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## PRODUCTIVITY DEPENDS ON 'BIG PICTURE' OF FARM SAFETY NET

By Lynne Finnerty

One size fits all – when most shoppers see that label on clothing, it doesn't inspire much confidence that the garment will suit them. People come in all shapes and sizes.

The same can be said of farm programs. One program cannot and does not fit all farmers. What works well for southern cotton growers or farmers in New England is probably not the best way to help midwestern soybean farmers or western wheat growers get through a difficult year so they can keep putting food on market shelves. Even from one year to the next, different programs can make up stronger or weaker threads in the fabric of the food and farm safety net, depending on volatile markets and weather.

That's why the American Farm Bureau recently sent Congress farm bill recommendations that call for a "big picture" approach – one that maintains most current farm programs rather than depending on just one or two – to provide a safety net for different types of farmers in all regions.

The ax has to fall somewhere, however. A congressional "super-committee" is meet-

ing this fall to come up with at least \$1.2 trillion in budget cuts. Every part of the federal budget is likely to be trimmed. The cuts to the farm bill, including farm, conservation and nutrition programs, could be anywhere in the range of \$10 billion to \$40 billion.

Farm Bureau represents all types of farmers and ranchers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico. Unlike some groups that have called for absolutely no reductions in favored programs, Farm Bureau is taking a more practical stance. It recommends that an equal proportion, 30 percent, of the needed funding cuts be made in commodity, conservation and nutrition programs, with another 10 percent made in the increasingly important crop insurance program.

The cuts in nutrition programs could come from administrative changes rather than program benefit cuts. The cost of administering conservation programs also could be reduced by consolidating them.

When your clothing budget gets smaller, you don't stop buying shirts or pants altogether. You look for ways to save here and there. That's what

Farm Bureau is asking Congress to do with cuts to farm bill programs – spread them around, but still keep everyone "covered."

Some say farmers don't need a safety net, because this year's market prices are high for most commodities. But, so are production costs. Also, cotton and wheat yields are low, in some places nonexistent, because of drought in the Southern Plains. If a farmer doesn't have a crop or livestock to sell, good prices don't benefit him much. Through the current dual structure of risk management and income support programs, the farmer can make it through to another year, ensuring that all of us have a top-quality, stable and economical food supply.

The farm safety net has evolved over the last seven decades. And it will continue to change, as it should – to make farm programs work their best in today's budget environment. However, Congress should maintain the complete suit of current farm programs. Even a thinner coat keeps you warmer than none at all.

*Lynne Finnerty is the editor of FBNews, the newspaper of the American Farm Bureau Federation*

## Farmers and Ranchers Welcome Ratification of Trade Pacts

Congressional ratification of three bilateral free-trade agreements between the United States and Korea, Colombia and Panama, as well as approval of Trade Adjustment Assistance, is welcome news for farmers and ranchers, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation.

"Now that Congress has approved all the components of the trade package, swift implementation is critical, so we can restore a level playing field for U.S. farm exports to these three nations," said AFBF President Bob Stallman.

"Over the past four years, Korea, Colombia and Panama have opened their doors to our competitors," Stallman explained. "Congress and the administration have now given us the opportunity to improve our competitive position in these markets. The economic growth generated from the agreements will improve our economy and create jobs here at home," he said.

Combined, the three FTAs represent nearly \$2.5 billion in new agriculture exports for America's farmers and are expected to create economic growth that could generate support for up to 22,500 U.S. jobs.

**The Pike and Scott County Farm Bureaus thank all of their members who contacted members of Congress in support of the trade deals.**

## IDOT to Study IL River Crossings

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) in October held a public information meeting for the Lower Illinois River Regional Crossing Study (LIRRC) in Winchester.

The purpose of this study is to assess the feasibility of improved access across the Illinois River in West-Central Illinois within the study area of Scott, Pike, Calhoun and Greene Counties. The study focus on potential measures to maintain access, reduce operational costs, reduce maintenance costs and improve safety for current and future users of the Florence Bridge and other Illinois River crossings.

