

Agricultural News

By: Warden Alexander, FSA Director

Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment Program (DCP) - 2013
The American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, enacted on Jan. 2, 2013, amends the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 and provides for a one-year extension of the Direct and Counter-Cyclical (DCP) program. To be eligible for direct and counter-cyclical payments, producers must enroll their farms in DCP during the sign-up period which began on Feb. 19, 2013 and ends on Aug. 2, 2013. Please call 606-256-2525 to schedule an appointment.

For more information about this and other FSA programs please visit your local FSA county office or visit www.fsa.usda.gov.

Crop Acreage Reporting
Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds agricultural producers of the acreage reporting requirements that must be met prior to receiving program benefits. Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits for a variety of programs. July 15th is the final date to certify all crops, except small grains.

Producers must report acreages to maintain eligibility for Price Support Programs, Noninsured Crop Assistance Program (NAP), Conservation Re-

serve Program (CRP) and Direct and Counter-Cyclical Program (DCP). All cropland on farms must be certified to remain eligible for these programs

CRP General Sign-up
Kentucky Farm Service Agency (FSA) will conduct a four-week Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) general sign-up beginning May 20, 2013 and ending on June 14, 2013. CRP addresses critical resource issues. In addition to erosion control, CRP provides significant water quality benefits including reduced nutrients and sediment loadings and adverse consequences associated with floods as well as expanded and enhanced wildlife habitat.

CRP is a voluntary program available to agricultural producers to help them safeguard environmentally sensitive land. Producers enrolled in CRP plant long-term, resource-conserving covers to improve the quality of water, control soil erosion and enhance wildlife habitat. Producers that are accepted in the sign-up can receive cost-share assistance for planting covers and receive an annual rental payment for the length of the contract (10-15 years).

CRP Continuous Sign-up
Kentucky Farm Service Agency (FSA) is conducting a Continuous Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) sign up beginning May 13, 2013 and ending

on September 30, 2013. The following practices are available under continuous sign-up: CP-8A Grass Waterways Non-easement; CP-9 Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife; CP-21 Filter Strips, CP-22 Riparian Buffers, CP-29 Marginal Pastureland and Wildlife Habitat Buffer, CP-23 Wetland Restoration; CP-33 Habitat Buffers for Upland Birds; and CP-38 State Acres for Wildlife and CP-42 Pollinator Habitat.

Landowners enrolled in the CRP program receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland. Land that is not currently enrolled in CRP can be offered during sign-up if all eligibility requirements are met. Expiring CRP continuous contracts can be re-enrolled with an enrollment date of October 1, 2013.

Important program dates and Interest Rates

DCP: February 19 - August 2, 2013

Crop Acreage Reporting Deadline: July 15, 2013

CRP General Sign-up: May 20 - June 14, 2013

CRP Continuous Sign-up: May 13 - September 30, 2013

Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 1.375%

Farm Ownership Loans=3.5%

Limited Resource Loans=5.000%

Farm Storage Loans-7 yr=1.250%, 10 yr=1.875%, 12 yr=2.125%

Commodity Loans-1.125%

TTPP-5.000%

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Showhouse Productions, an independent film company, was at Brush Arbor Cabins in Hummel recently to film part of their latest documentary "Bad Tom." Several local re-enactors were chosen to play character roles in the documentary. Shown above are, front row, from left: Jacob Owens, kneeling, (Ned Combs). Middle row: Bob Wilson (French Clan gunman), unknown (extra), unknown (extra), Brandy Owens (Polly Cornett), Karen Stallsworth (extra), Matthew Hensley (Joe Eversole) and Phillip McLemore (Wesley Whitaker.) Back row: Jennings Krahenbuhl (French Clan gunman) and David Owens (Robin Cornett.) Not pictured are: Gene Gatts (Eversole gunman), Willie Martin (French Clan gunman) and Eddie Blevins (Reverend J.J. Dickey.)



Veteran reenactors David Owens, Bobby Wilson, and Willie Martin on the movie set of Bad Tom at Brush Arbor.



Submitted by: Hannah McClure, FBLA Reporter

The Business Achievement Award is a Leadership Program complementing student's academics while accelerating in their leadership skills. Six of the FBLA members achieved the "Future Business Award" this year. The award focuses on business skills, introduction to community service and FBLA involvement at the local level. These students had to complete a series of activities such as completing community service hours, preparing bulletin boards to promote FBLA and inviting nonmembers to join FBLA in order to earn the Future Award. Danielle Abed completed her Future Award last school year, and was able to achieve the 2nd level; which is the "Business Award." Pictured are, front from left: Danielle Abed, and Hannah McClure. Back row, from left: Brandon McFerron, Tim Renner, Paige Hatton, and Cassidy Daugherty.

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Saint Joseph Berea, in partnership with the Saint Joseph Berea Foundation, will present the 5th Annual "Get Healthy Berea" fitness event on the morning of June 22, 2013.

Get Healthy berea

- Community-wide event emphasizing healthy and green living
- Educational opportunities, health resources and screenings
- Focus on healthy eating, stress relief, exercise and nutrition

We invite health and wellness businesses and organizations in the community to join us June 22nd to share your contributions and commitment to wellness.

To find out more about exhibiting at Get Healthy Berea, please contact Katie Heckman at 859.986.6535 (katieheckman@catholichealth.net) by June 12th.

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