



NEWSLETTER

FCFB 2022 Calendar

Upcoming Events

July 7-8

Farm Safety Camp
Frederick Fairgrounds

July 20

Summer Picnic
Mt. Tabor Park

August 26-September 5

Maryland State Fair
Timonium

September 16-24

The Great Frederick Fair

October 21

Annual Meeting
New Midway Fire Hall

November 18

Women's Leadership Bingo
New Midway Fire Hall

December 3-6

Maryland Farm Bureau
Annual Meeting
Cambridge, MD

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

DENNY REMSBURG

Another busy summer has arrived with planting in full swing as I write this in mid-May. Your county Farm Bureau board has also been busy this spring planning our summer schedule of activities. Our Spring Banquet was held in person after having to cancel last year's event due to the pandemic. It seemed everyone was ready to get out and see people again as judged by the great attendance.

The Women's Leadership Committee and Young Farmers co-sponsored a Candidates Forum for those candidates running for County Council, County Executive and Sheriff. This

was an excellent opportunity for our membership to hear from the candidates and have the opportunity to meet one-on-one following the formal presentations to discuss topics important to them. I encourage all Farm Bureau members to get out and vote. Evaluate the candidates and choose those who most closely align with your positions on issues most important to you. We can make our voices heard through the ballot box.

Make sure to mark Wednesday, July 20 on your calendar. Our annual Frederick County Farm Bureau picnic will be held at Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge. We are also including

the Young Farmer and Farmerette and the Ambassador Contests for this event so make sure to arrive early so you do not miss anything. We will also be awarding our scholarships during the evening.

A reminder to everyone our organization is only as strong as its membership. Please make sure to renew your membership when it comes due and invite a neighbor, friend, or relative to become a Farm Bureau member. We are the voice of agriculture in Maryland.

Please stay safe during the busy summer season!



Pictured at Left:

Some of the acts from "Vaudeville with a Country Twist" performance at the Women's Spring Luncheon

FREDERICK COUNTY AMBASSADOR CONTEST

CONNIE PALMER

2022-2023 Frederick County Farm Bureau Ambassador Program application is now available.

The Ambassador contest is open to both young ladies and young men. Contestants must be between the ages of 17 and 21 by September 16, 2022 and pursuing either a two or four year college degree. The participant or their parent(s) or guardian(s) must hold an active Farm Bureau membership prior to September 16th and that membership must be maintained throughout their year of service. Frederick County will be utilizing the Maryland Ambassador application.

The Ambassador contest will be held at the Frederick County Farm Bureau Picnic on July 20th at the Mt. Tabor Park in Rocky Ridge. Contestants will need to arrive by 4pm. The winner must be able to attend the Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador Contest at the Farm Bureau Annual Convention in December. The Maryland Ambassador Contest is scheduled for December 3rd and 4th at the Hyatt Regency in Cambridge, Maryland. The 1st place winner will receive \$1,000 (\$500 at the time of contest, \$500 at end of term), and 2nd place and 3rd place winner will receive \$500 each.

To download the application please visit: <https://www.mdfarmbureau.com/maryland-farm-bureau-ambassador-application-now-available/>

**Submit completed applications to
FrederickCountyFBW@gmail.com by June 30, 2022**

Pictured at Right:

Past President Sam Roop moderating the Candidate Forum

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

EMILY SNYDER

Our membership drive ends on June 30, and we need your help! We are definitely within reach of our goal. For every **new** member signed, I will personally guarantee you a pint of local ice cream as a reward! All you have to do is email me at Emily.snyder17@gmail.com and let me know who you signed up.

The Frederick County Farm Bureau Board of Directors have been hard at work recruiting members. We recently hosted a Candidate Forum and were able to secure a number of memberships from candidate participants as well as audience members. It was great to see so many faces at the event and spend an evening gathering information about the candidates.

We are very fortunate to have so many involved members in this county. We always have representation at public hearings, on county committees, task forces, boards and more. Your Board of Directors are lucky to have the ear of the County Council and they often seek our advice and knowledge while crafting legislation. We are able to educate and guide towards what keeps agriculture viable in this county.

We are not all business though. I extend a personal invitation to come see what we are all about, whether you are new to Farm Bureau or have been a member for years. Our summer picnic is coming up in July and it is always a good time whether you are 7, 27 or 77. It is a great time to catch up with old friends, meet new faces, and have some farmer fellowship!



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FREDERICK COUNTY FARM BUREAU

ANNUAL PICNIC

Bring a potential Farm Bureau member for a chance to win a prize!

LITTLE FARMER /FARMERETTE | SILVER SENIORS CONTESTS

AMBASSADOR CONTEST | SCHOLARSHIPS

EVENT STARTS @ 5PM | DINNER @ 7PM

JULY 20th CATERED BY ROCKY RIDGE VOL. FIRE CO.