Because the existing Illinois River crossings are critical transportation elements for both highway and river traffic, IDOT has designated this project as a Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) study. CSS is defined as "an interdisciplinary approach that seeks effective, multimodal transportation solutions by working with stakeholders to develop, build and maintain cost-effective transportation facilities which fit into and reflect the project's surroundings."

The purpose of the public meeting was to introduce the study to the public and solicit membership for the Citizens' Advisory Group (CAG), which will assist the Department in this study. Contact the Pike or Scott County Farm Bureaus for more information on Farm Bureau's role in the study.



## NOTICE OF SCOTT COUNTY FARM BUREAU ANNUAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Scott County Farm Bureau will be held at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at the Scott County Farm Bureau, 7 Market Street, Winchester, Illinois.

The meeting is being held to:

- Approve the minutes of the 2010 annual meeting;
- Accept the audited financial statements for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2011;
- Approve the acts and deeds of the Board of Directors,
- Authorize the election of delegates to the 2012 annual meeting or any special meeting of the IAA;
- Elect four directors to the Scott County Farm Bureau; and
- Conduct other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Dean Hubbert, Secretary  
Scott County Farm Bureau

**OUR MISSION is to lead our members in their pursuit of prosperity. We will advance programs and public policies that promote a strong agricultural economy and benefit our members and their communities.**

## IFB REWARD PROGRAM

The Pike and Scott County Farm Bureaus are helping to prevent crime in the country by participating in the Illinois Farm Bureau \$1000 REWARD PROGRAM.

Our goal is to eliminate crime on agriculture production-related property in our county by deterring the criminal away from your property and rewarding the informant whose information results in a felony conviction for the crime.

**THE DETERENT**—As the owner/operator of ag-production related property, you are encouraged to post at least one \$1000 REWARD sticker or metal sign in a prominent place(s) on the premises. The message to a potential thief or vandal is clear—someone may be watching!

Signs and stickers are available through the County Farm Bureau office. Post the sign or sticker on the obvious places—a window, shed, yard light, etc.

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Bureau member, the person convicted of the crime, local law enforcement, or their immediate families are not eligible for the reward.

### FIRST STEPS

**1. LOCK IT, SHUT IT, LIGHT IT, AND PROTECT IT.** Take the steps needed to deter the thief or vandal from your property.

**2. POST THE \$1000 RE-**

**WARD sign/sticker on your property.**

**3. CALL THE SHERIFF.** If you are the victim of a crime on your ag production-related property, call the County Sheriff to report the crime. Also report that your property is covered by the Farm Bureau \$1000 Reward Program.

Contact Farm Bureau for more information.

*Ah, picture perfect...*



*Except for the thief hiding behind the barn.*

Farm country "seems" crime-free, but the truth is that rural crimes are on the rise. That's why Illinois Farm Bureau offers a \$1000 reward to anyone with information leading to the felony conviction of persons committing theft, arson, or vandalism to ag production related property. As a member, you can benefit from this reward program. Ask your participating county Farm Bureau for a reward sticker or metal sign to post on your farm, and help stop crime in our country.

**Call Pike or Scott County Farm Bureaus for details**



# HOWDY!

by Blake E. Roderick

## ON HARVEST

Here we are at the end of October. It's a dark, drizzly fall morning. In a few short days, getting shorter by the day, it will be November.

As I write this, the World Series winner has yet to be determined. Being a Cubs fan, there are two teams I like...the Cubs and anyone playing the Cardinals. Regardless of that, I can't begrudge the St. Louis team for a wonderful comeback.

The Cardinals' season is somewhat akin to this year's crop season. It started out rough, threatened disaster through the summer, and yet somehow has managed through good management and strong genetics, to end up fairly successful.

For all intents and purposes, harvest is complete in Pike and Scott Counties. Harvest is the culmination of the farming season. Everything that happens after the crops are out of the field such as plowing and fertilizing is in preparation for next year's crop.

The word harvest is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word "haverfest" meaning autumn. The harvest moon is the full moon nearest the Autumnal Equinox (first day of fall). In the old world, communities used to have harvest festivals around that time. Remnants of that remain in area fall festivals or apple festivals even though one wonders when the last time an apple was picked in those communities.

