Wood County Farm Bureau, Forestry Association Hold Legislation Appreciation Dinner

Wood County’s own Anna Border was one of several speakers at the WCFB and Forestry Association Legislation Appreciation Dinner held in January.

A robust crowd attended the meeting, which was held at the Wood County Fairgrounds in the 4-H building.

Don Michael, WVFB’s Director of Governmental Affairs, discussed several pieces of legislation that he hoped would be addressed by lawmakers during the 2012 session. Among those discussed were maintaining funding for the predator control program; protecting landowners from liability suits from trespassers; and establishing county livestock committees to handle animal mistreatment complaints.

Dick Waybright, executive director of the West Virginia Forestry Association, discussed green building initiatives and how that affects manufacturers in West Virginia, as well as the timber severance tax.

Former WVFB Board Member Dies


Butcher was a former member of the WVFB board of directors, having served from 1987-1994.

He was a 1951 graduate of Berea College, earning a degree in agriculture, and was a 4-H extension agent until his retirement in 1980.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby, and two children.

Flora Turner, Region V Women’s Leadership Committee Chair, Dies

Lewis County and WVFB are mourning the loss of Flora Turner, Region V WLC Chair.

Turner died January 20, 2012 following a sudden illness.

She was a retired instructional aide for the Lewis County School System, and in her spare time volunteered for a number of organizations, including the Lewis County Livestock Association, Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital Auxilliary, Lewis County Fair Association, Eastern Star, and others.

Flora is survived by her husband, Denver, daughter Kim and husband Boone Brown, two grandchildren, two brothers, and several nieces and nephews.

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Tree with light
Eric Thomason
Strings Attached to National Park Designation

Charles Wilfong, President, West Virginia Farm Bureau

Last October, U.S. Senator Joe Manchin asked the National Park Service to study the creation of a massive national park in West Virginia. The proposed High Allegheny National Park would encompass huge acreages of the current Monongahela National Forest, parts of the George Washington National Forest, various state parks and private land. Some people are being vague on the total size of the proposal, while others have it down to the acre –750,303 acres, stretching across six counties.

According to maps being circulated, virtually all of Tucker county, large portions of Randolph, Pendleton and Pocahontas counties, and parts of Grant and Preston counties are included in the initial proposal. Historically, these park projects have a tendency to grow much larger once they are initiated. Organizational websites supporting this effort are touting all the alleged advantages of this take-over by the National Park Service. Some of the sites concentrate on the quote, “Let’s create a masterpiece.” They promote habitat diversity, water quality, scenic views, etc. Sounds like motherhood and apple pie, doesn’t it? What they don’t tell you is that when property is designated as a national park, hunting, fishing, logging, mineral development (oil, natural gas, coal and others), wind power development, and virtually all other kinds of development is no longer allowed. They also fail to mention the Tier 3.0 water quality standard that applies to parks, which has zero tolerance for changes in water quality – and that is unachievable. All of these prohibitions, including Tier 3.0 status, apply to “inholders” - people who own private property within the park boundaries. If

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Taking a New Approach with the Farm Bill

Bob Stallman, President, American Farm Bureau Federation

‘Farm Bill.’ It’s probably the most synonymous term associated with American agriculture. It plays a huge and significant role in farming operations across the nation, and shapes everything from the ebbs and flows of how farmers go about their daily business to their conservation efforts and even disaster relief. Understandably, formulating a new farm bill every five years is no easy task.

The farm bill that Congress is working on now will certainly look different than any previous legislation. Times have changed. The U.S. economy, consumers’ attitudes on food production and even farmers’ opinions on how best to run their businesses are all different from the last go-round. So, as we head into creating the new legislation, it’s important that Farm Bureau lead the discussion – and we need to hit the ground running.

The Bigger Picture

Earlier this year, after much thought and deliberation, the American Farm Bureau developed a plan to establish a catastrophic revenue loss program. This plan is unique in that it will help protect America’s farmers from losses that truly endanger the very core of their farms. At the same time, it recognizes today’s budget realities. It is also unique in that it can be applied to a broader range of commodities, like fruits and vegetables.

