



Agriculture, the engine that pulls Idaho's economy.

September 2018

From the Chairman:

Greetings from Our Farm to Yours!

On our farm, we are starting to see chilly mornings with frost in the near future. Bean harvest is going strong, and corn just around the corner. It is always a good feeling to see harvest coming to an end. This is my favorite time of the year with cooler mornings and the many colors surrounding us. It is the time of the year that we can be thankful for our many blessings and celebrate with our families, friends and neighbors. I hope all of you are blessed with a bountiful harvest and are doing well.

With harvest winding down, it is time to look forward to our winter Farm Bureau activities, meetings and preparing for our annual meeting in Boise in December. In this newsletter, we are sharing information that you will need, along with a special project with the Ronald McDonald House. The county women's gold star applications are due November 1st. This is separate from the county showcase award application. I know all of you have had some great projects this year, so let us know all that has happened. Included in this newsletter is the new theme for the coming year: "Idaho Agriculture, Grow with Us!". Please take the time to look over the exciting changes to our contests.

The state committee appreciates all that you do for your county and the Farm Bureau organization. Your strengths, perspectives and insights are a big asset to the organization and the agricultural industry. Please reach out to any of us on the committee if you have any input or questions on the women's leadership program. We would be happy to help in any way we can to help make your county program a success. We are looking forward to seeing you in Boise at our annual meeting. Have a great harvest and see you all soon!

Blessings to all,
Judy Woody

Announcements:

- **The IFBF Women's Leadership Committee would like to introduce their theme for 2019:**

Idaho Agriculture, Grow With Us!

- **Annual Meeting Door Prizes/Auction Items: Please note that there will not be a contest for door prizes at this year's Annual Meeting. The door prize contest was not sponsored by the Women's Leadership Committee and the state has decided not to ask for door prizes this year. However, the Women's Leadership Committee will still have their auction at the end of the annual banquet, and any county that is interested in bringing an auction item is encouraged to do so!**

Notable Dates:

- **WLC Nomination forms Due for Chair, Vice Chair, District 2 Chair and District 4 Chair —October 7th**
- **Women's Gold Star Applications—November 1st**
- **IFBF Early Registration Fee deadline —Nov 14th**
- **Hotel reservations for IFBF annual meeting deadline: November 14th**
- **Farm-City Week—November 16th-22nd**
- **IFBF Annual Meeting , Boise—December 4-6th**
- **IFBF Women's Business Meeting—December 5th**
- **AFBF Annual Meeting,— January 11-16**

IFBF 79th Annual Meeting

The 2018 Idaho Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting will be held **December 4-6, 2018 at the Riverside Hotel in Boise, Idaho.**

The IFBF Convention Committee has organized another productive Annual Meeting. County Farm Bureau leaders can expect to be involved in policy development, attend informative workshops and engage in YF&R and Women's Leadership events.

Farm Bureau leaders share the confidence that farmers and ranchers in Idaho can unite themselves to solve their problems. This December, voting delegates from County Farm Bureaus across the state will develop Farm Bureau Policy at this year's House of Delegates session. The 79th Annual Meeting is for all Farm Bureau members!

Registration will open October 15th.



Request:

This year the annual meeting will be in Boise. The IFBF Women's Leadership Committee would like to support the Ronald McDonald House while there. Please find a list of donatable items on the next page. This donation will be in addition to the regularly scheduled donation in February. Thank you for your continued support!



HAPPY WHEELS HOSPITALITY CART

What it is:

Ronald McDonald House Charities of Idaho is committed to serving as many families of seriously ill children as possible. This means going outside the walls of the Ronald McDonald House and into the hospital. That's what the Happy Wheels hospitality cart is all about.

Designed to serve families who wait for hours without leaving the hospital or their child's bedside, the "Happy Wheels" hospitality cart provides a bit of comfort as it travels the hallways of Saint Alphonsus and St. Luke's Children's Hospital, bringing parents a hot beverage and snack while keeping the little ones entertained with books, fun activities, and toys. Run by volunteers at each hospital, you'll see the carts in action on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

The IFBF Women's Leadership Committee wants to help!
Here's how you can get involved:

Please bring either a child's ag book or a SMALL, plush, ag toy to the Women's Business Meeting in Boise on Wednesday, December 5th. Please note that for either donation, the item needs to be new. Thank you so much for your help, and we'll see you at the Business Meeting!



**New Ag Book
Or Small
New Ag Toy**



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2019 AFBF FUSION Conference
March 15 - 18, 2019
Milwaukee, Wisconsin



Mark your calendars now for the 2019 AFBF FUSION Conference. There will be great speakers, breakout sessions and evening events to bring together volunteer leaders from the Promotion & Education, Women's Leadership and Young Farmers & Ranchers programs. You'll leave the conference with new friends, new ideas and new energy for your farm and Farm Bureau.

For more information visit:

www.fb.org/events/2019-fusion-conference

2018 Women's Leadership Committee

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