For more than 50 years, Kentucky Farm Bureau has been assisting students in their educational pursuits. Since its inception in 1953, the Kentucky Farm Bureau Education Foundation has distributed more than 1.7 million dollars of scholarship money to deserving students in Kentucky.

Jackson County Farm Bureau awards two $1,000 scholarships to local students each year. The awards go to two students graduating from high school with at least a 3.0 GPA and enrolling in college in the fall. This year because there were only 3 applications, the board voted to give this scholarship to all three students.

Angel Vanzant is the daughter of Rev. Everett Vanzant and his wife, Jessica from Gray Hawk, KY. Angel plans to attend Somerset Community College and will Major in Early Childhood Development. Angel’s goal is to become a Pre-School Teacher.

Lauren Bancroft is the daughter of Trina Bancroft of Mc Kee, KY. Lauren plans to attend Eastern Kentucky University and Major in Business Management with a Minor in Nutrition. Lauren’s goal is to open her own business and work as a Nutritionist to promote health and wellness in her community.

Blake Combs is the son of Greg and Ruth Combs from Annville, KY. Blake plans to attend Somerset Community College and then transfer to UK. He plans to Major in Engineering and become a Civil Engineer.
As a member service, Jackson County Farm Bureau will host a small Animal Clinic with Veterinarian Joey Minter. The clinic will be on Friday, August 26 from 9:00 am until 12 noon at the Jackson County Farm Bureau office.

If you are a Farm Bureau member and wish to take advantage of this program, the Jackson County Farm Bureau Board of Directors will pay $3.00 toward a Rabies or Parvo vaccination alone or if other vaccinations are purchased Farm Bureau will pay up to $5.00 of the total cost for each pet. (limit 4 pets per member)

**ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES AND YOUTH**

ATV’s are fun and exciting especially for kids and teenagers. However they can also be dangerous if proper precautions are not taken by riders.

The Federal Government offers six safety tips for all riders to follow. These are:

1. Take safety training courses. Learn how to ride and handle various situations.
2. Wear protective gear such as helmet, long pants, long sleeved shirts, goggles and boots to help protect your body.
3. Never ride with a passenger
4. Children should never ride adult ATV’s. They are more difficult to handle than youth ATV’s.
5. Never take your ATV on paved roads. They are made for off road use and are harder to handle on paved roads.
6. Do not drive under the influence.

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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

The merchants listed here have agreed to extend discounts to Kentucky Farm Bureau members. These discounts can be obtained by presenting your membership card when a purchase is made.

Kentucky Farm Bureau members can get $500 GM Bonus Cash toward the purchase of lease of most new Buick, Chevrolet and GMC vehicles. To redeem, provide your GM dealer with your member number at time of purchase.

With summer vacations coming up Choice Hotels offer Kentucky Farm Bureau members discounts when you call ahead to book a room. These hotels include Comfort Suites, Quality Inn, Sleep Inn, Clarion Inn, Cambria Suites, Mainstay Suites, Econo Lodge, and Roadway Inn. Call 800-258-2847 and use the Farm Bureau discount code # 00209600.

Wyndham Hotels which include Days Inn, Ramada Worldwide, Super 8, Wingate, Baymont Inns and Suites, Hawthorn Suites, Microtel, Howard Johnson, Travelodge and Knights Inn. Call ahead to book and give them the Farm Bureau discount code #63501. Phone # 877-670-7088.

DISTRICT 8 OUTSTANDING STUDENT AND VARIETY SHOW CONTEST

The District 8 Outstanding Student and Variety Show contests will be held at Rockcastle County High School in October.

Students involved in the Outstanding Student contest will have an off stage interview and then give a two minute speech about Agriculture or Farm Bureau. The winner of the district contest will receive a trip to Louisville to the Kentucky Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in December to compete in the state contest. State contest winner will receive a trip to Washington D.C. on the 2017 KFB Congressional Tour, a watch, luggage and a $2,000 scholarship.

The Variety Show contest can be in any area of performance: vocal, instrumental, dance or drama. The winner of the District contest will go to KFB’s annual meeting in Louisville to perform at the Variety Show. Each District winner will receive $125 award.

Students who are interested in taking part should contact the Jackson County Farm Bureau office.

JACKSON COUNTY FARM BUREAU’S ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2016 AT 6:00 PM AT THE JACKSON ENERGY FARM ON HIGHWAY 290 IN MCKEE. ALL JACKSON COUNTY FARM BUREAU MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. A MEAL WILL BE PROVIDED AND DOOR PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN TO LUCKY MEMBERS.

CALENDAR OF UP-COMING EVENTS

JACKSON COUNTY ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC…………………………SEPTEMBER 19, 2016

ATV SAFETY FOR 5TH GRADES………………………………………………SEPTEMBER 20, 2016

VARIETY SHOW AND OUTSTANDING STUDENT CONTEST………………OCTOBER 2016