There have been several recent proposals for program crops with payments that kick in after only a small decrease in farm revenue for some crops and set up higher target prices for others. But, as Farm Bureau sees it, the government should take on the very serious, large-scale risks that happen infrequently instead of smaller risks. Agricultural programs are intended to help farmers deal with big challenges they cannot handle alone, not minimal losses.

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Between the Lines
At this writing two weeks remain in the 2012 Regular Session of the West Virginia Legislature. Election year sessions can be somewhat lackluster, but this year’s event may rank among the more productive, depending on action taken during the final two weeks. Complete details will be featured in my April update.

The Rural Caucus continues to provide a refreshing, non-partisan atmosphere for decision-makers to unite their energies in making a positive difference for rural West Virginia. Farm Bureau has been afforded numerous opportunities to enlighten the group on agricultural issues and legislative needs. We are most appreciative of the leadership provided by Delegate Bill Hartman (Randolph Co.), as well as the active involvement of the 40+ public servants who participate.

Early into the 2012 Session, Delegate “Woody” Ireland (Ritchie Co.) initiated a working group to discuss ideas for enhancing the demand side of the natural gas industry. Regular participants include Senators Robert Beach (Monongalia Co.) and Orphy Klempa (Ohio Co.); Delegates Ray Canterbury (Greenbrier Co.), Bill Hartman and “Woody” Ireland; and Farm Bureau representatives. Senator Bob Williams (Taylor Co.) and Delegate Bill Anderson (Wood Co.) have also participated. Many ideas have been generated, including trying to attract a major player in the fertilizer industry to consider West Virginia as a production site. Considering the fact that it takes 33,000+ cubic feet of natural gas to produce one ton of nitrogen fertilizer and estimates are ninety percent of the cost of manufacturing such fertilizer depends on the price of natural gas, why not consider West Virginia? In my opinion it would be wiser to utilize our nation’s resources, in this case West Virginia’s natural gas, than to depend on the Caribbean Island of Trinidad, as well as Russia and the Middle East – our primary sources of ammonia (used to produce other compounds such as ammonium nitrate and urea) today. I will keep you posted as discussions and details evolve.

The race for Agriculture Commissioner becomes more interesting by the day. It reminds me of the many roller coaster rides I’ve taken over the years – anticipation, excitement and suspense. At one time the potential candidates numbered in the teens. I reflected in my October column that “you will be able to count the serious contenders on one hand as the primary nears.” At this writing there are five Democrats in the race (listed alphabetically) – Walt Helmick, Pocahontas County; Joe Messineo, Roane County; Steve Miller, Mineral County; Sally Shepherd, Kanawha County; and Bob Tabb, Jefferson County. The lone Republican, Mike Teets of Hardy County, announced on February 10 he was withdrawing from the race for personal reasons. This places much greater emphasis on the May 8 primary election, and the need for all stakeholders to study the candidates so informed decisions can be made when voting. The agriculture community can play a significant role in ensuring that our next Commissioner is an articulate, visionary leader with integrity, who is knowledgeable and passionate about agriculture. Until next time, take care FRIENDS, God bless and KEEP SMILING.
Software makes text unreadable to data thieves

Nationwide Insurance extended its ID Theft Insurance by helping members protect their personal information on home computers. Today, criminals are becoming more adept and aggressive at stealing bank account numbers and passwords. Nationwide’s newest product includes access to software that helps thwart criminals from stealing information – even if they have virtual access to a customer’s personal computer.

“Nationwide takes protecting personal information seriously,” said Kirk Herath, Vice President and Chief Privacy Officer. “At Nationwide, we work diligently to keep our customers’ information secure. But, it’s only half the equation – most identity theft occurs because customers aren’t adequately protecting their home computers. With the increase in criminal activity, it makes sense to help equip our customers with strong tools to help them keep their personal computers secure.”

