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# NEWSLETTER

# CONGRATULATIONS: LOGO CONTEST WINNERS

Congratulations to Mr. Terry Burks for receiving first place for his creative entry in the Logo Contest. Terry received a \$100.00 savings bond for his design which will be used on all future publications. Norma Roberts received second place and Alice Burks received third place for their excellent entries and each received a \$50.00 savings bond. Thanks to all individuals who entered the contest and I hope The Kentucky Partnership t-shirt you received will help demonstrate our appreciation for your efforts.

## NOTES OF APPRECIATION

A special "thanks" is extended to the following businesses and organizations in Warren County for their support of The Kentucky Partnership.

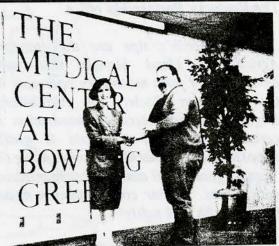
\*The FFA members from Greenwood, Warren East and Warren Central High Schools who helped with the county-wide survey of farm women in April.

\*The Medical Center at Bowling Green for donating a \$100.00 savings bond for the Winner of the Logo Contest.

\*Mr. Glen Martin, Green River-Ford New Holland, Inc., and Mr. David Howell, John Deere Howell Equipment, for each sponsoring the Logo Contest with a \$50.00 savings bond for the second and third place entries. WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

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Terry Burks is presented a \$100 savings bond by Doris Thomas for his winning entry in The Kentucky Partnership Logo Contest. Mrs. Thomas is the Vice President Community Relations/Marketing at The Medical Center at Bowling Green.

\*Klosterman Baking Co., Kroger, Little Caesar's, McDonald's, Dairy Queen, Hardee's, Burger King, Kirby and Poe for their donations of food for the parties of appreciation for the local FFA members.

\*Southern States Cooperative for donating pesticide protective equipment to be used in training by the Community Coordinators.

\*Mr. Glen Martin, Green River Ford-New Holland, Inc., for donating a video on PTO Safety.

#### NEW RESOURCES FOR FARM SAFETY

Linda Dickerson, a Community Coordinator, and family have constructed a mini grain wagon to be used to demonstrate the dangers of playing in grain wagons or bins.

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#### SAFETY TIPS

The newsletter will feature safety tips that can be used on the farm to promote health or safety. If you have suggestions of safety tips you would like to share with other farm women, please call or send them to The Kentucky Partnership office.

This month's tips are the standard Agricultural Hand Signals that were developed for farm machinery operators by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers. Since voice communication in certain agricultural situations is nearly impossible due to machinery noise, using the "hand signals" will assist in communicating with others. Better communication means better health and safety!

## FOCUS GROUP MEETING: HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS

A group of health care providers from Warren County met in April to discuss their educational needs related to illnesses and injuries from farming. The group decided that they needed to know more about farming related respiratory disorders, traumatic injuries, potential toxicity, hearing loss and work related stress. The KY Partnership is sponsoring more planning groups to develop the continuing educational programs and to determine the best way to reach the largest number of health professionals.

#### CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

RINSE AND RETURN: Plastic Pesticide Container Recycling Project will occur in Warren County on June 4th and August 27th. Triple rinse those five gallons or smaller pesticide containers and take to Old Farmer's Fertilizer Building at 4604 Louisville Rd. from 10am to 2 pm. For more

information, contact the Cooperative Extension Office at 842-1681 or any FFA Member. This is a volunteer project to help improve our future environment.

HARVESTING HEALTH AND SAFETY IN THE SOUTHEAST is a workshop scheduled for September 13-14th in Raleigh, North Carolina. The purpose of the workshop is to prevent agricultural injuries and illnesses by promoting resource sharing and collaboration among agricultural workers and their families, extension and health professionals. Some of the Community Coordinators from The Ky Partnership will be attending. If you want more information contact Steve Derthick, NC State University, Box 7625, Raleigh, NC 27695-7625.

#### A FARM FAMILY FALL FESTIVAL will

occur in Warren County in the fall. This exciting event will be sponsored by The Kentucky Partnership and will provide an opportunity for farm families to enjoy a social event and promote farm family health and safety. If you would like to help plan the festival or have ideas, please call Peggy Tucker at 529-3691. WATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION about this Special Event.

#### ACTIVITIES OF COMMUNITY COORDINATORS

The Community Coordinators have been extremely busy during the last two months. Some of their individual and collective activities include the following.

\*Attended a first aide training session. During the next few months, they have elected to focus on first aid and CPR training followed with educational programs. on chemical and equipment safety.

