

What is "Field to the Hill?"

Field to the Hill is a much anticipated opportunity for Florida Farm Bureau members to meet with their elected officials in Washington, D.C. in support of Florida Farm Bureau's priority issues. Members will visit their senators and representatives and meet with federal officials who influence and affect agriculture.

This is a WORKING trip – wear your walking shoes!



Rep. Jeff Miller meets with Farm Bureau members during "Field to the Hill."

Cost Share Program

Florida Farm Bureau will provide one room (single or double occupancy) for two nights' lodging at the Holiday Inn Capitol, Washington, D.C. to eligible county Farm Bureaus during the 2010 Field to the Hill (approximately a \$500 value). Contact the Ag Policy Division for more information.

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May 5 - 7
Washington, D.C.

Registration Deadline:

March 19, 2010

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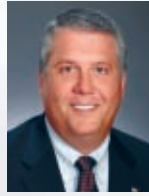
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Invitation from the President

Dear Farm Bureau Members:

Please join your fellow Farm Bureau leaders and me on the 2010 Field to the Hill legislative trip to Washington, D.C. This annual visit gives Farm Bureau members the opportunity to meet their elected officials and discuss federal policies affecting our industry. Since our May 2009 trip Florida Farm Bureau has been busy dealing with cap and trade, estate taxes, health care and other priority issues that Congress needs to act on this year.



Florida Farm Bureau President
John Hoblick

This is an election year. It is more critical than ever for you to join us on this important trip. We must work to forge relationships with new members of Congress as well as build on established relationships.

Florida Farm Bureau continues to focus on strengthening family farms and communities. Our elected and appointed officials need to hear from us on issues that will shape the future of our industry and our communities. We must have a strong voice in Washington, D.C. That's where you come in.

Florida Farm Bureau continues to be a strong grassroots organization. In the past year, you have sent emails, made calls, signed caps and organized farm tours. "Field to the Hill" is your opportunity to meet the members of our congressional delegation on their turf. Your involvement is invaluable to agriculture in Florida.

I sincerely hope you can participate. Please join us on May 5-7. I'm looking forward to seeing you in Washington!



Tentative Schedule

Wednesday, May 5

1:00 - 3:00

- Registration (Holiday Inn Capitol)
- Briefing Sessions at AFBF Staff Reception
- Free Evening for Dinner/Sightseeing

Thursday, May 6

Morning Session:

- Continental Breakfast
- Lobbying 101- Guest Speaker

Mid Day Session:

- Hill Visits
- Optional Meetings with Regulatory Agencies

Evening Session:

- Florida Delegation Reception (All members of Congress are invited to attend)
- Free Evening for Dinner/Sightseeing
- Baseball: Braves vs. Nationals

Friday, May 7

Morning Session:

- Wrap up Breakfast with Guest Speakers (Holiday Inn Capitol)



Broward County 4-H member Spaulding Basham poses with Rep. Adam Putnam.



To Register

Email Holly Reed at holly.reed@ffbf.org or call Patti Brothers at Florida Farm Bureau, (352) 374-1544. Provide contact information to receive a pre-conference packet.

Registration deadline is March 19, 2010.

Travel Arrangements

You can make your own travel arrangements, or you can contact Maxine Lennon of Bruce Travel for the best flights and rates at (800) 771-7407.

Young Farmers & Ranchers

The FFBF Young Farmers and Ranchers Leadership group will be attending this year's Field to the Hill. This program provides young members with leadership development opportunities so they can effectively advocate for agriculture.

Join our Young Farmers and Ranchers this year in Washington, D.C.!