According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics in the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. households experienced about $13.3 billion in direct financial losses due to identity theft in 2010. Even online games have become sources of valuable information for tech-savvy thieves.

Nationwide is one of a few companies offering this protection in identity theft packages.

This will help members guard against criminals who use malicious means and attacks to steal personal information as people bank online, enter passwords on social media sites and transact business online.

Nationwide Identity Theft Coverage and Protection is provided by Europ Assistance USA (EA USA).

Part of the new coverage includes software for browsers called Online Data Protection. This software is designed to protect against key logging and phishing attacks by scrambling the data that members type into web pages. Using this tool makes it less likely that criminals can read the data that they steal using keystroke loggers or phishing sites. This tool works along with anti-virus, anti-spyware, and a personal firewall to help keep personal computers safe from snooping criminals.

“Key logging, spyware and phishing attacks are becoming more prevalent as thieves find ways to tap into confidential information,” said Glenn Maykish, Vice President of EA USA. “Combating these risks is a perfect complement to our identity theft protection and resolution services offered to Nationwide customers.”

Nationwide Identity Theft Coverage offers up to $25,000 in recovery for expense reimbursement with no deductible, immediate fraud assessment, notification to major credit bureaus, assistance with contacting creditors, banks, and agencies, assistance replacing important documents, and emergency cash advance if theft occurs while away from home (restrictions and limits apply). The coverage also includes credit monitoring and identity tracking – and now online data protection.

Key logging or a key logger is a type of surveillance software or spyware that records every keystroke you make including instant messages, e-mail, and any information you type at any time using your keyboard and then transmits this information to an unknown third party, who can use this information to have access to your confidential information such as bank account numbers, logins, passwords, etc.

Phishing (pronounced “fishing”) is a type of online identity theft that involves the use of email and fraudulent websites to steal your personal data or information such as credit card numbers, passwords, account data or other sensitive information.

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We have serious concerns about the other proposals floating around, which dictate different rules, different crops and different payments. Not only would such programs be a nightmare for local Farm Service Agency offices to administer, but farmers would have the ability to cherry-pick which program works best for them. Because of distortions in price, we’d have a system of farmers deciding what to produce based on government payments rather than market signals.

A New Way of Thinking
In past farm programs, the government simply wrote checks to farmers to help them sustain America’s food supply. But, times are changing. While the majority of Americans think farmers need help, they don’t agree on just writing checks. We want to flip that around. Government should accept systemic risk, which would lower insurance premiums for farmers and allow them to choose their own coverage at a much lower cost. Our proposal is a new approach to farm policy.

Not only would the Farm Bureau’s plan get rid of direct and countercyclical payments, it would eliminate the need for ad hoc disaster assistance for crops, which, as we’ve experienced in the past, offers no assurance to farmers when catastrophe happens.

The Farm Bureau plan is the best possible solution for a new farm program. It’s scalable depending on what the final budget is and could be utilized for all commodities as long as they are covered by crop insurance. But, most importantly, it offers farmers peace of mind that when the going really gets tough, they will have someone watching their back.

those private property owners happen to be farmers, they would no longer be allowed to farm because of the Tier 3.0 standard. Further, if those private property owners wished to develop their minerals, or log their forests, or wanted to allow energy companies to place windmills on their property, or developing their property in nearly any other way, they would be prohibited from doing so. And the most onerous part of park status is the right of eminent domain – the Park Service would have the right to condemn and seize property from any or all inholders.

One wonders if eminent domain is a large part of the motivation behind this project. There is a large number of privately-owned properties within the proposed boundaries of this park that the government has previously been unable to acquire, but would now be able to do so using this tactic. This is just plain wrong and an abuse of power. Supporters of the project claim that inholders won’t be threatened; however, it is the general practice of the Park Service to condemn and take the properties of all inholders. The Park Service demands total control. So, don’t be taken in by those who promote this effort. The last thing we need is more federal government ownership and control over us.

