

Oswego County Farm Bureau

Fall 2024



PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dear Oswego County Farm Bureau members,

I hope you have had a good summer. For many of us it was an interesting spring and a wet summer. The two hurricanes that deposited 10 or so inches of rain created some headaches for everyone. It seems to be a bumper crop across NY this year, however, and for that we should be thankful.

This is the time of the year where your input can shape the future of agriculture in our county, state and country. Your Oswego County board is particularly focused on policy that helps preserve our agricultural land. If you have concerns or an issue that public policy can address, let me or the county Farm Bureau know about it. We will take it up this fall at our County Annual Meeting. It is the opportunity to vote on policy resolutions that can have a real impact through the organization's advocacy work. There isn't a better system or team in the state that gets results for our members.

Member engagement is key to what we do here at Farm Bureau. I would like to thank the county board

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All are cordially invited to attend the
OSWEGO COUNTY FARM BUREAU
ANNUAL MEETING
THURSDAY, OCT. 24

held at

KRISTEN'S BATTLE ISLAND
2150 STATE ROUTE 48, FULTON, N.Y. 13069
SOCIAL TIME 6 PM ~ DINNER 7 PM

COST: \$20 PER PERSON

RSVP BY OCT. 17

Email jwilliamson@nyfb.org or call 518-431-5670

*Please be sure to reference the
Oswego County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
when making your reservation.*

**OSWEGO COUNTY FARM BUREAU
POLICY DEVELOPMENT RESOLUTIONS 2025**

- We support New York Farm Bureau taking a more active role in sharing news items (via Grassroots and in e-media) about national and international issues effecting agriculture, regulatory environment/other grassroots farmer initiatives.
 - We oppose solar companies including Non-Disclosure agreements in solar leases with farmers.
 - We oppose legislation that would prohibit certain wild animals from being transported to fairs for educational exhibition.
 - We support making the ST-125 Farmer's and Commercial Horse Boarding Operator's Exemption Certificate valid for 5 years.
 - We oppose legislation that would require bottles, including wine bottles, to be refillable.
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Farming Forward
Leadership. Innovation. Diversification.

**STA-CON 24: NYFB STATE ANNUAL CONVENTION
FARMING FORWARD:
LEADERSHIP. INNOVATION. DIVERSIFICATION
DECEMBER 3 - 5, 2024 · TURNING STONE RESORT CASINO**

New York Farm Bureau is once again hosting a Future of Agriculture in New York State forum at our state convention. This event called “Farming Forward: Leadership. Innovation. Diversification” will be held on Wednesday, December 4 at Turning Stone Casino and will provide an engaging program and numerous workshops to help NYFB members, farmers and agricultural professionals better plan for the future. Early bird registration is due September 30. You can find more information under the Events tab on the state website www.nyfb.org. Please encourage businesses you work with to consider sponsorship opportunities.

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members for working with me this year. It helps knowing that people care about local agriculture. If you are interested in supporting the effort, I would be happy to speak with you about your involvement or an idea you may have for programming, advocacy, or an event. We currently have openings on our Board of Directors. If you have an interest in helping shape the future of agriculture in Oswego County, reach out to one of our board members.

Finally, save the dates for the County Annual Meeting (see front page) as well as State Annual Convention (above) that will be held December 3-5 at Turning Stone Casino in Verona, NY. Additionally, we've scheduled our Trivia Night to raise funds for our educational outreach programs. Trivia Night will be October 12, 2024 at 6 Acres Farm Brewery's new tasting room in Mexico, NY.

I hope to see you at our County Annual Meeting, and I wish you all a good harvest season.

Sincerely,

Bruce Gibson

Oswego County Farm Bureau President

OSWEGO COUNTY FARM BUREAU

TRIVIA NIGHT CHALLENGE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024

6 ACRES FARM BREWERY

421 FORT LEAZIER RD., MEXICO, NY

\$30 per person for Dinner & Team Registration

Teams of up to 6

21 and over—*Cash Bar*

Doors Open
6:00 p.m.



- ➔ Social Hour
- ➔ Raffle Items
- ➔ Catered Dinner
- ➔ Team Trivia Event
- ➔ Theme your Table/Team

TABLE DECORATING CONTEST
 Choose your own theme!
 Judging based on
 table decorations, creativity
 and originality.

2024 OSWEGO COUNTY FARM BUREAU TRIVIA NIGHT CHALLENGE

Team Name: _____

Team Contact email: _____

List of Participants:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Mail completed registration form along with registration fee (\$30 per team member) to:

Darren Adsit
266 County Rt. 38
Hastings, NY 13076

Checks should be made payable to:
Oswego County Farm Bureau
 With registration and payment due:
October 4, 2024

TO DONATE AN ITEM FOR RAFFLES
 Contact Sue Bristol: Email farmsue12@gmail.com
 Or call: 315-382-4346



HOSTED BY Oswego County Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee
PROCEEDS RAISED will go toward Oswego County youth programming

New York Farm Bureau
 159 Wolf Road, Suite 300
 Albany, NY 12205



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Oswego County Farm Bureau meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at Stefano's Pizzeria, 3273 Main Street in Mexico.