2009 KENTUCKY POULTRY FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP RECEPIENTS

On Saturday, October 3, 2009 three outstanding students joined an elite group of students by receiving $1,000 scholarship each from the Kentucky Poultry Federation at the annual Hall of Fame Banquet.

Through the generosity of our members and allied companies, a scholarship fund was established to assist and encourage graduating high school students to continue their education. The scholarship program was created to benefit the children and grandchildren of our poultry complexes’ producers and employees; along with also assisting one other student who is pursuing a career in agriculture.

Funds for the Kentucky Poultry Federation Scholarship Fund are raised through our Annual Silent Auction that takes place annually at the Kentucky Poultry Festival.

One scholarship is awarded to a student who is pursuing a career in agriculture. **Krisinda Upchurch** of Monticello, Kentucky was awarded the agriculture major scholarship. Krisinda is a senior at Wayne County High School with plans to eventually be a Veterinary Medicine major. The other two scholarships are awarded to students who are involved in the poultry industry. The first recipient was **Chelsea Brown** of Albany, Kentucky. Chelsea is the daughter of Joey Brown, a grower for Cobb-Vantress, Inc. Chelsea is currently attending Clinton County High School. The second recipient is **Olivia Slagle**, daughter of Stacy Slagle, an employee of Cobb-Vantress, Inc. Olivia is currently attending Wayne County High School.

Congratulations to these three outstanding students. Each applicant is judged on their standardized test scores, GPA, extracurricular activities, awards and honors, and a 500 word essay. The essays were to be written on “What Kentucky’s poultry industry has done for them, their family or community”; or “Why is agriculture vital for Kentucky’s future”. See essays written by winners on page 4.

Congratulations to Krisinda Upchurch, Chelsea Brown and Olivia Slagle.