

Gridiron preview

Kickoff to the 2008 Rocket football campaign is this Friday in Draffenville when Crittenden County faces Lake County, Tenn., in the Alliance Bowl. Find all you need to know about the team in this week's annual football preview found inside.

Yard sale planned for Heritage Days

There will be a Heritage Days community yard sale Sept. 19 and 20 at the old junior high school lot on College Street in Marion. There will be no charge for set-up or advertising. If interested in participating, call 704-2367 before 9 p.m.

President Reagan a Kentucky favorite

Late President Ronald Reagan still holds a warm place in many Kentuckians' hearts according to results released this week from a straw poll at the 2008 Kentucky State Fair. Fairgoers were asked to vote for their favorite president of the 20th century from a list of presidents that included five Democrats and five Republicans. The straw poll was part of the secretary of state's efforts to teach voters about voting machines used across the commonwealth. Results were as follows:

PRESIDENT	%	PRESIDENT	%
Reagan	33.2	F. Roosevelt	7.7
Kennedy	16.2	Ford	6.8
Clinton	10.0	Eisenhower	3.6
Bush	9.0	Wilson	3.3
T. Roosevelt	8.5	Truman	3.0

Press office closed for holiday Monday

The Crittenden Press will be closed Monday, with deadlines for next week's Crittenden Press moved to 5 p.m., Tuesday. Due to the Labor Day holiday, The Press will be one day late next week, with newspapers available in newsstands beginning Thursday. Because of Monday's postal holiday, your Early Bird, too, will be one day late in your mailbox.

Public meetings

■ Crittenden County Public Library Board of Directors will meet at 5 p.m., Thursday (today) in the library meeting room.

■ Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Thursday (today). A forum on the proposed increased property tax rate will begin at 5:45 p.m.

■ Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce has moved its regularly-scheduled meeting date because of the Labor Day holiday. The Chamber will next meet at 7 a.m., Sept. 9.

By the numbers

Precipitation report

Last 7 days	0.57
Last 30 days	1.77
Since Jan. 1, 2008	36.39
Deviation from average	+1.96

Source: UK Ag Weather Service at Princeton as of Aug. 27

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Stop the presses!



After a combined 52 years, Faye Conger (seated) and Ken Sharp worked on their final edition of The Crittenden Press this week, preparing the annual football special Tuesday for insertion into this week's newspaper. Beginning next week, the newspaper and Early Bird will be printed elsewhere as The Press shuts down its web press.

Press makes final run at Marion plant

By DARYL K. TABOR
MANAGING EDITOR

Stop the presses!
After 31 years of working at The Crittenden Press, the chilly winter day a small red button was pushed to hastily shut down three clattering press units stands out as one of the most memorable of Faye Conger's career. It was Feb. 18, 1998, the day an Air Force bomber crashed on Eddie Hendrix's farm near the Mattoon community.

"We had run about half the Presses and they came back here yelling, 'Stop the press!'" said Conger.
Conger and the rest of the newspaper's crew working to get the news on the streets and in mailboxes were as stunned as anyone that day, but word of the crash meant, for them, starting over in order to include the late-breaking news in an unprecedented second edition of The Press. It turned out to

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Readers, advertisers benefit from change

STAFF REPORT

Starting in September, The Crittenden Press will launch a major new initiative that will bring full-color options to the newspaper and a greater emphasis on serving an ever-changing market.

The Crittenden Press has been beefing up its Internet site over the summer, increasing content and providing more services for advertisers. That focus will continue while the print edition shifts to a more modern appearance, too.
For more than 30 years, The Crittenden Press has been printed in black and white at the newspaper's office on East Bellville Street.

Now, in order to provide readers with color photographs, graphics and full-color advertising options, The Press will be printed elsewhere, said Publisher Chris Evans. The new look will also include a sleeker design that has become the industry standard. Many of the impending changes will take effect next week, others will be implemented by Oct. 1.

