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Public Affairs Program

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Week of 09 / 26 / 22

September 30, 2022

We meet new Kentucky 4-H President Magaline Blazina from Crittenden County. Blazina talks about her 4-H career, why she decided to run for state president, her year as president, and what she hopes to gain from her...

September 29, 2022

Murray State University Hutson School of Agriculture Assistant Dean Dr. Brian Parr discusses the state of the school year and his career in agriculture education. Parr also discussed with Your Ag Edge's Kinley Humphries the annual picnic...

September 28, 2022

Kentucky Rural Water Director Scott Young talks with Your Ag Edge contributor Kerry Fowler about the mission of the organization and what they do to assist water district across the state. Young also talks about the organization's...

September 27, 2022

Zoetis Animal Health's Kevin Milliner talks about genomic testing and how that is changing cattle operations around the country. He also discussed the process of genomic sampling, how to use the results to improve an operation, and...

September 26, 2022

Zoetis Animal Health Regional Sales Manager Kevin Milliner provides an update on the cattle business and notes the risks that can and cannot be controlled. Milliner also discussed the outlook for the beef cattle market and the...

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October 7, 2022

We meet Kentucky 4-H Vice-President Lucas Arnold who hails from Hopkins County. Arnold discusses his unique start with 4-H, how it feels to wear the coveted green jacket, and what he hopes to gain from the experience...

October 6, 2022

University of Kentucky Beef Cattle Specialist Dr. Katie VanValin says Beef Bash will return to the Research and Education Center in Princeton October 20. Although many of the facilities at the station were destroyed by the December...

October 5, 2022

Kentucky House Agriculture Committee Chairman Richard Heath says there are several agriculture issues lawmakers need to deal with when the General Assembly returns to Frankfort in January. Chairman Heath also discusses assistance for tornado ravaged Western Kentucky...

October 4, 2022

Perryville State Historic Site Manager Brian Bush talks about the 160th anniversary events that will take place October 8 and 9. He talks about activities, battles, kids events, special speakers, and how to obtain tickets....

October 3, 2022

Park Manager Brian Bush discusses Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site located in Boyle County. Bush describes the historic site, what visitors can find, the importance of the site, and the significance on a national basis....

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October 14, 2022

We catch up with Kentucky 4-H Secretary Kathryn Zimmerman from Jefferson County. Kathryn tells us about how she got started in 4-H, why she ran for state office, her year as a state officer, and shares a...

October 13, 2022

We meet Owen County farmer Brian Forsee and learn about his farming operation. Brian discusses what they raise on the family farm, some of the biggest struggles he faces each day, and what he enjoys most about...

October 12, 2022

Cadiz and Trigg County will roll out the red carpet this weekend and welcome visitors from across the state and country to the 46th annual Trigg County Country Ham Festival. Cadiz City Clerk Barbie Johnson previews the...

October 11, 2022

We continue our conversation with Krusteaz Hopkinsville Plant Manager Kevin Maynard about the products they make in Kentucky that are frequently seen on grocery and department store shelves across the country. He also discusses what is on...

October 12, 2022

Krusteaz Company Plant Manager Kevin Maynard talks about the re-branding of the company and its products produced in Hopkinsville from Continental Mills. Maynard talks about the history of the Seattle, Washington, company, how they came up with...

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October 21, 2022

Farm Service Agency State Program Specialist Angela Watson says assistance may be available for farmers impacted by extreme drought conditions in far western Kentucky. Watson says if conditions are met, three programs could provide assistance....

October 20, 2022

Oldham County farmer Wes Husband says they have developed new markets to keep their family farm viable. Husband talks about the their beef operation, CASA, and other ways they are marketing their farm products....

October 19, 2022

Extension Forage Specialist Dr. Ray Smith says next week's Forage Conference in Litchfield and Winchester will offers farmers across the state a chance to learn more about new forage management practices. Dr. Smith details the speakers, topics,...

October 18, 2022

Bullitt County Farm Bureau President Kyle Skidmore recently highlighted three issues the county organization will send to the state for possible inclusion in the Farm Bureau Policy manual. Skidmore also recognized farmer and farm woman of the...

October 17, 2022

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October 28, 2022

Attorney Allen Wilson says Amelia's Run, named in honor of his late wife, raised more than \$19,000 to promote organ donor awareness. Wilson talked about the run, the participants, and the reaction of the community....

