

**YEAR END SPECIAL!!!!**

**Don't Miss This One!**

It is time for the annual Farm Bureau meeting. This is your organization and your participation is what makes it work successfully for Clearfield County Agriculture. Four (4) directors are needed on the board, five (5) policies have been developed and four (4) recommendations to the state board of directors are on the agenda. The financial report and reports on projects the board has worked on the past year will be available.

- WHEN: October 9**
- WHERE: Hoss's Restaurant, Liberty Blvd, DuBois, Pa. 15801**
- TIME: 6:30 pm**
- MEAL: Order from the menu**
- RESVERATIONS: October 1, call or text M. Kunsman 814-931-5337**

Sam Carr is retiring from the board and Chris Everett has moved from the area. Our thanks to these 2 directors for the work they have done for Clearfield County Farm Bureau over the years.

Two other directors are eligible for re-election if the membership desires. This is your opportunity to serve on the board. I repeat, this is your organization and it is effective only with your support and participation.

**POLICIES**

**National:**

1. We recommend that fluid dairy milk be allowed to be marketed according to its percent fat free.

**State:**

1. We recommend that 1 antlered deer maybe taken during October 3 - 9 using any firearm permitted in regular firearms season.
2. We recommend that Page #61, Real Property taxes #1, be amended: luxury tax on items such as SUVs, boats, campers, etc.
3. We recommend that Page 48 Policy Book Weed Control Plants #5 be amended: All state agencies including but not limited to Pa. Game Commission, Pa. Fish and Boat Commission, Pa. Department of Conservation and Natural resources, and that all Public Utilities including, but not limited to electrical transmission companies, all communication companies and all natural gas transmission companies be required to control all invasive plant species.
4. We recommend that incentives need to be established to assist individual property owners in the control of invasive vegetative species.

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS TO PFB BOARD**

1. We recommend moving the PFB Annual Meeting site around the state.
2. We recommend that the PFB annual Meeting be held in Mid June.
3. We recommend that the PFB Annual Meeting be held corporate style by mailing proposed resolutions ballot to members to be completed and returned to the PFB Office by mail.
4. We recommend that elections for PFB Directors and Officers be voted on by a mail ballot.

### ***Legislative Day Forum***

The annual Legislative Farm Forum was hosted by Hicks Dairy farm August 11<sup>th</sup>. Legislators attending were : Senator W. Langerholic, Representative T. Sankey, Representative M. Armanini, Commissioner J. Sobel, and legislative aids for US Senator P. Toony, US representative G. T. Thompson and state Senator C. Dush.

Topics discussed were: the lack of broadband in rural areas, dairy concerns over milk pricing, labelling on nondairy products, school lunch milk rules, wind and solar long-term problems, and funding for farm conservation practices.

Following the presentation, the group observed the Robotic Milking setup the Hicks Dairy has installed. They heard about the trials in getting the cows changed from the stanchion milking to the automatic milking.

Our thanks to Hicks Dairy Farm for hosting this event.

### ***AG AWARENESS PROGRAMS***

**Farmers are a vanishing population, amounting to about 2% of the US population. 98% of the population think that food comes from the back room of the grocery stores. How can we educate the people to the true facts of farming and the vital role of farmers? Legislative Farm Forums are 1 way of educating our legislators about our concerns. We have provided factual books about farming to elementary age school children thorough the farm-tastic book program placing books in school and public libraries since 2012. We sponsor teachers to attend a Penn State summer program on how to incorporate ag subjects into their classroom curriculum. Three teachers from Clearfield County along with 115 other teachers attended the program in 2021, PFB has 6 mobile labs that visit elementary schools for a week teaching ag subjects. And yes, those young students are telling and educating their parents what they learned in the lab. One mobile lab began about 2002 and today the 6 labs are booked just ab out every week of the school year.**

This is a short summary of how Clearfield County Farm Bureau is working to promote agriculture, in the county and state wide. Help us by getting involved, tell us your problems, suggest solutions, attend our functions, serve on a committee, on the board, contact your legislator when we have a legislative issue. Sign up your neighbors, friends, that are not now farm bureau members. These are just some of ways that you can help farm bureau help you.

