

SUMMER 2023

AROUND OUR COUNTY



WAYNE COUNTY

A PUBLICATION AND MEMBER BENEFIT OF WAYNE COUNTY FARM BUREAU

Mark your calendar! Upcoming Wayne County Events

August 15 | Annual Meeting | 6:30 PM

Where: The Connection Conference and Event Center | 1034 Country Club Dr. | Wooster

Speaker: Jarra Underwood, Wayne County Auditor

Topic: CAUV updates for Wayne County landowners

Cost: \$10. Children 12 and under are free. RSVP online or call our office by Aug 4. Find additional details and rsvp at wayne.ofbf.org or using this QR code.



August 29 | What's the scoop? | 7 PM

Where: Fisher Auditorium (OSU Wooster), 1680 Madison Ave. Wooster, OH 44691

Wayne County Farm Bureau, in cooperation with the Wayne County Auditor's Office, is hosting an informational meeting for all landowners in NE Ohio to come out and learn about CAUV, how soil values are calculated and how they are expected to change following the 2023 update. This event is open to the public and is free to Farm Bureau members and \$120 for nonmembers. More information can be found at wayne.ofbf.org.

September 9 - 14 | Wayne County Fair

The fair committee is trying a few new outreach tactics to support this year's Wayne County Fair. One of them is volunteering to run Gate 1 (by the Event Center) on Sunday and Tuesday of the fair. We are seeking members to help us by working 2-2.5 hour shifts! As a token of our appreciation, we will provide an admission ticket or a milkshake voucher to anyone who signs up to help. Check out shift availability and sign up by following this online sign up or call our office at 330-263-7456. **Children 17 and under can help with taking tickets and stamping but anyone handling money must be 18 or over.*



October 7 & 8 | Wayne County Drive-It-Yourself Farm Tour | Noon to 5 pm each day

Where: 8 farms and agribusinesses in NW Wayne County This tour is free and open to the public. Booklets containing event details will be available at the Wayne Co Fair, various Ag businesses around Wayne County, at the Farm Bureau office and online at wayne.ofbf.org beginning September 1. For more information, contact 330-263-7456 or wayne@ofbf.org.

November 28 | 7th Annual Ag Toy Drive | 5:30 - 8 PM

Where: Lincoln Way Vineyards, Wooster

NATIONWIDE BENEFIT

Nationwide is the #1 insurer of farms and ranches in the nation and is Ohio Farm Bureau's approved insurance and financial services provider. The following agencies are appointed with Nationwide and have been strong partners of your county Farm Bureau. Ohio Farm Bureau members receive a discount on some insurance products. Contact an agent or visit nationwide.com/ofbf for more details.

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2023 Wayne Scholarship Recipients

Wayne County Farm Bureau is pleased to announce its 2023 scholarship recipients:



Andrea Esselburn

Andrea is the daughter of Tom and Kelly Esselburn and is a 2020 graduate of Triway High School. She currently attends The Ohio State University where she is studying Food Business Management/ Agribusiness and Agricultural

Communications. Andrea has an anticipated graduation date of May 2024. When asked about her career goals Andrea stated: "I plan to find a job in the food and agriculture industry where I will work somewhere in the realm of marketing and communications. In particular, I've found my greatest interests lie in the meat industry. Coming from a farm where we raise beef cattle and sell freezer beef led me to get involved with

meat science at Ohio State, and since then the field has become important to me and something I want to be a part of for my career. Animal agriculture and protein consumption are of growing concern for producers and consumers alike in today's world. When it comes to beef or any animal protein, I'm extremely passionate about positively representing the products to consumers. In my career, I want to be able to communicate with professionals in the meat industry and promote the consumption of animal-based proteins to consumers." Good luck, Andrea!



Halle Miller

Halle is the daughter of Michael and Robin Miller and is a 2021 graduate of Norwayne High School. She is currently studying sales Management and Marketing at the University of Akron

with an anticipated graduation date of May 2024. When asked to describe her career goals Halle stated: "I am excited to intern at the J.M. Smucker Company this summer in marketing strategy. I am confident this field will provide me with many challenges and constant learning. It is my goal to land a full-time role with the sales and marketing team for the JM Smucker Company. In this role, I will be able to have an even bigger impact in shaping the way that people view agriculture. Until then...I will be breeding beautiful puppies so that new owners can come from Manhattan or Los Angeles to meet their new furry family member and get a firsthand glimpse into America's agriculture!" Best Wishes Halle!

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Interested in serving as a trustee?

The WCFB board meets approximately 9 times annually on the third Monday evenings of the month at 7:30 PM. Nominations for trustees are accepted until July 1 and nominees must be agriculturalists and members of WCFB. Please email wayne@ofbf.org with your nomination.

News from the Wayne County Planning Department

Did you know?

- Conserving Farmland is an objective defined in Wayne County's comprehensive plan.
- Agricultural Security Areas (ASAs) create special areas where agriculture is encouraged and protected.
- ASAs have been a program of the Ohio Department of Agriculture since 2005 and have been in place around Wayne County since 2008. Wayne County has over 7000 acres of farmland currently enrolled in an ASA, more than anywhere else in the state!
- ASAs are LANDOWNER DRIVEN. Neighboring farms, with at least 500 contiguous acres combined, join as a group for a 10-year term. All land must be unincorporated, enrolled in CAUV and the Ag District with the Auditor, and the application must be approved by Township and County. Cost is \$40 per landowner which helps to cover the processing fees.
- ASAs offers benefits for participating farms including tax exemptions for new investments in structures used exclusively

for agricultural purposes and protection against development pressure.

Want to know more? The Wayne County Planning Department can answer questions and support interested landowners through the application process. Our Farmland Preservation Specialist, Jessica Eikleberry, will be available for questions at the August 15th Annual Meeting or call 330-287-5420 or email AgPlan@WayneOhio.org anytime.

Thank you to our business partners!



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