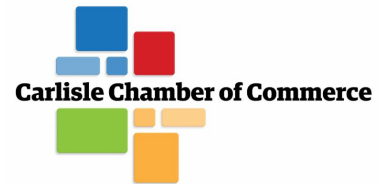




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**Warren County Farm Bureau
Celebrates Iowa Roots
Iowa Ag Week - March 17 - 23, 2024**



WARREN COUNTY FARM BUREAU

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Warren County Farm Bureau celebrates service ‘roots’ during Ag Week announcing Farm to Table Collaboration

Indianola, Iowa March 18, 2024—As Iowa Ag Week, March 17-23, is recognized across the state, the Warren County Farm Bureau thanks the community for their support of local agriculture.

“We are truly proud of our rich history, being rooted in this county – not just through farmland, but the incredible people in our communities,” says Zac Preston, a local farmer and county Farm Bureau president.

Iowa farmers lead the nation in several water quality practices, including conservation tillage and pollinator habitats. Research from the Iowa Best Management Practices Mapping Project also shows since the 80’s, grassed terraces have increased by 61% and water and sediment control basins have increased by 204%.

When it comes to raising livestock, Iowa farmers collaborate with feed nutritionists, veterinarians, and animal welfare experts to promote animal health and comfort. Advances in technology have also aided farmers in tracking the health of each animal on the farm to provide individualized care.

“Service takes many forms, and as farmers, we want to be able to meet the needs of our community in a multitude of ways—because they’ve been there for us, too, in hard times, and that support means a lot,” says Preston.

For years, Warren County Farm Bureau has been proud to provide support for events and fundraisers through sponsorships and donations within the county. The first Warren County Farm to Table Dinner was held in 2022, in conjunction with the Hartford BBQ Bash. The dinner was sponsored by Warren County Farm Bureau, in partnership with other agricultural organizations and donors. Hundreds of meals were served to the community, in which every meal item featured ingredients produced or grown in Warren County. The goal is to sponsor a Warren County Farm to Table meal bi-annually, throughout the county. In 2022, the Hartford Betterment Committee received 100% of the free-will offerings from the dinner.

“We are currently seeking applications for this collaboration and would like to host the event before the end of the 2024 calendar year within a community in Warren County,” says Keisha Thompson of Warren County Farm Bureau. She helped organize the event in Hartford, stating it was a tremendous success for Hartford and Warren County agriculture. The application can be found [here](#).

“We look forward to meeting the needs within our local communities for years to come with contributions that will have a lasting impact,” says Preston. For more information on the Warren County Farm Bureau's initiatives and how to get involved, please contact warren.county@ifbf.org.

Please let me know if you’d like more information or details. Thank you!

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Up Coming Events

March 23, 2024
Carlisle Winter Farmers Market
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM
Carlisle Rec Center
1220 S. 5th Street
Carlisle, IA

***April 18, 2024**

Pub Crawl

5:30 PM

Watch for further details

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