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is the
Organized
Voice for
Agriculture.

We stand for:

- *Preservation of Property Rights*
- *Balanced Federal Budget*
- *Individual Citizenship Responsibility*
- *Higher Net Farm Income*
- *Resource Conservation and Environmental Enhancement*

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Our Mission:

Indiana Farm Bureau is dedicated to promoting agriculture and improving the quality of life of our members.

Expert State Staff — ready to assist with specialized programs and services in five teams: Organizational Development, Public Policy, Legal Affairs, Public Relations, and Administration.

Property Protection Program — rewards of up to \$2,000 for information that helps solve theft, vandalism or arson crimes against Farm Bureau members' property.

County, State and National Programs — Farm Bureau offers you the opportunity to participate in the decision-making process through county board meetings, policy development, informational workshops and seminars, Young Farmer programs, women's committee programs, and county, state and national annual meetings.

Education — County Farm Bureaus contribute about \$200,000 annually toward youth scholarships and other educational programs. Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance, through various programs, provides nearly \$50,000 in scholarships annually.

All programs and services are supported by your annual membership dues.

Your annual Farm Bureau membership entitles you to the following benefits and programs.

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Indiana Farm Bureau

Significant State Legislative Activities in 2007

Property Taxes

Consistent with Farm Bureau's member-developed policy, the General Assembly did provide for property tax relief by authorizing counties to adopt new local option income taxes for the specific purpose of replacing or curtailing the future growth of property taxes. This bill also creates a new County Board of Tax and Project Review which must include among its members two taxpayers elected directly for the purpose of serving on the board. The board's other members will represent various taxing units within the county. This board must approve any capital project of more than \$7 million and all taxing units are to develop and regularly update a five-year capital project plan.

Corn Market Development Initiative

Indiana has had a voluntary corn market development program on the books for years, but it has not been a significant source of promotional funds for the corn industry. This year, with corn prices high and a renewed public enthusiasm for corn based bioproducts such as ethanol, proved to be an opportune time to seek a more comprehensive checkoff program. After considerable negotiation and a number of hearings in both houses of the General Assembly, a bill was finally approved that will substantially enhance this program.

Specifically, the new law will provide for checkoff of a half penny per bushel collected at the first point of sale. Producers who choose not to participate in the program may request a refund for six months after they receive a settlement sheet. Once collected, the money will be controlled by a 17 member Indiana Corn council made up of Indiana corn producers and a few other interests. Rather than a traditional producer referendum, the act contains a provision that if the total refunds requested in the programs third year exceed 25 percent of the total collected during that year, the program will end after that, the program will end if the total of the refunds requested exceed 25 percent in two successive years.

Animal Agriculture

One legislative issue on which Farm Bureau devoted a significant amount of time and effort was that of animal agriculture. Although no legislation was enacted, Farm Bureau's efforts prevented the enactment of a number of proposals that would have been detrimental to the growth and viability of the state's livestock industry. Among the ideas that remained bottled up were a two-year moratorium on any new Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) permits for concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) and confined feeding operations (CFOs); a statewide setback for any new CAFO/CFO from municipalities, schools and health care facilities; excessive fees for IDEM inspection services; and giving local health departments greater authority over CAFO/CFO operations.

Farm Trucks

Farm Bureau was instrumental in the successful efforts to amend the law regarding the use of farm plated vehicles. Now, a farm plated truck may be used for agriculture purposes regardless of its operator (prior law required a farm truck be operated only by its owner or an employee of its owner). The law was also amended to provide for the intrastate transportation of tomatoes and silage to the first point of sale for a 71-day period. The current law provides for a 30-day period for the intrastate movement of other seasonal, perishable fruits and vegetables to the first point of sale has not been changed. The law also provides that if a farm plated vehicle is only going to be used for the seasonal transportation of perishable commodities, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles is to adjust the license fee on a pro rated basis.

Cut out application along dashed lines.

Indiana Farm Bureau MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Shaded areas to be completed in county and state offices.)

Current Date	Name (Last)	(First)	(Middle)
Address (Street, Road, R.R., Box No., P.O. Box)		(City)	(State) (Zip Code)
County Farm Bureau	County Number	Township	Township Number Membership Number
Membership Classification (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Voting <input type="checkbox"/> Associate	A voting member is an individual, a partnership, an unincorporated association or a corporation who owns or operates a farm or who is engaged and derives income from agriculture. Agriculture includes commercial production of plants, aquatic species, forestry, animals, beekeeping and related production activities. Farms commercially produce and market agricultural commodities or products. An associate member is any person, firm or corporation interested in agriculture to any degree less than that required for a voting membership.		
Type of Membership <input type="checkbox"/> Primary <input type="checkbox"/> Select <input type="checkbox"/> Student	Birth Date	Month	Day Year Home Phone Number Business Phone Number
Member's Signature X	Membership Volunteer's or Writing Agent's Name		
Member's E-mail	Received	Annual Primary dues are \$32.50, with \$2.00 paying for a subscription to <i>The Hoosier Farmer</i> magazine. Select and Student membership annual dues are \$15.00. Primary membership is a prerequisite for purchasing a Select membership.	
	\$	<input type="checkbox"/> Cash	<input type="checkbox"/> Check No.

Return completed application to your County Farm Bureau Office, membership volunteer, or mail to Indiana Farm Bureau, P.O. Box 1290, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

Young Farmer Program

Indiana Farm Bureau's Young Farmer program was created to help young men and women capitalize on the opportunities and overcome the challenges in agriculture to make their farm operations more profitable. Launched in 1969, the Young Farmer program has made a positive difference in the lives of countless young farmers, helping many of them achieve career success through agricultural education.

In addition, the program was founded to educate today's young farmers to become tomorrow's leaders. Indiana Farm Bureau looks to the Young Farmer program for its future leaders — men and women who will work hard to promote policies that are good for society, for small business owners and for land owners.

Scholarships

Stackhouse Scholarship — The Marion Stackhouse Memorial Scholarship was established to assist IFB members in their educational pursuits in an agricultural field of study. The deadline to apply is September 1.

Career Enhancement Scholarship — This scholarship is awarded to an adult, 21 years of age or older, who intends to enrich his or her career of choice. The scholarship may be used for a workshop, seminar, credit or non-credit class or degree program. The deadline to apply is September 1.

Harry L. Pearson Outstanding Leader Scholarship — Incoming Purdue University freshmen and School of Agriculture students are eligible for this scholarship, given in honor of IFB past president Harry L. Pearson. The deadline to apply is December 15.

District Level Scholarships — The Indiana Farm Bureau Foundation donates \$500 per district per year for this scholarship, to be used to pursue a degree related to agriculture or agribusiness. Application is due to your County Woman Leader by September 1.

More information is available at www.infarmbureau.org.



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