

Madison County Farm Bureau

Fall 2022



To Serve and Strengthen Agriculture

All are cordially invited to attend the

MADISON COUNTY FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, October 16

held at the

**SEVEN OAKS GOLF CLUB
2 E. LAKE ROAD, HAMILTON, NY**

BRUNCH

10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

One **FREE** meal
with a **PAID** 2023 Farm Bureau Membership
or cost is \$20 per person *

PLEASE RSVP BY OCTOBER 11 TO:
eny@nyfb.org or call 518-431-5650

* 2023 membership payments will be
accepted at the door.

Please have a separate check for your
membership.

MADISON COUNTY FARM BUREAU PROPOSED POLICY RESOLUTIONS

STATE

1. We support legislation to amend the vehicle and traffic law and the insurance law, in relation to increasing the minimum insurance coverage required for motor vehicles registered and/or operated within the state of New York.
2. We support increasing the payroll threshold for which a Code 59 review by the NYSIF would be triggered from its current level, we encourage the level to be adjusted annually and indexed to inflation.
3. We believe farms should continue to be responsible for paying for Worker's Compensation insurance for workers secured through a farm labor contractor.
4. We recommend that local governments not be granted the authority to make more stringent animal welfare/cruelty laws than existing state laws. (Reaffirmation of current policy, pg. 13, # 14 in the Animal Care section under General Issues)

Policy development is an important aspect of our county annual meeting. It helps develop and shape NYFB's policy, approved each December at State Annual Meeting, and is what guides NYFB members and staff to act on legislation and regulations dealing with farm business and landowner issues. If you have policy resolutions you would like to introduce, we will entertain resolutions from the floor this year at county annual meeting. Please bring any proposed resolutions in a typed format to the meeting. If you need assistance in formulating policy resolutions, contact John Wagner at 315-761-9770 or email jwagner@nyfb.org and he will be more than happy to assist you in the development of policy statements.

YOU'RE INVITED

Oneida, Herkimer, Otsego &
Madison County Farm Bureau
members

OCTOBER 27TH

11:00am-2:00pm

Beaver Creek Bar & Grill

7844 US Route 20

Sangerfield, NY

\$15 per person

To Register: Contact CCE
mrm7@cornell.edu or
315-736-3394



LAND AS YOUR LEGACY®



Farm Transition Workshop

As an owner of a family farm or ranch, many of your assets are tangible items. Land, livestock and equipment may be difficult to divide evenly among your children or desired parties. And when the time comes for retirement, selling your assets to help pay taxes and living expenses can be equally challenging.

Presented by: Henry Mondschein,
Connect Financial Group LLC

*This event is brought to you by Oneida County Farm
Bureau and CCE Oneida County*

GAIN A COMPETITIVE EDGE - JOIN AN NYFB ISSUE COMMITTEE

New York Farm Bureau opened its Issue Committees to all NYFB members. Join an Issue Committee now to receive targeted agricultural industry-specific updates about the latest news and inside scoop on legislation, regulation, and related events. Gain valuable insights and information on the issues you care about most!

NYFB Issue Committees:

- Dairy Committee
- Labor Committee
- Specialty Crops and Organics Committee
- Farm Beverage Committee
- Cannabis Committee
- Equine Committee
- Livestock and Feed Grains Committee

Advisory members of each committee are appointed by the NYFB Board of Directors annually. To sign up go to the NYFB.org website. Under the Programs tab go to the Issues Committees Tab. **You will need to be logged in as a NYFB member.***

*To do so, click on the member login tab and then enter your username and password. If you have forgotten either, click on the links for «forgot username» or «forgot password.» You can also call member support services for assistance at 518-436-8495.



ALL ARE INVITED TO THE MADISON COUNTY FARM BUREAU

“TAKE OVER” NIGHT

HELD AT

MADISON COUNTY DISTILLERY

2412 Rt. 20, Cazenovia, NY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14 FROM 4-9 PM

Join us for an evening of food, music and FUN as members of the Madison County Farm Bureau and volunteers “take over” the Madison County Distillery. The kitchen will be open and the Distillery’s hand-crafted spirits, along with a range of local brews and wines will be available. All tips and a portion of the sales for the evening will go toward the Food Bank of Central New York.

Looking for Volunteers: If you’d like to volunteer your time helping out for this great event, we’d love to have you! Two shift opportunities available: 4—6:30 PM **OR** 6:30 - 9 PM. Contact Johanna Bossard via email jbossard@hamiltoncentral.org or call 315-440-1044 for more information.



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Safety Group 486**
New York Farm Bureau
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Now is the perfect time to review your Workers' Compensation for the upcoming year.

Call John Wagner for a quote 315-761-9770



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Eligibility for insurance is subject to the New York State Insurance Fund's underwriting requirements. *Percentage is based on dividends paid 2016 through 2020. Dividends are not guaranteed. Continued membership in NYFB is required to participate in Safety Group 486. NYFB and its subsidiaries have no authority to bind coverage for any member.

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The Madison County Farm Bureau board meetings are held every 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Farm & Home Center, Morrisville.