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Senator Hatch to address UFBF Annual Convention Nov. 17-18

Utah's senior senator is the lead speaker for the Utah Farm Bureau Federation's Annual Convention Nov. 17-18. Sen. Orrin Hatch will report to Farm Bureau members and guests on top issues in Washington, D.C., and share his vision for agriculture.



Sen. Orrin Hatch

"Farm Bureau has a good, long-standing relationship with Senator Hatch and his staff," said UFBF President Leland Hogan. "He is a highly respected and influential senior Congressman and he gets things done for the state of Utah. We're pleased to have him highlight our convention."

Also on the convention agenda is Mike Schlappi, a four-time Paralympic medal winner and two-time World Champion. Schlappi, a BYU graduate with a Masters from Arizona State University, has proven that just because you can't stand up, doesn't mean you can't stand out. He was honored by the state of Utah as one of its Top 50 athletes of the past century. He is an author who has written and published two books about success and motivation, and although he was paralyzed in a tragic accident, he hasn't let it paralyze his dreams.

Other top speakers on the agenda include USU President Stan Albrecht, American Farm Bureau Federation General Counsel Julie Anna Potts, and Gary Herbert, representing Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr.

A detailed schedule will be printed in the November issue, but a brief overview includes the Young Farmer and Rancher competitions kicking off Wednesday, Nov. 16. The voting delegate session, where the renowned grassroots Farm Bureau policy process cumulates, begins Thursday morning, Nov. 17. Later that afternoon, the first general session will convene and Thursday evening will feature the annual Awards and Recognition Show. At the Awards and Recognition Show, the 2005 recipients of the YF&R Achievement Award, Excellence in Agriculture Award, and Discussion Meet will be announced. The Distinguished Service Award recipients will also be honored. Also Thursday night are the silent and live auctions, and the drawing for the Quilt of the Counties - all fundraisers to benefit Farm Bureau Women's

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2005 UFBF Talent Find



Since 1950, Utah Farm Bureau has sponsored the state's largest amateur talent find. This year's Talent Find was held Sept. 17 at the Utah State Fair. Pictured above (l-r): Bree Ann Fotheringham, Davis County, Junior Division Winner; Jessica Sarangay, Salt Lake County, Intermediate Division Winner; and Shane Hawarth, Juab County, one of four finalists in the Senior Division who will compete at the UFBF Convention in November for the top prize. For more talent find highlights, see P. 13.

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture seeks Utah input

By Randy Parker, UFBF CEO

During his September 14 visit to Utah, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns received a broad array of recommendations and comments focusing on six specific areas of input to craft a more workable Farm Bill. The Secretary solicited comments on agriculture's competitiveness, focus of policy, assistance to producers and rural areas, conservation, environmental goals and domestic and international marketing issues.

While fair-goers enjoyed a sunny afternoon at the Utah State Fairpark, about 350 people, mostly farmers and ranchers, crowded into the Pioneer Building for a "listening session" hosted by Secretary Johanns. "At this point, USDA has hosted 17 listening sessions around the county to gather input on what the next Farm Bill should contain," Johanns noted. "Good farm policy leads to good tax policies, good trade policies and good energy policies. The Farm Bill itself will be a piece of a complicated puzzle."

A common theme of the Utah hearing centered on energy. Many farmers and ranchers noted the escalating cost of oil for an industry that relies heavily on petroleum based fuel and fertilizer. Many called for the U.S. to develop a national energy strategy that will make our nation energy independent.

Johanns pointed out that, "Enhancing America's energy independence is at the core of President Bush's comprehensive national energy policy. That makes energy conservation and production of clean, renewable fuels from America's farms more important than ever."

Johanns presented Wasatch Wind, LLC, a \$500,000 grant for the initial phase of a wind-based power generation project in Spanish Fork Canyon. The award will help build a 1.5-megawatt wind generation tower, the first of ten planned for the site. Wasatch Wind was one of 150 applicants awarded almost \$21 million in



Secretary Johanns listens to Utah farmers and ranchers' recommendations for the 2007 Farm Bill.

federal funds targeted at developing wind, solar, biomass, geothermal and conservation technologies.

Hearing participants were held to two-minutes for public comment. In addition to energy, comments were

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Urban sprawl spurs conflict

By Randy Parker, UFBF CEO

We've all heard about the conflicts of urban sprawl. City folks are waking up in the country and it isn't exactly what they planned on. As development continues to gobble up thousands of acres of Utah farmland on the rural-urban fringe, our city cousins are waking up to country living - but not always liking it.

It's happening a lot these days. Rural lifestyles and country living are attracting more and more urban dwellers. City folks are moving to the country. They build a nice home, have plenty of room for the kids, find enough land for a good-sized garden and maybe even a couple of horses, and to top it all off, they get a picturesque view of the Utah countryside.

But, one morning our city cousins wake up to the fact that their next door neighbor is a real-life, honest-to-goodness farmer or rancher, baling hay with the dew, at four in the morning or spreading manure just about suppertime. That Norman Rockwell image of a bucolic Utah countryside in reality is a working landscape that includes all the sounds and smells, and maybe even a few inconveniences that go along with modern agriculture.

Life in the country certainly is different than life in the city.

Much of Utah agriculture today operates in the shadow of urbanization. In a state where literally three-quarters of the land is controlled by federal and state government, the rural-urban fringe conflict is a state-wide problem which has



THOUGHTS

Randy N. Parker
Chief Executive Officer

economic, land use, life style and even health dimensions.

For farmers and ranchers trying to operate in the midst of urbanization, it often means reduced output and income, increased regulatory constraints, legal liability, theft and vandalism.

For our city cousins, they too have issues like dust, noise, odor and living next to farms and ranches that as part of their production agriculture operation are using heavy equipment, dangerous machinery and farm chemicals.

With sprawl, most believe that the growth pays for itself. Studies indicate differently. Urban growth does not necessarily translate into new wealth for growing communities. Studies by Utah State University and the American Farmland Trust indicate here in Utah as well as nationally, farms, ranches and open lands generate three times more tax dollars for county government than the county spends on them for public services.

In other words, for every tax dollar generated for agriculture and open lands, there is a demand for only \$.26 to \$.45 in governmental services. By contrast,

residential development, those rural subdivisions and ranchettes require \$1.10 to \$1.40 in governmental services for every tax dollar generated.

The current escalation in property values and housing costs seems to be putting even more pressure on Utah farms and ranches. Not only is there conversion pressure along the rural-urban fringe, there is growing attention to convert additional agricultural lands driven by aesthetic appeal, recreational potential and water rights.

This fragmentation of Utah's landscape has many implications for wildlife habitat, air quality, water quality and quantity and certainly just as important - our quality of life. Fragmentation of Utah's limited private land resource in sensitive areas is adversely impacting habitat critical to healthy wildlife populations. Those sprawl housing developments and the growth of popular ranchettes along our sagebrush hillsides are breaking up critical habitat needed by deer, elk, the Greater Sage Grouse and many other sensitive species.

Our population is expected to double to nearly 5 million by the year 2030. Without extraordinary vision and planning, life in Utah's countryside could be very different for Utah farmers and ranchers, for our open lands and the plant and animal species that rely on those valuable open spaces provided by Utah agriculture.

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Committee programs like Agriculture in the Classroom. Friday, Nov. 18 is another packed day with the conclusion of the voting delegate session, the second general session, and finally the annual gala agricultural banquet. The banquet will feature the presentation of the Special Service Award and entertainment by Sunshade n' Rain.

Registration forms, found on the UFBF website and on P. 2 of this issue are due in the UFBF Office Oct. 31. There is a \$10 discount on conference registration if it is paid by Oct. 31. Send registration forms to Utah Farm Bureau, Attn: Natalie Rich, 9865 S. State Street, Sandy, UT 84065. Call 801-233-3040 if you have questions.



**World Champion
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America's Heartland: A Celebration of U.S. Agriculture

By Bob Stallman, AFBF President

Once in awhile something so noteworthy comes along, you have to sit back and wonder why it wasn't thought of before. This month, a number of public television stations across our nation will begin airing *America's Heartland*, a weekly national-in-scope program focusing on our love for the land, our fascination with food and the fundamental American values of family, hard work and independence that make our agricultural system the best in the world.

America's Heartland will celebrate American agriculture and the farm and ranch families who are the backbone of this great nation. Most notably, it will be aimed at urban and suburban residents.

Bridging the Disconnect

It is no secret that most Americans are several generations removed from their agricultural roots. It is our



A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

Bob Stallman

American Farm Bureau President

families and not large corporations. *America's Heartland* will put a face on those families and give them a voice.

As a flagship supporter of the program, the American Farm Bureau Federation will serve as a resource for the show's producers. *America's Heartland* will showcase the many facets of American agriculture and how each component has a direct connection to all Americans, whether it is the food they eat, the clothes they wear or the many household products on which they rely.

hope that *America's Heartland* will help bridge that disconnect by providing an opportunity for consumers to get reacquainted with American farmers and ranchers, the people who produce their food.

It will show the diversity of American agriculture – the variety of operations and people in the profession. Contrary to popular opinion, America's farms are still predominantly operated by farm

Something for Everyone

America's Heartland will strike a chord with everyone. Whether you are interested in history, food, technology or even Americana, there is something for all to enjoy. From homesteading and the history of the Farmer's Almanac to modern agricultural uses of biotechnology, the series is groundbreaking – from historical, educational and entertainment perspectives.

Each week, viewers will be invited to venture down our nation's country roads, across its fields and through its pastures in pursuit of the people, places and products that make American agriculture so unique.

I hope you will saddle up and join us for the journey that is *America's Heartland*. You can learn more about the program and local scheduling by visiting www.americasheartland.org.

Editor's Note: According to the America's Heartland website, the show will be aired on Utah Educational Television Network Sundays at 6 p.m. starting Nov. 6 (Salt Lake City/KUEN). Schedule times for KBYU is noted as pending.

Utah Farm Bureau Federation remembers leaders

By Leland Hogan, UFBF President

It is with sadness that I report the recent passing of Frank Nishiguchi and David Wilde, longtime leaders in the Utah Farm Bureau Federation. Both brought dedication and leadership to the principles of Farm Bureau. They will be sorely missed by the Farm Bureau family.

In addition to their love of family, church and Farm Bureau, both David and Frank loved the United States of America. Patriotism to each was not short outbursts of emotion, but a lifetime of dedication to country.

Frank O. Nishiguchi died unexpectedly on September 7, 2005 while visiting family in Ely, Nevada. He was 76.

Frank was a lifelong leader in the Utah Farm Bureau. He was active in his County Farm Bureau before serving on the state board of directors and ultimately being elected to Farm Bureau State President for 1976-85. As Utah Farm Bureau President, Frank was also elected to the American Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

Frank continued to be an active participant and leader in county and state Farm Bureau activities even after his election to a seat on the Box Elder County Commission. In the second most arid state in the nation, his passion and leadership were valuable in leading the Bear River Water Conservancy District. In addition, Frank was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Frank married Fumiko Ishii in 1954. They made their home on a family farm in Riverside where they raised their three children – Kay, Peggy and Ben.

David C. Wilde died unexpectedly at his home on July 4, 2005. He was 63.