I suppose when you were scything wheat, oats, and barley, harvest could be over by the beginning of autumn. In the new world, corn harvest is a bit later—a couple of months later—closer to the end of fall—blame it on corn.

Thanksgiving is our harvest festival. The tradition was brought over from England by the Pilgrims. You know the story...Pilgrims and Indians sharing food, eating together, playing nice. In a few short years, the Indians would be relegated to running New England casinos and the Pilgrims and their Puritan ways, well I guess they got lost somewhere in Massachusetts never to be seen again.

I suspect that in most U.S. households today, the harvest aspect of Thanksgiving is totally lost. For most

Americans, harvest is a weekly event: go to the grocery store, bring home food. We don't grow our food. We don't nurture the plants and animals. We don't harvest and butcher. We don't can and preserve. More often than not preparation is no more than handing a few dollars to the young kid at the drive up window.

Harvest in these parts is usually complete by Thanksgiving. Because of adverse weather, there are times it extends well into winter. I do remember listening to the Super Bowl while scooping 5-gallon bucket loads of corn out of the grain tank because the unloading auger stopped working...it was a cold January day in 1981.

Harvest is not only about bringing in the corn and soybean crop. Here we can measure harvest in the number of deer brought in by hunters. We are in the midst of archery season and shotgun season is around the corner. Keep in mind our support of and participation with Access Illinois Outdoors and Illinois Sportsmen Against Hunger in raising money to process harvested deer to help stock meat in our local food pantries. See the ad on page four for more information on how you can help.

Our Farm Bureaus have a close working relationship with Senate President John Cullerton and Representative Art Turner both Chicago legislators. Senator Cullerton's district is one of the wealthiest districts in Illinois; Turner's is one of the poorest. We will be working to raise money in Chicago to channel some of Illinois' deer harvest into soup kitchens in those districts. It won't make much of a dent in the hunger needs in Chicago but every little bit will help.

Well, Betsy and I will have Thanksgiving again at our home. I've been 'extremely motivated' to finish patching plaster in the great room so Betsy can paint it in time for the festivities. As the weather changes, there will be lots of time to stay indoors and get these home improvement projects complete.

Who knows? I may even have time to get the plastering finished and that light fixture up in the dining room in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

Whatever the case, we will remember Thanksgiving as a celebration of the bounty of agriculture.

It is our time to thank the many sacrifices men and women around this country have made to bring safe, affordable food into our homes and onto our tables.



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Bob Stallman

President, American Farm Bureau

### A Time for Giving Thanks

Thanksgiving has always been a special time for me and my family, whereby we take a day from our hectic lives to give thanks for not only the bounty of food on our table, but for the good fortune and security in which that food was provided.

When I think of Thanksgiving, I can't help but conjure up Norman Rockwell's famous painting "Freedom from Want." If a picture is worth a thousand words, Rockwell's painting tells an inspiring story of a traditional American Thanksgiving celebration: family, security, joy and America's great harvest.

#### Let Freedom Reign

Norman Rockwell's "Freedom from Want" painting was first published as part of a series in The Saturday Evening Post in 1943 during the height of World War II. Inspired to paint 'The Four Freedoms' series after hearing President Franklin Roosevelt's speech of the same name, Rockwell invoked a sentiment in all Americans that has remained for nearly 70 years. We cherish our freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from fear and freedom from want.

American farmers take these rights very seriously, especially when it comes to providing food for our nation. Americans spend the least amount of disposable income on food than in any other country. Compared to many other countries where nourishment has flat lined and food is hard to come by, where farmers are dictated what to grow and who to sell to - leaving much of their population with empty stomachs, our food security is a reason for all Americans to be thankful. One look at most grocery shelves in the U.S. shows just how blessed Americans are.

#### America's Cornucopia

In some ways, things have changed little since 1943; we have another war, another recession. Yet, while American farmers still embody that same patriotic and entrepreneurial spirit that their fathers and grandfathers had before them, our industry has changed greatly to keep up with the times.