Beginning next week, The Press and its sister publication, The Early Bird Shopper's Guide, will be

printed in Elkton in Todd County by Quality Web Printing. All of the pre-press services, such as reporting, advertising sales, layout, design and photography, will continue to be handled in Marion. However, the printing and post-press services, such as labeling and inserting of advertising circulars, will be conducted in Elkton.

"In this technological era, it has become more cost-effective and more attractive to outsource our printing," said Evans, who has been with the newspaper for most of the last 22 years. "This has been a very difficult decision because it means turning loose of something we've done for a very long time, and that's printing our own newspaper right here in Marion."

"We were able to continue printing our own newspaper after others in the region quit many years ago. We were able to do that because of a dedicated and highly dependable staff that worked hard to keep production costs low," Evans added.

For many years, The Press was printed by The Shoppers' News in Paducah. But in the mid-1970s, the late Press publisher Paul Mick purchased the three-unit Goss Community Press which has been used to print the newspaper and shopper's guide in Marion. It ran for the last time on Wednesday to print this week's Crittenden Press.

The end of an era

"It is the end of an era, as we

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City further lowers taxes on property

STAFF REPORT

The City of Marion on Monday gave final approval to property tax rates for 2008, lowering the levy on real estate within the city another 2.5 percent from the rate introduced just a week before.

Council members set the 2008 tax on real property at 21.8 cents per \$100 of assessed value, a full 10 percent lower than last year's rate. Last week, council members introduced a property tax ordinance that set the rate at 22.4 cents, which was in error according to City Administrator Mark Bryant. Monday's adjustment dropped the tariff 2.4 cents lower than the 2007 rate of 24.2 cents.

"It's what we had originally talked about," Mayor Mickey Alexander said of the 10-percent reduction to the real estate tax.

Bryant said the city was able to lower one of its primary sources of revenue because over the past several years, the



Bryant

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Guilty plea agreed to in Damron trial

STAFF REPORT

Ronnie Damron, the man set for a third trial this week on sodomy, theft and persistent felony charges, has reached a plea agreement with the state.

Damron, 46, has pleaded guilty to first-degree burglary. The prosecution has agreed to a 10-year sentence. Formal sentencing will be Sept. 11 before Judge Renee Williams in Crittenden Circuit Court.

A third trial was set to start Thursday (today) in Dixon, where the case had been moved due to publicity in The Crittenden Press following two previous trials. Damron has twice been tried for the Oct. 30, 2002, burglary and sexual assault of an elderly woman in the Deer Creek community. The first trial in 2006 ended in a mistrial because the jury failed to render a verdict. Damron was convicted in the second trial in 2007. However, that jury's decision was overturned due to an issue in the jury selection process.

The victim, who was 64 at the time of the incident, has twice testified in court that she knew Damron and that he was the man who shined a flashlight in her face, robbed and assaulted her on her own bed. Commonwealth Attorney Zac Greenwell said the victim has approved the plea agreement.

Damron was the Kentucky State Police's only suspect throughout the investigation. He claims that he was in another county at the time.

Greenwell said the state agreed to the plea with a key provision that Damron will be classified as a violent offender, meaning he will have to serve 85 percent of his sentence before being eligible for parole. Damron will get credit for time served while awaiting trial, which has been about three years. Based on the plea agreement, he will have to serve just over five more years before being parole eligible.



Damron



"This change marks the end of something very unique in Kentucky ... and the hardest part about losing the local printing operation is losing several very good people from our Press family."

- Allison Mick-Evans

School district adjusts busing to save money

By DARYL K. TABOR
MANAGING EDITOR

Faced with rising fuel costs and other increased energy expenses while state funding remains flat, many school districts across the state are changing the way they deal with field trip costs.

Crittenden County is not immune. The school board, while former Superintendent John Belt was at the helm of the district, enacted an increase on the amount it expects clubs and organizations to pay when using buses for transportation. In the past, the district asked for only the cost of fuel and pay for the driver. But in May, the board of education decided that the district would need to begin recouping the costs of bus depreciation, replacement of parts, tires and oil beginning this school year.

