



“As a Farm Bureau director, I believe that the best & most influential voice we have as farmers is when we stand together on issues. Whether it be local, state or national, when we speak in unity, legislators listen.

Farm Bureau provides opportunity for thousands of voices to be heard on issues such as Country of Origin Labeling (COOL), Market Facilitation Payment (MFP), climate change, and wetlands policy, to name a few. With many voices speaking against us, we need American, Illinois and DeKalb County Farm Bureau more than ever.”

Ed Peterson, Kingston Farmer & Farm Bureau Director

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“The Farm Bureau organization has many voices in agriculture. It starts with the youth in support of Ag in the Classroom, 4-H, and Young Leaders. Farm Bureau helps guide our youth in hopes that someday they may pursue a career in agriculture and be connected to our organization.

They will discover that the Farm Bureau works closely with so many ag-related entities in our community and has a voice there too, especially pertaining to county government.

Our voice for agriculture is effective and for that we are rewarded. Some members will share their resources by giving back to our Foundation. These legacy gifts will in turn give back to our youth. Farm Bureau is the conduit of our family circle and I’m proud to be part of this organization.”

Berkeley Boehne, Shabbona Farmer & Farm Bureau Director

“There is power and strength in numbers. By bringing farmers together to speak with one voice – rather than many individual voices – our industry gains volume and clarity. Whether it is at the local, state or national level we need a unified way to effectively communicate and persuade.

Just in the past year the national and state Farm Bureau organizations have helped bring attention and effect change in the areas of tariffs, trade, and disaster support. And even at the county level – our local Farm Bureau continues to speak on our behalf in matters of zoning, environmental stewardship, renewable energy and even the very definition of what it means to be a farm in 2020.”

Jamie Walter, DeKalb Farmer & Farm Bureau Director ■

