

MARION COUNTY FARM BUREAU



Promoting, Protecting & Advancing Farm Interests in Marion County.

Marion County Farm Bureau 1st Annual BBQ

You are invited to join us for the 1st Annual Marion County Farm Bureau Member's Potluck. Please bring your family and join us for an afternoon filled with good food, good music, and good company. All Marion County Farm Bureau members and their immediate family is invited to Aumsville's Porter Boone Park on Saturday June 29, 2013. Please feel free to extend the invitation to your neighboring farmers that may not yet be members of the MCFB. Marion County Farm Bureau will provide the main BBQ dish, non-alcoholic beverages, and paper products. Please bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert to share. Event starts at 3pm with games, music, and conversation; food service will begin at 4:30pm.

Please RSVP to MCFB Staff to allow us to accurately plan for food and supplies, call Jessica @ 503-378-0595.

Mary Petzel Scholarship

The Mary Petzel Memorial Scholarship is made available to any immediate member of a Marion County Farm Bureau family preparing to study an agriculture related major at any Oregon University, four-year college, or junior college. Applications are available online at www.marioncofarm.com, by contacting the MCFB Office at 503-378-0595, or by emailing jessica@marioncofarm.com. Applications are due July 1, 2013. Scholarship applications are open to **any area of study this year.** Please share this information with your immediate family. The requirement to be a member of MCFB still applies. Please call with any questions.

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McLaranism: Words to Live By

Mike McLaran, former CEO of the Salem (OR) Chamber of Commerce, passed away Saturday morning, March 30, after suffering an apparent heart attack while jogging. He was 53.

McLaran, who retired from the Salem Chamber in July 2011, served as the organization's leader for 16 years. He was president of [McLaran Enterprises, Inc.](#), which was the Management Association company that Marion County Farm Bureau entered into contract with this past year and offered strategic planning, project management and leadership development services.

Mike McLaran's passing is a tremendous loss for Salem and we will always remember this man who was considered by many to be a leader, mentor and friend.

Below are some phrases, named the McLaranisms, that local friends, co-workers, colleagues and family shared that truly made Mike the success in life that we should all strive to be.

Diplomacy: The art of letting someone else have your way.

Excellence: It's just a little bit more than greatness; a hard place to get to, and even harder to stay there.

Team: Everyone has a role, and no role is more important than any other. No one can be great at their role if everyone isn't great at their role.

Champion: A title that comes with a target on your back. If you're not a contender, you're not part of the conversation.

Annual Review: Do you still love what you do here? Where do you want to be in 5 years? How can I help you get there?

Firing Employees: A failure of management to hire well and align his/her team's strengths

Teaching: A way to demonstrate that you have learned something **Silence:** Sometimes it's the loudest thing in the room

Servant Leadership: To publicly give credit to anyone who played a role in your hard work or achievements. Requires that you are willing to do, and capable of doing, anything you would ask of someone else.

Faith: Something you don't need to talk about if you live it **Promises:** Keep them. See also: *Integrity*.

Dignity: What you preserve in others when you refuse to take anything but the high road

Blame: Something a leader takes for his/her team, even/especially when it has nothing to do with them. Never to be assigned to someone else.

Integrity: Something earned over decades but lost in a careless moment

Trust: Something you receive when you give it first **Love:** When honesty and trust and selflessness are directed at another

Listening: Listen with your eyes and your ears will work better **Focus:** Wherever you are, be there.

Crisis: Focus on issues, not personalities **Patience:** Seek first to understand, then to be understood. See also: *Listening*

Initiative: Reward it in others. We need people to start things and take risks. Support them. When it's your turn to initiate, they will join your army.

Interruptions: Refuse to speak over anyone else, and never, ever, ever interrupt anyone else. See also: *Listening*

Discipline: You can't lead others if you don't first manage yourself.



New Membership Benefit—Cash IH Dealer

Farm Bureau members can receive a manufacturer's incentive discount of \$300-\$500, depending on the tractor or implement acquired. Members should negotiate their best deal with their preferred Case-IH dealer, and then add the manufacturer's incentive discount to the bottom line. Print your discount certificate with your FB number and zip code before purchase at

