



# ***Breckinridge/Meade County News***

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## **Election Time Is Here in Community 3**

It's County Committee election time again! Community 3 in Breckinridge County and Community 3 in Meade County elections will be held this December. In Breckinridge County, Tony Hobbs and Leroy Luney will be on the ballot to represent Community 3. In Meade County, Tom Benock and Pete Perales will be on the ballot to represent Community 3. Eligible voters in their respective communities will be mailed the ballots on November 4<sup>th</sup>. The last day to return voted ballots to the USDA Service Center will be December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2006. The newly elected committee members will take office January 1, 2007.

## **Save Time—Go Online**

Stop by our office and we will get you registered to conduct business with our office over the internet. You can update DCP information, participate with LDP's, and check loan balances if you are a FSA borrower.

## **Report Your Disaster**

With disasters such as the heavy rains suffered on September 22 and 23, 2006, producers need to be mindful of reporting losses to the FSA offices. Disaster designations are often determined by the number of farmers who have been effected by the disaster, so it is important to report you situation.

## **Meet Our Current Committee**

### **Breckinridge County**

Ova Alexander Chairman  
Ann Denton, Vice-Chair  
Rodney Willis, Member  
Leroy Luney, Advisor

### **Meade County**

Tom Benock, Chairman  
Houston Haynes, V-Chair  
Leslie Stith, Member  
Mattie Mack, Advisor

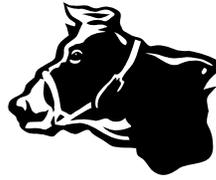
### **County Committee meets:**

Breckinridge 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month  
Meade 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month



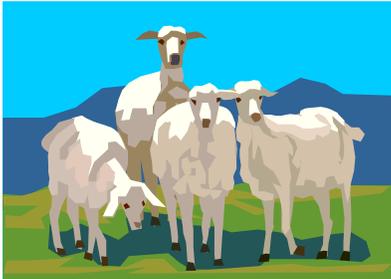
**Guaranteed Loans**

With today's unsteady grain market prices and the uncertainty of the tobacco contract markets, purchasing additional farm real estate or equipment can be hard for some farmers. FSA may be able to help you out. FSA has programs available to work with your regular lender to get a financing package that is right for you. FSA may be able to provide a guarantee to your lender if your cash flow is tight or your security is not quite up to their typical requirements. With FSA backing, your bank would then be able to continue to finance your current expansion needs. Ask your lender if they would consider an FSA guarantee on your next project, or stop by the FSA office to discuss the program with the Ag Credit Staff.



**Youth Loans**

Even though the season is now fall, it is already time to be planning for next years' county fair. FSA can help FFA and 4-H members finance their show steers, lambs, hogs, and goats. We can also help students finance a small herd of breeding stock with FSA's low interest youth loans. Our current interest rate is 5.375%. For more information you can speak with your FFA or 4-H advisor or contact the FSA Ag Credit Staff at 756-5292.



**Learn Our Lingo**

- LDP---Loan Deficiency Payment
- DCP--Direct Counter Cyclical Payments
- CRP--Conservation Reserve Program
- NAP--Non Insured Crop Disaster Assistance Program
- EQUIP--Environmental Quality Incentive Program
- PL----Payment Limitation
- TTPP-Tobacco Transitional Payment Program
- FO---Farm Ownership loan
- OL---Operating loans

<b>Dates to Remember</b>	
Nov. 10	Office Closed
Nov. 11	Veteran's Day
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving
Dec. 25	Christmas
Jan. 1	New Years Day