In the 1940s, a U.S. farmer had the ability to feed only 19 people per year. Today, an American farmer grows enough food to feed 154 people every year. Because of modern technology, farmers are providing safer and more nutritious food for Americans. We are producing a greater variety of food so that no Thanksgiving table is incomplete, whether you favor traditional turkey or something more exotic.

So, as you sit down with your family to Thanksgiving dinner this year, please join me in giving thanks for the many blessings bestowed upon us. Let us all celebrate our many freedoms, and in particular, our freedom from want.

Pass the cranberry sauce....

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## BEWARE OF DIRE PREDICTIONS

By Stewart Truelsen

Here is a prediction: American farmers and ranchers will be able to feed this nation well into the future if given access to land, water, capital and scientific advances. If you'd like the prediction to be more specific, let's say the nation's food supply will be secure until at least the year 2061.

There's an excellent chance this prediction will be true, but it's hardly the stuff books are written about. A prediction like this would only bring a yawn, and the reader would go back to worrying about dire predictions of economic collapse or the 2012 apocalypse.

Finally, someone has written a book about expert predictions: "Future Babble" by Dan Gardner. The author claims so-called expert predictions are next to worthless, and we can probably do better ourselves.

The expert predictions that catch our eye are ones predicting doom and gloom. One such book was "Famine 1975!" Written by William and Paul Paddock in 1967, the book predicted food scarcities so severe that food aid would have to be cut off from a

few nations leaving their populations to starve. India and Egypt were said to fit this description.

The Paddocks underestimated the Green Revolution and other advances in production agriculture around the world, but they weren't the only ones. Paul Ehrlich predicted a similar fate when he said, "The battle to feed all humanity is over," in his book "The Population Bomb."

In a 1982 book, "Encounters with the Future," respected futurist Marvin Cetron and co-author Thomas O'Toole forecasted that the Soviet Union would invade Australia within 10 years for its natural resources. They missed the part about the Soviet Union crumbling.

Why do we pay attention to expert predictions in the first place? In "Future Babble," Gardner gives several reasons. Most people love certainty, so if someone says they know what will happen in the future, it attracts our attention.

We jump to conclusions about the future because we tend to look for patterns where none exist. Randomness and

chaos limit our ability to see very far ahead.

We also are attracted to experts who are bold and confident about their predictions despite the fact that Gardner says they have the worst track records. In his words, "Reliable forecasting is a challenge on a par with climbing Mt. Everest barefoot."

Life is unpredictable and uncertain, but that isn't as bad as it seems. Gardner believes an accurate prediction isn't necessary to make good decisions. A rough sense of possibilities and probabilities will do fine.

That's why we can stick by our prediction that American farmers and ranchers will meet our food needs for at least the next 50 years. They've done it in the past despite all kinds of obstacles and dire predictions. There's every reason to believe they can do it in the future.

Stewart Truelsen is a regular contributor to the Focus on Agriculture series and is the author of a book marking the American Farm Bureau Federation's 90th anniversary, *Forward Farm Bureau*.

## ILFB and FFA collect magazines for U.S. troops

Mariah Dale-Anderson, special services manager for the Illinois Farm Bureau's Youth Education in Agriculture (YEA), has found a way to help support servicemen and women overseas. "We had been following the Illinois National Guard's 1-14th Agribusiness Development Team on Facebook for a while when they posted a request for magazines to help them stay connected with events at home,"

Dale-Anderson said. "We decided we could help them with their request by making it a challenge for FFA chapters."

Dale-Anderson put the word out on the IFB's YEA Facebook page, asking Illinois FFA chapters to bring any magazines they could collect to the ILFB's tent at this year's Farm Progress Show that was held Aug. 29 to Sept. 1. The chapter that collected and donated the most magazines would win a new iPad.

"We initially thought we would have a few thousand magazines donated, but 26,457 magazines later, we were just blown away by the FFA members' support," Dale-Anderson said. The winning chapter was the Mendota FFA, which collected 4,965 magazines to win the iPad.



Pleasant Hill FFA instructor, Beth Arnold, shepherded students to the Farm Progress Show in August. The FFA Chapter brought many dozens of magazines in support of the troops.

