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Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation

Young Farmer and Agriculturist Discussion Meet

The District 6 YFA Discussion Meet was held on August 14 at CNC Links in Manitowoc.

Door County YFA chair Lauren Brey shared how to create a brand representing individuals and our farms. As customers are more interested in agriculture and how their food is raised, it is important that every farm develops their brand to help connect with customers and in their communities. Lauren shared her experiences in helping build personal brands and farm brands.

We had four very qualified contestants who participated in the Discussion Meet. The topic was: As the Voice of Agriculture, how

can Farm Bureau be more inclusive of all agriculture and production practices? This includes, but is not limited to, women in agriculture, organic production, fresh produce, forestry and aquaculture.

The four contestants were Mikayla Kuehl and Ryan Schulz from Kewaunee County; Ann Glowacki from Door County; and Kelly Wilfert from Manitowoc County. The three contestants who were selected are Kelly Wilfert, Ann Glowacki and Mikayla Kuehl and they will compete at the YFA Conference.

Wish them the best of luck as they move on to the state competition on November 30-December 2 at the YFA Conference.



The District 6 Discussion Meet contestants had intense conversation.



Door County's YFA chair Lauren Brey shared a presentation about building your brand as an individual and farm.

WFBF Membership Incentives

Do you know a friend who might be interested in joining Farm Bureau? Feel good about helping your organization grow and get a chance to win some great prizes, too.

Farm Bureau 100-Race to the Centennial

Start Your Engines: Volunteer membership workers who sign up at least one new member by December 31 will receive a tire pressure gauge.

Full Speed Ahead: Volunteer membership workers who sign up three or more new members by March 31 will receive a Farm Bureau Proud Power Bank portable charger.

Splash And Go: Volunteer membership workers who sign up four or more new members by June 30 will receive a \$10 gas card.

Final Lap: Volunteer membership workers who sign up five or more new members by September 30 will receive a Farm Bureau Proud windbreaker jacket.

Don't forget this is in addition to the \$20 volunteer membership workers receive for signing any new members throughout the year. Watch for more district incentives coming soon.

District YFA Green Bay Gamblers Game and Pizza Outing

The YFA Gamblers outing is set for 7:05 p.m. on **Saturday, February 16, 2019.**

Join us as the Green Bay Gamblers take on the Madison Capitols including the ever popular Weiner Dog Race.

To purchase tickets, visit www.ticketstaronline.com and enter promo code: WFBF. Code expires on **February 7, 2019.**

Are you interested in more YFA events? To find out what is happening next, please contact Calumet County YFA chair Gloria Kesler.





COUNTYnews

CALUMET COUNTY FARM BUREAU EDITION

Calumet County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting

There were about 55 members and guests who attended this year's Calumet County Farm Bureau annual meeting to hear guest speaker WFBF Director of Local Affairs Steve Boe. Steve shared ideas how to stay connected with what is going on in your local area effecting agriculture.

Sean VanderHeiden was re-elected as president at the reorganization meeting following the annual meeting; vice president is Carley Blado; and secretary/treasurer is Tiffany Schneider.

The county passed two state resolutions and one federal resolution that will be forwarded on to the WFBF Policy Development Com-

mittee for consideration:

Federal

1. We support free market trade.

State

1. We support the DATCP program with the Wisconsin Farm Center to continue to help farmers to receive mental health care through education and resources.
2. We support the oversight of CAFOs to be regulated though DATCP rather than the DNR.



A group of about 55 members attended the Calumet County Farm Bureau annual meeting.

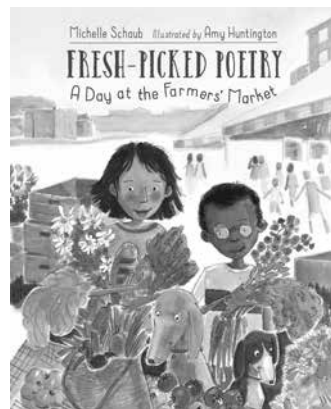


President Sean VanderHeiden presented speaker Steve Boe with a gift from Calumet County.

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Ag in the Classroom Announces Essay Topic and Book of the Year



"Fresh-Picked Poetry," written by Michelle Schaub, has been selected as the 2019 Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Book of the Year.

