

Massie files to fundraise but hasn't yet decided to run for office again

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U.S. Rep. Thomas Massie has filed to run for his current House seat in 2028 after losing to a Republican challenger endorsed by President Donald Trump last week. However, the congressman says he still hasn't made a decision to seek another office yet.

In a Monday post on X, Massie posted a copy of paperwork that he filed with the Federal Election Commission.

"This allows me to raise funds to continue my political operations supporting my position as a current office holder and as a potential candidate for federal office," Massie said. "I haven't made a final decision about which office to seek, if I run."

Massie, who has had seven terms as Kentucky's 4th Congressional representative, lost his primary last week to former Navy SEAL Ed Gallrein. Trump recruited Gallrein to run against Massie after public battles on a number of issues, such as Massie leading the charge to release the federal investigation files on convicted sex offender and financier Jeffrey Epstein and opposing the GOP megabill, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, last summer.



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US Rep. Thomas Massie talks and takes photos with supporters after giving his concession speech at his watch party in Hebron.

Gallrein will face Democrat Melissa Strange for the seat in the general election this fall.

Though Massie conceded Tuesday, the crowd at his election watch party chanted "2028" and "president" over and over again.

In a Sunday interview on NBC's "Meet the Press," Massie was asked if he plans to run for president in the future.

"I will not rule out anything, and right now, I'm not going to rule in anything," he replied.

"Every hour that passes, I get decompressed a little bit more," he added. "It's like coming up from the bottom of the ocean, and I'll take some time and decide what's next, but I think I will stay engaged

in some way or shape. Maybe it's from the outside. I've been exposing what's going on in Washington, D.C., for years, and I'll keep doing it."

Three political observers recently told the Kentucky Lantern that Massie has a number of options before him with not only federal races in the next few years, but he could consider a run for governor in 2027, or influence politics in an outside role, like with a think tank.

Tuesday, May 26, was the deadline for candidates to request a canvass of votes. However, Massie previously said that he would not request a recount and he doesn't believe he lost because of "fraudulent votes, mail-in ballots, hacking, or mistabulated results."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Morning Pointe plans sock hop

RUSSELL

Classic cars, Elvis music, barbecue and a retro sock hop atmosphere will all come together from noon to 2 p.m. June 6, as Morning Pointe of Russell Assisted Living hosts its 2nd Annual Car Show Extravaganza & Sock Hop benefiting the Morning Pointe Foundation.

The family-friendly event will feature collector cars, live entertainment by Lee Dean as Elvis, inflatables, popcorn, cotton candy, awards and more, while raising support for caregiver programs and clinical scholarships through the Morning Pointe Foundation.

Guests are encouraged to dress in their favorite retro attire, including poodle skirts, cropped pants and cat-eye sunglasses.

Barbecue meals will be available for \$10, and vehicle registration for the car show is also \$10. All proceeds from the event will benefit the Morning Pointe Foundation, which provides caregiver support programs, sponsors educational awareness events, and funds clinical scholarships to advance senior care.

Whether attendees are car enthusiasts, collectors, or simply looking for a fun afternoon with family and friends, the Car Show Extravaganza & Sock Hop promises entertainment for all ages.

For more information or to register a vehicle, call (606) 824-9248.

Staff report

Know the signs: Why fast stroke treatment is critical

LEXINGTON

Every second matters when it comes to stroke.

During Stroke Awareness Month, it is important to understand both the warning signs of stroke and the steps we can take to reduce risk. A stroke occurs when blood flow to part of the brain is interrupted, depriving brain cells of oxygen. Without prompt treatment, brain cells begin to die within minutes.

As a physician who treats stroke patients, I have seen firsthand how rapid recognition and treatment can dramatically improve recovery and outcomes. I have also seen the consequences when people wait too long to seek care because they do not recognize symptoms or assume they will go away on their own.

One of the most important things everyone should know is the acronym BE FAST, which helps identify common stroke symptoms:

- B — Balance: Sudden trouble with balance, coordination or walking.
- E — Eyes: Sudden

double vision or loss of vision in one or both eyes.

- F — Face drooping: Does one side of the face droop or feel numb?

- A — Arm weakness: Is one arm weak or difficult to raise?

- S — Speech difficulty: Is speech slurred or hard to understand?