David loved the family ranch in Croydon. As a longtime Farm Bureau leader, he served in many capacities in Farm Bureau leadership including the county board member, county president and most recently, as a member of the Utah Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors.

David was a tireless and passionate worker for farmers and ranchers and Utah Farm Bureau. Each year he was at the top or near the top in recruiting



Frank O. Nishiguchi



David C. Wilde

new members for the Utah Farm Bureau. David was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

David married Margo Rose in 1964. They made their home on a family ranch in Croydon where they raised four sons – Paul, Kim, Jody and Wade.

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offered on a broad range of farm policy topics that included food stamps and various USDA feeding programs, trade policy, conservation, public land issues, current commodity payment focus, risk management, death taxes and the increasing age of America's food producers. At the conclusion of the nearly three-hour long hearing, Johanns provided the audience valuable insights on the Administration's recent narrow Congressional win on the Central America Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA).

"First, America must recognize that 27 to 28 percent of our agriculture production must find export markets. Second, with only five percent of the world's population in the U.S., ninety-five percent of our customer base lives outside of our borders. We need to actively pursue the expansion of our export opportunities," he pointed out.

From a historical perspective, the Ag Secretary pointed out that passage of CAFTA does nothing more than level the agriculture trade 'playing field'. "In the early 1980's, President Ronald Reagan in an effort to stabilize the region, granted preferential trade status for the regions agriculture exports," Johanns noted. "That duty free status continues today. CAFTA provides our farm products the same status as it enters those nations. It was a question of fairness."

UFBF Outlines Recommendations

At the hearing, the Utah Farm Bureau Federation laid out a comprehensive set of recommendations and addressed each of the questions asked by the Secretary of Agriculture.

UFBF President Leland Hogan pointed out that Utah agriculture, with farm gate sales of \$1.2 billion, makes over a \$3.5 billion contribution to the state's economy and is the catalyst for over 100,000 jobs. Livestock production is the foundation, making up nearly 80 percent of farm gate sales. As a public lands state, with nearly 65 percent of our land base federally controlled, the Congressionally mandated multiple-

use management is critical to maintain economically viable ranching operations and their associated rural communities.

Hogan continued to explain, "Through the conservation title, broader based assistance has been made available to Utah farmers and ranchers to address critical water quality and conservation needs, wildlife habitat and watershed restoration. The conservation title can provide assistance to more farmers and ranchers across the nation while helping to meet the financial needs of our rural communities."

"If agriculture is offered a voluntary, incentive-based initiative to promote a desirable environmental outcome, farmers and ranchers will overwhelm America with improved soil conservation, water quality, air quality and wildlife habitat," Hogan said.

The United States must be the clear leader in the global trade arena, based on science, not politics or court actions. With nearly 30-percent of US agriculture production headed for export markets, we need a level playing field.

"Any attempt to modify the current Farm Bill prior to completion of the current Doha Round of WTO negotiations will place our farmers and ranchers as a serious competitive disadvantage," the agriculture leader said. "The US Congress must continue to invest in global market development programs like the Market Access Program (MAP) that partners with states and private industry. The federal dollars committed to this program fall far short of the government funds provided by our competitor nations."

Farm Bureau Vice President Stephen Osguthorpe told the Secretary, "There is a crisis looming in America's food production system as the average age of farmers and ranchers continues to increase. We need to look at innovative solutions that allow our farms and ranches to be passed to a new generation of food producers."

"Providing targeted educational opportunities, tax breaks, innovative financing and assistance to beginning farmers and



UFBF Vice President Steve Osguthorpe (left) and UFBF President Leland Hogan (right) welcome U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Mike Johanns to Utah at the Farm Bill listening session last month.

ranchers that recognizes their contribution to our quality of life are just a few," Osguthorpe offered.

Farm Bureau recommended that USDA investments be made in development, marketing and research where farmers and ranchers can capture more from the value-added products. "Invest in our Land Grant System and Extension Service which has made the American food production system the envy of the world," said Hogan.

Full comments can be found at utfb.fb.org



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“Why are you a FB member?”

By Sterling C. Brown, UFBF Vice President - Organization

As I've attended various Farm Bureau functions this summer and fielded incoming calls, I've randomly and sporadically posed a question to Farm Bureau members, both producers and non-producers of food and fiber. The question, "Why are you a Farm Bureau member?" has caused several Farm Bureau members to pause and evaluate their Farm Bureau membership. Below is a summary of some of the answers I received. To each of the following answers, I've added some comments.

1. The organization [Farm Bureau] hears my concerns, and often times, translates my concerns into decisions. I've seen some of these concerns and decisions result into policy and action.

For 89 years now, Utah Farm Bureau members have organized themselves through their own organization. They not only talk about problems, but they decide upon solutions and put these solutions into action. Now, voices are heard because you

speak as one. The opinions of the individual farmers who tilted back their chairs around the hot stove in the grocery store were heard by only a few. The united decisions of individual farmers today echo around the world. Through Farm Bureau, farmers translate their opinions into decisions, and their decisions into action.

2. I've witnessed the effective work of Farm Bureau on Utah's Capitol Hill. I enjoy receiving the weekly *Policy Watch* updates during the Legislative Session.

What other farm or ranch organization has a full-time presence during the Legislative Session? In addition to an active presence and voice during the session, Utah Farm Bureau receives and monitors notices and agendas to the approximately 85 legislative committees, subcommittees, task forces and commissions. These public hearings occur regularly throughout the interim. As agenda items surface that affect agriculture and rural living, your Utah Farm Bureau embraces its policy in representing you during these meetings. Utah Farm Bureau staff is committed to distributing information and developing calls to action to its members. The monthly *Farm Bureau News* publication, the frequently updated website, and weekly *Policy Watch* reports are tools designed to further educate and inform Farm Bureau members on issues relative for today and tomorrow.

3. I'm a third-generation Farm Bureau member. Just as my granddad benefited from Farm Bureau, I too benefit from paying Farm Bureau dues.

A story of a gentleman living in the Midwest adds to this answer. Fred Walpole

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Editor's Note: This is a new monthly feature of the Utah Farm Bureau News, designed to give you a brief overview of what Farm Bureau is working toward on your behalf.

UFBF staff volunteer at Little Hands On the Farm... Farm Bureau staff volunteered their time to assist youngsters and their parents at the *Little Hands On the Farm* exhibit at the Utah State Fair. The two-year old event is now a permanent fixture of the State Fair. Staff helped children perform various farm duties such as harvesting fruit, planting vegetables, milking cows, operating equipment and sheering sheep.

UFBF staff attends National Farm Bureau Administrators, Financial Officers and Legal Counsel Conference... Farm Bureau staff joined with their professional counterparts from state Farm Bureaus across the nation in Nashville to participate in a dialog with American Farm Bureau staff and officers on issues of common concern. AFBF outlined a farmer-to-farmer assistance program to help farmers and ranchers in the Gulf Coast hit hard by Hurricane Katrina.

Farmland Assessment Advisory Committee... The Farmland Evaluation Advisory Committee met recently to hear the 2005 report on farmland values. The committee statutorily required exists to review values associated with farmland in the state and what taxes are assessed for these lands. The committee looks at previous years numbers in terms of production and values with the Tax Commission to review land values. Farm Bureau is actively involved with the committee as a non-voting member to ensure protection of Utah farmland.

UFBF presents Farm Bill recommendations to Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns... President Leland Hogan and Vice President Stephen Osguthorpe presented comments at the USDA 'Listening Session' held at the Utah State Fair. A comprehensive set of recommendations, based on UFBF grass roots policy, was submitted to the Secretary to better meet the needs to Utah farmers and ranchers and rural communities. See related article on P. 1.

UFBF participates in Utah FFA Foundation meeting... Farm Bureau met with other agribusiness and FFA leaders to outline the coming year's activities and identify a strategy to help meet FFA's growing statewide needs. FFA, recognized as one of the most successful high school student leadership training programs, experienced a 5-percent rate enrollment increase in 2005. The Foundation helps to raise funds for FFA's leadership training programs and annual convention.

SITLA Tabby Mountain Discussion... in a meeting with the Duchesne County Farm Bureau Board held recently, representatives from SITLA (School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration) answered questions and made a presentation in regards to the long term plans for the Tabby Mountain block. Farm Bureau has been involved with the discussions for many months to ensure protection of grazing allotments on the block.

Agriculture Day, held annually at Utah State University... is a celebration of Utah agriculture's contribution to our economy and quality of life. Held each fall at Utah's Land Grant Institution, the agriculture products barbeque features Utah beef, lamb, pork, turkey, dairy products, onions and many more. This year's Ag Day Celebration attracted more than 1,000 'tailgaters' prior to the USU vs. University of Nevada Las Vegas football game. Proceeds from the BBQ provide scholarship to students in agriculture related disciplines. Utah Farm Bureau is a founding member of the Agriculture Day celebration.

Interim Legislative Day... areas included watershed improvement, tax Reform Task Force, State Energy Policy.

AGPAC Meeting... The Agricultural Political Action Committee (AGPAC) met recently to discuss the areas the PAC should focus on and how to be involved with more campaigns and candidates for political office. The PAC made up of agriculturally minded organizations reviews and evaluates candidates running for political office in the state.

Bee and Pesticide Meeting... UFBF staff coordinated a meeting held recently between, Northern Utah hay growers, USU Extension, Bee Growers and commercial pesticide sprayers in an effort to address issues being raised by Bee growers with pesticides and impacts they are having on their hives. The issues were discussed and a series of potential solutions were discussed.

Instream Flows meeting with Trout Unlimited... UFBF Leadership recently toured several ranches and projects where instream flows have been used in Montana. The projects done as part of Legislation with a sunset provision where done as pilot projects to determine the effectiveness and impacts to local agriculture. The projects according to local ranchers and farmers have been successful for them and they appear to be supportive of the very specific projects.

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Support "Utah's Own" and enjoy fresh, local products

By M. Reed Balls, UFBF Vice President - Member Relations

Utah's Own. It's a marketing slogan that rings with an assuring sense of home grown goodness. It also makes economic sense. Buying food produced locally helps assure freshness and flavor that is often difficult to preserve through shipping.

During the third annual Utah's Own Food Conference hosted Sept. 27 by the Marketing Division of the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, Commissioner Leonard Blackham presented Associated Food Stores, Inc., with a plaque honoring their sustained support in promoting the distribution and sale of Utah's home grown fruits, vegetables, meats and specialty foods through their stores state wide. Along with the independent stores affiliated through Associated, major chains including Smiths,

Albertson's and Wal-Mart are beginning to recognize the quality and convenience of food crops grown locally. The event drew buyers from specialty markets, major grocery stores, and institutional suppliers along with several chefs and restaurant representatives.



"We're mounting a new initiative to bring the best of Utah's fine agricultural products onto the tables of people here in Utah," Commissioner Blackham said. "Buying

from local farmers and adding value here at home builds our tax base and strengthens our economy."

Upscale restaurants and the finest hotels up and down the Wasatch Front are discovering the freshness and quality that local farm products bring to their menus. Consumers seeking more robust flavor in peaches or better crispiness in apples can help themselves and the promotional program by asking their local grocer to carry Utah's Own.

