

I am all for Change...you go first!

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Change is good for you. Change keeps you on your toes. Change gives you a new perspective on life. Change is coming from NH Farm Bureau to you — our members — in two ways. These changes, we hope, will prove to be beneficial.



The first change deals with anniversary billing, which is not new in other areas of your life — it is the way you pay for your newspaper subscription and other periodicals. At Farm Bureau, we are changing when we bill you for your membership to your anniversary date. Your anniversary date will be set to the date you paid your 2008 dues. So, starting with the 2009 membership year (October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2009) and going forward, you will receive your dues bill based on your anniversary date. As an example, if you paid your 2008 dues in December 2007, then your dues bill for membership year 2009 will arrive 45 days (October 15) prior to December 1, 2008 anniversary and due date. Don't forget that you can grow your Accidental Death & Dismemberment (AD&D) coverage by \$500 per year if you pay your dues consistently no later than 45 days past the due date. Failure to do so reverts your coverage back to the entry level of \$5000. Also, if you have Farm Family Insurance, auto and/or farm coverage, you will be eligible for a savings IF your Farm Bureau dues are paid prior to the policy renewal date. This may or may not coincide with your anniversary dues month.

The second change coming from NH Farm Bureau is the new look of your membership dues invoice. Instead of just a paper invoice, you will receive an attractive tri-fold brochure containing your membership dues invoice, a message from your county president, your AD&D Insurance certificate (showing the level your coverage has grown to as a result of having paid your dues on time over the years), plus other helpful information. Be on the look out for this attractive brochure.

Your Board of Directors approved these changes with the knowledge that they would improve the efficiency and usefulness of your Federation. Questions may be directed to the state office (603) 224-1934 — we'd love to hear your comments.