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## Montcalm County FSA Updates

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**Next County Committee Meeting:** April 10 2014  
8:30 am.

### County Committee Election Results

Congratulations to Dan Ryan. Dan was elected to represent farmers from Montcalm, Sidney, Eureka, Fairplains, Bushnell and Bloomer Townships on the county committee. The election results for the Local Administrative Area 3 are:

Dan Ryan--- Elected to the county committee (COC).  
Jed Welder --- 1st alternate to COC.

The committee members held their organizational meeting after the election and determined that Jack Jeppesen will serve as the Chairperson, Judy Johnston will serve as the Vice-Chair and Dan Ryan will serve as a member.

FSA appreciates all of the voters taking the time to complete the election ballot. The county committee system works only because of your participation.

### FSA Announces the Resumption of 2013 Crop Commodity Loan Disbursements

The commodity Loan Programs provide interim financing to producers for agricultural commodities stored after harvest and then sold throughout the year. Producers requesting 2013 crop commodity loans on their harvested commodities now will have a 5.1 percent reduction to the loan amount upon its disbursement, due to the sequestration reduction.

During the period that loan-making was suspended, producers were still able to submit loan applications to their county FSA offices, marketing associations and loan servicing agents. The processing and disbursement of these applications will begin immediately.

For further information about commodity marketing loans, farmers may contact their local FSA office or go online to [www.fsa.usda.gov](http://www.fsa.usda.gov).

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## Requesting Maps

Due to budget restraints and to reduce postage expenses we will not be mailing out copies of the farm maps. You may obtain copies when you visit the office or you may bring in a NEW and UNOPENED removable media (CD or USB drive) and we will copy your maps to the media. We can also e-mail your maps to you to be reviewed before your arrival at the County Office for certifications of your acreage report. By reviewing your maps before completing your crop report and letting us know of any changes that need to be made we can make sure your maps are corrected and up to date when you come in to certify.

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