Take for example Grandma Della's Garden Relish. This family recipe began in Western Europe as "mustard pickles" and includes a combination of vegetables preserved in a sweet, tangy creamy mustard sauce. It's an excellent compliment served with grilled or roasted meats, and is equally delicious on baked potatoes. Contact Della Enterprises, Inc. by calling 801-566-4045 or by writing them at 8885 Damascus Way, West Jordan, UT 84088.

Consumers who seek Utah's Own products can expect to find the finest quality, period. Take for example Spotted Dog



Jamie and Linda Gillmor of Delta promote Morgan Valley Lamb at the Utah's Own Food Conference. The Gillmors have been successful in creating a strong market for Utah lamb at high end restaurants in Park City and along the Wasatch Front.

Creamery, dedicated to making small batch, naturally fresh ice creams and sorbets created by local chef John Winders. All natural, free from fillers, artificial colors or flavorings, it's a product that gives credence to the company slogan: "We'll make you a believer one lick at a time." Check their website at www.spotteddogcreamery.com for information on availability through local

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Baxter Black: PETA makes the news again

By Baxter Black, DVM

The animal rights group PETA has based its advertising on outrageous things. They attract the media attention posing as a news item, and thus spend very little on advertising.

Past examples include comparing serial killer/cannibal Jeffery Dahmer to slaughtering pigs; equating butchering chickens to the Jewish holocaust, and parading nude at the zoo to protest zoos.



Many of us have come to believe there is nothing too grotesque that PETA will do "to advance the cause." Thus when I read the headlines this summer proclaiming "PETA employees charged with animal cruelty," I assumed it was another ploy for attracting the gullible media. In retrospect it is a horrible conclusion, that I could entertain the idea that PETA would be willing to abuse animals just to get attention. But there is an old Hollywood saw that says as long as you get your name in the paper, it doesn't matter why. It's all publicity.

I keep thinking of Paris Hilton or Pam Anderson's X-rated videos. It kept them in the news. Where there is no shame or decency or whatever you call human restraint, no line in the sand, there is no perspective, no common ground for mutual understanding.

In my heart I would still like to believe that there are some base acts even PETA would not stoop to. To Ingrid Newkirk's credit, (PETA President) she told me personally that in spite of her comments previous to 9/11, she no longer thinks it would be a good thing if the U.S. was infected with Foot and Mouth Disease.

I remember years ago it being reported that PETA had brought a young calf to a protest rally. It was a hot day; the calf was left in an enclosed truck. The calf suffered. PETA employees lately have been accused of dumping dead dogs and cats in a shopping center garbage bin. The animals had been taken from nearby animal shelters to be offered for adoption or to be humanely euthanized and disposed of. Both instances are demonstrative of a situation where the perpetrator means no harm but is not qualified for the job and doesn't know the difference.

PETA makes a living maligning the ability, motives and concern of livestock people, horsemen, zookeepers, lab animal scientists, and virtually any group that uses animals to the benefit of mankind. If PETA employees spent a little time on a dairy raising baby calves, or at a farrow-to-finish hog operation, or even with a hunting dog trainer, they might learn something. Because all of us in the animal business know from experience, you may be able to talk a good story but the animals in your care can sort through bluster, bragging and bull pucky like a light saber and leave you standing there with fool on yer face. . . whether you're an animal rights activist, a crocodile hunter or a former large animal veterinarian.

Photo contest deadline extended

The UFBF Photo Contest has been extended until Oct. 31, 2005, due to a lack of entries. So, take some time to look through your best photos, or take some new ones. Your entries could take top honors and a \$75 cash award in the contest. Entries in three categories will be accepted until the Oct. 31 deadline. Winning entries will be published in the *Farm Bureau News*.

The contest is open to all Farm Bureau members, but amateur photographers only. Only one entry per person per category is allowed. The categories are as follows: Best of Utah, All in a Day's Work, and Growing Good Kids. First, second and third place in each category will receive \$75, \$50, and \$25, respectively. Honorable mentions will also be assigned. For full details and contest rules, see the website at utfb.fb.org.

Inventory home now before disaster strikes


The media coverage of the huge losses of material things that the people in the Southern United States have suffered brings to mind the question, "What if a disaster happened to me?" If a storm or fire destroyed your home and its contents and you were filing a homeowner's insurance claim, would you be able to remember exactly what you owned?

Probably not. It's hard enough to remember our possessions when they are all in place within our homes, but in a crisis, it would be even more difficult. There is something you can do now that would be a great help to you, should a disaster occur. You can take an inventory of your home and possessions.

The Farm Bureau Financial Services website offers a handy, user-friendly "Home Inventory Kit." Simply log on to www.fbfs.com, click on the insurance tab at the top of the page, and then click on personal. You will be prompted to put in your zip code, and when the personal insurance page opens, click on property. On

the right side of your screen you will find the link to the home inventory kit.

When you fill in the information provided in the kit, you create a document that you can store on a diskette or CD for easy access when you need to add or take items off of the inventory. Also, you can e-mail your home inventory to a family member or friend in another community for safekeeping. This is also a good time to consider if you have enough homeowners insurance. As you complete an inventory, you may be surprised at the value of what you own. As many as 61 percent of homes in America are underinsured by as much as 25 percent, according to Marshall & Swift/Boeckh's Insurance to Value Quality Index™. Homes are often underinsured because of the sharp increase in the cost of building materials and home improvements, such as remodeling or additions. For a free insurance review, check with a local Farm Bureau agent. For more information about products and services, call your local Farm Bureau office or log on to fbfs.com.



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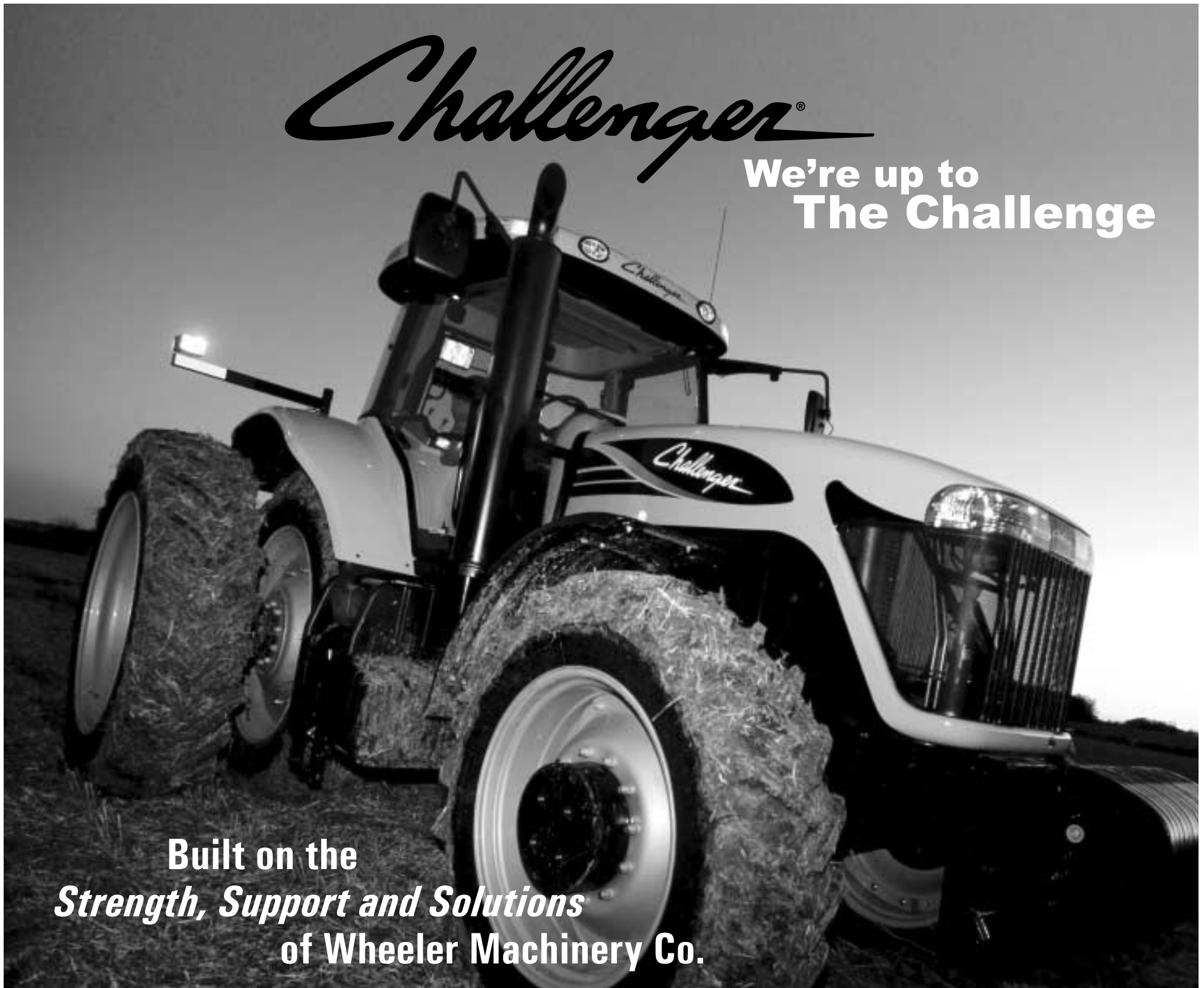
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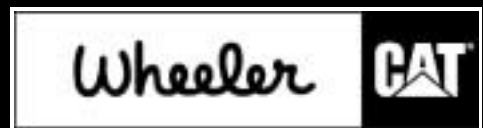
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Kunming City China officials visit Utah

By Randy Parker, UFBF CEO

The Utah Farm Bureau Federation hosted a 15-member trade delegation from Yunnan Province China Sept. 29, 2005. Yunnan Province, with around a 50 million population, is growing in importance because of its location on the Vietnam – Laos border.

Lead by Kunming City Vice Mayor Lei Xiao Ming, the delegation represents government, education and industry interested in fostering better understanding and developing mutually beneficial trade, investment and technology transfer opportunities. While meeting with Utah Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr., Miguel Rovira, Utah Trade Executive and other government officials, Mr. Lei officially invited Utah to investigate future relationships with Kunming City.

Kunming City, the capitol of Yunnan Province, is home to six million residents. It is located on a high plateau in southern China. Kunming City is distinguished by a delightful year-round climate with an average temperature of 70 degrees. The city is regionally important as a major manufacturing center and transportation crossroads for southwest China. With one of China's most diverse ethnic populations, Kunming City has become more important in the national economic master plan.

The delegation was introduced to the food and agriculture industry at a state and national level. The group was interested in the role of Farm Bureau in production agriculture, infrastructure and public policy. With interest in horticulture, the delegation enjoyed a tour of McMullin Farms in Payson, hosted by Robert McMullin. Many questions were asked pertaining to marketing and valued added products.

The Governor delighted the delegation speaking to them in their native Mandarin language. Huntsman pointed out the similarities between the United States and China when it comes to meetings the world's food and fiber needs in the future. He noted the valuable relationship that can be developed between Utah and Kunming City through sharing the expertise of Utah State University and the Utah Farm Bureau Federation in food and agriculture.

During a brief stopover in Provo, Utah State Senate President John Valentine told the delegation that he had just returned from Beijing. He pointed out the great opportunities that can be forged through cooperation between the world's super-powers.

The delegation will spend 12 days in the U.S. with stops in San Francisco, Chicago, Boston, New York and Salt Lake City.