Each year, the Ag in the Classroom program holds an essay contest in conjunction with the book of the year for fourth and fifth grade students. This year's essay contest topic is, 'Making it happen at the farmers' market.' Accompanying lessons aligned to state standards and

educational resources are available online for teachers, students and volunteers to use in promoting and preparing essays.

"Many schools offer farm-to-school and locally grown foods to their students, so this book and essay will be popular," said Darlene

Arneson, Wisconsin Ag in the Classroom Coordinator. "The essay contest will give students a wide variety of topics to write about and teachers may also encourage poetry within the essay."

Essay submissions must be 100- to 300-words in length and will be judged on content, grammar, spelling and neatness. The essay contest rules, lesson plans and sample classroom activities are at wisagclassroom.org/whats-new. Essays are due **April 1, 2019**.

Nine district winners will be selected with one being chosen as the state winner in May by the WFBF Promotion and Education Committee. Each district winner will receive a classroom presentation.

The essay contest is sponsored by We Energies and the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Foundation. Last year, more than 2,500 students participated in the contest.

For more information or if you have questions about how to place an order, or about the book, please contact Darlene Arneson at darneson@wfbf.com.

Membership Year End: Welcome New Calumet County Farm Bureau Members

Thank you to those who helped Calumet County Farm Bureau reach their voting goal for 2018. We achieved a 15 voting member gain and a 22 total gain bringing us to 310 voting members and 530 total members. Welcome new members.

David Genslak
Anita Behnke
Robert Eichmeier
Robert Broeckel
Marc Holm
Luke Hooyman
Patrick Frank
Lzabayo Henri
Nick Romenesko*
Jessica Jansen*

Kevin Mader*
Travis Price
Corey Swanson
Karynne Hacker
Jerome Wagner
Joseph Koehler*
Sabrina Holden
Steve Medvez
Joseph Loderbauer*
Dawn Thiel

Tony Maurer*
Caitlyn Martinez
Gloria Kesler*
Jesse Cullen
Jorgen Fulleylove-Krause
Gregory Bastian
Paul Meyers*
Robert Guyette
Steven Steiner
Heather Schueller*

Tyler Fhlug*
Faustin Habimana
Kurt Schneider*
Clarence Biese*
Robert Schwartz*
Anna Zastrow*
Chris Eibs*
Greg Hackbarth*David
Vanderheiden*
Sheila Vanderheiden*

Marvin Meyer*
Jarrod Meinnert
Nelson Ndayisaba
Michael Frank
Patrick Keyes*
Jeff Moehn
Valerie Rady

Blake Schneider*
Jasmine Jones*
Peggy Loose
Cory Eldred
Cindy Mueller
Paul Stumpf
Ann Steffes

Jamie Wiese
Renee Schmid
Cody Beck

* Denotes voting member.



Donate to WFBF Annual Meeting Silent Auction

Farm Bureau members can get items ready to donate or be ready to bid at the Wisconsin Farm Bureau Annual Meeting WFB Foundation Silent Auction. Due to the generosity of members, county Farm Bureau programs, businesses and sponsors, a large selection of items will be offered again this year. Bidding starts at 12 noon on Saturday and will end Sunday night before the Award's Program.

If you want to donate, forms can be downloaded at wfbf.com/aboutwfbf/foundation/silentauction.

We ask that all items be new items. If you are bringing a gift certificate or gift card, please make a copy. The copy will be on the bidding table and the buyer will receive the original upon check out. Please send the donation form to the WFBF office by **November 23**, bidding sheets can be made in advance and will save you time checking in. Items can be brought to the Kalahari Resorts to save postage and chance of damage in shipment.



How Do I?

Your membership with Farm Bureau is important. Many people shy away from joining because they don't have the time.

WFBF has dedicated staff working on your behalf, as well as your Manitowoc County Farm Bureau local board of directors and committees that are organized to carry out projects.

Your support as a member is vital to the work that we do in youth and consumer education, public relations, and working with elected officials to keep agriculture strong.

Are you looking to up your involvement within your county? The Board of Directors meet each month on the fourth Thursday at Ethel's Pub and Grill at 8 p.m. We have several opportunities to volunteer on several committees which meet a handful of times each year.

Promotion and Education, Young Farmers and Agriculturists, Finance, Membership are just

some of the opportunities to lend a hand. Farm Bureau also has one time volunteer opportunities throughout the year such as Meet Your Farmer and the County Fair Food Stand. Any help that you can give is appreciated.

