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# WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP

CONFERENCE



March 16-18, 2023 | Panama City Beach, Florida

#### **WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE**



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### Welcome

elcome to Panama City Beach and the 2023 Women's Leadership Conference! Thank you so much for taking time out of your busy schedules, away from your farms, ranches, businesses and families, to join us in celebrating agriculture and the hard work that we put forth as grassroots leaders. The friendships made at this conference will help build your network of contacts with #FarmBureauWomen from across the state.

Over the next few days you will have the opportunity to share ideas, discuss agriculture challenges, laugh, build friendships, make lots of memories and learn valuable tools that you can apply in your daily lives, businesses and county Farm Bureaus. We have interactive workshops and dynamic speakers planned that we hope you will enjoy and learn from. You will also have the opportunity to visit local farms that will help broaden your knowledge base of the agriculture community and issues agricultural producers are challenged with daily. We hope these opportunities will help you continue "Growing Forward".

Each of you, in one way or another, is involved in providing the daily, basic needs for the people in your communities. Without you, who would provide America with the food and fiber that it needs? We are all extremely fortunate to be associated with an organization like Farm Bureau. Whether on the county, state or national level, Farm Bureau does more for American farmers and ranchers than any other organization because of its grassroots leadership and proactive action.

Our wish as the Women's Leadership Committee is that you will return home refreshed, energized, enlightened and excited to promote Florida agriculture and the benefits of Florida Farm Bureau's grassroots efforts. Whether you are a new attendee to this conference or you have attended many times, I challenge you to make the most of the next couple of days; make the effort to meet and welcome new people, share ideas and learn about others and their endeavors, sit with someone you don't know, hug those ladies you haven't seen in a long time and most of all, have fun!

Sincerely, Danielle Daum

Chair, Florida Farm Bureau State Women's Leadership Committee

## Schedule

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4:00 – 8:00 p.m. Registration, Registration Desk

5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Networking Reception, St. Andrews Foyer

5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Awards Banquet, St. Andrews CD

■ Welcome: FFBF President Jeb Smith

■ Guest: Ron Sharpe, Executive Director,

The Arc of the Bay

■ **Keynote Speaker:** Dr. Ann Blount

8:00 – 9:30 p.m. Social Activity, St. Andrews Pavilion

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 17

6:45 – 7:30 a.m. Sunrise Yoga

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast (Sit by District), St. Andrews, CD

9:15 – 10:00 a.m. Breakout Sessions

Electric Safety Demo

Gulf Coast Electric Cooperative

Farm Safety, St. Andrews A

Dr. Amy Johnson, Farm Safety Specialist

10:00 - 10:15 a.m. Beverage Break, St. Andrews Foyer

10:30 - 11:15 a.m. Breakout Sessions

Leadership Training, St. Andrews A Taylor Nash, Farm Credit of Florida

Financial Planning, St. Andrews B

Emily Lowe, Farm Credit of Florida 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Idea sharing Lunch St. Andrews CD

1:00 p.m. Depart for Agricultural Tour St. Andrews Foyer

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 18

8:00 - 9:00 a.m. Breakfast, St. Andrews CD

Fireside Chat with Young Women in Ag

Meghan Austin & Victoria Hunter

9:15 - 10:15 a.m. Idea Sharing Round Table, St. Andrews AB

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Beverage Break, St. Andrews Foyer

10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Closing Session, St. Andrews C

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Amy Johnson,

Mental Health

# Keynote Speaker

DR. AMY JOHNSON, DNP, FNP-C

R. AMY JOHNSON, DNP, FNP-C was raised on a beef cattle and sheep farm in a rural area of Virginia. She holds degrees in Animal Science from Virginia Tech, and Emergency Health Services-Paramedicine and Nursing from Jefferson College of Health Sciences. She has also completed her BSN at Radford University followed by her Doctorate of Nursing Practice at Radford University in 2013. Her graduate research was in raising awareness of agricultural injuries and preventing on-farm accidents. She is a certified Agri-Safe Provider and has been recognized as an Agri-Safe Nurse Scholar.

She currently works as a Family Nurse Practitioner for Centra Medical Group and precepts NP and PA students from several degree programs. She serves as President of Bedford County Farm Bureau, Medical Advisor to the Board of Directors of Moneta Rescue Squad and serves on the Medical Executive Committee for Bedford Memorial Hospital. She has been recognized as Advanced Practice Provider of the Year for Bedford Memorial Hospital, Lady Leader for Virginia Farm Bureau, Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioners Distinguished Nurse Practitioner Award, the "Culture of Yes" Award from Centra Medical Group for her leadership in her organization, profession and community, and the Outstanding Woman in Agriculture from the Virginia Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee.

