All state grants awarded

State Grant Award notifications to more than 17,000 Kentucky college students for the 1982-83 academic year have been completed, according to an announcement by Paul P. Borden, executive director of the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority. Total grant funds amounting to $6,500,000 have been awarded in amounts up to $1,150 for students attending state-supported institutions and other participating postsecondary Kentucky institutions. Grant awards are based on need and date of application for the limited funds.

While no additional state grants will be available for 1982-83, the authority is processing an average of 2,000 Guaranteed Student Loan applications each week. Current federal budget considerations are not expected to have effect on loans disbursed prior to Oct. 1, 1982. Loan applications are being accepted as usual.

The Guaranteed Student Loan Program enables eligible students who attend eligible institutions to borrow annually up to $2,500 as undergraduate students and $5,000 as graduate students. Loans may be obtained from lending institutions located throughout the commonwealth or through the Kentucky Higher Education Student Loan Corporation.

In addition, students may still establish eligibility for the federal Government Pell (Basic) Grant Program. Students planning to attend some Kentucky colleges may still find aid available through the colleges.

"Funds for the State Grant Programs were depleted again this year before the needs of all applicants could be considered," according to Borden. "Demands on the loan program are expected to remain quite active due to funding alterations in federal programs." Restrictions of aid funds for students and their families may affect college enrollment in the state.

Since the authority has exhausted its available grant funds for 1982-83, students will no longer be sent individual denial notices, according to Borden.

Essay contest subject for '82 announced

"Water Conservation in My Community" will be the subject of the 1982 Conservation Essay Contest and the 1982 Jim Claypool Conservation Poster Contest sponsored by The Courier-Journal and The Louisville Times.

The annual competitions, open to all Kentucky elementary and high school students, may be the largest conservation-oriented contests for school children in the United States. In 1981 over 42,600 essays were written on Wildlife Habitat in my Community. More than 52,000 posters were made on the subject.

The essay contest is in its 39th year, and over 1.5 million essays have been written by students on various conservation subjects since its inception. This will be the 19th year for the poster contest which is open to students in grades one through six. In it, students are asked to make original posters with the subject of the competition as the theme of the posters. Awards of $175 in U.S. Savings Bonds will be awarded to three state winners by the two Louisville daily newspapers. Winners in 121 Conservation Districts will receive plaques.

Dr. Parks presented grant for book

The Kentucky Folklife Foundation has presented Dr. Stanley S. Parks, a retired Lexington physician, with a grant for use in the publication of a book of Appalachian photographs.

Dr. Parks, a charter member of the Lexington Camera Club and an award winning photographer, began recording life in Appalachia with his camera in the 1930s, and these photographs have never been published.

A member of the Filson Club, Kentucky Historical Society, numerous historical preservation groups, the Civil War Roundtable, and an avid collector of early Kentucky books and documents, Dr. Parks was a pioneer in modern gynecological and obstetrical practices in Kentucky before his retirement in 1975.

Keep people reading

That's the theme of the summer reading program at the Nicholas County Library. Nineteen youngsters are attending the sessions, conducted by Regional Librarian Sarah Kelley of Frankfort and Jorita Anderson, local librarian. — Mercury photo.

2nd Annual Appreciation Day

Once a year, Nicholas County Hospital holds an appreciation day for nurses and nurses' assistants. This picture was taken during ceremonies for nurses' assistants during early June. Orderlies and ward clerks were included. A reception was held and gifts were given. — Mercury photo.

Livestock Market Quotes
PARIS STOCKYARDS
June 16-17, 1982

CATTLE	
Receipts	771
SLAUGHTER COWS	
Price trend	Steady to weak
Utility	41.00-48.75
Cutter	36.75-41.00
Canner	33.50-36.75
SLAUGHTER BULLS	
Price trend	Steady to 1.00 lower
Yield grade 1-2	52.00-58.25
VEALERS	
Price trend	Poorly tested
Choice	66.00
FEEDER STEERS (med 1) (1-2 mostly)	
Price trend	Steady
300-400 lbs.	66.00-73.00
400-500 lbs.	65.00-75.00
500-600 lbs.	64.00-73.00
600-700 lbs.	62.00-65.00
700-800 lbs.	62.20-65.00
900 lbs.	62.50
HEIFERS (med 1) (1-2 mostly)	
Price trend	Steady
300-400 lbs.	55.50-60.00
400-500 lbs.	55.50-60.00
500-600 lbs.	55.00-60.50
600-700 lbs.	53.50-58.75
700-800 lbs.	54.25-56.00
COWS W/CALVES	330.00-465.00
BABY CALVES	25.00-105.00
SLAUGHTER HOGS	
Receipts	242
BARROWS, GILTS	
Price trend	1.25 higher
U.S. 1-2, 210-240 lbs.	61.35
SOWS	
Price trend	Steady
U.S. 1-3, 345-500 lbs.	50.00-54.00
BOARS	
Over 300 lbs.	47.50

