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## American Farm Mortgage & Financial Services and Legence Bank Sponsors: The Future of Agriculture – Ask the Experts at 5:30p.m. on Tuesday, August 16, 2016

Harrisburg, IL— As we draw close to the end of this summer, harvest time has come for the farmers. "Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals, and happiness." –Thomas Jefferson. American Farm Mortgage & Financial Services and Legence Bank will be sponsoring an amazing, free event at 5:30pm on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, featuring presentations by Greg "Machinery Pete" Peterson, Tyne Morgan, and Jim Rasor.

**Greg Peterson**, known as Machinery Pete, has built a network of 950 regional auctioneers, 600 Ag lenders, 2,000 implement dealers and thousands of farmers throughout the U.S. and Canada. Since 1989, Machinery Pete has compiled more than 500,000 auction prices on all types of used farm and construction equipment sold throughout North America. He has a dealer listings site with analytics and marketing services for equipment dealers, along with one of the top websites for farmers to search for and value their next piece of farm equipment. He is featured weekly on "Machinery Pete TV" via RFD-TV.



**Tyne Morgan**, is the first female host of the U.S. Farm Report on a major agricultural television show. She was born and raised in Lexington, Missouri and FFA was a huge part of her high school career. She started working in broadcast journalism while in high school, providing the daily farm market updates. You can watch Tyne every week as she hosts the U.S. Farm Report and helps viewers navigate the volatile markets with the weekly marketing roundtables. She is also featured every week on Machinery Pete TV and AgriTalk radio.



**Jim Rasor**, Chief Meteorologist, has been with WSIL-TV 3 for almost 30 years. Jim was raised on a small farm in Southern Indiana. He has degrees in atmospheric sciences, specializing in weather forecasting. His passion is to help provide the best forecast for farmers and give them the weather information they need to have a successful farming operation.



During the free event, attendees will hear information on the volatility of the market, equipment values, and the forecast for harvest. The speakers will share stories and resources to help local farmers continue to grow and run successful farming operations. "American Farm Mortgage & Financial Services and Legence Bank" are committed to helping our communities, businesses and individuals grow and prosper. We are pleased to sponsor this top-notch education in the form of a free program in southern Illinois," said American Farm Mortgage & Financial Services President Alan Hoskins. Hoskins said the bank is always interested in helping people in the communities it serves learn and gain valuable resources.

We welcome you to attend our exciting event on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at SIC (Southeastern Illinois College). Welcome and registration will begin at 5:30pm with presentations from 6:00pm-8:00pm and a dessert reception to follow with an opportunity to talk to the speakers.

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