In addition to fuel and driver costs, the district is now charging the IRS-

mileage-reimbursement rate for each bus mile for all non-route transportation, including athletic competitions, academic events, field trips, etc. The current IRS rate is 50.5 cents per mile, meaning a 100-mile trip would cost a group an extra \$50.50 on top of the price for fuel and hourly rate for a driver.

"It's kind of a unique approach," Belt said during the May meeting in which the measure was passed, but "I don't think it'll keep any group from taking a trip unless the cost of fuel goes over the moon."

The district also upped the reimbursement rate to staff who use their own vehicles to the same IRS mileage reimbursement rate, 50.5 cents. The rate had been 38.5 cents.

"This will add costs to our budget, however, our staff is saving wear and tear on our fleet, and this amount would help ease the burden," School Finance Officer Brent Highfill wrote in a May 1 memo to Belt.

Highfill and transportation administrators with the district have also been able to shave 13,510 miles off the annual busing mileage by tweaking regular routes, saving the district more than \$8,000 this year on fuel costs. At \$4.16 per gallon - the average cost of a gallon of diesel fuel as of Monday in Kentucky - Crittenden County schools would save \$8,194 based on the U.S. Department of Energy's 6.6-miles-per-gallon estimate for the type of buses used by the school district.

The savings as compared to 2004 when the district maintained 32,393 route miles, is 4,984 gallons of fuel or right at \$20,000.

Last month, the board also institut-

ed a policy aimed at reducing the amount of fuel used while buses sit idle, waiting for passengers to board or offload. Drivers are to allow buses no more than five minutes of idling, except in the event of extreme weather, maintenance and other emergencies.

Some other cost-saving efforts in the district outside of transportation, according to Highfill, include:

■ School resource officer cut.
■ Staff members have been encouraged to print on both sides of paper, turn off lights and unplug devices when not in use.

■ High school textbooks cut.
■ Cut days and hours to positions throughout the district and allocations to programs, while attrition has reduced the total number of staff.

■ Pay phones were eliminated, cell phones were reduced to only two in the district and printers have been networked to reduce costs.



Belt

Why the radical change in America?

In 1782, the United States Congress voted this resolution: "The congress of the United States recommends and approves the Holy Bible for use in all schools."

In 1836 William Holmes McGuffey, a professor and college president, wrote the McGuffey Reader, which was used for over 100 years in our public schools with over 125 million copies sold until it was stopped in 1963.

President Lincoln called him the "Schoolmaster of the Nation."

Listen to these words of Mr. McGuffey: "The Christian religion is the religion of our country. From it are derived our notions on character of God, on the great moral Governor of the universe. On its doctrines are founded the peculiarities of our free institutions. From no source has the author drawn more conspicuously than from the sacred Scriptures. From all these extracts from the Bible I make no apology."



Until 1962 prayer and Bible reading and references were the daily diet of the public school children that produced the great homes, parents, churches, military, neighbors, doctors, lawyers, statesmen, politicians, presidents and this great nation.

All honest people know the melt-down started in the 1960s and has been on the downward slide morally.

Therefore the safe, peaceful, free, spiritually inclined, moral atmosphere has deteriorated drastically and is beginning to unravel every wise, and economically. Rightly so.

Of the first 108 universi-

ties founded in America, 106 were distinctly Christian, including the first, Harvard University, chartered in 1636.

In the original Harvard Student Handbook rule No. 1 was that students seeking entrance must know Latin and Greek so that they could study the scriptures: "Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well, the main end of his life and studies is, to know God and Jesus Christ, which is eternal life, John 17:3; and therefore to lay Jesus Christ as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. And seeing the Lord only giveth wisdom, let everyone seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek it of him (Proverbs 2:3)."

For over 100 years, more than 50 percent of all Harvard graduates were pastors.