- T — Time to call 911: If you notice any of these symptoms, seek emergency care immediately.

Regardless of which symptoms appear, time is critical. In stroke care, we often say "time is brain" because millions of brain cells can be lost each minute treatment is delayed.

Many people assume strokes only happen to older adults, but strokes

can occur at any age. Certain medical conditions and lifestyle factors can increase stroke risk, including high blood pressure, diabetes, high cholesterol, smoking, obesity, physical inactivity and atrial fibrillation.

High blood pressure is the single biggest stroke risk factor that we can modify. The encouraging news is that even small improvements can make a significant difference. Lowering blood pressure by as little as 10 points may reduce stroke risk by up to 30%. That is substantial. Managing your blood pressure, staying physically active, eating a healthy diet and avoiding tobacco products can all help reduce risk. Regular checkups with

your health care provider are also important for identifying and managing underlying conditions before they become more serious.

Another common misconception is that stroke symptoms will always be severe or painful. In reality, stroke is rarely accompanied by pain, which is one reason many people dismiss symptoms or delay seeking care. Any sudden numbness or weakness affecting one side of the body, speech changes or vision changes should be taken seriously.

If you suspect someone is having a stroke, do not wait to see if

symptoms improve. Call 911 immediately rather than driving to the hospital yourself. Emergency medical teams can begin evaluating patients on the way to the hospital and help ensure patients are transported to the appropriate stroke center as quickly as possible.

Advances in stroke care continue to improve outcomes for patients, particularly when treatment begins early. Clot-busting medications and minimally invasive procedures can help restore blood flow to the brain and reduce disability in certain types of stroke.

However, these treatments are highly time sensitive.

During Stroke Awareness Month, take a few moments to learn about the warning signs, know your risk factors and share this information with family and friends. Recognizing a stroke quickly could help save a life — possibly even your own.

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Sealed bids will be received by the City of Catlettsburg, Kentucky on the following item(s):

Replacement of Bituminous Asphalt Material

Specifications and bid instructions may be obtained by contacting Mayor Faith Day at info@catlettsburg.us or telephone 606-739-4533.

Bids will be received by the City Clerk at 2611 Louisa Street, Catlettsburg, Kentucky on June 11, 2026 until 12:00pm. All bids will be opened and read publicly at 12:00pm on June 11, 2026.

The City of Catlettsburg, through its Mayor, reserves the right to accept all or to reject all or any part of the bid should it be deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Catlettsburg.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 11 -2026

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GREENUP, KENTUCKY, AMENDING SEWER RATES, CHARGES, PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR THE VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above caption and Ordinance is titled as set forth above and has been reviewed by the undersigned, who is an attorney licensed to practice law in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

R. Stephen McGinnis
HON. R. STEPHEN MCGINNIS
PHONE: (606) 473-7303
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ADOPTED ON THE 18th day of May, 2026, by the City Council of the City of Greenup, Kentucky.

Lyle Murrell
MAYOR, CITY OF GREENUP, KY

ATTEST:
Angela Bentley
CITY CLERK

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Notice is hereby given that The Kleingers Group at 2211 River Road, Louisville, KY 40206, has filed an application with the Energy and Environment Cabinet to construct a sports complex with a parking lot and a detention pond. The property is located at 10699 US-60, Ashland, KY 41102. This property is along the East Fork Little Sandy River near the intersection of Highway 60 and Cedar Knoll Drive. Any comments or objections can be submitted via email to: DOWFloodplain@ky.gov Kentucky Division of Water, Floodplain Management Section, 300 Sower Blvd. Frankfort, KY 40601. Call 502-564-3410 with questions.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Mel's Ashland, LLC, mailing address P.O. Box 1114, Grayson, KY 41143, hereby declares its intention(s) to apply for a NQ-2 Retail Truck License no later than June 25, 2026. The business to be licensed will be located at: 739 Carter Ave, Ashland, KY 41101. The Principal Officers and Directors are as follows:
Member: Misael Nunez, 15830 Ponderosa Drive, Catlettsburg, KY 41129.
Member: Jennifer Nunez, 15830 Ponderosa Drive, Catlettsburg, KY 41129.
Any person, association, corporation or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 500 Mero Street, 2NE33, Frankfort, KY 40601 within thirty(30) days (KRS243-430) of the date of this legal publication.
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