



# HUMBOLDT COUNTY FARM BUREAU

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Madeline Holmes featured as one of RFD TV's "Ranch Raised Kids."

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### **Eureka High FFA Advisor, Alissa Sarvinski, one of six nominated as California's Ag Educator of the Year "Golden Owl" award.**



Nationwide® insurance is bringing attention to the importance of agricultural education through the Golden Owl Award. This annual award honors exceptional agricultural teachers across select states and provides financial support for their education programs.

**Congratulations Alissa Sarvinski!!!** Alissa is an FFA Advisor at Eureka High and was a graduate from Ferndale High school. After more than 400 nominations were submitted by local students, fellow teachers, parents and community members. The six finalists include: **Alissa Sarvinski, Eureka High School, Eureka;** Michael Campbell, Imperial High School, Imperial; Andree' Earley, Las Plumas High School, Oroville; Cody Jacobsen, Golden Valley High School, Merced; Julie Luxon, Madera South High School, Madera; and Rosemary Cummings, Nipomo High School, Nipomo. Each finalist received an individualized plaque and \$500 in funding for their program.

"It's an honor to recognize outstanding teachers for their dedication to agricultural education in their communities," said Brad Liggett, president of Agribusiness at Nationwide. "This award symbolizes the hard work individual teachers put into agricultural education to help students pursue their passion for farming or other careers in Ag."

"Almost anyone who farms, ranches or works in an agricultural business can refer back to an agricultural teacher who helped guide or inspire them," CFBF President Jamie Johansson said. "We're pleased to join with Nationwide and the California FFA in this program to highlight outstanding agricultural teachers."

"Educators devote countless hours, and often their own resources, to positively impact the lives of their students," Liggett said. "As a

company with deep roots in agriculture, we're proud to supply these hardworking and compassionate public servants with additional funding, and we hope to eventually expand our efforts to recognize the work of teachers all across the country."

For more information or to learn more about the California Golden Owl Award finalists, visit [www.goldenowlaward.com](http://www.goldenowlaward.com).

## **Message from HCFB President:** **Johanna Rodoni**

Greeting Farm Bureau members and friends of Agriculture. The Covid-19 pandemic has had an impact on fresh food supplies in many areas of our country. Fortunately, here in Humboldt County, we are very lucky to have access to numerous sources of fresh, locally grown food.

Our Farmer's Markets throughout the county are up and running. Many of our dairies provide milk to processors that is sold in local grocery stores. We have several local grass-fed beef producers who sell their meat here in Humboldt. There are also roadside stands in some areas of Humboldt where we're able to purchase fresh picked fruit and vegetables.

Coming up at the end of August is the **Humboldt County Fair Junior Livestock Auction** where buyers can purchase fresh meat raised locally by members of 4H and Future Farmers of America. The array of livestock available for purchase is vast – beef, pork, lamb, goat, turkey, chicken and rabbit. These animals have all been raised, hand fed and cared for by our youth. They all have a considerable investment in their projects and the culmination of their projects is the auction. Due to the fact that the Humboldt County Fair was cancelled because of Covid-19, **this year's Junior Livestock Auction will be a "virtual" show and sale.** Buyers will be bidding on the animals through an on-line platform. This will take place August 28 – 30<sup>th</sup>. More detailed information to come.

If you haven't taken the time out to view the Comet NEOWISE yet, I highly recommend it. You can view it in the northwest sky around 10:30 p.m. You can see it with the naked eye, but binoculars will give you a significantly more detailed and spectacular sighting.

Don't forget about Farm Bureau's August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting and farm tour in Pepperwood. Call the Farm Bureau office for details and to RSVP – 443-4844.

Happy trails to you all. Johanna

If you plan to attend the Farm Bureau's meeting and tour, please **R.S.V.P** by **Friday, July 31** by calling the Farm Bureau office: (707) 443-4844 so we can get an accurate head count for lunch.

**Event: Farm Bureau Meeting and Farm Tour**

**Date: Monday, August 3, 2020**

**Time: 11:30 a.m.**

**Location: Corn Crib – Avenue of the Giants, Pepperwood**

Bring a folding chair and dress for the weather – it can be very warm in Pepperwood

Hope you can join us!

## Humboldt County Fair

# Virtual Junior Livestock Auction

Starts: August 28, 2020 5:00 PM

**Ends: August 30, 2020 12 NOON**

All purchases amounts over market price are tax deductible.  
New this year: Donate to ALL of our sellers through the "Bids for Kids" program

Due to the mass gathering restrictions, this year's auction will be held virtually.

For more information, follow the **Humboldt County Fair Junior Livestock Auction** Facebook Page or go to the Humboldt County Fair's web page: <https://humboldtcountyfair.org/competitiveexhibits>

## Gene Whitney Production Forestry Scholarship:

The Humboldt County Farm Bureau is proud to award a College Scholarship for Humboldt County graduates pursuing a career in **Production Forestry or a Natural Resources** which provides support to the Forest Production Industry. The **Gene Whitney Production Forestry**

**Scholarship** scholarship was established by a long-term Humboldt County Farm Bureau Board member, Mr. Gene Whitney. Upon his passing in 2013, this scholarship has continued under his name.

Students may reapply for the Farm Bureau scholarships for a total of four years.

Two scholarships were awarded this year: **Simone Haggerty and Theron Dale**. Haggerty is a 2020 graduate of Arcata High school and will be attending Cal Poly in the fall. Dale is a 2018 graduate from Fortuna High school and will also be attending Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo in the fall.

Congratulations to both and we wish you the best in the upcoming year!





# 2020 CFBF PHOTO CONTEST

## 2020 VISIONS

### TAKE YOUR BEST SHOT

Capture your vision of California's agricultural bounty with photos such as:

- Fresh food—plated or in the field
- Rural scenery
- Animals, crops and harvests
- Life, work and family on the farm or ranch

Any amateur photographer who is a member of a county Farm Bureau in California or a current contributing member of the California Bountiful Foundation can participate. Join Farm Bureau at [www.cfbf.com/join](http://www.cfbf.com/join).

**To enter:** Submit up to five print or high-resolution digital photos. Enter online or postmark by Sept. 30. Go to [www.cfbf.com/photocontest](http://www.cfbf.com/photocontest) to find rules and forms, enter or see past winners. Or email [photocontest@cfbf.com](mailto:photocontest@cfbf.com) for rules and entry forms.

**\$2,500  
in prizes!**

### PRIZES

#### All ages

\$1,000 Grand Prize  
\$500 First Place  
\$250 Second Place  
\$100 Third Place  
\$50 Honorable Mention  
(six winners)

#### Budding Artists

(ages 13 and younger)  
\$250 First Place  
\$100 Second Place

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