<http://www.fbadvantage.com/deals/case>

Need your FB number? Email: melissa@oregonfb.org

MCFB Board President John Zielinski's Message

I hope that the spring weather both the beautiful and the wet has been good for your farm; it almost feels like summer. Spring is a time of rebirth and new vigor. What was dormant or slow growing in the winter is waking up to new life with more hours of sunshine and heat. Marion County Farm Bureau over the past year or so has been experiencing Spring like vigor and renewal. In the past year we transitioned to an association management team, McLaran Enterprises. They have done a fantastic job bringing us into the 21st century. At the Oregon Farm Bureau Annual Convention, Marion County Farm Bureau sponsored a renewable energy seminar which 75 people attended. We also hosted the social hour the first night of the convention. We recently offered CPR and First Aid training for our members, because safety on the farm is important. Board members have been involved in the Salem Third Bridge Project, and the Salem Mayor Anna Peterson's Taskforce, to explore the opportunities for agriculture and ag related businesses in the greater Salem area. Our Young Farmer and Rancher group is involved at the state level and has had local, social, and educational events. Several of our board members have testified at the State Legislature concerning issues that impact our farming members, such as, the proposed Toll Road from I-5 to Hwy 18 that would have cut through prime farmland. MCFB Board members have also met with Oregon Congressional delegation in Washington DC, and locally to share with them the concerns, and needs of the agricultural community. We have plans to do even more; we want to bring value to our members, and make Marion County a place where farmers thrive financially, and have a positive impact on the political process. MCFB is experiencing spring like rebirth with new board members and involvement from members. Though just like in nature we occasional have a rainy dismal day that hits us. We recently had such a day when Mike McLaran, our association management team leader, died unexpectedly at the young age of 53. As Mike would have wanted we are continuing to move forward and have renewed our contract with Mike's business partner, Genoa Ingram of Court Street Consulting. Mike was an inspiring leader and now that we are working more closely with Genoa, we know why he chose to partner with her on our contract. She has great organizational skills, and political insight. Yes, Marion County Farm Bureau is on the move. There will be bumps in the road as we deal with new political challenges, weather, and the economy. Marion County Farm Bureau will meet these challenges and help make this a great place to live and farm.

Tractor Safety Clinic

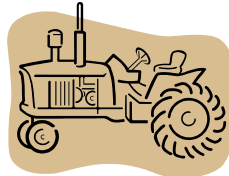
Clinic Description

The Tractor Safety Course will teach the safe operational procedures of tractors. The scheduled times for the class are listed below. Students should bring a writing utensil with them to class. They may bring snacks and/or a lunch for Thursday and Friday. Saturday lunch will be provided. Students will be expected to participate in the class, as well as respect the teachers and volunteers putting on the course. Students must be on time for the class, and stay for the entire course. There are required hours of classroom instruction for the certification, as well as specific tasks to be completed on the tractor. The fee associated with the class will go towards instructional materials and lunch.

If there are any questions about the course please contact Miss Duyck kduyck@stpaul.k12.or.us or 503-784-1852

Clinic Details

June 27 1pm - 4pm
June 28-29 9am - 4pm
Cost: \$50



St Paul High School

Registration deadline is May 31 and registration forms are available on the Events Page of our website

MCFB board meetings are typically scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

The next few meeting dates are:

June 19, 2013

August 21, 2013

Starting at: **6:30 pm**

Location is usually at the MCFB Office,
1284 Court St NE,

but please call 503-378-0595 to confirm
location.

The meetings are open to any farmer.

The Old Farmer's Almanac

2-Month Weather Forecast

<http://www.almanac.com/weather/longrange/region/us/15>

MAY 2013: temperature 56° (1° above avg.); precipitation 4" (2" above avg.); **May 1-4:** Sunny, warm; **May 5-10:** Showers, then sunny, warm; **May 11-13:** Heavy rain, warm; **May 14-19:** Rainy periods, seasonable; **May 20-23:** Misty, cool; **May 24-31:** Heavy rain, then sunny, cool.

JUNE 2013: temperature 62° (2° above avg.); precipitation 1" (0.5 below avg.); **Jun 1-6:** A few showers, cool; **Jun 7-11:** Sunny, warm; **Jun 12-15:** Showers, cool; **Jun 16-18:** Sunny, hot; **Jun 19-22:** Rainy, cool; **Jun 23-30:** Sunny, turning hot.

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Important Dates

Saturday Market Opens—Downtown Salem 9am-3pm

*** Weekly on Saturdays through October*

Wednesday Market —Chemeketa St—Downtown Salem 10am-2pm

***Weekly on Wednesday through October*

June 15, 2013—Champoeg Bluebird Day

Celebrate the return of Western Bluebirds to the park with a variety of fun and educational activities. Admission charged.

June 19, 2013—Monthly MCFB Board Meeting

June 29, 2013—MCFB Member Picnic—Aumsville—Porter Boone Park

July 1, 2013—Scholarship Deadline

July 2-6, 2013—78th Annual St. Paul Rodeo

July 11-14, 2013—Marion County Fair

Don't Miss Your Newsletter!

In an effort to be careful stewards of our resources, MCFB plans to switch to e-newsletters to save money on printing and postage. Members are encouraged to forward your email address to jessica@marioncofarm.com.

Visit the Marion County Farm Bureau website at www.marioncofarm.com to review recent newsletters, important events, board activity and legislative updates.