This is an extremely important property rights issue that needs the involvement of everyone. The Park Service study is scheduled to be completed in September. Senator Manchin and our entire congressional delegation need to hear from us now. Call the Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121, and voice your concerns.
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Young Farmer and Rancher Update

In February, eight folks represented West Virginia at the AFBF Young Farmer and Rancher Leadership Conference in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The group was made up of committee members as well as collegiate members at West Virginia University. Rachel Manning, a senior majoring in Agricultural and Extension Education, competed in the collegiate discussion meet and did a terrific job. Highlights of the trip included leadership workshops, networking opportunities, and agricultural tours. The focus of this year’s conference was learning to use our voices to speak up in the grassroots policy process that Farm Bureau is known for.

With the winter months behind us, the committee is excited to look toward our spring and summer activities. In May we will be holding our annual spring farm tour in Hardy County highlighting cattle, poultry, and strawberry operations. We are excited about seeing a new area of the state and invite anyone who is interested to join us for a fun filled day. Details are still being finalized, so please keep an eye out for the exact date on the website, Facebook, and in this magazine. We hope to schedule in a committee picnic sometime during the warmer months and will again attend the State FFA Convention at Cedar Lakes and the West Virginia State Fair.

Spring is indeed an exciting time to live on the farm. Springtime seems to be filled with daily little miracles that so many might take for granted – the slight greening of the grass each day, new buds on the trees, and baby lambs and calves dotting the fields. I love the smells that spring brings with it. Spring brings the smells of rain on a warming earth and of freshly tilled fields. This season truly represents what farmers are all about. All through the long dreary months of winter, farmers plan and dream for these months of spring.

I read a post on the Farm Bureau blog by Daniel Smith, a member of the national Young Farmer and Rancher Committee, which perfectly captures what spring means. Daniel is a beef cattle farmer in Kentucky. “[Spring] is a wonderful time for personal reflection. A cow only calves once per year. When those first calves are born, I find myself thinking about what has happened in that year since the last calving season. I think about what has changed, and I think about personal goals and where I hope to be after another year. I think about challenges that I have faced and how I can learn from adversity that I have dealt with. I think about the season of renewal and the hope that springs eternal. I am sure everyone has this time of reflection each year that coincides with a particular event; something about spring calving season allows just enough quiet time for my mind to switch gears. I guess it is comforting to some extent also, that despite all the change that life brings, there are some things that remain constant.”

Enjoy this truly blessed time!
West Virginia Farm Bureau News

Farm Credit
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The topics covered during this seminar should prove useful to farmers who are just starting their careers as well as more established producers. Dr. Kohl and Dr. White’s easy-going style brings the material to life and shows its practicality in the management of farm operations.

Schedule of Topics

- The Wild, Wild World of Global Economics
  - Global Economics
  - Direction of Ag & General Economy
  - Oil, Water & Land Values
  - Rules to Live By
  - Philosophy for the Second Decade
  - Management Techniques

The Presenters

Back by popular demand, Dr. David Kohl will once again be conducting the Young Farmer Institute. Dr. Kohl is currently Professor Emeritus in the Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics at Virginia Tech.

Dr. Kohl has traveled over 8 million miles throughout his professional career, conducting more than 6,000 workshops and seminars for agricultural groups. He has published four books and more than 1,200 articles on financial and business-related topics in journals and other popular publications.

Dr. Alex White is a professor for Virginia Tech, his main responsibilities are teaching and extension in the field of Agricultural Business Management and Personal Financial Management. The courses he teaches include Agricultural Financial Management, Personal Financial Planning, Agricultural Management & Problem Solving, and Retirement Planning. Alex also heads up the Dave Kohl Agribusiness Centre, a student-based consulting project.

He has worked with Farm Credit in various capacities for the past 20 years. He currently speaks to Farm Credit employees as a part of the Farm Credit University training program. Further, Alex is a customer (member/owner) of Farm Credit.
Despite recent assurances by the U.S. Department of Labor that they will rethink the proposals, ag leaders say the DOL is continuing to move ahead with plans to restrict child labor on farms across the U.S.