October 27, 2022

National FFA Eastern Region Vice President Mallory White says this will likely be her favorite National FFA Convention. White, who is from Union County, Kentucky, talks about her retiring address, recalls her first FFA Convention, and adds...

October 26, 2022

National FFA Eastern Region Vice President Mallory White from Kentucky says the past year as a national officer has been filled with travel, meetings with FFA members across the country, and conversations with national partner organizations. White...

October 25, 2022

Kentucky FFA Executive Secretary Matt Chaliff says more than 1,000 Kentucky members will travel north to Indianapolis for the National FFA Convention. Chaliff talks about the importance of the convention and some of the competitions state representatives...

October 24, 2022

Kentucky FFA Executive Secretary Matt Chaliff says they are excited to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana October 26 through the 28. He says they are looking forward to hearing the retirement address from National...

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November 4, 2022

Kentucky Agriculture Leadership Class 13 member Tyler Gay from Clay County discusses the purpose of the class, who is in it, and what they are doing this year. Gay also talks about their visits to Lexington, Louisville,...

November 3, 2022

Kentucky 4-H State Reporter Keirsten Foit says she is proud to be serving in the newly created office. Foit talks about her experience in 4-H, serving as reporter, and how the experience will impact her life....

November 2, 2022

Wayne County farmer Glen Burton says his family's agriculture story has unique beginning. Burton talks about the history of the farm, what they raise, the struggles on the farm, and what enjoys the most....

November 1, 2022

The North American International Livestock Exposition kicks off Thursday, November 3, at the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville. Kentucky Venues President David Beck talks about the North American, what people can expect, and other details....

October 31, 2022

Seimer Milling Plant Manager Mary Gleason says the Hopkinsville wheat mill is helping supply products to companies in Kentucky and Tennessee. Gleason discusses this history of the mill, products that come from flour made in the mill,...

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November 11, 2022

Pulaski County farmer Kevin Buchanon says he is proud of the heritage and reputation of their purebred angus herd that originated with the Biltmore herd in North Carolina. Buchanon discusses their farming operation, the history of the...

November 10, 2022

Kentucky Venues President David Beck says both the Kentucky Exposition Center and the International Convention Center are needed are improvements. Beck talks about money allocated by the Kentucky General Assembly, issues that need to be addressed, and...

November 9, 2022

Henderson County 4-H Extension Agent Ella Fourqurean says she recently implemented a new program to give some special students the experience of showing livestock. Fourqurean discusses the program, how she got started, what the students learned, and...

November 8, 2022

Kentucky Agriculture Leadership Program member Tyler Gay says the classes recent to Western Kentucky was an eye-opening experience for someone involved in the eastern Kentucky timber industry. Gay talks about the Western Kentucky stop, finding common ground...

November 7, 2022

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November 18, 2022

NAFB President Spencer Chase says having the chance to visit with farmers across the United States has been one of the highlights of his year leading the organization. Chase talks about spreading the message of agriculture communications...

November 17, 2022

The National Association of Farm Broadcasting is being led by President Spencer Chase, who is the Managing Editor for Agripulse. Chase talks about his year as president, where he has traveled, and the message he has spread...

November 16, 2022

National Association of Farm Broadcasting Executive Director Tom Brand says more than 650 people are expected at the 79th annual convention that is taking...

November 15, 2022

UK Extension Agent David Fourqurean says entries and participants in the North American International Livestock Exposition swine show were from all across the United...

November 14, 2022

University of Kentucky Agriculture Extension Agent Jay Stone says the dairy show at the North American International Livestock Exposition had excellent entries and competitors...

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November 25, 2022

With the convening of the Kentucky General Assembly in January Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles says there will be several priorities to work on. Quarles lays out his goals for the new year and what he hopes...

November 24, 2022

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles says farmers in the bluegrass state will be happy to see 2022 in the rearview mirror. Quarles talks about the struggles agriculture faced and what he is looking forward to in 2023....

November 23, 2022

Murray State University Hutson School of Agriculture Dean Dr. Tony Brannon says he is excited about retirement in January. Dr. Brannon talks about his career at Murray State in Higher Education, partnerships through the years, and the...

November 22, 2022

Well-known national farm broadcaster Max Armstrong was recently in Kentucky to record a segment of a popular television show that will air on RFD-TV. We speak with Armstrong about the show, his association with RFD-TV, and his...