She is an active member of the American Farm Bureau Federation Grassroots Outreach (GO) Team, the Virginia AgrAbility Advisory Council, the Farm Stress Task Force for Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and the Farm Safety Advisory Committee for Virginia Farm Bureau. She lives with her husband and two children on their family farm where they produce small grains, row crops and stocker cattle.

## **Breakout Sessions**

#### SESSION 1: 9:15 - 10:00 A.M



**Electric Safety Demo** GULF COAST ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE



**Farm Safety** Dr. Amy Johnson, Farm Safety Specialist

#### SESSION 2: 10:30 - 11:15 A.M.



**Leadership Training** TAYLOR NASH Farm Credit of Florida



**Financial Planning EMILY LOWE** Farm Credit of Florida

# "She Is Young"

#### Poem by RICHELE, @theprairiecrocus

he is young, she is old, she's every age. She's a daughter, a mother, a sister, a wife. She's a horse woman, a cattle woman, a farmer, a veterinarian. She's a bookkeeper, housekeeper, and keeper of secrets and stories.

She makes traditions and she bucks tradition. She cooks, she cleans, she breaks horses and breaks the dirt. She wears high heels and cowboy boots and gym shoes. She wears slacks, dress suits and blue jeans. She has a manicure. She has dirt under her nails. Her home smells like manure.

She spends her days tending to babies, to her fields, to her livestock, to the paperwork and to her family. She prepares meals, prepares speeches and prepares the machinery for more work. She isn't afraid to get covered in dirt, in grease, or sweat, but loves being pretty and clean.

She drives a tractor, a combine, a team, an old feed pickup and an SUV. She's every woman who is growing up ranching or farming, who is running her own operation, or who works in town to keep the dream alive. Her boots might not set foot in the field or her butt in a saddle every day, but she's agriculture, through and through.

She's watched calves be born, lambs die, nursed colts and puppies and barn kittens back to life. She's planted crops, waited for them to sprout, and prayed for rain. She's prayed for sunshine, good harvests, good prices and good health. She's weathered the storms, and rallied.

She's you, she's me, she is every single woman who believes that agriculture is one of human society's greatest pursuits. She believes in providing food for others, in taking care of her livestock and her ground and being a steward of the land. To all the women in agriculture, thank you for sharing your love of this lifestyle with the rest of the world. May you continue to work hard, out in front or behind the scenes. You may go unseen, but not unnoticed. Your work ethic, your heart and your ability to preserve is inspiring to so many.

## Important Dates

#### 2023 Teacher Mini Grant

August 3, 2023:

Applications open

October 1, 2023:

Applications due

#### **Young Farmers & Ranchers Leadership Conference**

July 7-9, 2023

#### Women's Fund Deadline

August 31, 2023

#### **Youth Speech Contest District Winner Submission Deadline**

September 8, 2023

County contest date determined by County Women's Committee

District contest date determined by District Women's Chair

#### 2023 FFBF & Women's Annual Meeting

Caribe Royale, Orlando October 25-27, 2023

#### 2024 American Farm Bureau **Federation Convention**

Salt Lake City, Utah January 19-24, 2024

#### 2024 FFBF Women's **Leadership Conference**

Westgate Lakes Resort and Spa, Orlando FL April 11-13, 2023

# Philosophy

#### ARC OF THE BAY

rc of the Bay provides support and opportunities for adults with disabilities. Designed around individual needs, all of our services assist individuals to become as self-sufficient and independent as possible.



#### **OUR VISION**

Improving all facets of life for adults with disabilities. To include basic education, job skills, transportation, housing and real life social skills. Increasing our client's ability to lead productive, independent and interactive social life styles that add value to society.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

Providing unique educational opportunities for adults with disabilities in the 8 counties serving the 14th Judicial District Area. The Arc of the Bay strives to provide first class faculty, facilities and real-life experiences focused to educate and expose our clients to be an integral part of our community.

#### **OUR VALUES**

The Board of Directors, staff and faculty of the Arc of the Bay will apply the highest degree of ethics, integrity and respect as we strive to change the culture in our world by discovering each individual's abilities allowing us to build new opportunities for all.

# Thank you Sponsors!







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2024 CONFERENCE

APRIL 11-13, 2024

Westgate Lakes Resort and Spa Orlando, Florida

## MISSION OF THE FLORIDA FARM BUREAU FEDERATION WOMEN

Florida Farm Bureau Federation women are dedicated to educating the public with programs and events that promote a positive image of agriculture. These activities provide opportunities for leadership, communication, political involvement and networking.

