

Public Notice

Mason County man is FB Farmer of the Year

LOUISVILLE – In celebration of National Farmer’s Day, Kentucky Farm Bureau (KFB) today announced that Scott Porter of Mason County has been selected as the 2025 KFB Kentucky Farmer of the Year. He will be presented with this prestigious award during the organization’s annual meeting in Louisville on Friday, December 5.

KFB’s annual Farmer of the Year award recognizes an individual whose agricultural expertise, innovation and community service strengthen Kentucky’s agriculture industry.

“Scott’s diverse farming operation, leadership skills and commitment to service made a strong impression on our judges,” said Eddie Melton, KFB President. “He represents the very best of Kentucky agriculture, combining business expertise with a passion for helping the next generation succeed. We are proud to honor him as our 2025 Kentucky Farmer of the Year.”

Porter operates Springdale Stock Farms LLC, a 1,775-acre cattle farm in Maysville. His 900-head commercial beef cow herd is bred to high-quality Angus bulls to produce top-tier steers and replacement females. He is known for emphasizing efficiency and continuous improvement and mentoring young cattle producers. Porter has enhanced carrying capacity through soil testing, rotational grazing and clearing land for reseeded. He also prioritizes strong herd health practices, including strategic calving windows and comprehensive vaccination protocols.

“I’m really honored to be named Kentucky Farm Bureau’s Farmer of the Year,” Porter said. “Farming has been part of who I am since I was a kid, so this recognition means a lot to me and my family. We’ve had our share of challenges, but those experiences only pushed us to stay committed to raising good cattle, caring for our land, and supporting others in agriculture. It feels great to see those efforts recognized as we keep building toward the future of our farm.”

Porter and his wife, Mary Ann, have four children, with their 21-year-old son recently joining the farm full time.

Massie introduces anti-propaganda bill

Washington, D.C.- Today, Representative Thomas Massie (R-KY) introduced HR 5704, the Repeal the Smith-Mundt Modernization Act of 2013, to protect American audiences from the domestic dissemination of federally funded propaganda by the State Department, the United States Agency for Global Media (USAGM), and their component networks.

“The 2013 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) included the Smith-Mundt Modernization Act, legislation that ended a prohibition on the federal government exposing American audiences to its propaganda,” said Rep. Thomas Massie. “I voted against that NDAA, and I offered an amendment to the 2026 NDAA to reinstate the original prohibition, but Speaker Johnson blocked a vote.

The Smith-Mundt Modernization Act needs to be repealed. Taxpayer-funded fake news should not be used by the federal government to wage influence campaigns against the American people.”

The Repeal the Smith-Mundt Modernization Act of 2013:

Repeals the 2013 Smith-Mundt Modernization Act to restore the

longstanding firewall prohibiting federal domestic propaganda.

Stops the domestic dissemination of propaganda by the State Department, United States Agency for Global Media, and their component networks.

Creates a secure mechanism for oversight by allowing Members of Congress and accredited media to review propaganda materials sent overseas, without enabling those materials to be exploited against the American people.

Prevents clandestine online influence operations by prohibiting

the State Department and USAGM from creating covert social media accounts, websites, or podcasts to target Americans.

Requires archiving of propaganda materials at the National Archives with 20 years of delayed public access and added disclaimers identifying both the U.S. government as the source of the materials and also the foreign audience for which the materials were intended.

Rep. Scott Perry (R-PA) is an original cosponsor and co-lead of the Repeal the Smith-Mundt Modernization Act of 2013.

Warnock announces intent to run for re-election

GREENUP - Matthew J. Warnock, current County Attorney of Greenup County, officially announced today that he will seek re-election in the upcoming 2026 election.

“I’m honored and deeply grateful to have been elected to serve the people of Greenup County beginning in January of 2023 at their County Attorney. I’m extremely proud of the work we’ve done to keep our communities safe, protect victims of crime, and uphold the law with fairness and integrity,” said Warnock.

“There is more work to be done, and I would appreciate the support of our citizens to continue serving as their County Attorney.”

Since taking office in January of 2023, Warnock has increased the number of criminal cases prosecuted by nearly 300 % from the year prior to taking office. Further, his office has indicted numerous individuals for their delinquent child support, built strong relationships with law enforcement, and helped advise the Greenup County Fiscal Court and all other elected Greenup County officials on any and all legal matters.