**MEMBER BUSINESS DIRECTORY**

To make additions/changes, contact L. Kriner 583-7451

**Curwensville and DuBois  
Feed Store**

224 Filbert St.  
Curwensville, Pa  
814-236-1572  
605 W. DuBois Ave.  
DuBois, Pa 158012  
814-371-8977

**Casteel Chiropractic  
Of Clearfield**

Gary M. Casteel DC  
538 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Clearfield, Pa 16830  
814-765-7111

**Robbins Logging Lumber**

Lynn Robbins  
187 Robbins Drive  
Clearfield, Pa. 16830

**Curwensville Heating  
& Plumbing**

Jeff & Doreen Shaffer  
454 State Street  
Curwensville, Pa 16833  
814-236-0720

**Curwensville Ace Hardware**

Jeff & Doreen Shaffer  
454 State Street  
Curwensville, Pa 16833

**Dream Catcher's Farm  
& Fiber Mill**

Tammy Bush  
913 McClarren Rd  
West Decatur, Pa 16878

**Dunlap Lawn & Garden**

Brad A. Dunlap  
1509 Oklahoma-Salem Road  
DuBois, Pa 15801  
814-583-7197

**Haag's Feed Store  
& Milling**

Bryan Haag  
Troutville, Pa 15866  
814-583-7556

**Hanzely Greenhouse**

John Hanzely  
1024 Salem Road  
DuBois, Pa 15801  
814-583-7499

**Hanzely Nursery &  
Garden Center**

Thomas Hanzely  
Blinker Parkway  
DuBois, Pa 15801  
814-375-0305

**Circle C Farm**

Larry Crittenden  
Custom Work:  
Hauling, Backhoe  
6126 Drane Hwy  
West Decatur Pa 16878  
814-339-7483

**Dunlap Lawn & Garden**

Brad A. Dunlap  
3230 Menhall Rd.  
Brookville, Pa 15825  
814-849-7197

**JRW Enterprises**

**Welding & Fabrication**  
John Walnock  
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Curwensville, Pa 16833  
814-236-3715

**Mark's Fiberglass Sales  
& Sign Shop**

519 Salem Road  
Dubois, Pa 15801  
814-583-5931

**Bonnies Greenhouse**

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Osceola Mills, Pa 16666  
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**Pine Grove Nursery, Inc**

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152 Pine Grove Road  
Clearfield, Pa 16830  
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**Orner Farms, Inc.**

3532 Home Camp Road  
Rockton, Pa 15856  
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**Wayland Farm Supply**

James Wayland  
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DuBois, Pa 15801  
814-371-5260

**Sew Crafty - Crafts,  
Classes Consignments**

Lisa Walnock  
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814-577-0819

**Russell Stone Products**

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2640 Greenville Pike  
Grampain, Pa 16838  
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**Christoff Oil & Propane**

Better Prices, Better  
Services, Better Choice  
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Houtzdale, Pa 16651  
814-497-4423

**Modzel Family Farms LLC**

127 Power Road  
Morrisdale, Pa 16858  
814-577-1756

**Windy's Legacy Livestock  
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**Glass Repair**

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**Delicious Distractions**

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**Nationwide Insurance**  
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The advertisement features the Nationwide logo on the left and the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau logo on the right. The main headline reads "For your always growing side." Below this, a paragraph states: "We help protect your farm, family, finances and future. As a Farm Bureau member, you may be eligible for a discount on your farm insurance from the #1 farm insurer." A call to action says "Learn more at [nationwide.com/pfb](http://nationwide.com/pfb)." At the bottom, there is a small disclaimer: "©2016 Farmers Group, Inc. All rights reserved. This advertisement is not a contract. For more information, please contact your agent. The information contained herein is for informational purposes only and does not constitute an offer of insurance. Insurance coverage is subject to underwriting, qualifications, review, and approval. Products and services are available in all counties in addition, Nationwide, the Nationwide Farm Bureau and Nationwide is a registered service mark of Farmers Group, Inc. The Farm Bureau and the Farm Bureau logo are registered service marks of American Farm Bureau and used herein by Nationwide. © 2016 Nationwide. AIC-0984112-000/08 10/16/16"

The advertisement features a photograph of an elderly woman in a white coat standing in a field. To her right is the Farm Bureau Health Services logo, which includes the letters "H" and "S" inside a circle with "PENNSYLVANIA FARM BUREAU HEALTH SERVICES" around it. The headline asks "Are You Turning 65 This Year and Going on Medicare?". Below the headline, the text says "Choosing your Medicare plan can be overwhelming. It can be hard to figure out what you want, or more important, what you need." To the right, it says "Farm Bureau's experienced and trained staff are ready to help. At no cost to you, we can:" followed by a bulleted list: "• Answer your questions", "• Explain and compare options", "• Work within your budget", and "• Help with informed Medicare coverage decisions". At the bottom, it says "Knowledgeable. Helpful. Dedicated." and "To check availability in your county call **800.522.237**."

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