

Agricultural News

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County Committee Election Results

The December 2012 election for Rockcastle County FSA LAA-2 resulted in

Donnie Lewis Hurst being appointed to the Rockcastle County Committee (COC). A total of 45 votes were received with Donnie Lewis Hurst receiving 43 and write in Charles Denver Mink receiving 2 votes.

The 2013 Rockcastle FSA County Committee will be comprised of John D King, Chairman, Donnie Hurst, Vice Chairman and Timothy Mink, Member.

The COC scheduled meetings are appointed as necessary with the meeting being on the first Wednesday with the time as 8:00 am in the Rockcastle County FSA Office.

Watch these articles for our next appointed COC meeting time.

Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA)

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations specify that when a foreign person acquires or transfers an interest in U.S. agricultural land, such transactions shall be disclosed to the Secretary of Agriculture on AFIDA Report form ASCS-153 or FSA-153. The report must be filed with the County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Office within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction.

To assist you in determining whether your land is considered agricultural land, agricultural land is: All crops, ranch, and timberland more than 10 acres in size in the aggregate and forestland. Forestland is land that exceeds 10 acres in size and is at least 10 percent stocked by forest trees of any size, including land that formerly had such tree cover and will

be naturally or artificially regenerated.

Ownership of tracts totaling 10 acres or less in the aggregate must produce annual gross receipts in excess \$1,000 for the sale of the farm, ranch, forestry or timber products to be reported.

Failure to return the completed AFIDA Report within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction could result in a civil penalty of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the interest held in the agricultural land. The AFIDA Report shall be considered to have been filed in a timely manner if received at this office within 90 calendar days of the date of the transaction.

OFFICE CLOSURE

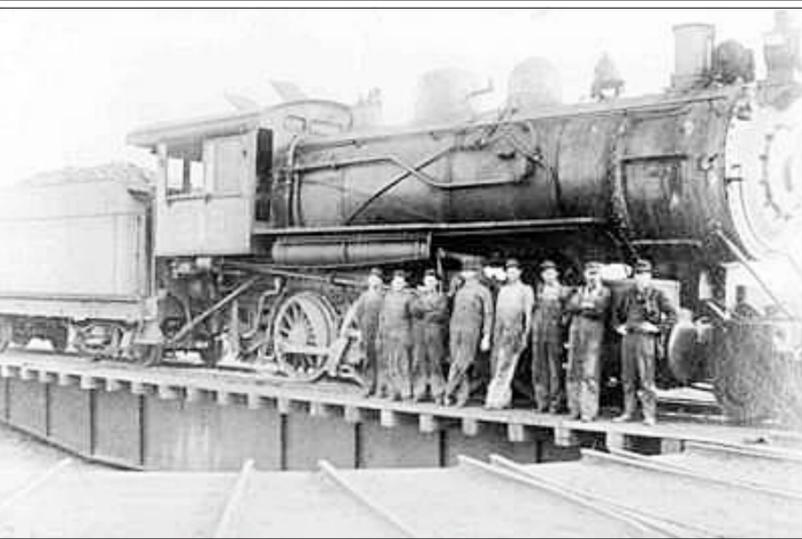
The Mt. Vernon Service Center (FSA, NRCS and Rockcastle Co. Conservation District) offices will be closed Monday, January 21st in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday. Offices will reopen Tuesday, January 22nd.

For more information on these and other FSA programs contact your local FSA Office or Service Center or visit <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>

Important program dates

- and Interest Rates
- Farm Operating Loans-Direct = 1.250%
- Farm Ownership Loans=3.125%
- Limited Resource Loans=5.000%
- Farm Storage Loans-7 yr=1.125%, 10 yr=2.625%, 12 yr=1.875%
- Commodity Loans-1.125%
- TTPP-5.000%