## Barge industry rejects Obama user fee proposal

In his deficit reduction plan and legislation put forward Sept. 19, President Obama floated the idea of a new inland waterways user fee to raise about \$1 billion for lock repairs and construction over the next decade.

The additional funding from the user fee would boost the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, which is now financed by a 20 cents-per-gallon fuel tax paid by inland waterway shippers. Inland waterway construction projects are required to be 50-50 cost-shared between the trust fund and taxpayers. However, the fund and congressional appropriations fall far short of the need for repair and rebuilding of crumbling locks and dams.



The Waterways Council, a barge industry group, applauded the president for addressing the need for more inland waterway infrastructure funding, but rejected the new user fee plan.

These new economic burdens will disrupt the fragile economic recovery by unfairly disadvantaging consumers who will surely pay more for their goods and electricity. The proposal also discourages use of our waterways.

The barge industry supports a proposal to increase its fuel tax to 26-29 cents per gallon, along with capping project costs to decrease overruns and providing 100 percent federal funding for smaller lock projects. The fuel tax currently is capped at 20 cents by the Water Resources Development Act; it reached the cap in 1994.

While there is disagreement over how to pay for new construction and repairs of inland waterway infrastructure, there is no debate over the need for waterway improvements. Farm groups, shippers, members of Congress and the administration agree that the inland waterways transportation system is deteriorating to the point where U.S. farmers and others are losing a competitive advantage to producers in other countries.

More than 57 percent of the nation's locks, most on the Mississippi, Illinois and Ohio rivers, have been in service for longer

than their intended design age of 50 years, according to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee. Almost 40 percent of the locks are more than 70 years old, and two locks still in service date back to 1839.

That wouldn't be so bad, except for the fact that needed repairs have not been made and older locks were built for the standard 600-foot barge tow of the 1920s, not today's typical 1,200-foot barge tows. Towboat operators must move a few barges at a time through the older locks, a process that creates bottlenecks on the busy rivers. Whether due to longer shipping delays or having to switch to more expensive modes of transportation, farmers and consumers ultimately will pay the price

if the nation does not update and maintain the inland waterways transportation system, according to Rep. Bob Gibbs (R-Ohio), chairman of the subcommittee.

The National Corn Growers Association (NCGA) says that more than a billion bushels of grain each year, about 60 percent of all U.S. grain exports, are shipped on the Mississippi River.

The Inland Waterways Trust Fund's \$70-\$80 million per year in revenue is inadequate to cover the \$8 billion cost of seven lock-and-dam projects that are under construction or already authorized by Congress. Gibbs estimates that it would cost \$18 billion to completely modernize the inland waterways system.

President Obama also proposed in his American Jobs Act the creation of an American Infrastructure Financing Authority with \$10 billion to lend for rebuilding U.S. infrastructure in general, i.e. roads, bridges, airports, etc., as well as inland waterways. The loans could be repaid through user fees, helping to ensure that a shortfall in the Inland Waterways Trust Fund, for example, would not delay rehabilitation projects that are needed today to keep American goods moving and help bring down the 13.3 percent unemployment rate among construction workers.

An Oct. 11 Senate procedural

vote on the Jobs Act fell 10 votes short of the 60 needed to advance the bill. The House, where Republicans are in the majority, is not expected to take up the president's proposal. The House on July 15 approved a fiscal 2012 Energy and Water Development appropriations bill that would provide \$1.6 billion for Corps of Engineers construction projects.

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# Two Rivers FS

## Charitable Contributions of Grain

by Gary Hoff

Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics, University of Illinois

Many grain farmers are anticipating unusually high income tax liabilities when they file their 2011 tax return. Even if they did not have a bumper crop, grain prices have been well above normal for the year. If a farmer is charitably minded, this would be a good year to consider making a donation of grain to their favorite church or charity. The tax advantages of donating commodities far outweigh those for a contribution of cash.

A cash donation is made from the sale proceeds of the grain. Therefore, the sale is reported on Schedule F and is included in both taxable income and self-employment income. It is also taxable for state income tax purposes. In order to receive a tax deduction, the donor must itemize their personal deductions on Schedule A. The donation of grain reduces Schedule F income.