Utah Farm Bureau hosted a 15-member trade delegation from Kunming City, China. The group, lead by Vice Mayor Lei Xiao Ming, met with Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr., (top) and toured McMullin Orchards in Payson (abpve).

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lived in a small house on the main street in a rural town in the Midwest. On his sixty-fifth birthday he turned his farm over to his two capable married sons. He "retired to town" with his surrounding flower garden.

As the mailman stopped by one morning to hand Fred some letters, he remarked sympathetically, "Too bad you're not a member of the Farm Bureau any more, Fred. You'll sure miss those meetings."

"Who says I'm not a member?" snapped Fred. I just mailed my dues yesterday. I may live in town, but I'm a farmer at heart, and farming is paying for my retirement. I'll always be a farmer and I'll always be a member of Farm Bureau. I wouldn't any more think of giving up my membership than of giving up my wife."

4. "I saved over \$35 when I took my kids to Seven Peaks Water Park," one commented. Another said, "I've been a Farm Bureau member for five years. That means I've paid \$325 in membership dues. Last month, I saved \$500 when I purchased a new Dodge van because I was a Farm Bureau member. That means Farm Bureau just saved me \$175." A hay producer commented, "I could have saved over \$1000 when purchasing a 25K Dayton generator from Grainger because of my Utah Farm Bureau membership."

Farm Bureau members who familiarize themselves with and utilize the Farm Bureau Member Benefit Program indeed save money. Farm Bureau membership pays. Farm Bureau continues to partner with other organizations to offer you tremendous savings on various recreational activities, health purchases,

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6. Farm Bureau's Water Quality Program and professionals have saved me time and money. Supporting the organization through membership made sense after the service I received on my farm.

Utah farmers and ranchers are responsible for producing a safe and abundant food supply. They also take pride in being good stewards of the land, air and water resources. Utah livestock producers are being proactive to avoid the possibilities of regulatory action, fines and permitting by voluntarily addressing water quality problems. In 1999, Utah Farm Bureau decided to sponsor a voluntary, incentive-based program to assist agricultural landowners in improving their water quality. Utah Farm Bureau joined with other agricultural partners to develop a Utah strategy to control pollution from animal feeding operations. The purpose

and goal of the program is to meet the requirements of the federal Clean Water Act, maintain a viable agriculture industry and maintain the decision making at the local level.

7. I haven't been a Farm Bureau member long, but already, that's where my best friends are. I look forward to attending Farm Bureau conferences so I can talk with farmers my own age dealing with similar challenges.

Rarely is there a Farm Bureau meeting where food and socialization don't have a strong presence. Immediately following county board meetings, a local dairyman, hay grower and cow/calf operator often gravitate together to discuss market prices and local politics. County Farm Bureau socials tend to bring together long-time friends and associates resulting in strengthened friendships. At Utah Farm Bureau conferences, hallways are often congested and seats are often saved because of folks wanting to talk with Farm Bureau friends. Through Farm Bureau, folks find strength and security. Through Farm Bureau, members assemble to unite in a cause and a purpose. Through Farm Bureau, family ties are promoted – to keep the family learning, working and having fun together.

The first asset of Farm Bureau is its members. An organization is as strong as its members. Farm Bureau members meet regularly to address their problems and formulate action to achieve educational improvement, economic opportunity and social advancement (UFBF Policy 301). Families join Farm Bureau for a number of reasons.

Why are you a Farm Bureau member?

New Technology Update



Young People Lead Nation Buying HiFi-Tech Device

Remember LIFE cereal's "Let Mikey Try It?" The kid did, and so did we.

It should be no surprise that young people buy cool things first, then the rest of us follow. The new VW Beetle, Starbucks, Dr. Bronners, Blackberry, and iPod are examples of remarkable products that were first discovered by youthful thinkers before the majority of the world finally caught on.

So what's next? Well, it's a tiny computer called HearStic, and it's being snatched-up by the forty-something crowd like proverbial hot-cakes.

HearStic, which is manufactured by Minnesota-based Audibel, digitally enhances conversations in noisy situations using a tiny on-board computer chip.



Digital sound is transmitted into the ear canal by a tiny fiber-optic size tube. The computer the size of a paper clip is worn hidden behind the ear.

And interestingly enough, their popularity has spread quickly—not by what they look like, because they are practically impossible to see when being worn—but by good reviews, word of mouth and a remarkable hi-fi sound. Hear-Stick markets itself with very little effort because it solves a

really big problem in an innovatively cool way: namely, it corrects high-frequency hearing loss without plugging-up the ear canal. It

lets natural sounds just pass through the ear canal unamplified and gives a hi-fidelity boost only to soft speech sounds. The silicon brain of the HearStic is about the size of a paper clip and is worn in the crease just behind the ear. Digitally-processed sound is transmitted into the ear canal through a fiber-optic-sized tube, which is unnoticeable.

HearStic is available from Intermountain Hearing Centers of Utah: 1-800-553-0313

Local Hearing Expert Says Device Popularity is Justified



Kiely Ball is a hearing clinician with Intermountain Hearing Centers with locations throughout Utah

"In the practice of hearing correction, eight out of 10 patients I see are 60 and older, and are usually referred to me by their doctor" said Kiely Ball of Intermountain Hearing Centers of Utah. "Recently, though, a new user started showing up: A 40- through 50-year-old, well educated buyer who is savvy to electronics and who already knows what they want.... and they want HearStic."

HearStic is a miniature sound computer that gives a high-fidelity sound boost to the quiet sounds in conversation, and is unnoticeable when being worn. Background noise is not amplified at all but is allowed to pass naturally through the breathable ear bud. This keeps the wearer from having a "stopped-up" feeling which happens with hearing aids. And the fact that this Hi-Fi system really works has made its popularity spread by simple word-of-mouth," said Ball. The

cool little devices are available at Intermountain Hearing Centers, throughout Utah.

"I am recommending these for anyone who wants to hear better, regardless of their age," says Ball. "You'll hear better, I guarantee it, or your money back."

"Because of the popularity of HearStic, we have made them available at all of our locations," said Ball. "Please feel free to call and set up a time for a free demonstration. You will be delighted."

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Bulbs: A prepackaged, neatly wrapped plant

By Sterling C. Brown, UFBF Vice President - Organization

It's time to cover the swamp cooler, blow the sprinkler lines, hose out the furnace filter, uproot the expired vegetable plants, drain the fuel line on the exhausted lawn mower and adjust the antifreeze ratio in your radiator. It's also time to plant and prune bulbs. Doing so now promises a brighter spring.

For me, spring has arrived when I first see the emergence of a sturdy and stout tulip. The onslaught of cold fronts and the reality of short days are pushed aside when I observe drops of water pooled on thick tender bulb foliage. Winter has passed again when pistons stretch higher than weary shrubs and vibrant tulip pedals are crisp, clean and rousing. Flowering bulbs, of any variety, are indicators of life, hope and industry.

Bulbs are easy to grow. Probably no other plant group gives as much variety and pleasure to the gardener with so little effort. The unique thing about bulbs is that they need little attention. Bulbs have a self-contained, highly developed food storage mechanism that has adapted itself to life underground. Bulbs can spring back to life continuing their species even after lying dormant for months, enduring drought, frost or searing heat.

Flowering bulbs in the spring should be clear reminders that someone worked during the previous fall. You see, bulbs are unique. Bulbs must be planted in the fall. Generally, the planting season extends from mid-September until the ground freezes and it's too difficult to dig. Bulbs can be planted as long as you can get into the ground, even if this means planting after the first hard freeze or after the first snow. If winter catches up with you before you had a chance to get the bulbs into the ground, don't decide to just keep the bulbs until it warms up in the spring. This won't work, since bulbs require an extensive cold period to establish a good root system.

When to Plant?

It's best to plant bulbs in the fall when nighttime temperatures stay between 40-50°F. Bulbs will root best in cool soil and once rooted undergo natural changes that keep them from freezing. Be sure to water your bulbs after planting to help them start the rooting process. After the ground cools and freezes, cover your bulbs with a lightweight mulch (pine needles, buckwheat hulls, straw or chopped up leaves) 2-4 inches thick to help keep down weeds and maintain a consistently cool soil temperature.

Utah has relatively long cool winters, very hot to moderate dry summers and low moisture. These conditions are good for growing many bulbs, especially those native to dry climates. When purchasing bulbs, it's important to consider major factors like high-mountain altitude, low-desert heat and sheltered valley basin environments.

Soil Type and Drainage?

So far as the physical character of soil is concerned, bulbs are less particular than many other plants. They do well in fairly heavy clay, loam, or sandy loam soils. Any place in your garden that remains wet for long periods after rain should be avoided. Good drainage is essential. Never plant bulbs where water collects. Heavy soils may be lightened by digging in organic

material such as peat, pine bark, or compost. Also, an inch or two of coarse sand below each bulb will help to improve drainage.

How to Plant?

If storing bulbs prior to planting, it is best to keep them in a dry, dark and cool place (50-65°F). The planting depths given are measured to the top of the bulb, thus excavate the area 1 to 2 inches deeper. These depths of planting will help to protect the bulbs against frost, animals, and physical damage due to hoeing and light cultivating. In general, the planting depth (measured from the top of the bulb to the soil level) should be two to three times the greatest diameter of the bulb. If your soil is very sandy, plant a bit deeper, in heavy clay somewhat less.

When to Fertilize?

Bulbs do not require any fertilizer upon planting time. The best time to feed your bulbs is after their sprouts have broken through in early spring. Bulbs are already fully charged with energy for peak flowering performance in their first spring bloom season. Do not



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put the fertilizer in the hole with the bulb as this may burn the bulb's tender roots.

After Flowering?

Caring for spring bulbs after they have flowered is as important, if not more important, than that which is given before flowering. After flowering, the fading blooms are best removed to prevent the development of seed pods which rob the bulb of strength during next seasons bloom. Also, snap the pistol (top three inches of the stem) off. Snapping the pistol sends needed energy back down into bulb growth.

Allow the foliage/leaves to yellow. This period may last several weeks. Never cut down the foliage of your spring bulbs before they begin to yellow. This is the one cardinal rule that cannot be broken, for it is at this time that the plant stores the food which will carry it over to the next season. After they start to yellow, you can cut the foliage off at ground level. Cutting the foliage down while they are still green is like stripping a tree of its leaves.

Bulb's Growth Cycle?

When planting bulbs, most people think of them as dormant things which can be forgotten until next spring when it will start to grow. Yet, some understanding of what happens after they have been planted can be helpful.

The changes a bulb undergoes from the time it is planted in the fall until it goes dormant in summer is known as the growth-cycle. While there are some variations, the growth-cycle for most spring-flowering bulbs is on the whole-quite similar.

Soon after a bulb has been planted in the fall, it sends out roots. In most cases, top growth will remain safely underground until spring. In the spring, after they have flowered, the bulbs will start to reproduce themselves, usually by some process of division. To do this successfully, the bulbs need to be able to build up fresh strength, and this is the primary reason why the foliage should never be cut before it has ripened. When



you dig up a tulip bulb in early summer you will not find the large bulb you planted in the fall. Instead, there will be a clump of two or more medium-sized bulbs plus a large number of tiny bulbs or offsets. These offsets will not be able to produce a flower.

Bulb Growth?

