

Reed brings ag community together for Farmer Awareness

Farmer suicide prevention was front and center at the Kentucky State Capitol on Wednesday, September 18 as Rep. Brandon Reed, Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles and the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy join together for a press conference celebrating Farmer Safety and Health Week and Farmer Suicide Awareness Day.

Reed, of Hodgenville, sponsored a resolution during the 2019 Regular Session that designated September

18 as Farmer Suicide Prevention Day, "Farming is difficult, stressful work that can leave you physically and mentally drained. We want to bring awareness to the challenges that face this profession, as well as the support available."

The event was a collaboration between Reed, Commissioner of Agriculture Ryan Quarles, and the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy and featured special performances by Miss Kentucky Alex Francke,

and vocalist Makenlee Norris, as well as the LaRue County Future Farmers of America at the Kentucky State Capitol to raise awareness for Farmer Suicide Prevention.

Reed worked to bring forth this event that not only encouraged farmers and farm workers to put safety first at all times, but also highlighted statistics that shine light on the unthinkable reality so many families in rural parts of Kentucky face. As part of National Farm Safety

and Health Week (September 15-21),

"It's essential that we educate all generations on the impact that pressures of this industry can have on folks," Reed said. "Most importantly, we need to give those people a name, like mom or dad. When these students share their fears of losing family members, it's our job to make sure local farmers know they are not alone and that they are valued in their communities."

FFA students Isa-

iah Pruitt and Sydney Pepper also spoke at the event, with Pepper reading her award-winning essay on the impact farmer suicide can have on families as a whole.

Reed continues to work to bring awareness to farmer suicide prevention and has pre-filed legislation

that would make the day a permanent part of the state calendar. He also works to provide information about the resources available to the agricultural community, including a toll-free number available to those who need someone to talk to, 1-800-273-TALK or text 741741.

Judicial Center Clean-up



Photo by Tom Mills

Keeping American justice clean requires diligence, including an occasional scouring of the grand skyline-dominating edifice on South Court Street. With flags flying at attention on a hot windy day, the Green County Judicial Center, the hub of The County's legal system, received a power-wash spruce up last week.

Lake Road closed

The US Army Corps of Engineers announced there will be a temporary closing of a Green River Lake Road next week.

Due to paving, the Lake Road between the Visitor Center and Soule Chapel Road/Hwy. 1061 intersection will be closed intermittently during the week of Oct. 14-19. This section of Lake Road will be closed to thru traffic for some or all of those dates. Facilities and recreation areas around the visitor center will remain open. Trails near the Dike and Spillway will be inaccessible.

Any questions, Green River Lake Corps Office at 270-465-4463.

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Sville 5K event is Saturday

The Summersville Fun Days 5K Rica/Walk will be held Oct. 12 with a race start of 8 a.m. CT at Green County Cellular.

The race is hosted and sponsored by the Summersville Church of the Nazarene Mission Team.

The fee is \$27 and preregistration is online at www.runsignup.com/runforcostarica. A free T-Shirt will

be given to those pre-registered.

Forms can be found at Green River Chiropractic, Health First, Community Trust, Limestone, Forcht Bank, Green County Public Library, Central Farmers, Dairy Queen, Lees, Los Agaves, US Post Office, and The Laundry Mat in Summersville.

Completed forms can be dropped off

with payment at Health First Pharmacy.

Registration on race day will begin at 7:30 a.m.

All proceeds benefit Summersville Church of the Nazarene Costa Rica Mission Team.

Contact Kelly Moon at 270-932-1235, Bro. Brandon Edwards at 270-932-4372 or Mike Shoopman at 270-299-5133.

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Summersville Fun Days

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