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FEEDER CALF SALE

CATTLE	
Receipts	922 (majority Feeders)
SLAUGHTER COWS	
Cutter	36.00-40.25
FEEDER STEERS (med 1) (1-2 mostly)	
300-400 lbs.	62.75-64.25
400-500 lbs.	62.60-65.75
500-600 lbs.	63.00-64.75
600-700 lbs.	62.00-66.70
HEIFERS (med 1) (1-2 mostly)	
300-400 lbs.	50.00
400-500 lbs.	58.65-59.10
500-600 lbs.	57.70-59.15
600-745 lbs.	55.05-55.30

Watch out for 'paper pirates'

"Be on the lookout for 'paper pirates' who try to sell office supplies to Kentucky businesses by misrepresenting themselves as the company's regular supplier." That is the warning being given by Attorney General Steven L. Beshear def to a recent outbreak of illegal activity by these so-called paper pirates. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are often the targets of this scheme. In addition to claiming to be the regular supplier, these fraudulent solicitors sometimes claim to be with an affiliate agency that "received a surplus" on its last order. When doing this, they will casually drop familiar names of executives, officers and authorities of the affiliate.

NICHOLAS COUNTY CHAPTER

New FFA Officers

New officers were named at the May Awards Banquet for the Future Farmers of America. From left are Missy Myers, secretary; Mark Wade, reporter; Andy Judge, president; Johnny Mynear, sentinel; Steve Richardson, vice-president; Scott Masters, treasurer; and David Climp, guest speaker. — Photo submitted.

Painting tractor

Members of the FFA painted and overhauled a tractor in the Vo-Ag shop this past year. From left are Everett Smith, Jimmy Woods, Dennis Jackson and Forrest Duncan. — Photo submitted.

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Gov. Brown announces farm boost

Gov. John Y. Brown Jr. signed an agreement expected to pump millions of dollars into Kentucky's farm economy this year through the export of thousands of dairy cattle from the state to Mexico.

Brown said a memorandum of understanding between an agency of the Mexican government and the Kentucky Council on Agriculture "is another facet in our overall marketing plan to send the state's natural resources and farm products to all parts of the world."

William B. Sturgill, Chairman of the Council, said the agreement with Banco Nacional De Credito Rural, S.A., a credit agency of the Mexican government, could result in the export of as many as 25,000 dairy heifers and calves to Mexico this year.

The agreement formalizes and expands a program launched last December that already has resulted in shipment of approximately 2,500 head of Holstein dairy heifers to Mexico at a total selling price of $1,750,000, according to Thomas O. Harris, Executive Director of the Council.

At the signing ceremony in Gov. Brown's office a Mexican representative announced the placement of an immediate order for 260 head of cattle at a cost of $256,000, Harris said.

The memorandum of agreement may be expanded later to include other Kentucky farm products, according to Harris.

Venezuela has expressed interest in buying Kentucky dairy cattle and Venezuelan officials plan to visit the state later this month, Harris added.

Sturgill said, "This is another step in an ongoing program to export those things which Kentucky has an abundance of to countries that need our products." Sturgill noted that Kentucky recently has entered into major export programs that have sent coal to Italy, corn to Nigeria and pigs to Puerto Rico.

"The Council's export program is just in its infancy. But these exports already are providing a significant boost to our farming community at a time when we badly need to find new markets," Sturgill asserted.

Rafael Garciagalan B., an engineer and representative of the Mexican government, said the agreement is the first of its kind between Mexico and another state or nation. It is part of an effort underway to improve the diet of the Mexican people, he said.

The Banco Nacional is an agency of the Mexican government which provides credit and technical help to Mexican farmers who buy the cattle.

Under the agreement the state Council on Agriculture has set up a dairy grading system that conforms to the Mexican standards and assists in the promotion and marketing of the cattle raised by Kentucky farmers.