To insure the farmer gets the desired tax results, he should not simply take the commodity to market and ask the buyer to make the check or partial check payable to the charity. The IRS could take a position that the farmer had constructively received the money and then gave the money as a donation.

He should follow certain steps.

1. Present a letter to the charity telling them he is making a contribution of a commodity. The letter should describe the commodity and the quantity being contributed.

2. The letter should ask the charity where and when they want the commodity delivered. In "IRS speak" the charity must have dominion and control of the commodity.

3. Keep a copy of the let-

ter.  
4. Make sure to get a receipt from the charity for the amount of the donation.

5. Do not report the donation on Schedule A. The farmer is not entitled to any additional deduction. The tax benefit comes from deducting the production expenses and not reporting the sale on Schedule F.

The following example illustrates the tax advantage of a charitable gift of grain.

Freddie and Frieda Farmer normally make a \$10,000 annual contribution to their church. In 2011, they give the church 2,000 bushels of corn when the market price is \$5.00 per bushel.

Assuming the Farmers have not exceeded the maximum self-employment tax limit, they will save 13.3%, or \$1,330 of self-employment tax. They will save 25%, or

\$2,500 of federal income tax and 5%, or \$500 of Illinois State income tax. The total tax savings from the gift of the corn is \$4,330. If they are able to itemize, the only savings from a \$10,000 cash gift would be \$2,500. If they are unable to itemize, there would be no savings from a cash gift.

A non-materially participating landlord does not have the same tax advantages as a farm operator or materially participating landlord. Instead, they are required to report the value of the commodity as income and then take a deduction on Schedule A.

The Two Rivers Farm Bureau Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable corporation. Keep the Foundation in mind when making your year-end tax deductible charitable contributions.

### Groups Participate in Upper Mississippi Locks and Dams Roundtable

Several groups participated in the Tri-State Development Summit and an Upper Mississippi Locks and Dams Roundtable in Quincy on October 5.

The Upper Mississippi Locks and Dams Roundtable was organized by the United Soybean Board (USB), Soy Transportation Coalition (STC), and US Soybean Export Council. The Roundtable, chaired by USB Board member and former Chair Phil Bradshaw, focused on potential steps that can be taken to repair and modernize the locks and dams on the Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers. ASA and many other groups have been urging Congress to provide funding to modernize these river transportation systems.

In this era of budget austerity, it was agreed that finding new ways to communicate that making investments to repair and modernize the lock and dam system is critical to job growth and America's future competitiveness. It was also agreed that the results of a soon-to-be completed study funded by USB through STC that examines the huge economic losses resulting from a potential catastrophic failure of a lock or dam on the Upper Mississippi system will be useful in educational efforts.

The group plans to meet again in early November to further develop strategies. ASA, USB, and numerous state soybean check-off boards and associations are members of STC.

## FARM CREDIT Donates to Griggsville-Perry FFA

1st Farm Credit Services donated \$220 to the Griggsville-Perry FFA Chapter. FFA Chapters throughout the state were given the donations after members attended the Farm Progress Show in Decatur wearing a special shirt provided by 1st Farm Credit Services. The bright orange "FFA Rocks" shirts were used to promote 1st Farm Credit Services and FFA during the 3-day show.

Griggsville-Perry High School's FFA Chapter received a \$220 donation after more than 22 members attended the show.

"These donations are a simple way to say 'Thank You' to the members for wearing our shirts," said Jessica Carolan, a vice president with 1st Farm Credit Services. "Supporting FFA and its members is critical to the future of agriculture. When members attend the Farm Progress Show, they learn about the up-and-coming technology in agriculture."

More than 700 FFA members statewide were given the T-Shirts before and during the show. Farm Credit donated more than \$5,000 to 16 different FFA chapters whose members wore the shirts at the show.



1st Farm Credit Services team members Jessica Carolan (with check) and Natasha Kraushaar present Marlee Bradshaw and other members of the Griggsville-Perry FFA with a check for \$220.

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