

AROUND OUR COUNTY

SUMMER 2024

A PUBLICATION AND MEMBER BENEFIT OF MADISON COUNTY FARM BUREAU

AgriPOWER leadership, advocacy program accepting applications



AGRIPOWER

AgriPOWER is a program of Ohio Farm Bureau and designed for farmers and agribusiness professionals. Applications must be submitted by Aug. 1, 2024.

In 2024, Ohio Farm Bureau Federation will select individuals to participate in AgriPOWER, a leadership and advocacy development program, which will consist of seven multi-day institutes (17 total days). AgriPOWER is a program of Ohio Farm Bureau and designed for farmers and agribusiness professionals.

The AgriPOWER program focuses on public issues that are relevant to the food industry such as consumer relations, regulations, energy, and trade policies. In AgriPOWER, individuals develop the skills necessary to become effective leaders and advocates for agriculture by learning from experts in these fields.

Two of the institute sessions will be held out of state (one in Washington, D.C., and the other location will be decided at a later date) to help class members gain a valuable understanding of national and global issues.

Individuals may nominate themselves or have their nomination sponsored by their respective county Farm Bureau, other agricultural organization, or employer. All applicants must be Farm Bureau members. Applications must be submitted by Aug. 1, 2024.

For complete application details, a schedule of sessions, more about the program and tuition and scholarship opportunities, visit ofbf.org/agripower.

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2024 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Madison County Farm Bureau awarded four collegiate scholarships for the 2024-2025 academic year totaling \$5,000. These scholarships reflect the dedication of the mission to support the next generation of agriculturalists. All recipients will be acknowledged at the MCFB annual meeting in August.



Anna LeGault

Anna is a graduate from Madison Plains High School and plans to attend Delaware State University (Dover, Delaware) where she will major in Agricultural Business and Management.



Kyla McCoy

Kyla is a graduate from Madison Plains High School and plans to attend Ohio Dominican University to study Business Administration.

Kassandra Simmons

Kassandra is a recent graduate at West Jefferson High School. She will be attending Wilmington College to double major in Agricultural Business and Agronomy.



Julianne Headings

Julianne is a graduate from Fairbanks High School and plans to attend The Ohio State University to study Agriculture Communication.



Kara Boerger

Kara is a graduate from Fairbanks Highschool and plans to attend Clark State Community College in pursuit of a degree in Agricultural Business



Growing Tomorrow Grant

Who Should Apply?

Young professionals and entrepreneurs should apply for this grant if they are looking to secure startup funds for a new project/solution or seeking funds to enhance the impact of an existing project. Grant recipients should have a solid business plan and sustainable solution to one or more of the four challenges facing agriculture today.

Visit ofb.ag/GrowingTomorrowGrant for more information or to apply.

The deadline to apply is July 31, 2024, at 5 p.m.



POLICY MEETING HIGHLIGHT

Madison County Farm Bureau members and elected officials met on June 7th to plan for our future. Issues were identified on which Farm Bureau can direct its efforts. We become a stronger organization when we have participation and input from our members. Thank you to all who joined - this discussion and feedback are important for Farm Bureau's continued grassroots policy development.



Farm Bureau Day at the Races

Join Central Ohio Farm Bureaus at the Delaware County Fair for the Jugette Fair admission and grandstands for the Jugette for only \$5 a *savings of \$8!!*
Details for how to purchase tickets will be on our website soon.



SAVE THE DATE

9.18.24



MCFB 2024 PLANTING PHOTOS



Thank you Mike Vallery for generously sharing his 2024 planting photos. We trust that everyone experienced a safe planting season, anticipating a prosperous harvest in the near future.



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By opting in to Membership Auto-Renew, you authorize Ohio Farm Bureau on an annual basis to:

- Charge the applicable membership rate to the saved payment method on your member profile and renew your Farm Bureau membership.

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- You will receive an annual reminder email 10 days in advance of the date your dues payment will be processed.
- You may cancel your participation in Auto-Renew and avoid incurring the annual dues charge by opting out via your online membership account, no later than 2 business days before the scheduled dues processing date.

To enroll in Membership Auto Renew, visit <https://ofbf.org/autorenew/> to login and follow the quick & easy steps



The Madison and Union County Farm Bureaus held Ice Cream with a Farmer on June 8th. The first 300 attendees received a coupon for free ice cream from Miller's Homemade Ice Cream. Local farmers brought their tractors and farm machinery. The kids had several stations to visit. They were able to pot a flower, make a pine cone bird feeder, learn about dairy and make butter, along with participating in farm trivia to win Farm Bureau prizes. 4-H clubs volunteered to help with the stations and brought some of their animals for everyone to enjoy. Thank you to Pete from Agra-tastic for providing the sound system and being our announcer for the afternoon. We appreciate all who came out for the event, and look forward to seeing you all next year!

MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION DAY



Farm Bureau members from Delaware, Franklin, Madison, and Union counties had the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Columbus Clippers game June 15 and enjoy food and drinks in the Doyle Party Plaza. It was a great turnout. Thank you to everyone who came out, and we look forward to all our members joining our future events this year.



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