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A PUBLICATION AND MEMBER BENEFIT OF UNION COUNTY FARM BUREAU



Hosted by Delaware & Union County Farm Bureaus

Enjoy this celebration of agriculture and music with proceeds benefiting hunger relief agencies in Delaware and Union Counties.





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DOORS OPEN AT 4:00PM

Bring a lawn chair for open seating in the barn



17359 WALDO RD FARMS MARYSVILLE, OHIO 43040

**TICKETS \$50** save \$10 each if you are a Farm Bureau Member Table of 8 Available -\$500 Limited number



Your ticket includes dinner catered by City Barbeque, Eda's Italian Ice and Gellato and a cash bar featuring Ohio Craft Beer and Ohio Wine.

- SILENT AUCTION
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- OHIO CRAFT BEER AND WINE

TO PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE, PLEASE VISIT BENEFITINTHEBARN.ORG OR CALL 800-451-8908

# AG DAY AT THE CAPITAL 2024

Hundreds of Ohio Farm Bureau members, including representatives from Union County Farm Bureau, Ralph Stonerock, Justin Gravatt & Mike Plotner gathered in downtown Columbus to meet one-on-one with their state senators and representatives during



Ohio Farm Bureau's annual Ag Day at the Capital Feb. 21. Ohio Farm Bureau priority issues such as eminent domain reform and additional landowner protections, water quality, a more resilient food system and the expansion of affordable highspeed broadband access were introduced.

#### CENTRAL OHIO COUNTY FARM BUREAUS HOST ANNUAL WOMEN IN AG BRUNCH



Delaware, Franklin, Madison & Union County Farm Bureaus hosted the annual Women in Ag Brunch on March 2nd at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center.

This annual event recognizes achievements in agriculture and the contributions of women to our local farm community. The keynote speakers were Jonathan & Alyssa Zucker. We honored Denise Johnson of Franklin County.

## NATIONAL AG WEEK PROCLAMATION





The Union County Commissioners & Mayor Jody Carney recently signed a proclamation declaring March 17th-23rd, 2024 as National Agriculture Week. Organization Director, Melinda Lee, along with board members Anne Scheiderer and Ralph Stonerock presented each commissioner and Mayor of Plain City Jody Carney, a basket filled with locally grown and produced items from Burns Beef, Purple Plains Farm, and Ohio Till Farmstead, as well as information regarding National Ag Week. American Agriculture plays a crucial role in strengthening our economy and in providing food for people, and it is our nation's largest employer.

### ANNUAL PUBLIC POLICY BREAKFAST

Join us for our public policy breakfast on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 8:00am at Union Rural Electric , 15461 US Hwy 36, Marysville. We need your help in identifying issues on which Farm Bureau can direct its efforts. Please RSVP by Tuesday, June 4 by calling the county office at 800-451-8908 or by emailing union@ofbf.org.



#### THANK YOU TO OUR BUSINESS SPONSOR



URE is committed to exceeding the energy needs and expectations of our consumer-members by providing safe, high quality and responsive service at fair prices.

#### To purchase tickets call the DOYLE PARTY PLAZA -SAVE THE DATE county Farm Bureau office FOOD WILL BE 800-451-8908. Reserve your PROVIDED IN OUR spot today as seats are SECTION limited! **CENTRAL OHIO FARM BUREAUS** DELAWARE, FRANKLIN, HUNTINGTON PARK MEMBER APPRECIATION DAY MADISON AND **JUNE 15. 2024 COLUMBUS CLIPPERS** TICKETS Hit it out of the \$8.00 AGES 3-12 park! Perfect for \$10.00 AGES 13-59 7:05 P.M. families or a aift \$8.00 AGES 60+ for dad. IOWA CATES ODEN AT 5-20 DM

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# ICE CREAM WITH A FARMER JUNE 8, 2024 2PM-4PM



Interact with farmers while enjoying a day at Pastime Park! We are celebrating Ohio agriculture, so come out and visit with farmers and enjoy fun agriculture activities. Butter making, photo opts, goodie bags and so much more! *FREE Miller's Olde Fashioned Ice Cream for the first 300 guests!* 

Questions? Call the county Farm Bureau office at 800-451-8908 or email union@ofbf.org. This event is sponsored by Madison County Farm Bureau, Union County Farm Bureau and the Village of Plain City.

# CENTRAL OHIO FARM BUREAUS HOST WORKERS COMP MEETING

Each year, for your benefit, OFBF sponsors educational programs dealing with safety in the agriculture workplace. These programs are important for all Farm Bureau members and worker's compensation employers in the program – large and small. This program is estimated to save members over 6 million dollars this year alone in workers compensation premiums. The meeting was hosted on March 21st and attendees heard from Med Flight on the Stop the Bleed program & from Union County Mental Health & Recovery Board.



#### OHIO FARM BUREAU SELECT PARTNERS IS AN INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES PREFERRED PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM FOR OHIO'S AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY.



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# **OFBF MEMBER BENEFITS**

# **Ohio Farm Bureau Health Benefits Plan**



**HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN** 

The Health Benefits Plan is a flexible and high-quality health coverage option specifically created for sole proprietors and small businesses in Ohio's agricultural economic sector. As today's farmers and small businesses with employees continue to search for health coverage options, the Ohio Farm Bureau Federation has taken

action to help employers save on these expenses. The Ohio Farm Bureau Health Benefits Plan can lead to more rate stability and is a smart solution that offers potential savings for Ohio farmers and small businesses with 1–50 employees. You do not have to be a current Farm Bureau member to apply.

To learn more about the OFB Health Benefits Plan and its many advantages, contact the Ohio Farm Bureau today at 800-937-4567 for a referral to a local OFB

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