

# Calumet County Farm Bureau

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## ANNUAL MEETING

Calumet County Farm Bureau  
Tuesday, October 27, 7:45 p.m.  
Neighborhood Pub and Grill  
N5091 County Highway BB  
Chilton, WI 53014

- 7:45 p.m. - Dinner: \$12 per person at the door. For members who worked four or more hours in the fair food stand, the cost is \$6. New members can attend for free!
- Guest speaker, Erik Ronk from the Calumet County Extension office.
- Join us to help create Farm Bureau policy for 2016, vote on delegates for the WFBF Annual Meeting and the Calumet County Farm Bureau board of directors while enjoying the company of other Farm Bureau members.

### RSVP by October 20 to

Becky Salm, District 6 Coordinator, at  
866.355.7345 or bsalm@wfbf.com.

## Nominations Being Sought for Teacher of the Year



Do you know a teacher who does a great job teaching about agriculture? If so, please encourage them to fill out an application for the Wisconsin Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom Program's Outstanding Teacher Award.

Agriculture in the Classroom (AITC) annually recognizes a Wisconsin teacher or a teaching team for their achievements in teaching students the importance of agriculture while integrating agricultural concepts across a curriculum.

Certified teachers currently integrating agricultural concepts into non-agricultural curricula in the pre-K through high school levels are eligible to apply. Applications may be from an individual teacher or a teaching team. Certified agriculture education instructors are not eligible. Teachers must use agricultural information or

materials within the classroom curriculum in an effort to assist students in learning the importance of agriculture.

Learning activities may include, but are not limited to, understanding agriculture's impact on personal lives, our national heritage, the environment, national security and the economy. Innovative and interdisciplinary programs are encouraged.

The state winner(s) will receive a plaque and \$500 towards the 2015 National AITC Conference in Louisville, KY. They will also represent Wisconsin as the state's nominee for the Excellence in Teaching about Agriculture Award Program presented by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Ag in the Classroom program.

Applications are available from the Wisconsin AITC website ([wisagclassroom.org](http://wisagclassroom.org) – found under the quick links section on the right hand side of the page) and are due postmarked by October 15.

## Calumet County Farm Bureau Cookbooks for Sale

Hurry! There are only a few copies of the Calumet County Farm Bureau cookbook remaining.

Calumet County Farm Bureau families shared many taste-tempting recipes in the latest cookbook with a beautiful Betty Engel print on the cover.

The cost is \$10 per copy.

To purchase a copy, please contact  
Jessica Schuh at 920.756.1907 or  
Rosie Lisowe at 920.849.4413.





# COUNTYnews

CALUMET COUNTY FARM BUREAU EDITION

## Rural Mutual Open Golf Outing is Right on Course

Each year Rural Mutual Insurance agent, Randy Pingel, sponsors a golf outing as a fundraiser for Calumet County organizations.

Money raised by this event is distributed to these organizations to help fund their activities and events throughout the year.

The funds raised this year will support the Calumet County Farm Bureau.

The 2015 Rural Golf Outing was held on August 22 at Hickory Hills Country Club in Chilton. The outing comprised of 40 teams with four golfers on each team.



## YFA District Discussion Meet

YFA members gathered on August 11 at Mackinaw's in Green Bay for the District 6 Discussion Meet.

Representing District 6 at the WFBF YFA Conference in December will be Manitowoc members Kelly Wilfert and Stephanie Nagel.

This year's question for discussion was "How can we influence state and local policy that more effectively balances the social and economic interests of farmers and ranchers versus burdensome federal regulation?"



Stephanie Nagel (left) and Kelly Wilfert (right) posed for a photo.

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## District 6 YFA Harvest Dust Off

Join District 6 Young Farmer and Agriculturist members as we kick the dust off at Twin Fountains in Manitowoc on

### Saturday, November 7

featuring country band, Spitfire Rodeo, from 8 p.m. to midnight. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Get your tickets from YFA chair Kristin Birschbach or District 6 YFA chair Carley Blado. You won't want to miss it!

Thank you to our headliner sponsors: Badgerland Financial and GreenStone Farm Credit Services.