West Virginia Commissioner of Agriculture Gus Douglass wrote a letter to the DOL in December 2011 expressing his concerns regarding the proposals.

“Safety is first and foremost in any occupation,” he wrote, “but limitations imposed in this proposal will greatly diminish the opportunity for youth to become involved in an occupation that has helped make the United States of America the world leader in agriculture and food production.”

Douglass further asserted that preventing youth from experiencing farm life will eventually lead to a state of crisis in food production. He ended his letter by requesting Congressional hearings on the matter.

On February 2, WVDA Deputy Commissioner Bob Tabb traveled to Capitol Hill to testify before the Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy and Trade. Tabb echoed the concerns expressed in Douglass’ letter, adding, “Studies show that in an eleven year period from 1998 to 2009, the rate of childhood agricultural injuries per 1,000 farms, including youth who live on, visit, and are hired to work on farms, declined by 59%...this study by NIOSH confirms our belief that continued education, training and improved technology have and will continue to reduce the number of youth farm injuries and deaths.”

Tabb spent years working as a volunteer EMT in his home county. “I took kids off the football field nearly every Friday night,” he said. “Not once did I ever get a call about a youth injured on a farm.” He also said the work ethics and skills kids learn from working on farms is invaluable – they tend to stay out of trouble, avoid drug use, and eat healthier. “Politicians are painting this as a hazardous occupation, but statistics show that technology and education are working to keep all farmers safe.”

“Farmers are not a bunch of dummies,” said Commissioner Douglass. “No family is going to expose their youngsters to the possibility of bodily injury. Individuals with no knowledge of what is involved with food production are trying to regulate rural areas.”

WVDA Deputy Commissioner Bob Tabb looks at research on child labor safety in agriculture conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, which shows a dramatic drop in injuries.
Farm Bureau Meets with Beef and Poultry Producers about EPA Inspections

Joan Harman

More than fifty beef and poultry producers from across the state met recently with officials from West Virginia Farm Bureau to discuss concerns over recent inspections by the EPA.

Attending the Moorefield meeting from WVFB were President Charles Wilfong; Secretary-Treasurer Steve Butler; Field Representatives Bill Aiken and Eric Thomason; Director of Public Relations Joan Harman; and board members Steve Conrad and Steve Hannah. Ellen Steen, General Counsel for American Farm Bureau, and Danielle Quist, Senior Counsel for AFBF, also attended the meeting.

Farmers are upset about surprise inspections being conducted by the EPA, and about receiving letters which threaten large fines for alleged violations. When farmers ask how the violations can be fixed, they are often told that there’s nothing they can do, change, or remedy to avoid a violation, and that they must get a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Farmers say the EPA leads them to believe that discharges are allowed under a permit.

However, that is not entirely true. NPDES permits only authorize a very narrow type of discharge – overflow in extreme weather situations. And, farmers are not shielded from citations for violations when they get a permit, even though that is being implied by the EPA.

“The Clean Water Act wasn’t intended to regulate farms other than CAFOs”, said Steen. “And it excludes storm water.” Under the CWA, no farm is required to have a permit unless they are discharging processed waste water.

