

Maine Farm Bureau's 65th Annual Meeting

Black Bear Inn 4 Godfrey Dr., Orono, ME 04473 Saturday, November 19th and Sunday, November 20th

Penobscot County Farm Bureau is proud to host Maine Farm Bureau's 65th Annual Meeting. This year will be filled with a range of guest speakers on topics like the Food Safety Modernization Act (F.S.M.A.), Estate Planning, Maine FARMS program, and exploring the benefits of solar.

The guest speaker's event is open to the public, so spread the word to those you think might benefit from these sessions.

Following the morning speaker sessions, there will be farm tours in Exeter, Maine. During the tours, you will see an envelope potato house, an optical sorter, a methane digester, a robotic dairy feeder and more!



Saturday night, November 19th, a banquet dinner will take place with entertainment by the acapella group, Mainely Voices. The cost of the banquet is \$30.00 per person. Please make reservations with the Maine Farm Bureau office by November 10th. You can make reservations by calling 207-622-4111 or by email Lena Sirois at Isirois@mainefarmbureau.com.

Sunday, November 20th, the general and voting delegate's session will take place. Maine Farm Bureau's policies are set, not by its director or board, but originated by members at the county level and brought for discussion and a vote at the annual meeting. Come join us to see the process of how we set the direction of the organization for the next year.

Rooms are available at \$97.01 a night with tax included. The rooms can be booked by calling 207-866-7120 and by using the group code, MFB.

Hope to see you all at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Aaron Perkins, President Penobscot County Farm Bureau

Saturday, November 19th

8:00 am – 9:00 am	Food Safety Modernization Act (F.S.M.A.) Linda Titus, AgMatters LLC	Room A
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Current-Use Property Taxation Options: Tree Growth & Farmland Stephany Gilbert & Andy Shulz Dept. of Ag., Conservation & Forestry	Room B
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Farm Protection Farm Family Insurance	Room A
9:00 am – 9:30 am	Maine FARMS Program Ashley Sears, Dept. of Ag., Conservation & Forestry	Room B
9:30 am – 10:00 am	Forage in a Changing Climate Dr. Richard Kersbergen, University of Maine	Room A
9:30 am – 10:00 am	New and Emerging Pests Lauchlin Titus, AgMatters LLC	Room B
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Solar for the Community James Maneer, ReVision Energy	Room A
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Soil Fertility & Weed Management Dr. David Handley, University of Maine	Room B
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Estate Planning Ethan Robertson, Farm Credit East	Room A
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Vegetable Production Dr. Mark Hutton, University of Maine	Room B
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch & Speaker Gary Keough, New England Ag. Statistic - USDA	
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Farm ToursCrane Brothers FarmsStonyvale Farms	
6:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Open Resolutions followed by dinner buffet & dessert (\$30.00 per meal)	
7:00 pm	Mainely Voices	

Sunday, November 20th

8: 00 am – 8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am - 9:30 am	 General Session David Doak - MFB President's Report Treasurer's Report – Bruce Bell Executive Director's Report – Dr. Alicyn Smart Credential Committee
9:30 am – 12:00 pm	Voting Delegates Session
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Voting Delegates Session resumes (if needed)
TBD	Brief State Board of Directors Meeting