\*Presented a program on "Farm Safety" to approximately 70 sixth-graders at Cumberland Trace Elementary School.

\*Trained local FFA members from the 3 county high schools in preparation for the county-wide survey and later helped with parties of appreciation at the schools.

\*Attended and videoed a 2 day "Farm Rescue Program" conducted by the Barren River Emergency Services School.

\*Distributed fliers/posters to schools and businesses throughout Warren County to promote the Logo Contest.

\*Attended a workshop on the role of farm women in farm safety at The Kentucky Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Conference.

\*Volunteered their farms as sites to be filmed and graciously consented to be interviewed for The Kellogg Foundation's promotional video.

#### INTRODUCTION OF ALTERNATES

The Community Coordinators have decided to select a farm woman from their communitY to serve as their alternate. These individuals will help implement the program in their community and represent the Community Coordinators at meetings in their absence.

Nora Buttrum (alternate for Gail Ballance) lives in the Oakland Community with her husband, Tom. They are the parents of three grown sons and are engaged in many diverse agricultural activities—raising cattle and hogs and growing hay and grain. Nora is also the author of a book, Gone are the Days: The Family Farm As It Was and Is.

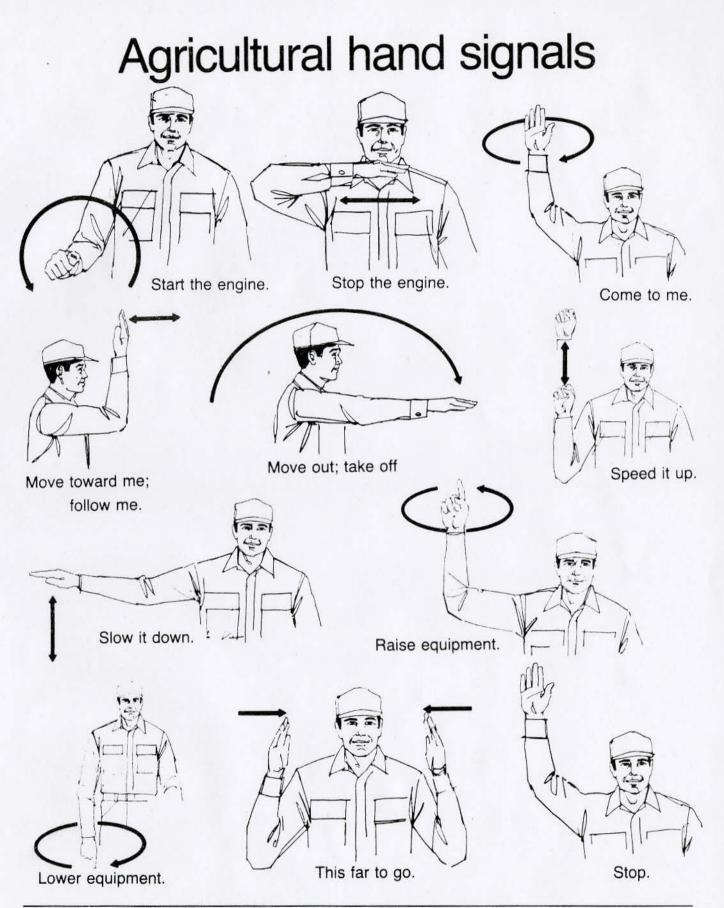
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Chesa Montgomery (alternate for Norma Cohron) along with husband, Johnny, raise cattle and produce tobacco and grain on their farm. They are the parents of Angela, age 20, Amy, age 18 and J.R., age 13. Chesa is an EMT and will be graduating from WKU's nursing program in December.

Angela Vaughn (alternate for Nancy Bunton) along with husband, Dennis, are engaged in diverse agricultural activities on their farm in the South Union community. They grow tobacco and grain and have a beef-calf operation. They are the proud parents of one son, Justin, age 17 months.

Debbie Vernon (alternate for Linda Dickerson) lives with husband, Richard, and sons, Weston, age 16, and Kaelin, age 12, on a farm in the Rockfield Community. They produce hay, tobacco and corn and have a feeder beef cattle operation. Debbie is employed by The Warren Rural Electric Cooperative.

Arithia Willis (alternate for Vivian McClellan) lives with husband, G.T., on a farm in the Richardsville Community. They have a dairy operation along with producing grain and tobacco. They are the parents of three children, Kenton, age 22, Jerry, age 20 and Miranda, age 15.



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