Steen recommends farmers say, “Tell me where the discharge is, and tell me how to fix it.” Steen and Quist are advising farmers not to refuse entry to EPA personnel. If you have questions or concerns about EPA inspections, call the WVFB office for guidance at 800-398-4630.
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Left: West Virginia Farm Bureau President Charles Wilfong addresses a capacity crowd of beef and poultry producers concerned about a rash of recent inspections by EPA personnel. Above: Danielle Quist (seated), and Ellen Steen (standing) talk with producers about actual requirements under the Clean Water Act. Below: A Eric Hedrick, a poultry producer from Pendleton County, expresses concerns he has about EPA tactics and ramifications for farmers.
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WVU Extension Holds Small Farm Conference - Farmers, educators and many others took advantage of the excellent variety of informative and practical workshops offered by the 2012 Small Farm Conference. Above left, Brad Smith discusses goats and sheep in the Small Ruminants session; above, Fonda Holehouse reviews the five most important legal issues for farmers in the Agricultural Law workshop.
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9. At the end of the insurance period, if the actual end value is below the coverage price, the producer will be paid an indemnity for the difference between the coverage price and the actual end value.
10. LRP’s actual end values, coverage prices, rates, and cost of insurance may be viewed on the RMA web site; and values are posted at the end of each insurance period.
A mild winter boosted attendance at this year’s Day at the Legislature events. Beginning top left: FB & Farm Credit staff are briefed on legislative issues; Mike Merinar presents Ag Lab donation to Helen Hardman; Bill Hartman discusses upcoming legislation; Keira Whetzell from Marion County enjoys the reception; WDACH Commissioner Douglass stops by for a chuckle; several House of Delegates members enjoy the best of West Virginia foods; Below left: Lots of good conversation at “the well”; Mitch Carmichael and Joe Messineo greet; and a large number of FB members listen to the legislative update.
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Easter is a time for honored family traditions. From Easter hats, egg hunts and meals shared with those you love, each celebration creates its own special memories. Here are ways to bring some familiar flavors to the Easter table in a whole new way, including savory Slow Cooker Marmalade Pork Tenderloin, a family favorite from Tamie J. of Prosper, Texas, last year’s Grand Prize Winner in the Spreading Smucker’s® Traditions Recipe Contest; as well as sweet Citrus Apple Tart, a favorite dish from the Smucker family cookbook.

These easy, delicious recipes can be made or prepared in advance, leaving more time to enjoy your family’s cherished traditions. For more Easter recipes to help your family celebrate, visit www.smuckers.com.
Slow Cooker Marmalade Pork Tenderloin

Cook Time: 4 hours
Prep Time: 20 minutes
Yield: 8 servings

2 tablespoons olive oil
3 pounds pork tenderloin
1/2 cup teriyaki sauce
1 cup chicken broth
1 10-ounce jar Smucker’s® Sweet Orange Marmalade
2 teaspoons fresh ginger, grated
1/4 cup brown sugar
3 cloves garlic
1 large onion, sliced
1 package fresh mushroom caps
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon red pepper flakes

Heat olive oil in skillet over medium-high heat. Brown tenderloin on all sides.

In blender, mix teriyaki sauce, chicken broth, orange marmalade, fresh ginger, brown sugar and garlic. Blend until a smooth sauce.

Put browned tenderloin into slow cooker. Slice onion and add to slow cooker. Add mushrooms, pepper, salt and pepper flakes. Cover with the teriyaki sauce mixture. Cook on high for about 4 hours.

Turn tenderloin a couple of times while cooking.

When done, remove the tenderloin and let rest for about 10 minutes. To serve, slice diagonally and pour sauce, mushrooms and onions over top.

Citrus Apple Tart

Prep Time: 25 minutes
Cook Time: 1 hour, 5 minutes
Yield: 8 servings

1 9-inch single Classic Crisco® Pie Crust
4 medium Granny Smith apples (about 2 pounds)
1/2 cup sugar
3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons butter, diced
1/4 cup Smucker’s® Sweet Orange Marmalade
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Prepare recipe for single crust pie. Roll out dough, place in a 9-inch tart pan with removable bottom. Press to fit without stretching dough. Trim edges even with tart pan. Chill until ready to fill. Heat oven to 350°F.

Peel and core apples. Cut in half, end-to-end. Slice apples crosswise into 1/4-inch thick slices. Combine sugar, cinnamon and salt in large bowl. Add apple slices and toss to coat. Randomly place about 1/2 of apples into bottom of crust in two layers, cutting apples as necessary to fill all gaps. Arrange row of apples lengthwise along outside edge of pan, overlapping the slices about 1/8 inch. Fill in center with smaller pieces of apples. Dot with butter.

Bake 55 to 65 minutes or until apples are fork tender and edges of apples begin to brown. Cool on wire rack. Heat orange marmalade in small microwave-safe bowl on HIGH for 20 seconds; stir. Brush marmalade over tart.
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