UK Agriculture tours

The U.K. Agriculture Alumni Association sponsored a tour for prospective students interested in the fields of Agriculture and Home Economics. Attending from Carlisle were the following juniors. Front, left to right, Marsha Lyons, Melissa Mitchell, Suzanne Gudgell, Betty Davis and Letha Ring. Back, left to right, Andy Judge, Billy Doyle, David Gumm, Steve Richardson, County Agent Mike Phillips and Carolyn Sparks. — Photo submitted.

Tobacco farmers support checkoff

Huddleston says

Senator Walter (Dee) Huddleston says his recently completed series of tobacco hearings throughout Kentucky "has provided the groundwork for fine-tuning the tobacco price support program while keeping it virtually intact."

Huddleston, who is Kentucky's senior Senator and the ranking Democrat on the Senate Agriculture Committee, said the tobacco growers' response to the hearings could not have been more positive.

Over the last month, Huddleston conducted hearings in Bowling Green, Shelbyville and Henderson, as a prelude to a full Senate Agriculture Committee hearing last week in Lexington. More than a thousand growers attended the hearings.

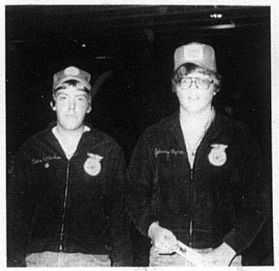
"Our growers overwhelmingly expressed a desire to do whatever may be necessary to see that the tobacco price support program is operated at no cost to the taxpayer," Huddleston said.

"The burley program has always been operated efficiently and effectively — unlike some other types of tobacco.

"But our farmers appear to be more than willing to utilize a checkoff to establish a reserve so that tobacco will pay its own way," Huddleston said.

The Senator said that based on the response in Kentucky, he is optimistic that the tobacco price support program will survive further assaults this year in Washington.

It is expected that hearings will be held in Washington in the spring as the Senate continues to hammer out a self-supporting system.



Ag awards

Nicholas County High School's dairy judging team earned third place in recent FFA Field Day activities at Morehead State University. Members of the team included, from left, Eddie Whirles and Johnny Mynear. Jeff Hammonds is absent. — Photo submitted.

Farmers to report seeded crops before July 15

Lillian A. Hart, State Executive Director, Kentucky Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS), encourages all farmers to report all spring seeded crops planted on their farms as soon as possible, but no later than July 15.

All grain crops should be reported whether or not the farmer participated in the 1982 acreage reduction programs. For farmers who did not participate in the program, certification will be an important factor in determining the 1983 acreage bases.

Farmers participating in the acreage reduction program must report all spring seeded crops plus conservation use acreage by July 15 to be eligible for program benefits. "There will be no exceptions," Mrs. Hart said.

Mrs. Hart said that when the farmer completes his plantings of crops he should visit the local ASCS office to certify.

Happy 4TH OF JULY

Think twice before using marginal land

Kentucky farmers should think twice before putting marginal land into crop production, since the profitability of this practice has wavered under rising production costs and declining crop prices.

Marginal farmland comprises fields which historically produce yields below the farmer's expectations. "This includes sloping land which is susceptible to drouth and those with undesirable soil types," explained Dr. Don Shurley, Extension farm management specialist at the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture's Research and Education Center in Princeton.

Corn and soybean acreage has increased more than 50 percent since 1973 and a good part of this upswing can be attributed to the utilization of marginal land. "In recent years," said Shurley, "farmers have brought woodlands and pasture lands into crop production. Production costs and crop prices were such that farming marginal land was profitable."

Now, with crop prices relatively low and production costs on the rise, Shurley says the profitability of marginal land use must be questioned.

Expenses on marginal land already in production include fertilizer, lime, chemicals, fuel, oil, interest on operating money and hauling and drying. If the farmer is producing corn, this amounts to about $134 per acre, according to Shurley. "If corn is bringing $2.75 per bushel, there must be a 50 bushel per acre return to the farmer to cover his cash expenses," the specialist said.

When applied to soybeans, the same production costs total about $94 per acre. At a price of $6 per bushel, a 15 bushel per acre return is required for the farmer to break even.

The uncertainty of marginal land use emphasizes the importance of keeping careful field records. Shurley recommends farmers record yields and production costs on a field-by-field basis. "The farmer should know which fields are making him money," said Shurley. "Economic conditions will indicate when it will be profitable to farm this marginal land."

Ag award

Michael Hammond of Nicholas County High School, right, earned first place in seed identification at Morehead State University FFA Field Day activities. Presenting the award is Jim Shankland. — Photo submitted.

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