November 21, 2022

Butterball Turkey Talk Line host Karen says the turkey talking crew is ready to help cooks of all ages and skill level get ready for Thanksgiving this year. Karen says they are offering their same seasoned advice...

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December 2, 2022

Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack says the USDA is working with other federal agencies to ensure broadband internet service reaches every home in Kentucky and the United States. Secretary Vilsack discussed reaching the last mile with farm...

December 1, 2022

National Agriculture Statistics Service Eastern Mountain Region Director David Knoff says it is important for farmers to respond soon to the Census of Agriculture. Knoff says farmers should have received their census information in the mail last...

November 30, 2022

Kentucky Farm Bureau President Mark Haney says contests at the Kentucky Farm Bureau meeting each year are always inspiring to watch. Haney discusses the contests, legislative updates that will take place this year, and a special Thursday...

November 29, 2022

Kentucky Farm Bureau President Mark Haney says there is quite a bit of excitement for this year's annual meeting that takes place at the Galt House in Louisville. Haney discusses special guests, events that will take place,...

November 28, 2022

Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear and First Lady Britainy Beshear made a pre-Thanksgiving stop at Pennyriple State Resort Park to visit with Dawson Springs families and Hopkins County first responders impacted by the December 10, 2021, tornado. The...

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December 9, 2022

Mulberry Orchard owners Matt and Amanda Gajdzik were recently named the Agribusiness of the Year during the annual Kentucky Agribusiness Network's Farm City Luncheon at the North American International Livestock Exposition. Matt and Amanda talk about how...

December 8, 2022

We conclude a three-part series with Nancy Newsom Mahaffey as we visit with her about how they cure their hams and other specialty products. She also discusses how their business has become generational and spread nationwide to...

December 7, 2022

Newsom's Old Mill Store owner Nancy Newsom Mahaffey talks about the growth of the iconic country ham and specialty meat business through mail order and retail sales. Mahaffey discusses the ham curing process and how she made...

December 6, 2022

Nancy Newsom Mahaffey is proud of the heritage of Newsom's Old Mill Store that she has owned and operated since the late 1970's. Mahaffey discusses the history of the business and how she took it over from...

December 5, 2022

Ukrainian farmer Kees Huzinga and Kansas State University Professor Antonia Broyaka recently spoke at the National Association of Farm Broadcasting's annual meeting about the issues facing their war-torn country. Both discuss the morale of the Ukrainian people...

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December 16, 2022

We continue discussing Tim Hughes' necktie collection in a story recommended by Kentucky Office of Ag Policy Director Brian Lacefield. Hughes talks about some of his favorite ties and where found those ties....

December 15, 2022

When Tim Hughes is representing Kentucky across the country and around the world, he is sure to have on a unique necktie from his extensive collection. Hughes discusses how he started collecting ties and where some of...

December 14, 2022

Kentucky Department of Agriculture Senior Trade Advisor Tim Hughes has been around the world promoting Kentucky agricultural products. Hughes discusses his work at the Kentucky Department of Agriculture and the perception of Kentucky products around the world....

December 13, 2022

United States Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell says a continuing resolution to fund the government is the main priority as Congress wraps up the current session. He also discussed the need for Congress to work with the...

December 12, 2022

American Farm Bureau President Zippy Duvall provided a state of agriculture to the Kentucky Farm Bureau membership during the annual meeting in December. President Duvall discussed issues facing agriculture and the advocacy the AFBF is providing....

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December 23, 2022

We continue our conversation with Mrs. Santa Claus about what she and the Jolly Old Elf do to get ready for Christmas. Travelin the Bluegrass also discusses what Santa and Mrs. Claus enjoy the most about Christmas...

December 22, 2022

Travelin the Bluegrass had the chance to connect with Mrs. Santa Claus at the North Pole about this year's Christmas. We chat with Mrs. Santa about how children are this year, and what are some of the...

December 21, 2022

Murray State University Breathitt Veterinary Center Director Dr. Debbie Reed says her staff was proud to test samples from Santa's Reindeer again this year. Dr. Reed provides some insight into the test results, but says some things...

December 20, 2022

Hopkins County Agriculture Extension Agent Jay Stone says there is quite a bit of excitement surrounding the new Hopkins County Extension Office that is under construction. Stone talks about the office, where it will be located, what...

December 19, 2022

Agriculture Extension Agent Matt Futrell says he is proud to be part of the latest Kentucky Corn Growers CORE Class that began meeting in early December. Futrell talks about the class, his fellow class members, and some...