enforcement personnel present and no tickets will be written.

### COURTESY INSPECTION PROGRAM

According to the NYSDOT, vehicles that have no "out-of-service defects" will be issued a Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance window decal. The decal is valid for three months. During that period, if the vehicle enters a NYSDOT inspection site and there are no obvious safety defects, the vehicle will not be re-inspected. If any out-of-service defects are discovered during the courtesy review, the vehicle must be repaired on site or be towed to a repair facility. The vehicle operator will be provided with a form listing any defects discovered on the vehicle.

## AGRICULTURAL LITERACY BUILDS THE NEXT GENERATION

In March, Wayne County Farm Bureau celebrated Agricultural Literacy Week as we helped the next generation understand where their food comes from and the farmers who work hard to grow the food on their table. Every school district in Wayne County, grades K-2, participated with volunteers visiting 52 classrooms to read an agricultural themed book and conduct a hands-on activity to 960 students. The 2019 book, "On the Farm, At the Market", by G. Brian Karas, focused on the depth and diversity that New York agriculture encompasses in each region of the state. Each classroom received a donated book, with additional books being purchased and donated to the public libraries. Wayne County Farm Bureau was honored to be able to join with Cornell Cooperative Extension of Wayne County and the Rose Grange to be able to offer this educational agricultural insight to the next generation of Wayne County.



### **REMEMBER TO E-LOBBY!**

NYFB e-lobbying efforts are on-going. To participate in the e-lobby action items that NYFB is working on, go to [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org) and click on the E-Lobby—Take Action! icon. Show elected officials you support New York agriculture!

### **Tell Governor Cuomo to Stand Behind Agriculture**

I strongly request your support for chapter amendments to Senate Bill 6578 (Ramos)/ Assembly Bill 8419 (Nolan), in relation to the Farm Worker Fair Labor Practices Act.

Farmers across the state have demonstrated the dramatic financial impact of this legislation. Although the version that was passed is more workable than the original proposed legislation, there are fundamental flaws that were included in the final bill at the last minute that are of great concern to me and my farm and must be addressed.

## LIMITED TIME OFFER

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has started July 1st.**

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2019 and all of 2020.**



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**JOIN US ON THE 4TH ANNUAL  
YOUNG FRUIT GROWERS OF WNY STUDY TRIP!  
AUGUST 5-7**

The Young Fruit Growers of WNY have organized an excellent itinerary. Stops will include innovative grower orchards, farm markets and packing houses in the Hudson Valley. Participants will learn about grafting, hail netting, balancing new varieties, handling a transition and more.

The study tour is focused on helping next generation growers develop the knowledge and skills needed to take their family farms into the future.



**Tour stops include:**

- Mead Orchards
- Dressel Farms
- Hudson River Fruit Distributors
- Angry Orchard Cidery
- Crist Brothers Orchards and Packing House
- Hudson Valley Research Laboratory
- And more...

**Costs to you are:**

- Registration fee: \$50
- Hotel: Two nights at \$149/night. Total with tax: Approx. \$336.
- Monday afternoon Social Hour at Angry Orchard: Beverages and Light Fare.
- Monday night dinner at Heritage Food + Drink in Poughkeepsie: Fixed Price \$50/person.
- Tuesday night dinner on your own in Newburgh.
- Other meals: meals during transit.

For registration details go to; <https://lof.cce.cornell.edu/event.php?id=1209>.

For questions, email or call Alicia Abendroth at [alicia@apple-ridge.com](mailto:alicia@apple-ridge.com) or 315-679-1479.

The Young Fruit Grower Group of NYS is gaining a lot of traction and continues to welcome in any new members. If you are not on the Young Fruit Growers email list (updates on the tour and any local events) and would like to be, email Alicia at [alicia@apple-ridge.com](mailto:alicia@apple-ridge.com). We look forward to your participation in the group events and 2019 annual tour!



**WAYNE COUNTY FAIR**

Wayne County Farm Bureau is a proud sponsor of the 2019 Wayne County Fair. Located in Palmyra on **August 12-17, 2019**. For more information and schedule of events, go to [www.waynecountyfair.org](http://www.waynecountyfair.org).

**WORKING TOGETHER FOR NEW YORK FARMS**

Early in June, on the lawn aside the Capitol building in Albany, nearly 300 farmers and farmworkers came together to rally side-by-side to find common ground on the proposed farm labor bill. It was a powerful day for New York agriculture as farmers and farmworkers stood together to have their voices heard. NYFB President David Fisher spoke along with bipartisan support from both the Senate and Assembly. Also joining them at the podium were three farmworkers from three different farms in New York State. With powerful messages of wanting to work and wanting to work together, they spoke their views as a crowd intently listened and cheered them on. As written today, the farm labor bill will hurt farms, make it even more difficult to farm in this state and will limit earning potential and job opportunities for workers who want to work. The overall theme of the day was working together for legislation that will lift up farmworkers and farms alike. As NYFB President said, "let's work together on a bill that will Grow NY Farms."



*Pictured (l-r): Senators Ortt & Helming show their support during the Grow NY Farms Coalition rally held in Albany.*

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## President's Report

As I write this note, the days are finally turning warmer, the incessant rain has stopped and it seems like summer has finally arrived. This spring, Mother Nature seemed to have tried to get the best of us as we had more rain than we could handle. Farmers, like you and I, had to work long and hard and sometimes continuous hours into the night (in between the storms) to get the crops planted and hay mowed. I certainly hope we can put this past spring behind us and enjoy the warmer days of summer. Despite the weather, which is ultimately out of

our control, there are some great things happening in Wayne County and in New York State to celebrate agriculture. As Farm Bureau leaders, we are taking every opportunity we can to stand up for you and the industry that is your livelihood. We want our voices to be heard and are trying hard to ensure they are throughout the state. We can all argue that the challenges outweigh the opportunities and someday they might, but at the end of the day, we all must celebrate agriculture, stand up for the policies we develop, and continue to build the next generation of advocates. If you are interested in joining us on the Wayne County Board of Directors or know someone who is interested in becoming a Farm Bureau member, please don't hesitate to reach out to any of the Wayne County Farm Bureau board members to discuss opportunities for you and your farm.

Matthew Wunder  
President



## CIDERY TAKE-OVER

**July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**6895 Lake Avenue | Williamson, NY**  
**Doors Open at 7:00PM | Ticket \$20**

**Appetizers | Live Music**

**Join Wayne County Farm Bureau**  
**As they take over**  
**Embark Cidery for a night!**



*Attending this event supports your local farm community.*  
*Proceeds go to Wayne County Farm Bureau*