## President's Message



Tim McGraw's sings, "I want to live where the green grass grows."

As most of us are out in the fields this fall enjoying the fall colors and scenery, I hope everyone can step back and enjoy the earth's true beauty.

Harvesting, picking pumpkins or spending time with your families on or off the farm, this beautiful planet gives us so much to appreciate, as I do being your county president. I have grown so much as a person during the past few years and still growing tall and strong.

By never giving up on your hopes and dreams you can overcome anything and be whatever and whoever you want.

With that said, I have to thank everyone during the past summer who have helped and showed their involvement in our great organization. Special thanks to Brooke Callaway for being our 2015 Farm Bureau County Princess. Brooke showed a lot of enthusiasm partaking in parades throughout the summer and other agriculture events!

This past year we also had the privilege of adding a new member to help us in our Ag in the Classroom position for the county Farm Bureau. Tom Young of Hilbert has stepped up to the plate and has gotten our Ag in the Classroom program going strong again. Thank you for keeping us growing.

There are many ways to be involved at a county level, whether you join a committee, fill out YFA award applications, participate in the Discussion Meet, attend YFA events, travel as a delegate to the WFBF Annual Meeting in December or attend the county annual meeting every year.

Remember your voice is important to keep this organization growing. Rural Mutual Insurance also has a sponsorship program for young farmers to attend the YFA conference every year. So if you know any interested, please let us know.

I wish everyone a fun and safe harvest season and remember with you, we all grow and flourish.

**Carley Blado**  
Calumet County Farm Bureau President

## Consider Donating to the WFBF Silent Auction

Donations are being accepted for the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation's Silent Auction held in conjunction with the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Annual Meeting, December 5-7, at the Kalahari Resort in Wisconsin Dells.

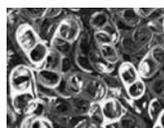


The money raised during this event is used for ag literacy efforts through Ag in the Classroom and activities of our Young Farmer and Agriculturist, Women's and Leadership Institute programs.

Donation forms can be found at [wfbf.com/aboutwfbf/foundation/silentauction](http://wfbf.com/aboutwfbf/foundation/silentauction).

## Save Your Can Pop Tabs

The state Women's Committee is once again collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald's House. Last year 734 pounds were collected, which equals more than one million tabs.



This year, the committee has set a goal of 700 pounds.

If you are interested in contributing, please contact Rosalie Geiger at 920.901.3249. Help District 6 lead the state!

## Upcoming Events

### September

30 Membership Year End

### October

16 District 6 Fall Women's Summit  
27 Calumet County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting

### November

7 District 6 YFA Social

### December

4-6 YFA Conference  
5-7 WFBF Annual Meeting

## District 6 Fall Women's Summit

You're invited to the District 6 Fall Women's Summit on **Friday, October 16**, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Join us at Badger State Brewing Company, 990 Tony Canadeo Run in Green Bay.

- 9:00 a.m.** Registration with juice and coffee  
**9:15 a.m.** Safety on the Farm  
**Rosalie Geiger, District 6 Women's Committee Representative**
- 9:45 a.m.** Women's Committee Update  
**Deb Raemisch, WFBF Director of Member Relations**
- 10:00 a.m.** Break  
**10:15 a.m.** Social Media: Helping us Be a Better Advocate  
**Amy Eckelberg, WFBF Director of Communications**
- 11:00 a.m.** Break  
**11:15 a.m.** Brewery Tour and Sampling  
**Noon** Lunch  
**12:45 p.m.** Door Prizes/Badger State Brewery Gift Shop Open  
**1:30 p.m.** Green Bay Packer Stadium Tour

Please RSVP by **October 2** by sending in your reservation with \$25 per person to: (Checks payable to Brown County Farm Bureau) Kathy Duescher, 1260 Killdeer Lane, Green Bay, WI 54313.

Questions? Please contact District 6 Coordinator Becky Salm at 920.253.5303.



## Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Offers Teacher Mini-Grants

Wisconsin Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom program is offering grants up to \$100 to pre-school through high school teachers, in a public or private school system, to fund projects that promote agricultural literacy in the classroom.