In this newsletter, there is a list of your board members for each township and contact information. Feel free to call your board member or the president to ask how you can get more involved.



Upcoming Events

November

30 WFBF Annual Meeting and YFA Conference

January

11-15 AFBF 100th Annual Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana
18 FFA Farm Forum early registration deadline

February

1 FFA Farm Forum final registration deadline
15-16 FFA Farm Forum, Wisconsin Rapids

March

1 Ag in the Classroom Matching Grant applications due
8-9 Ag LEAD Summit, Appleton
15-18 AFBF FUSION Conference
19 Council of Presidents
20 Ag Day at the Capitol
20 National Ag Day Reading Event
31 County Early-Bird Bonanza membership cut-off

April

1 Ag in the Classroom essays due to county essay coordinators

SAVE THE DATE

New in 2019
Ag LEAD Summit

Hosted by



March 8-9, 2019

Appleton, Wisconsin

Ag LEAD summit

LEADERSHIP • ENGAGEMENT • ADVOCACY • DEVELOPMENT

Thank You to Our County Fair Workers

Thank you to those who worked hard to make the Calumet County Fair food stand a success.

Without your help, we couldn't do it. Looking forward to working with you next year.



There are Benefits to Your Farm Bureau Membership:

Financial

- AgriPlan Medical Reimbursement Program
- Farm Bureau Bank

Supplies and Products

- John Deere's GreenFleet™ Loyalty Rewards Program
- Case IH
- Caterpillar
- FS-GROWMARK Patronage
- Grainger
- Office Depot

Communication

- AgriVisor
- The Country Today

Insurance

- Rural Mutual Insurance Company
- Farm Bureau Financial Services

Protection

- \$500 Reward Protection Program
- Accidental Death Policy

Health

- ScriptSave® Prescription Drug Savings Card
- Life Line

Travel

- AAA
- AVIS Car Rental Discount Program
- Budget
- Choice Hotels International, Inc.
- Wyndham Hotel Group

For complete details visit wfbf.com/membership/member-benefits.

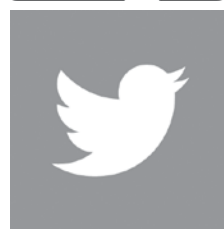
WFBF Annual Meeting and YFA Conference

WFBF will hold their 99th Annual Meeting in conjunction with the YFA Conference on November 30-December 3 at Kalahari Resorts in Wisconsin Dells.

The theme is Our Legacy.

Make sure you don't miss a moment of the action by following Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation or 'wifarmbureau' on social media.

Our Legacy



Calumet County Farm Bureau Princess Application

Due: December 15, 2019

Name _____

Parents' names _____

Farm Bureau Membership Number _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date of birth _____

School _____ Grade _____

What organizations are you affiliated with? Please list any offices you've held (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, P.O. Box 5550, Madison, WI 53705.



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Director, Bob Huebner	920.209.0799
Director, Jim Petrie	920.418.0274
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RMIC District Manager, Ken Bosman	608.828.5440



Stay up-to-date on upcoming Calumet County Farm Bureau events by liking us on Facebook.

Meet Your New Board Members



Gloria Kesler of Hilbert earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural education and a minor in agricultural business from the UW-Platteville. Though currently working as the retail assistant manager for LaClare Farms, in 2016, she served as the 50th Wisconsin Fairest of Fairs. Continuing

her love of agriculture, she farms with her parents on their hobby farm in Hilbert.

Gloria enjoys agricultural-related photography and using her ag education degree, making the passion of her life turn to a focal point for the disconnected consumer.

When not feeding furry friends she feeds her fair passion by being a new member of the Calumet County Fair Board and a member of the Calumet County Fairest Committee as well as a 4-H Leader. She is looking forward to being the new YFA chair for Calumet County Farm Bureau.

Tommy Kesler is a fourth-generation farmer in Calumet County. Working alongside his parents and three sisters, he takes pride in their growing herd of beef cattle and their many other 'misfit' animals on the farm.

Off the farm, he has worked as a research scientist for more than 11 years in the biogas industry. He is an avid outdoorsman and licensed trapper and enjoys any time he can in the tree stand or sturgeon shanty.

In the meantime, you can often find Tommy volunteering at local events promoting Wisconsin agriculture – like churning butter with his sister at 'Sundae on the Farm' or loading the weights on the 'puller' for a children's pedal tractor pull.