Multnomah County Farm Bureau

January News & Update

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Passing the Torch

During out Annual Meeting in November, Multnomah County Farm Bureau honored county president, Micheal Dillard for his 15 years of service as our president. Mike also "passed the torch" to our newly elected MCFB President, Larry Bailey.

Larry Bailey and his wife, Angela run and operate Verna Jean Nursery in Gresham where they specialize in ornamental and flowering trees. Larry has been an active member within farm bureau at the state and county level. He has traveled to DC, served as a delegate for MCFB at the Oregon Farm Bureau annual meeting and has a strong understanding of the issues farmers

We welcome Larry as our new president and look forward to the ideas he will bring to our county farm bureau.

January Board-Meeting Notice****

It will be held on January 25th at 7pm. Meetings are held at the Country Financial Office at 832 NE 223rd Ave Ste B. Wood Village, OR 97060 (Located in the corner by Jamba Juice & The Rock restaurant). We will be planning future meeting speakers, budgeting and a having a recap of the OFB and AFBF annual meetings. There will also be a legislative report and update for 2018.

All members are welcome to attend!

2017-2018 MCFB Election

• President: Larry Bailey

• Vice President: Deniece Tucker

• Secretary/Treasurer: Helen Bushue

• Board of Directors: John Bergan, Angi Bailey, Gabrielle Rossi, Ty Weisdorfer, and Al Garre



"Join Dunn Carney for a half-day conference featuring industry leaders from around the region and members of Dunn Carney's Ag Team in a morning of lively panel discussions and presentations covering recent regulatory developments, legal issues and best practices in the agriculture industry." Topics include drone usage in Ag, water resources, food safety and a labor update.



Field-to-Market: The Essentials

Saturday, February 10, 2018 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM **North Willamette Research and Extension Center (Aurora)**

Field-to-Market is for farmers and market managers interested in producing and selling farm-direct, value-added products; jams & jellies, fruit syrups, salsa, pickles, and sauerkraut.

Field-to-Market is a series of 5 workshops, including "Essentials," and four hands-on, specialty workshops titled "Acidified Foods," "Dehydrated Foods," "Fermented Foods," and "High Acid Foods. Workshops are facilitated by content experts who can deliver factual information, and trained Master Food Preserver volunteers who provide opportunities to practice research-based food preservation techniques.

Registration fee: \$25 per person or \$40 per couple.

More details and registration information can be found at: http://smallfarms.oregonstate.edu/field-market

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Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) & Produce Safety Rule (PSR) Trainings

"The Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule (PSR) was finalized in November of 2015. This new rule sets the first-ever federal regulatory standards for the production, harvest, and handling of fruits and vegetables in an effort to prevent microbial contamination and reduce foodborne illnesses. The rule specifies that on every farm at least one supervisor or responsible party must successfully complete a food safety training at least equivalent to the Produce Safety Alliance (PSA) Grower Training."

Cost: \$25

January 24, 2018
North Willamette Research
& Extension Center

<u>January 26, 2018</u> Best Western Hood River Inn

For details and how to register visit www.oregonfb.org/events-2