Many things affect the regenerative process. The first is the flower. The blossom takes a lot of energy away from the bulb. Many commercial bulb growers will only let their bulbs bloom for approximately 7 days before chopping the flower off. They want large bulbs. Planting large will generally produce large and long-lasting flowers.

The weather affects bulb growth. Cool weather allows the foliage/leaves to stay around for a long time which helps bulb growth. If you have a heat wave shortly after blooming, the foliage will dieback too quickly which hurts bulb growth. Other things like how good the soil and how much moisture are also important. These are few factors that directly affect bulb growth.

So, this fall, before you winterize your shovel and wheelbarrow and coil the garden hose for its final time, consider planting some spring bulbs. A bulb is next year's plant neatly packaged.



**Salt Lake County
Farm Bureau**

Annual Banquet and Annual Business Meeting Notice

*You are cordially invited to the Salt Lake
County Farm Bureau Member Banquet*

Date: Friday, Nov. 4, 2005

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: River Oaks Stake Center,
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Top talent debuts at Utah State Fair

Utah Farm Bureau announced the top performers from the State Talent Find Saturday, Sept. 17, 2005, at the State Fair in Salt Lake City.

Bree Ann Fotheringham of Davis County won the Junior Division out of a pool of 22 contestants with a fiddle performance. Reagan Zite and Braydan Powers from Wasatch County earned second place with a clogging routine, and Russell Murphy of Cache County captured third place with an entertaining piano performance.

First place in the Intermediate Division went to Jessica Sarangay of Salt Lake County for her vocal performance. Second place went to Mauresa Bastian of Sanpete County for her piano solo; and third place went to Kandice Barney of Summit County for her jazz dance routine.

The winners in both the Junior and Intermediate divisions took home \$125, \$75, and \$50, for first, second and third place respectively.

Four finalists were named in the Senior Division, each earning an invitation to compete at the senior talent finals at the Utah Farm Bureau state convention in November. Finalists include Brian Owen of Wasatch County who gave a dramatic reading and vocal solo; Vocal duo Heidi Wood and Adam Green of Washington County; Shane Jensen and Krista Treu of Utah County who performed a Cabaret dance; and Shane Howarth of Juab County who played his guitar and sang. The four finalist presentations will debut during the Awards and Recognition Program Thursday, Nov. 17 for the top award of \$500. The three runners-up will receive \$150 each.

The Utah Farm Bureau has sponsored the talent find since 1950. Since then, it has become the state's largest amateur talent find. Each contestant was selected at the county level to participate at the state competition. Farm Bureau's Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee organized this year's contest.

Reed Balls, the State YF&R Adviser said judges had a tough time picking the winners in each division. "This year's talent find contest was as good as I can ever remember," said Balls.



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Scared Safe! *Review Halloween safety tips before you hit the streets*

By A.J. Ferguson, UFBF Director of Farm Safety

It is almost time for the spooks and haunts of Halloween – a time when safety is thrown to the monsters of night, as eager treasure hunters of candy hit the streets with their hearts set on tasty treats. Here are a few helpful hints to keep those little spooks and haunts safe so they can feast on their stash of treats.

To those who play the chauffeur, remember to watch for the spooks and sprites that dart from between parked cars like ghosts in the night.

Especially be careful while driving your beast to take it slow at the peak of the witching hours that fall between twilight and late in the eve. Remember too, not all ghouls are dressed in bright costumes but in dark tattered remains that once were clothes.



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As for the wee little ones, instruct them on the rules O' Halloween. Don't be entering homes without a guardian, ye know. Don't be crossing yards and lawns that could trip you up, hindering your collection of loot. Restrain the desire to run from house to house or you could end up silent as a mouse. If smart ye be, stick to the plank of concrete lest ye drowned in the street. Last but not least, keep your face to the beasts O' gas to a sure ye be seen.

To the savage protectors who watch over their kin, keep to the code that can bring them home again. Feed the wee ones before ye go, thus helping curb the lure of that notorious sweet tooth that yearns for a taste of those wonderful sweets. If there be apple or pear found in the loot, wash it top to bottom and

slice it into tasty pieces of fruit. If a treasure of unknown origin or unrecognized mark is found, it be OK to throw it on out.

Smart be the guardians that know the path that will lead their kin out and back. Costumes be fun when loose enough to have warm garb on underneath. Bags used for the gathering of loot are best with bright colors and reflective tape to boot. Sticks that glow or shine help keep the wee ones on time. The dreaded weapons that come out this night should not be sharp or pointy, but flexible and rubbery to bounce off the creatures of this night. Arrrrg, the pin, the pin, it can truly be said is mightier than the sword especially when used to fasten **i m p o r t a n t** information within the costume... name, address and phone number are great if a kin is separated from the

clan. Masks transform the fair to horrific, a terrible sight it be, but worse if the one inside can't see. If this be the case then face-paint may work in place of the mask that could hurt.

May yer Halloween be safe.

Halloween Quick Tips:

- Make sure that an adult or an older responsible youth will be supervising the outing for children under age 12.
- Plan and discuss the route trick-or-treaters intend to follow. Know the names of older children's companions.
- Establish a return time.
- Tell your youngsters not to eat any treat until they return home.
- If children are allowed out after dark, outfits should be made with light colored materials. Strips of reflective tape should be used to make children visible.
- Do not enter homes or apartments without adult supervision.
- Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs.



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County Farm Bureau Fundraising - Is it the thing to do?

By John B. Keeler, UFBF Southern Regional Manager

There is a saying that has been at the heart of Farm Bureau for many years that says, "Membership isn't everything but without it you have nothing." Membership truly is the basis for the entire organization. It is the people and the power and from it comes the principles and the policies that drive the organization for the benefit of the membership. Membership provides the financial resources that enable the organization to be more effective and to have the breadth and depth that Farm Bureau has. However, do the membership numbers in our state and in our counties provide enough finances to adequately meet our needs (county and state)? It is worth asking the question and discussing the answer?

If our answer is yes and we do have enough financial resources to meet the needs of our organization, then the discussion is over. If the answer is no, and we do not have the resources we need, then what are our options? We of course can raise dues or sign up more members. Or, we can raise funds independently from our membership dues. Or, we can use a combination of all or some of these. Some counties in Utah have chosen to undertake fundraising projects. The most traditional is the one at the Box Elder County Fair. The North and South Box Elder County Farm Bureaus man the hamburger concessions in conjunction with Box Elder County. The county government provides the facility and the two county Farm Bureaus provide the people to man the concessions

while providing the over-all organization in preparing and serving the food. The event lasts several days and they use the hamburger from about 15 Holstein cows. Each County Farm Bureau raises several thousand dollars in the project. Thousands of hamburgers are served. It is a huge undertaking but one that involves many members and adds to the financial strength and effectiveness of their organizations.

Another County Farm Bureau that has also undertaken fundraising is the Wayne County Farm Bureau. They too operate the hamburger concessions at the horse races and rodeo at their county fair. It is a one-day event where they serve about 800 hamburgers, 400 hot dogs, 1,000 drinks plus candy and cheese nachos. This too is a big endeavor for the Wayne County Farm Bureau. Wayne County population is about 1,500 for the entire county so they are feeding almost the entire county on that one day. In 12 hours they raise a couple of thousand dollars - the equivalent of two years of membership revenue. It definitely helps strengthen a County Farm Bureau with a membership of just over 100.

There also are some county committees who have raised funds for their particular activities. Several county Young Farmer and Rancher committees have sought out sponsors to help them with attendance at various national meetings. Kane County Young Farmers and Ranchers held an ice cream event as a public relations activity to get county residents familiar with Farm Bureau.



The Wayne County Farm Bureau earns the equivalent of two years of membership revenue during their 12 hours in this concession stand at their county fair.

Many years ago two County Farm Bureaus owned their own county buildings and rented them out to their insurance agents. They later sold the buildings which netted an impressive gain at the time of the sale. Weber County still has one local Farm Bureau (Hooper Local) that sponsors "Hooper Tomato Days" which is equivalent to their County Fair and has produced income for the local unit.

Other Farm Bureaus, both county and state, in other parts of the country sponsor fundraising events to enhance programs. California sponsors a golf tournament that raises several tens of thousands of dollars. The Utah Farm Bureau has a "Century Club" membership that generates funds to help fight battles that are apart from traditional programs. So, should County Farm Bureaus have fundraising activities? If it is needed and if it fits into the purposes of why a County Farm Bureau is organized, then it is an option. If more revenue is needed and

the fundraiser meets the above criteria, then have fun and make the activity one you can be proud to be a part of.

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Endangered Species Act rewrite passes

By Randy Parker, UFBF CEO

A bipartisan effort to rewrite the Endangered Species Act (ESA) was approved Sept. 22, 2005, by the House Resources Committee. According to Chairman Richard Pombo (R-CA), the bill approved 26-12, will give private property owners new rights while limiting the federal government’s ability to establish “critical habitat”.

Farm Bureau has long been a critic of the ESA’s infringement on private property rights. Enforcement of the 32-year old act has pitted property rights advocates against government agencies and environmental advocates as farmers and ranchers have faced fines and even imprisonment for continuing even the most basic agricultural practices on their land when they disturb an endangered species.

“The law in its current form does more good for attorneys engaged in litigation dealing with enforcement of the Endangered Species Act, than for the plants and animals it was originally envisioned to protect,” said Leland Hogan, Utah Farm Bureau President.

At odds is the ‘Just Compensation Clause’ under the Fifth Amendment protection for government takings. Currently, compensation is not required of the United States Government for a regulatory “taking” as long as the private property retains “any possible use” and “any value.” According to Rep. Pombo, the measure “will place new emphasis on species recovery and eliminates the dysfunctional critical habitat provisions. It’s about a new era in protecting species and protecting habitat at the same time we protect private property owners.”

The bill will limit the act’s requirement that critical habitat be designated for an endangered species, substituting a provision that enough habitat be set aside to help recover the species. In addition, state and local governments will have a greater role.

Utah Farm Bureau has been an active leader in habitat and water related issues, both important to endangered and sensitive species. “Utah farmers and ranchers have entered into innovative agreements and are developing creative solutions to address population levels, habitat and watershed restoration and water quality,” Hogan noted.

“Farm Bureau’s Sensitive Species Task Force, made up of farmers and ranchers from across the state, is actively helping identify funding resources and setting priorities to address critical habitat needs.”

Protection of private property rights is recognized in the bill. If passed, the

government will be required to compensate property owners at fair market value for any loss that results from protecting endangered

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species. Environmental groups argue the provision will make is too expensive, ultimately making the law useless. “Why should the costs of public policy be borne by farmers, ranchers and other private property owners as the government protects endangered plant and animal species?” Hogan asked. “It’s a question of fairness.”

Additionally, the bill will set deadlines for property owners to get answers from the government about whether their plans would, in fact hurt protected species.

The bill now goes to the full House. If it passes the House, it will move on for Senate consideration where its future is uncertain. Senator Lincoln Chafee (R-R.I.) a moderate who chairs the wildlife subcommittee of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee has concerns about removing the critical habitat provision from the ESA.

Environmentalists and property-rights supporters disagree bitterly over the success or failure of the Endangered Species Act. According to the American Farm Bureau, over 1,260 plant and animal species are protected under the federal law. Only 17 species have been de-listed because they have “recovered.”