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LITTLE FARMER/FARMERETTE CONTEST

LAURA RAMSBURG

The Little Farmer/Farmerette Contest will be held in conjunction with the annual picnic on July 20th. The contest is open to contestants ages 3-10. Contestants must have either a parent, guardian or grandparent who is a current Frederick County Farm Bureau member. Registration begins at 5pm with the contest beginning at 5:30pm.

Be sure to RSVP for the picnic by July 11th at FrederickCountyFBW@gmail.com

The FIRST ever **PUBLIC SAFETY FAIR**

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Date/Time: **Friday, July 8 | 4 - 8 p.m.**

Location: **The Frederick Fairgrounds,**

797 East Patrick Street • Frederick, MD 21701

- Frederick County Fire & Rescue
- Frederick County Sheriff's Department
- Frederick County Health Department
- FirstEnergy Live Wire Electrical Safety Demo
- Animal Safety Demos & Petting Zoo
- Tractor Safety & Equipment Displays

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*\$ Food will be available to purchase on site \$
(Valley Concessions & GlamourView)*

FREDERICK COUNTY FARM BUREAU SAFETY CAMP

AMY JO POFFENBERGER

2022 Frederick County Farm Safety Camp Registration

Dear Parents and Campers:

Frederick County Farm Bureau is proud to offer the 25th annual Safety Camp. This year we have planned an exciting two day camp. Campers, ages 8-13, may enjoy classes that are tailored to fire safety, farm safety, and wildlife safety. Classes are taught by volunteers from the community who excel in their specific fields.

Safety Camp will be held July 7th and 8th from 7am until 5pm. Camp will be held at The Great Frederick Fair - 797 E. Patrick Street, Frederick, MD 21701. Safety Camp will have a registered nurse on staff to assist with medical issues. Campers will enjoy both indoor and outdoor activities.

Campers need to bring suntan lotion, bug spray and medicine. Medications should be in the prescription bottle and will be given to the nurse for safe keeping while at camp. Sunscreen and bug spray should be labeled and will be given to the nurse also. Campers should NOT bring any weapons (including pocket knives), alcohol, matches/lighters or valuables to camp. Frederick County Farm Bureau is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

This year, Safety Camp will be open to campers from other counties including Montgomery, Washington, Carroll and Howard. Registration will be open April 8, 2022 until June 15, 2022 for all counties. Registration will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Registration will not exceed 100 campers. Camp cost this year is \$40.00. The cost includes registration, meals, a t-shirt and a water bottle. **Deadline for registration is June 15, 2022.** All payments must be post-marked by June 15, 2022.

REGISTRATION IS ONLINE - <https://forms.gle/hyqN8gA832PgSD6u5> [forms.gle]

Payment can be mailed to Amy Jo Poffenberger, 10734 Stull Road, Frederick, MD 21701. Please make checks out to FC Farm Safety.

If you have any questions please contact Amy Jo Poffenberger at amy7538@gmail.com or by calling 301-676-6732.

Thanks,

The Safety Camp Committee

Tip Me Frederick

Tip Me Frederick is a non-profit Trap-Neuter-Return-Manage (TNRM) cat resource for Frederick, MD and the surrounding areas. TNRM is a humane alternative for managing and reducing stray, feral or barn cat populations.

Learn more by visiting www.tipmefrederick.org

Questions? Reach out to us at 301-845-1061 or tipmefrederick@yahoo.com



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WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

CONNIE PALMER

As I am writing this article for the newsletter, I realized the year 2022 is half over. This past spring found Women's Leadership involved in many activities. On January 31st, Women's Leadership had their first meeting of the year with twelve board members in attendance and three guests. Reports were given and summer events planned. We voted to give \$200 each to eight food banks and \$200 to the Ronald McDonald House. February 9th several Women's Leadership ladies attended the virtual Day in Annapolis. On February 12th Legislative Day was held at the New Midway Fire Hall with six Women's Leadership ladies in attendance. Frederick County Farm Bureau held their annual Spring Banquet at the Jefferson Fire Hall on March 24th with eleven Women's Leadership ladies in attendance. The table decorations were provided by Women's Leadership. Jaclyn Bryant, the reigning Frederick County and Maryland Farm Bureau Ambassador was the guest speaker. On April 18th, Women's leadership Bingo Committee met and the decision was made to have a fundraising event November 18th at New Midway Fire Hall. Women's Leadership will be sponsoring the MAEF Mobile Science Lab for the week at The Great Frederick Fair.

On April 20th the Women's leadership Spring Luncheon was held with 120 guests in attendance. We were delighted to have Farm Bureau Women's Leadership ladies join us from Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Dorchester, Harford, Howard and Talbot counties. The program was Vaudeville with a County Twist. In addition there was a silent auction and a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. On May 4th Frederick County Farm Bureau, Women's Leadership and Young Farmers hosted a Candidate Night. Candidates running for County Executive, Council and Sheriff each had five minutes to express their views. A Q&A was held at the end of the forum as well as ice cream served from South Mountain Creamery.