

Dutchess Putnam Westchester County Farm Bureau News



Summer 2019



President's Message

Now that a challenging planting season is behind us, we can all look around and see something new.

Whether it's young livestock growing, the seeds we have sown, new markets, a business expansion or within our families, there is always something new.

With the recent events in the state, we are reminded that not all new is good. As hard as it sounds, I know the agriculture community will find the best side of this. That is because we are strong, resilient innovators. This is one of my favorite parts of agriculture, no matter how bad things may seem we always find a way to make the best of it and pull through.

*Isaac Coon
President*



Coon Brothers Farm hosted a tour for The World Guernsey Conference. They welcomed guests from the U.S., U.K., Australia and New Zealand and showed off their multi-generational farm.



You're Invited!

Policy Development Picnic

Thursday, July 25, 2019

Shenandoah Farm

269 Jackson Rd.

Hopewell Junction, NY

Time: 6:30 p.m.

RSVP: 845-724-5247

DPWCFB will provide BBQ meats and drinks.
Zoe's Ice Cream Barn will provide dessert.

Each family is asked to bring a dish to pass. Come meet other farmers and see how our grassroots policies help the agricultural communities in our area.

Ag Night at Dutchess Stadium

Dutchess Putnam Westchester County Farm Bureau is sponsoring an evening at Dutchess Stadium, 1500 Rt. 9D, Fishkill, NY on Sat., Aug. 10. Mark Adams will man the booth set-up at the entrance. County Farm Bureau members may come between 6 -7 p.m. and get free tickets to the Renegades game at the admittance gate. Local farm products as well as NYFB exhibits will be on display at the booth. Come out for a fun-filled evening with other Farm Bureau members.

It's Almost Fair Time!

The Dutchess County Fair is August 20-25. If you would like to volunteer to manage the Dutchess Putnam Westchester County Farm Bureau booth, call 845-724-5247. Tickets will be supplied. Our booth is in the "AgriVenture Tent" inside the track area.

The fair runs from 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. each day. The block of hours to help would be: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., 2 p.m. - 6 p.m., or 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.



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County Board Members Needed

DPW Farm Bureau's Board of Directors is seeking new members from Putnam and Westchester counties to join the board. This is a voluntary position that requires attending one meeting per month at the Farm & Home Center in Millbrook. Since the board represents three counties, representation from each county is needed. If you are interested in joining, please call the board secretary at 845-724-5247.



Mark Doyle accepts award for DPW County Farm Bureau from the Pro-Ed Committee at State Annual Meeting in December.

Pictured l-r: David Fisher, NYFB President, Mark Doyle and Phyllis Couture, Pro-Ed Committee Chair.

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