“I grew up in Greenup County and believe in its future for all of you and your families. Together, we can keep Greenup County safe, strong and moving forward,” Warnock said.

The election will take place on November 3, 2026,.

Road work going on this week

Paving is underway on KY 693, beginning at milepoint 0.00 at US 23, extending East to milepoint 3.10 at KY 207. This will be 3.1 miles of paving in Greenup County. This will be daytime work 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; traffic will be controlled by flaggers. Paving should be complete by Friday, October 17.

UK/King’s Daughters sets scholarship funds

ASHLAND - UK King’s Daughters is announcing a contribution of \$533,000 in matching funds to support students pursuing medical-related degrees at several local colleges and universities.

The matching funds add to recent grants from Kentucky’s Healthcare Workforce Investment Fund, established by the Kentucky General Assembly in 2023 as a public-private partnership to help grow and sustain the state’s healthcare workforce.

UK King’s Daughters’ matching contributions will support students at these institutions:

- Ashland Community & Technical College – \$108,000 to assist students pursuing

an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Radiography, or a Registered Nurse (RN) degree.

- Kentucky Christian University – \$159,000 to assist students pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree.
- Morehead State University – \$266,000 to assist students pursuing one of three

programs: Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), or Associate of Applied Science (AAS) in Radiography.

“Through these investments, UK King’s Daughters reaffirms its commitment to developing the next generation of healthcare professionals and strengthening access to quality care across eastern Kentucky and the surrounding region,” Vice President, Human Resources and Chief Human Resources Officer Jamie Parsons, FACHE, CHHR, SHRM-SCP, said.

Over \$4 million awarded for state wide agricultural loans

FRANKFORT – The Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corp. (KAFC) approved 23 agricultural loans totaling \$4,576,205 for projects across the Commonwealth today at its monthly board meeting.

Agricultural Infrastructure Loan Program (AILP)

Five Agricultural Infrastructure loans totaling up to \$1,004,350 were approved. Loan recipients were in Graves (\$10,000, \$250,000, and \$250,000), Ohio (\$250,000), and Taylor (\$244,350) counties.

KAFC participates with lenders to provide financing to producers making capital expenditures for agricultural projects through the AILP. Eligible projects include permanent farm structures with attached equipment that improves the profitability of farming operations. Producers may be eligible for up to \$250,000 not to exceed 50 percent of the project.

Beginning Farmer Loan Program (BFLP)

Fifteen Beginning Farmer loans totaling up to \$2,821,855 were

approved. Loan recipients were in Clinton (\$74,980), Graves (\$250,000), Grayson (\$62,500 and \$152,500), Green (\$125,000, \$220,000, \$250,000 and \$250,000), Harrison (\$250,000), Logan (\$250,000), Marshall (\$250,000), McClean (\$250,00), Metcalfe (\$150,000), Scott (\$173,375), and Shelby (\$113,500) counties.

The BFLP is designed to assist individuals with some farming experience who desire to develop, expand, or buy into a farming operation. Beginning farmers may Diversification through Entrepreneurship in Agribusiness Program (DEALP)

Two Diversification through Entrepreneurship in Agribusiness loans totaling up to \$500,000 were approved. Loan recipients were in Bath (\$250,000) and Logan (\$250,000) counties.

DEALP is designed to assist agri-entrepreneurs with the purchase, establishment or expansion of a business that sells agricultural products or services to farmers or consumers.

Large/Food Animal Veterinary Loan Program (LFAVLP)

One LFAVLP Loan totaling \$250,000 was approved for a recipient in Owen County.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPLY FOR ABC LICENSE

Exquisite Nails and Spa, LLC, 260 Russell Road, Ashland KY 41101 hereby declares intentions to apply for a Transitional NQ Malt Beverage Drink, Quota Retail Drink license(s) no later than September 11, 2025. The business to be licensed will be located at 260 Russell Road, Ashland KY 41101, 9 doing business as Exquisite Nails and Spa. Member-Managers are Nick Kosai Savath of 444 Racetrack Hill, Raceland, KY 41144 Any person may protest the approval of the license by and Raksmu Sambo, 444 Racetrack Hill, Raceland KY 41144. Any person, association, corporation or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort KY 40601-8400 within thirty (30) days (KRS 243.430) of the date of this legal publication.

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