Grants can be used for innovative lessons, activities, resources, presentations, school fairs and other creative ideas. Projects should focus on integrating agriculture into a variety of curriculum areas.

A selection committee will review all funding requests that are properly completed and post-marked by the October 15 deadline. Applications can be downloaded from [www.wisagclassroom.org](http://www.wisagclassroom.org) under the quick links section. Four signed copies of the application must be submitted.

Items considered when evaluating the applications include quality and uniqueness of the agricultural lesson, activity or project, integration of agriculture into a variety of curriculum areas, alignment with

educational standards, assessment methods used to evaluate student's knowledge and quality of application.

The proposed project must be targeted to grades pre-K through 12 and should enhance student knowledge of the contribution made by agriculture.

Projects that use funds toward an ongoing, sustainable education effort will receive preference over those that involve a one-time program. Proposed projects or events designed to reach large groups of students will be given preference, as will those that involve innovative approaches to promoting agricultural literacy.



## Do You Know Someone Who Should Be a Farm Bureau Member?

To the right is a membership application for the Wisconsin Farm Bureau. The dues in Calumet County are \$55. Below are a couple of hints for you as you go through the membership application.

- 1. Can my spouse and I share a membership?** Yes! Each membership is one vote for your county Farm Bureau. If you and your spouse have a shared opinion on county happenings, then you can share a membership. If you want two votes, purchase two memberships.
- 2. Why do you need my date of birth?** Your birthday is used for the accidental death benefit that comes with your county Farm Bureau membership. It also helps us target our Young Farmer and Agriculturist members so we can include them in activities that are specific to them. We won't sell the list to anyone, it just helps us.
- 3. What is the Ag Newswire?** The *Ag Newswire* is produced by Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation each Friday and it is a summary of agriculture news for the past week.

- 4. How do I know what my membership type is?** Calumet County Farm Bureau has established that a Voting member is someone engaged in agricultural purposes, actively engaged in the business of producing agricultural products, or owners of property where such business is



conducted and that an Associate member is other persons, partnerships, unincorporated associations and corporations interested in the philosophy and objectives of this Association can be a member, but without the right to vote or serve as a director. Typically Associate members are those without direct ties to agriculture, but carry a Rural Mutual Insurance Policy.

- 5. Who is the membership worker?** At Farm Bureau, we like to reward those who help us grow our membership. So if you are giving this membership newsletter to someone in hopes that they will join, please write your name in the membership worker blank. We will send you \$20 for each new member who you sign up! It's a great way to be rewarded for taking time out to make the visits and help us grow our membership.
- 6. Where do I mail my application?** You can mail it to WFBE, P.O. Box 5550, Madison, WI 53705 or you can drop it off at a board member's home.

- 7. When should I send in my payment, when is it due?** Your membership starts on the day we receive your membership application and that will remain your renewal date. So, if you know that your cash is a tight in the spring, but you can manage the renewal in June, send it in June. We are glad to have your membership anytime.

## Application for Farm Bureau Princess Available

Are you interested in serving as the next Farm Bureau princess? If so, please complete the following application and submit it before **October 1**.

### Calumet County Farm Bureau Princess Application

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' names \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Bureau membership number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

What organizations are you affiliated with? Please list offices that you have held including school, church, 4-H, FFA, etc.

Why do you want to be the Calumet County Farm Bureau Princess?

What additional information about yourself do you want us to know?

Please submit the completed application to: Calumet County Farm Bureau, PO Box 5550, Madison, WI 53705.

## Calumet County Farm Bureau Contacts:

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 Director, Jim Petrie 920.418.0274  
 Director, Josh Sabel 920.375.0371

Calumet County Farm Bureau 888.644.8356  
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 District 6 Coordinator, Becky Salm 920.693.8467  
 RMIC District Manager, Bill Kriese 920.893.1811

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## Welcome to the Farm Bureau Family



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive Ag Newswire, the weekly email newsletter from WFBF?  Yes

Would you like a Rural Mutual Insurance agent to contact you?  Yes

Membership Type:  Associate  Voting

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Township: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

Membership Worker: \_\_\_\_\_

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