“It’s time we return to the original intent of the ESA – increasing populations of threatened or endangered species to the point they can be removed from the list. An incentive-based partnership with farmers and ranchers can provide a successful outcome in protecting endangered species,” Hogan concluded.

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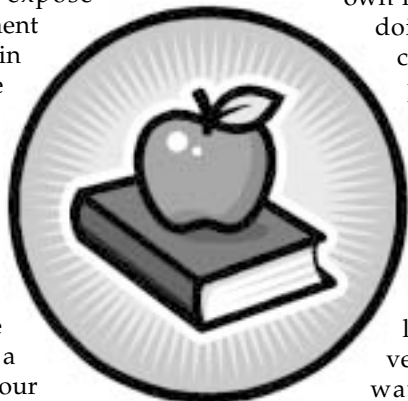
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Excellent children's books available about agriculture

By Aurline Boyack, UFBF Member Benefits Coordinator

With the holidays just around the corner, it is time to consider the presents your children will find under the tree. Relatively inexpensive to purchase but priceless in helping expose children to the excitement and adventure found in literature, books are one of the best gifts that you can give a child. In consultation with the director of USU's Agriculture in the Classroom program we have compiled a list of books below - any one of which would be a wonderful addition to your child's library. These selections feature story lines that quickly involve the reader in the unfolding adventure and have remarkable illustrations. Additionally, the storyline for each selection has references to some aspect of agriculture.



The Summer My Father Was Ten by Pat Brisson (Christopher Medal winner) - Focuses on friendship and responsibility. Illustrates that our actions have consequences.

When the Bees Fly Home by Andrea Cheng - Teaches cultural awareness while offering factual information about bees. Paintings are outstanding.

Kiss the Cow by Phyllis Root - Humorous and playful illustrations help support the

message that our actions have consequences. Perfect for preschool & kindergarten.

Westlandia by Paul Fleishman - Growing new crops for food and clothes in his backyard one summer, Wesley creates his own new civilization and in so doing proves that different can be popular. Impressive pictures.

Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens (Caldecott Honor Book) - Wonderfully illustrated tale of a cunning rabbit getting the best of a lazy bear. It's a great way to learn about working hard versus being lazy. Along the way children learn the difference between root and leaf crops.

The Little House by Virginia Lee Burton (Caldecott Medal Winner) - Delightful story about a house in the country which through the years watches as life changes around it. Not only do the seasons change, but children grow up and move away, horses and buggies give way to cars and then subways and elevated trains. Gradually the little house becomes surrounded by the city. Written in 1942 this book has become a classic of American children's literature.

Ox-Cart Man by Donald Hall (Caldecott Medal Winner) - Focuses on the yearly ritual of a farmer loading his cart with his produce and other items made by his family then traveling through the

countryside selling these wares. Very well illustrated.

Everybody Bakes Bread by Norah Dooley - Because Carrie and her brother are arguing one rainy afternoon, Carrie is sent on a fool's errand to borrow a "three handled rolling pin." Carrie visits house after house searching for the rolling pin and along the way gets to sample bread from seven countries. Readers experience the warmth of a friendly ethnic neighborhood. Recipes are included.

Extra Cheese, Please: Mozzarella's Journey from Cow to You by Cris Peterson - Beginning with the birth of a calf, Peterson describes the steps involved in producing Mozzarella cheese. Set on the author's Wisconsin dairy farm, the story is illustrated with photos taken on the farm. Cheese pizza recipe included.

I Will Never, Not Ever, Eat a Tomato by Lauren Child - Lola is a VERY picky eater so her big brother uses his imagination to convince Lola to eat all of the foods she refuses to eat. Story provides a funny and endearing look at how children's tastes can be based on preconception buds rather than taste buds. Wacky, impressive illustrations.

Heartland by Diane Siebert - Heartland is a horse farm set in the hills of Virginia. The mother of the main character, Amy Fleming, has created an equine sanctuary on the grandfather's farm. Her abused and frightened horses learn to trust again. Through a series of books we follow Amy as she struggles to cope with the challenges in her life while learning to help the horses that come to Heartland.

The Goat Lady by Jane Gregoli (Aspca Henry Bergh Children's Book Awards) - Helps children learn about inner beauty. The addition of the author's artwork makes this book truly special.

Additional excellent books to consider:

- **Everybody Cooks Rice** by Norah Dooley
- **The Gardener** by Sarah Stewart (Caldecott Winner)
- **All the Places to Love** by Patricia MacLachlan
- **The Farmer** by Mark Ludy

If your local elementary school or the city library do not have copies of these books, as a County Farm Bureau you may want to consider donating copies as part of your Agriculture in the Classroom program. Tami Chew, District 5 State Women's Committee member said, "Most libraries try to have at least one copy of each of the Caldecott Winners but they may not have the others."

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Make	Model	Description	Price
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DAVID	990	W/LOADER	\$4,000
FORD	9030 CAB	LAODER W/BUCKET & FORKS	\$29,900
JD	2010		\$3,500
JD	4320		\$6,900
JD	6110L	MFWD	\$13,000
JD	4240	W/LOADER	\$16,900
JD	6400	NO CAB W/LOADER	\$24,500
JD	6410	MFWD CAB PQ	\$28,500
JD	4650		\$29,900
JD	5410	W/LOADER	\$29,900
JD	4230	2WD TRACTOR W/ JD 158 LOADER	\$29,900
JD	4050	2wd **LOW HOURS**	\$31,900
JD	6410		\$35,900
JD	5420	W/LOADER	\$39,900
JD	5420	MFWD CAB W/ JD 541	\$40,900
JD	6220	UTILITY TRACTOR PFG	\$46,900
JD	8100		\$59,500
JD	8400	MFWD 4SCV'S FENDERS,20 WGT	\$67,900
JD	8100	MFWD PS 20.8X38	\$69,900
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MF	275	2WD DIESEL 2SCV'S	\$6,490
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NH	TN65D	NH TN65D W/LOADER	\$26,000
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NH	LM430A	GREAT BUY - LIKE NEW	\$49,900
Gleaner	MH2	PRICED TO SALE	\$4,500

Combines

Make	Model	Description	Price
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JD	9600		\$51,000
JD	9500		\$45,000
C/IH	1680		\$33,000
C/IH	2188		\$51,000
Gleaner	MH2	PRICED TO SALE	\$4,500

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Make	Model	Description	Price
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C/IH	8370	14' SWATHER	\$15,000
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C/IH	8580	BALER W/ ACCUMULATOR	\$31,000
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JD	4890	SWATHER W/16' HEADER	\$53,000
JD	4990		\$65,000
JD	4995	SWATHER W/16' IMPELLER HEAD	\$65,000
JD	557	557 ROUND BALER	\$15,000
JD	567	ROUND BALER,WD/PU	\$15,000
NH	1035	BALE WAGON	\$1,999
NH	648	648	\$13,000
NH	660	BALER	\$9,500
NH	660	NH 660 ROUND BALER	\$8,500
NH	853	ROUND BALER	\$2,500

Make	Model	Description	Price
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HESS	4755	BALER	\$29,000
HESS	4755	BALER	\$25,500
HESS	4800	BALER W/ ACCUMULATOR	\$6,500
HESS	4800	BALER	\$8,000
HESS	4900	BIG BALER W/4925 ACCUMULATOR	\$41,000
HESS	4900		\$25,000
HESS	4910	BIG BALER W/4920 ACCUMULATOR	\$52,000
HESS	4910	BALER W/ ACCUMULATOR	\$64,000
HESS	6650	SWATHER	\$7,500
HESS	6650	HESSTON 6650 WINDROWER	\$11,600
HESS	8450	SWATHER	\$33,100

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POLICY ISSUES 2006 REPORT

From the 2005 Policy Research Committee

The Issues:

- ✓ *Groundwater Management*
- ✓ *EPA Air Quality*
- ✓ *Oil and Gas Development*
- ✓ *Wild Horses*
- ✓ *Fencing Liability*
- ✓ *County and Commodity Surfaced Issues*

Policy development is the process by which members define Farm Bureau policy and establish county, state, and national priorities. The success of this process hinges on the active grassroots involvement of its members. This unique grassroots process provides a basis for unity of purpose and action by the organization. Although expensive and time consuming, it is the effective application of this unique process that qualifies Farm Bureau as the "Voice of Agriculture."

The following report from the 2005 Policy Research Committee, the several Commodity Task Forces, and the county issue surfacing meetings begins the acceleration of this grassroots process for 2006. We have met in consultation regarding selected subjects identified prior to the Midyear Conference in July. We believe this format will give you a good place to continue in developing policy on these and other issues at the county level. Language contained in this report is only a recommendation and counties should feel free to modify it in any way they deem appropriate.

Above all, please remember to hold your county business meetings by November 2, 2005 so as to have your county recommendations to the UFBF office by noon on November 4th, 2005. Sufficient lead time is essential to prepare the recommendations for the State Resolutions Committee on November 16th.

We hope this report is helpful to you in your policy development activities.

Stephen A. Osguthorpe, Chairman
Park City, Utah Farm Bureau Federation

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County Farm Bureaus will hold Annual Business Meetings between now and November 2 (see the schedule on P. 24) to adopt county policies and determine recommendations on these state issues surfaced by the Policy Research Committee.

Issue 1: Groundwater Management

311 WATER POLICY

Suggested Language:

Agriculture as an industry and its economic impacts are of the utmost importance in any groundwater management discussion. We support a groundwater management plan based on the following fundamental principles:

Sound scientific data as it relates to determination of safe yield and groundwater basin levels.

Longstanding western water law philosophy stating First in Time, First in Right. The principle of seniority and priority of water rights should remain intact.

The doctrine of prior appropriation should remain a foundation of Utah water law.

Non use of water rights for purposes of aquifer restoration as a means of conservation. Conservation and aquifer restoration efforts should not constitute forfeiture of water rights.

The Issue:

The state engineer has demonstrated that many aquifers (those in Cedar valley, Beryl/Enterprise area, Milford valley, Pahvant valley, Parowan valley and Salt Lake County) are over-appropriated. Water use exceeds average annual recharge by as much as 20% to 240%. Much of the applications for ground water rights were approved during the late 40's and 50's prior to reliable information regarding average annual recharge in various basins.

The state engineer indicates the dangers of continually mining the water include subsidence (compaction of the

space previously occupied by the water in the aquifer) which causes permanent loss of storage capacity, incursion of salt water and concentration of contaminants. The last three to five years have seen a dramatic decline in groundwater levels due to drought conditions. The state engineer suggests that only 3-5% of the overuse of groundwater can be attributed to illegal pumping. The economic impact to farmers and ranchers will be considerable if water rights are cut back.

Agricultural operators have invested in machinery, structures, and improvements to land and even borrowed against the value of their water rights.

Background:

In a recent trip to the Escalante Valley the Legislative Interim Water

Task Force visited several sites the Utah Geological Survey believes to be subsidence due to groundwater withdrawal. Local farmers, ranchers and water users are concerned with the intent of the state in regards to groundwater policy and the impact it will have on the agricultural industry and the local rural and urban economies throughout the state.

