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Hours

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County Committee

James Burden
Charles H Wills
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County Committee meets
2nd Tuesday each month

Staff

Danny Razor
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County Committee Elections 2006

This year, Farm Service Agency County Committee elections will be held November 3 through December 4, 2006. FSA County Committees give farmers a voice in how the Agency's programs are administered in their communities. They play an important role by making decisions on commodity price support loans and payments; conservation and disaster programs; and other important agricultural issues.

Ballots will be mailed no later than November 3rd to eligible producers in the following Local Administrative Area(LAA) for a term beginning January 1, 2007. Those positions are currently held by James Burden and Hattie Williams, both of whom have reached their term limit and are ineligible for re-election.

LAA 1 includes- West side of Hwy 460 to Camargo/Levee Road to Hwy 646 including Grassy Lick and Wades Mill.
Candidates for LAA1 are David A Donaldson and Allen "Buck" Prewitt.

LAA 4 includes western portion of Menifee County including Hwy 36, portion of Hwy 1274, Tarr Ridge, and part of Mariba.
Candidates for LAA4 are Priscilla Carole Ferrell and Edgar Williams.

Don't Miss Out on Voting!

The 2006 election will end December 4. Ballots will be mailed to voters by November 3rd. They must be completed and signed, then return them to the Montgomery County USDA Service Center by December 4th.

Important Telephone Numbers

If you are outside Montgomery County, you may contact the Montgomery-Menifee FSA toll free by telephoning 1-800-441-2592, extension 12. To fax information to the FSA, our fax number is 859-498-5099.

LOW INTEREST RATE LOANS

5.375% Operating Loans- Can be used to purchase livestock, purchase farm machinery, refinance debts, and pay annual farm expenses.

5.625% Farm Ownership Loans-Can be used to purchase real estate, make real estate improvements construct or repair farm dwelling.

YOUTH LOANS AT 5.375%

FSA can make loans to rural youths who are between the ages of 10-20 to establish and operate money making projects. These loans can be used for nearly any income producing project such as: lawn services, garden services, repair shops, livestock operations, crop operations, and machinery purchases.

GUARANTEE LOANS

FSA can assist you in obtaining credit from conventional lenders with its guarantee loan program. These funds can be used for all the purposes listed above and to refinance real estate debts. Some of the advantages of this program are that generally with a FSA guarantee the lender is able to offer you a lower rate, longer terms, and a lower down payment requirement because of the government guarantee.

**SOCIALLY
DISADVANTAGED AND
BEGINNING FARMER
APPLICANTS**

FSA can make direct and guarantee loans to socially disadvantaged and beginning farmer applicants for all the loan purposes discussed above. A socially disadvantaged farmer is one of a group whose members have been subjected to racial, ethnic, or gender prejudice because of their identity as members of the group without regard to their individual qualities. For the purpose of this program socially disadvantaged groups have been defines as women, African Americans, American Indians, Alaskan natives, Hispanics, Asians and Pacific Islanders.

For more information on farm related loans contact the Montgomery County FSA Office located at 509 Willin Way, Suite 4, Mt Sterling, KY 40353; or by phone (859) 498-5487 ext. 4

The Montgomery County FSA Farm Loan team services the following counties: Bath, Clark, Estill, Menifee, Montgomery and Powell.

Dates to Remember	
November 3, 2006	Ballots mailed to eligible voters
December 4, 2006	Last day to return voted ballots
January 1, 2007	Elected committee members take office