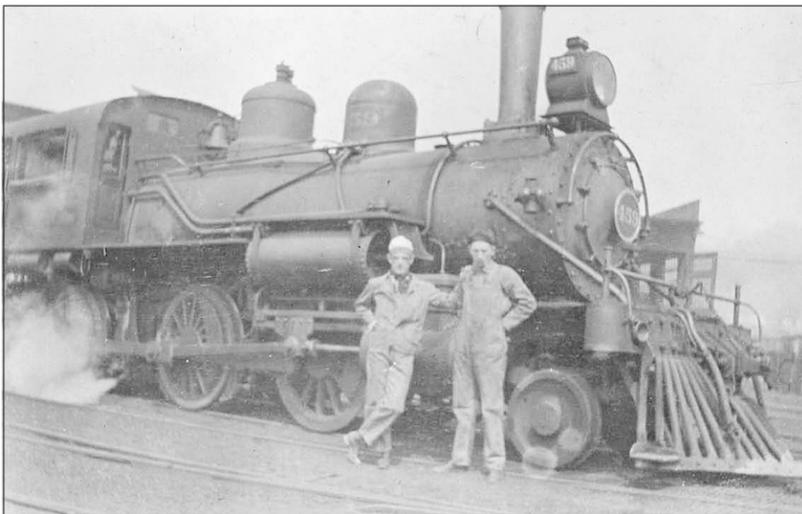
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The train turntable at Livingston workyard. The turntable and workyard were later moved to Corbin.



L&N Signal Tower at Sinks, Mullins Station. Junction of the Lebanon Branch of L&N (Lebanon to Knoxville) and Kentucky Central (Cincinnati to Knoxville).



L&N Locomotive Engine # 459 pulled passenger train #22. This photo was taken in 1901.



L&N Engine #2401 and its crew, 1915. It was the railroads longest freight engine at the time. Note: you can see the back roof of the Eight Gables in center background.

“Hotel”

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Advertisement in a 1931 Mt. Vernon Signal listed a daily special of a two piece chicken dinner, two vegetables, biscuit, slice of apple pie, and drink of lemonade or tea for .35 cents. There was also the L&N Diner that was managed by the Eight Gables. It was a square one story building located on the roadway between the depot and the hotel. The hotel also provided maid service to clean the rooms and operated a laundry service. A shift handyman kept the hotel in working order and kept the above ground water cistern and coal bin full.

Henry Rice operated the hotel for six years (1899-1905) before selling it to

George Pope, who hired Harry McGee to manage the hotel. Pope later sold the hotel to Sam Pennington and his father Abel Pennington for the sum of \$3,250 in 1908. The Pennington family made improvements to the property and continued to operate the hotel with Jess Pike and Tommy Jones serving as managers for varying periods of time.

William G. Nicely and wife Minerva brought the hotel from the Penningtons in 1911 for \$5,000 dollars, a huge sum for that day and age, and the family took over the operation. The Nicelys were known locally as Uncle Bill and Aunt Minerva and noted for their hospitality and kindness. William G. Nicely deeded the hotel to his son, Hubert F. Nicely. When the railroads terminals left he turned the hotel into a rental residence. Ann Soper

Nicely, Hubert Nicely's widow, then sold the property to John W. Griffin in the fall of 1958, who demolished the building in the spring of 1959 for the value of the timber and contents.

Author's note: The Louisville & Nashville and the Kentucky Central Railroads decided to leave Livingston and move their terminals to Corbin when the city council chose to increase school and property tax on the railroads while not increasing the rate for local residence.



Drug Tip Hotline
1-866-424-4382

Toll-free Treatment Help Line
1-866-90-UNITE

KentuckyOne Health Welcomes Dr. Tony Smith



Saint Joseph Obstetrics and Gynecology Associates

KentuckyOne Health is pleased to announce that starting on January 1, 2013 **Tony Smith, MD**, will be relocating his practice in Richmond and opening a new office at The Women's Hospital at Saint Joseph East in Lexington.

Dr. Smith is board certified by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology and as a member of Saint Joseph Obstetrics and Gynecology Associates, Dr. Smith will be joining three other doctors: Avis Carr, MD, Elizabeth Elkinson, MD and Kristi McKenzie, MD. This partnership will allow for a wider variety of services for you and the assurance of quality care. Dr. Smith will continue to offer obstetric and gynecologic services at Baptist Care in Richmond and The Women's Hospital at Saint Joseph East in Lexington.

Special Interests

- Pelvic Pain Syndromes
- Stress Urinary Incontinence
- Pelvic Relaxation and Pelvic Prolapse
- Endometriosis
- Abnormal Uterine Bleeding
- Minimally Invasive Surgery
- Obstetrics

ACCEPTING NEW PATIENTS!

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