The trend in some cases has been downward in amounts of water being recharged in to several of the underground aquifers throughout the state. The legislative Water Issues Task Force is evaluating this trend and the impacts it might have both economically and geologically on both rural and urban areas of the state. As the task force moves forward in establishing groundwater management policy in the State, UFBF needs more in depth policy in relation to its creation and adoption.

Issue 2: EPA Air Quality

342 AIR QUALITY

Suggested Language:

We support air quality standards being established based on regions and sound scientific data rather than on a nationwide standard.

We support development of a voluntary and incentive based, state level program to help Utah livestock producers comply with reporting and management practices required under EPCRA, CERCLA and the Clean Air Act.

We further support Farm Bureau being a leader in the developmental process of this state level program.

We are concerned with the additional costs to farmers and ranchers and the potential effects it may have on agricultures ability to be competitive in the marketplace and produce a cost effective product for the end consumer.

The Issue:

The concern is widespread failure of AFO (Animal Feeding Operations) operators to report ammonia and/or hydrogen sulfide emissions arising from manure piles, corrals, feedlots, lagoons, etc. associated

with their operation. Under the "Safe Harbor" agreement, EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) promises not to sue producers for past violations CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act) and EPCRA (Emergency Planning & Community Right-to-Know Act) reporting requirements or failure to obtain proper permits required under the Clean Air Act for release of nitrogen oxides (NOx), hydrogen sulfide (H₂S), volatile organic compounds (VOCS) or particulate matter (PM) from animal confinement structures and livestock waste lagoons. In return, producers signing up agree to pay a civil penalty ranging from \$200 to \$100,000 depending upon the size of their operation, plus help fund research needed to quantify amounts of air pollutants actually escaping from manure.

Background:

Shortly after the EPA announced the Air Quality Compliance Agreement on January 21, 2005, UFBF submitted extensive comments that among other things urged EPA to extend the sign up period during which producers could sign up under the "Safe

Harbor" Consent Agreement. The deadline of May 2 was initially extended to July 1 and then again extended again to July 29, 2005.

With Farm Bureau's full encouragement and support, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Commissioner Leonard Blackham and Utah Department of Environmental Quality Director Dr. Diane Nielsen have formally petitioned EPA to develop an incentive based Utah strategy for dealing with air quality, similar to the Utah Clean Water Strategy that gained national acclaim. Meanwhile, the clock continues to tick and the July 29 sign-up deadline is not likely to be extended again.

With their industry in the crosshairs on this issue, the Utah Dairymen's Association has worked directly with EPA to better define the options available and has learned that many operations may avoid paying EPA's proscribed civil penalty by reporting suspected emissions to proper county, state and federal official within 21 days of learning of this option. Officials that need to be notified include the Local Emergency Planning Committee, State Emergency Response Commission, and the EPA. However, producers opting to take this route may still be vulnerable to lawsuit.

Issue 3: Oil and Gas Development

Suggested Language:

We urge landowners to carefully study contracts, ownership of surface and mineral rights, reclamation and bonding requirements before entering into mineral lease agreements. When mineral rights are held differently from surface ownership, surface owners do have negotiating power with respect to roads, drill sites, timing, etc.

The Issue:

Increased oil and gas development has caused landowners to develop long-range planning measures. Within these plans, property rights, natural resources damage mitigations measures must be evaluated and considered.

Background:

Since the discovery of oil in Sigurd, various oil and seismic exploration companies are urging landowners

in central Utah to sign lease agreements for development of mineral resources. Some will recall unfortunate outcomes of timber sales to loggers who swept through Utah a few years ago in the wake of the spotted owl controversy in the Pacific Northwest. Several who sold logs at that time never did receive full value for their timber and were left with an undesirable network of roads, increased sedimentation cause by erosion, and long term disruption of timber producing resources due to careless logging practices.

Before entering into a mineral lease agreement, landowners should seek answers to several questions. Will leaseholders be allowed to build roads wherever they want, or does the landowner determine the location of roads? How will roads impact other values on the land, such as water quality, livestock dispersal, forest management, recreational access, etc.?

When will the contract expire, and who will performance affect contract expiration? When will

payments be made to the landowner? If the mineral lease is for underground resources only, how will that affect surface rights? What happens to the drilling muds and wastewater pumped from a well? What happens with a test well that hits water? What remediation is required when the test well is abandoned? Will pipelines or compressor stations be built on the property? How will roads and associated drainage structures be abandoned when exploration or extraction is complete?

Income from oil and gas development may provide important financial security to landowners and their posterity, but adverse effects of exploration and extraction can also be costly. Landowners need to understand the associated risks and carefully consider the overall impact that oil and gas development may have on their operation.

Issue 4: Wild Horses

319 PUBLIC LANDS POLICIES

Suggested Language:

We support state management authority and control of wild horses defined in statute as abandoned horses and estrays. We further support allowing wild horses and burros over the age of 5 years or those that have not been successfully adopted after three adoption attempts to be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, even if the individual purchasing the horses would take them to slaughter.

We oppose HR 857 – Slaughter for Human Consumption

We further recognize and support the economic contributions of the horse industry in the State of Utah.

The Issue:

As numbers of wild horses on Federal and State lands increases across the state, grazing permittees and ranchers are greatly impacted by the voracious nature of the grazing practices of these animals. Rangelands are deteriorating more each year while the Federal Government (whose hands may or may not be tied) takes little action towards the management of wild horses. Utah State Senator, Tom Hatch, has discussed what laws might be drafted to allow the state to manage these animals more effectively.

Background:

What is a wild horse or burro?
A wild free-roaming horse or burro, as defined by Federal law, is an unbranded, unclaimed, free-roaming horse or burro found on Western public rangelands

administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and the U.S. Forest Service (USFS).

The Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act was passed the bill on June 19, 1971 and was later amended by the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Public Rangelands Improvement Act.

Public Law 95-514, the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978, established and reaffirmed:

1. the need for inventory and identification of current public rangeland conditions (monitoring);
 2. the management, maintenance and improvement of the condition of public rangelands to productively support all rangeland values;
- continuance of the law protecting wild free-roaming horses and burros from capture, branding, harassment or death, while at the same time facilitating the removal and disposal of excess wild free-roaming horses and burros which pose a threat to themselves and their habitat.

**For questions about any of these issues, contact Todd Bingham,
UFBF Vice President - Public Policy, at 801-233-3004.**

Issue 5: Fencing Liability

319 FENCING:

Suggested Language:

We support prompt notification to landowners by local law enforcement agencies when damages occur to fences.

We support ordinances and statutes that would require an individual and/or developer who changes the use of agricultural land to adequately fence property that is adjacent to land currently in greenbelt or agricultural production.

The Issue:

Fencing provisions and laws have increasingly become a valid issue to both livestock owners and the general public. Maintenance, liability and responsibility of fence construction is reaching new awareness along transportation corridors, public lands, livestock trails and private lands.

Background:

Fencing law in Utah is not comprehensive or cohesive, rather it is comprised of sporadic pieces that do not fit together nicely. Utah is considered a fence-in state (meaning it is necessary for livestock owners to fence in livestock) under common law. Past court decisions, such as Johnson vs. Johnson in Garfield County in 1987 have reaffirmed the fence-in requirement within Utah.

There are two exceptions. State law allows counties to adopt fence ordinances in derogation of common law. Most counties have established their own fencing policies to allow domestic animals to graze without trespassing on farms, subdivisions, or other private property and the majority of these adopted fence-out provisions. However, a couple of counties have recently changed their fence-out provisions to fence-in due to mounting development pressures.

The second exception for fencing in is if livestock is running on open range. Federal Code 2230.6 stipulates the "United States is not responsible for intrusion of permitted livestock on private land." This is interpreted to mean that if there are properties adjoining open range, you must fence off. However, open range, in an obscure portion of the state code is defined as all land not privately owned, so only public lands qualify.

There is some question as to how the fence-out requirement for open range interplays with county ordinances that require the opposite, fencing in of livestock. There are also questions about whether liability for livestock trespass in a fence-out scenario adequately protects the livestock owner when the livestock trespasses a property subsequent to the adjacent land. **State law does not require the individual failing to fence livestock out to pay for damage done to subsequent properties.**

State law does hold a person liable for damage for any injury sustained for failing to close a gate or purposely leaving a gate open.

In addition, in Utah law requires that adjoining landowners share in the cost of fencing between neighbors. Several sessions past, it was required that adjoining landowners who graze or are under a conservation easement share the costs 50/50.

Utah's fence law also plays into automobile/livestock collisions. Under state law, there is no presumption of guilt or fault on the part of a livestock owner in the case of a collision. Each owner is responsible for bearing the damages, unless it can be shown the livestock owner was negligent because the fence was in obvious need of repair or there have been other incidents. In an open range scenario, the driver is presumed to be at fault.

County and Commodity Surfaced Issues

302 FARM BUREAU BELIEFS

General Philosophy: *Language Submitted by the Policy Research Committee.*

We believe in being good stewards of the land. We reaffirm our position to do our part to be good neighbors and to protect and enhance the image of the agricultural industry. We recognize the need to extend ourselves in the communities in which we live and assisting our neighbors and the general public in comprehending the benefits and positive impacts agriculture has on society and understand our responsibilities therein.

340 ANIMAL HEALTH
WHIRLING DISEASE

If a private aquaculture producer is shown to be positive for whirling disease following a confirmatory test, a second test by a separate, certified lab should be required in order to verify that the disease is present. If these tests are not in agreement, a third test at another certified lab will be required.

Fish suspected of carrying whirling disease may be stocked only in waters known to be infected with whirling disease.

DISEASE TESTING

Reaffirm Policy #330, Disease Testing #1: We support a state funded aquaculture indemnification program at 75% of market value for private aquaculturists required to eradicate diseased fish....

We support a legislative appropriation to establish a fish section at the Utah Veterinary Diagnostic Lab.

ANIMAL ID:

We support the National Animal ID program. However, we believe that it should be implemented on a commodity by commodity basis. Sheep ID should incorporate the scrapie ID program. Furthermore we believe an animal ID program should involve public funding.

TRICHOMONIASIS TESTING

We support a continued research program that leads to a more reliable trich test.

We support the State of Utah getting a better quality ear tag. Too many tags fall off and get lost.

BRUCELLOSIS

We support 100% female vaccination for brucellosis.

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We support a better means of brucellosis vaccination identification than the ear tattoo.

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING:

We support development of a uniform hay testing program in Utah that is recognized by all national and international hay buyers. The testing program results need to be done in a timely manner.

We support efforts to increase agricultural profitability and sustainability and its contribution to the rural economy.

We support efforts to increase the marketing of Utah food and agricultural products, efforts to connect Utah consumers and food producers and increased school, institutional and government purchases to support Utah farmers and ranchers.

346 TAX POLICY

We urge county assessors to closely scrutinize all applications for greenbelt assessment to assure that the land in question meets the requirements for agricultural production.

311 WATER

The legislative water task force needs more time to get water management plans in place for each water basin.

In high growth areas where agriculture is becoming unprofitable, private agricultural landowners should be able to hold water rights like government entities in anticipation of future residential development.

361 LABOR SUPPLY

We support the establishment of an economical and effective guest work program that will allow foreign workers with appropriate identification to work in the U.S.

USU Extension:

We oppose a reduction in the USU Extension program in the areas of animal agriculture and dairy specialists.

