

Morganfield Service Center News

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Union County USDA Service Center

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Hours

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

County Committee

Steve Anderson Gene Shouse Richard White Sheree Hardesty, COC Advisor

County Committee meets 1st Thursday of each month.

Staff

Susan Girten, CED Linda Timmons, PT Crystal Miller, PT Sarah Welden, PT Tom Willett, Field Asst Kathy Baird, Field Asst

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Welcome to FSA, Crystal!

Crystal Miller began work in the Union County FSA Office on March 31. Several of you have met Crystal. The rest of you will have a chance to meet her during crop reporting and during farm program signup once we get a farm bill. Crystal will be in charge of administrative, office compliance (crop reporting), farm records and reconstitutions, and producer eligibility determinations.

Other Staff Members

Linda Timmons has worked here now for 13 years and is responsible for conservation, wheat and feed grains, marketing assistance loans, and automation. Sarah Welden has gone back to school but plans to work a couple of days a week during crop reporting. Kathy Baird is now our expert in measuring CRP with the GPS equipment. Tom Willett has recently had knee surgery but plans to be available to measure grain bins for commodity loans this fall. Susan Girten has 27 years working with local farmers and handles the farm storage facility loans. She also tries to help get the payments out timely.

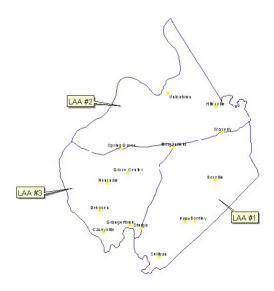
County Committee Elections- We're Counting on YOU – Nominate and Vote!

FSA has farmer-elected county committee members working to make FSA programs serve the needs of local producers. Committee members promote good working relationships with other agricultural agencies serving the county and work actively with farm, agri-business, and civic organizations in the community.

It is critical to FSA's current and future well-being that county committees and employees ensure that all producers in the county have an opportunity to be a candidate for the COC. The COC election is important to all farmers, regardless of the size of their farming operation. New or beginning farmers, minority producers, and women are encouraged to become nominees for the COC election.

Union County will be holding an election for a producer to represent Local Administrative Area (LAA) #1 with a beginning term of January 1, 2009. This position is currently held by Richard White. LAA #1 consists of the southeastern part of the county beginning at the Crittenden County line at Hwy. 365 to Hwy. 60 and following Hwy. 60 northeast to the Henderson County line.

LAA Boundaries:



FSA-669A (02-25-08) Page 2 Form Approved - OMB No. 0560-0229 **FSA-669A** U.S. Department of Agriculture (02-25-08) Farm Service Agency NOMINATION FORM FOR COUNTY FSA COMMITTEE ELECTION 1. NAME OF NOMINEE (Type or print Nominee's Full Name) TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNTY FSA OFFICE 2. ADDRESS OF NOMINEE 5. INITIALS OF EMPLOYEE RECEIVING FORM AND DATE (MM-DD-YYYY) 6A. COUNTY 3. NOMINEE'S CERTIFICATION I hereby agree to have my name placed on the ballot, that I will serve if elected, and if there is a conflict of interest, I will resign such position. 6B. LAA NO. I DO want to witness the settling of tied votes with another nominee. 7. STATE I DO NOT want to witness the settling of tied votes with another nominee. 4A. SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE 4B. DATE (MM-DD-YYYY) DATE OF ELECTION IS 1st MONDAY OF DECEMBER OF EACH CALENDAR YEAR 8. TO BE COMPLETED BY NOMINEE VOLUNTARY INFORMATION FOR MONITORING PURPOSES: The following information is requested by the Federal Government in order to monitor FSA's compliance with federal laws prohibiting discrimination against program participants on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, handicapped condition, or age. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. This information will not be used in evaluating your nomination or to discriminate against you in any way. ETHNICITY **GENDER** RACE (Choose as many boxes as applicable) Male Hispanic or Latino America Indian or Alaska Native Black or African-American Asian Female Not Hispanic or Latino Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM Complete the form as follows: Type or Print the nominee's full name. The nominee must be: ITEM 1 A. Eligible to vote in the designated County FSA Committee election. B. Eligible to hold the office of County FSA Committee member. C. Willing to serve if elected. ITEM 2 Enter the nominee's current address. ITEM 3 The nominee must check one of the boxes to indicate a preference regarding the settling of tied votes. ITEM 4 The nominee must sign and date.

ALL FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE COUNTY OFFICE OR POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 1.

NOTE: The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, as amended. The authority for requesting the following information is 7 CFR Part 7. The information will be used to obtain nominees for County FSA Committee.

ITEM 8

Completing this item is voluntary.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0560-0229. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 10 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM TO YOUR COUNTY FSA OFFICE.