349 HIGHER EDUCATION

We support the three fold mission of Utah State University. The mission should be adaptable and responsive to the changing needs of agriculture, including but not limited to; air, environmental and water issues.

342 AIR QUALITY

We support development of an incentive based, state level program to help Utah

livestock producers comply with reporting and management practices required under EPCRA, CERCLA and the Clean Air Act.

We support:

2) development of **alternative** technologies that reduce negative environmental impacts to air as well as water; and

Turf / Water:

Turf grass is important to quiet enjoyment and quality of life for homeowners. We support research, education, development and marketing of drought and heat tolerant varieties of turf grass in order to better manage Utah's scarce water resources.

Oil and Gas Development:

We urge landowners to carefully study contracts, ownership of surface and mineral rights, reclamation and bonding requirements before entering into a mineral lease agreement.

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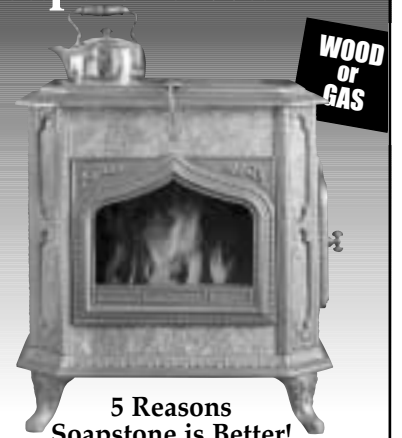
The removal of property encumbrances from past and void leases must be simplified.

319 PUBLIC LANDS POLICIES

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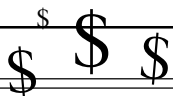
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Money Matters



A special column for the Farm Bureau News provided by USU Extension

Co-signing is risky business

By Judy Harris, Utah State University Extension Utah County Family & Consumer Science Agent

"Plan frugally for the years following full-time employment," said Ezra Taft Benson, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, 1953 to 1961, in a talk given Sept. 30, 1989. "Let us avoid unnecessary debt. We also advise caution in co-signing financial notes, *even with family members*, [emphasis added] when retirement income might be jeopardized. Be even more cautious in advancing years about "get rich" schemes, mortgaging homes, or investing in uncertain ventures."

Consider this true tale. Recently a woman told me about her aunt who asked her mother to co-sign on a loan for her home. The aunt said that if the mother would co-sign, she could get a lower interest rate. (Warning bells: there are reasons for the poor credit score and resulting higher rates.) Because she was not asked to pay anything, the mother co-signed to help her relative, and the contract was written at a lower interest rate. However, after a few months, the mother was notified by the lending institution that the aunt had not made payments for three months and as the co-signer, the mother needed to pay up. The two extended families were torn apart with grief and shock. The mother is facing possible devastating financial consequences from co-signing, including the loss of her previously excellent credit score.

I learned about the two sides of co-signing right out of college. My roommate asked me to co-sign so she could buy a car. I did, and I was lucky. My roommate made all the payments on time and started to build a good credit history for herself. It worked out fine. A friend of mine was not so lucky. She co-signed so her roommate could get a car, but when the roommate did not make the payments, my friend ended up paying for a car that her roommate owned. It was a bitter, expensive lesson.

The crucial lesson to learn here is that co-signing is the same as borrowing money. It is an important financial decision and should be made for sound financial reasons. If you co-sign on a credit card or loan, and the borrower defaults, you are obligated to repay the entire balance. Do not co-sign unless you are willing and able to pay the entire debt. In addition, you may also be required to pay late fees or collection costs. Be aware that in some states, including Utah, the creditor can collect the debt from the co-signer without first trying to collect from the primary borrower.

The creditor can use the same collection methods against you that can be used against the borrower, such as suing you, garnishing your wages, etc. If this debt is ever in default, that fact may become a part of your credit record.

Interestingly, it is possible for the co-signer to put the asset at risk. For instance, if parents co-sign on their teen's car and they later file for bankruptcy, the teen's car would be included in the parent's assets and could be liquidated.

If you do agree to loan money to relatives or friends, or if you agree to co-sign a loan, it is wise to use a legal contract. A contract to seal a loan and repayment agreement is generally recommended. Ask yourself: If this person should die, would I want his or her estate to repay the loan? If the answer is yes, you should have a legal contract. You can buy contract forms at many office supply stores. For a real estate loan, business loan or other sizable loan, consult an attorney.

Most of us want to help our family and friends and find it hard to say no, even if we know it is the right answer. So think about it and prepare now. Write "no way, no how," on a card and tape it to the bathroom mirror. Repeat aloud five times morning and night. Prepare before the need arises. A tough love "no" may be the best, most caring response.

Labrum opens Vernal FBFS office

By David Bailey, UFBF Central Regional Manager

Ted Labrum recently opened a new Farm Bureau Financial Services office in Vernal, Utah. Labrum, a former Farm Bureau Insurance agent, started with Farm Bureau in the Park City office back in 1988. Labrum spent two years there before moving out to the Vernal office in 1990. His career in the Vernal office lasted 10 years after which he left Farm Bureau to pursue other opportunities.

Labrum has returned to Farm Bureau with a wealth of knowledge and experience in the insurance and financial services field. On his return to the Farm Bureau Vernal office Labrum said, "I'm just glad to be back. It's been a good homecoming. I feel like honestly I have come home again because of the people - they have made me feel real good."

When asked why he chose Farm Bureau over other insurance companies to work for, he stated, "I liked the Federation aspect of it, living in rural America, growing up out here and knowing how important that is. Also the company - it's a better organization and I liked the people better. Another reason I came back (to Farm Bureau) was the good farm [insurance] policies that we have."

Ted grew up around the Roosevelt area and has an educational background in business and accounting. He met his wife Lisa while attending Orem Community College. They were married in 1987 and have 3 children - Jessica (16), Lance (14) and Porsha (7). Besides being a full time mother, Lisa, a Lyman, Wyo., native, works part time at the Wells Fargo Bank in Vernal. Although they have lived in many parts of Utah they find that Vernal feels the most like home.

The Labrum's enjoy an array of outdoor activities. Top on their list is fly fishing. It's a family activity they all are involved in. They also enjoy "four wheelin', jeepin' and

snowmobilin'." In Ted's own words, "anything that's fun, we like to do it." Living in the diverse Uintah Basin has certainly contributed to their love of the outdoors.

"The people in the area, not only the clients that I have, but the people in the area have just been great. I feel more at home here because of the people." Labrum has also incorporated his family into the business. His daughter Jessica works part time as his secretary.

Besides auto, home and life insurance, Labrum's Farm Bureau Financial Services office provides many financial tools to prepare and protect individuals, families and their properties. Some of these services include IRAs, mutual funds, and annuities, as well as business and even health insurance. "We can help in any [financial] need that you have."

Ted is happy to be back with Farm Bureau and be part of the community. His office is conveniently located at 36 W. 100 N. in Vernal. For more information about the financial products and services Labrum and Farm Bureau has to offer, feel free to call (435) 789-9758 or stop in at his new office between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



Ted Labrum (left) with his family (l-r): Jessica, Lance, Lisa and Porsha (front) returned to Vernal and to Farm Bureau Insurance.

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County Scenes



^ Utah grown onion rings were served up at the Ag Day BBQ at Utah State University in Logan last month. More than 1,000 people participated in this year's feast. - Photo by Gary Neuenswander, USU



< Isaiah Dahl gathered eggs from very real-looking chickens at the Little Hands on the Farm display at the Utah State Fair. Youngsters and their parents were invited to "harvest" several crops from the farm including wool, vegetables, milk, and apples. After touring all of the barns, they traded their goods for pretend money that could be used to purchase a real Utah-grown treat like apples, cereal or milk. - Photo by Jennifer Dahl



Josh Curtis of Uintah County (right) was the exhibitor of the Reserve Champion Steer at the Utah State Fair. (l-r): Leland Hogan, Farm Bureau; Clay Nielsen, Zions Bank Ag Group; and Randy Parker, Farm Bureau; stand with Curtis after Zions and Farm Bureau purchased the animal at the Junior Livestock Auction.

Farm Bureau is a major buyer in the auction, also purchasing the reserve champion lamb, hog and more than 35 other animals to support 4-H and FFA youth.

-Photo compliments of the Utah State Fair

2005 Annual Business Meeting Schedule

Northern Region

Regional Manager:
Spencer Gibbons

- Summit – October 11
Courthouse
7:00 PM
- Morgan – October 12
County Auditorium
7:00 PM
- Tooele – October 13
Extension Office
7:00 PM
- Rich – Oct. 18
County Courthouse
7:00 PM
- Cache – October 19
Bridgerland – Bd.
7:00 PM
- North Box Elder – Oct. 20
Civic Ctr. – Bear Riv.
7:00 PM
- South Box Elder – Oct. 20
Civic Ctr. – Bear Riv.
7:00 PM
- Davis – October 27
Clearfield FB Ins.
7:00 PM
- Weber – October 19
Extension Office
7:00 PM
- Salt Lake – November 1
UFBF Center
6:30 PM

Central Region

Regional Manager:
David Bailey

- San Juan – September 27
Courthouse
7:00 PM
- Wasatch – October 3
Kohlers Dairy
7:00 PM
- Uintah – October 5
County Courthouse
7:00 PM
- Emery – October 11
Huntington SC Centr
7:30 PM
- Duchesne – October 13
County Building
6:30 PM
- Carbon – October 19
County Building
7:00 PM
- Juab – October 26
Extension Office
7:00 PM
- Utah – October 27
Extension Office
7:00 PM

Southern Region

Regional Manager:
John Keeler

- Wayne – September 28
Courthouse – Loa
7:00 PM
- Beaver – October 13
Beaver Fire Station
7:00 PM
- Washington – October 5
FB Ins. Office
7:00 PM
- Sevier – October 6
Senior CC - Richfield
7:00 PM
- Millard – October 12
Top City Café, Delta
7:00 PM
- Garfield – October 19
Fosters Restaurant
6:30 PM
- Kane – October 22
SC – Orderville
7:00 PM
- Piute – Nov. 3
Butch Cassidy Café
7:00 PM
- Sanpete – October 27
County Courthouse
7:00 PM
- Iron – October 27
Cedar City Library
7:00 PM

County Corner

*See listing of County Annual Business Meetings on P. 24.

Utah County
Fall Farm Field Days.
Oct. 11, 12, 13 at the Utah County Equestrian Park, 960 W. 1200 N. in American Fork.

Emery County
Safety Training in Green River Oct. 14, 15.

Salt Lake County
Annual Business Meeting. Nov. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Center in Sandy.
Banquet. Nov. 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the River Oaks Stake Center (8950 S. 1300 W., West Jordan).

Regional and Statewide Activities

UFBF Annual Convention. Nov. 17-18 in Salt Lake City. See P. 1-2 for more information. Registration is due Oct. 31.

AFBF Annual Convention. Jan. 7-11 in Nashville, Tennessee. IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE UTAH FARM BUREAU TRAVEL GROUP. See the ad on the bottom of P. 16 of this issue or contact Natalie Rich at 801-233-3040 for more information. Details are also posted on the UFBF website at utfb.fb.org



Contact Jennifer Dahl at 801-233-3005 or jdahl@fbfs.com by Oct. 20 to place a County Corner listing for the Nov. 2005 issue of the Utah Farm Bureau News.