It is clear from history

that the Bible and the Christian faith, were fundamental to our educational and judicial system.

James Madison, the primary author of the Constitution of the United States, said this: "We have staked the whole future of our new nation, not upon the power of government; far from it. We have staked the future of all our political constitutions upon the capacity of each of ourselves to govern ourselves according to the moral principles of the Ten Commandments."

Yet the majority on the Supreme Court today refuse to let them be posted anywhere in public.

How about our first court justice, John Jay? He stated that if we are to preserve our nation, we must select Christians. "Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers and it is the duty as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation to select

and prefer Christians for their rulers."

The majority of our Supreme Court is today disgusting.

John Quincy Adams, son of John Adams was the six U.S. President, and was also the chairman of the American Bible Society, which he considered his highest and most important role. On July 4, 1821, he said, "The highest glory of the American Revolution was this: it connected in one indissoluble bond the principles of civil government with the principles of Christianity."

Calvin Coolidge, our 30th President, reaffirmed this truth when he wrote, "The foundation of our society and our government rest so much on the teachings of the Bible that it would be difficult to support them if faith in these teachings would cease to be practically universal in our country." What a heart-breaking

difference 200 years has made in the members of our Congress, Supreme Court, our previous president, and one of the wannabes of today, and therefore our beloved America.

How can God bless America when too many Americans want evil to prevail, and put God out of our lives except for His blessings?

Now, you know why the atheists, humanists, and far left liberals want our American history, and the Bible, out of all the government schools. Most of the universities in this nation are turning out atheists by the thousands that will be our politicians, lawyers, doctors, teachers and many false preachers.

May God have mercy on all of the rest of us.

(Editor's note: Rev. Tedrick is pastor of Marlon Church of God. Her guest column appears regularly in The Crittenden Press.)

Crittenden County Detention Center

Crittenden County Detention Center and Jailer Rick Riley provide The Crittenden Press with a weekly report of the jail's inmate count and work release program. Inmates are supervised and carry out a variety of labor regularly undertaken by local municipal departments.

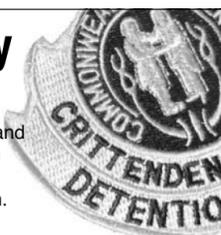
Work-release for the week of Aug 18-24:

1. Six men at 40 hours each mowing crew
 - a. Marion-Crittenden County Park
 - b. Crittenden County Courthouse
 - c. Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum and Cabin
 - d. Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center
 - e. Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center
 - f. Crittenden County Health Department
 - g. Dam 50 recreational area (includes cleaning restrooms)
 - h. Crittenden County History Museum
 - i. Crittenden County fire and rescue department
 - j. Crittenden County Denton Center
 - k. Crittenden County (old) Jail
2. Two men at 48 hours each to county road department
3. One man for 40 hours to Crittenden County Animal Shelter
4. Two men at 40 hours each to City of Marion
5. Four men covering 155 miles and collecting 70 bags of trash on county roads in Crittenden County (includes weekly clean-up at the Ferry Landing and Dam 50)
6. One man at eight hours to Marion Police Department for janitorial work
7. One female at 40 hours to Senior Citizens Center
8. Two females at 16 hours to Senior Citizens Center
9. Four males at 40 hours each working on the Blackford Trailhead Facility
10. Four females at 24 hours each painting at the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum
11. One male at 40 hours to the Carson G. Davidson National Guard Armory
12. Two woman at 40 hours each to Marion City Hall

Shea Holliman, CC/CD Coordinator

Inmate count as of Aug. 24 (female count):

Total: 117 (20) Federal: 1 (0) Crittenden County: 11 (2)
State: 102 (16) Other counties: 3 (1)



Local & Regional Briefs

Compiled from staff reports

MPD urges halt to utility pole signs

Marion Police Department is urging citizens to stop putting signs on utility and street poles in town.

Police Chief Ray O'Neal said that his department spends several manhours a week removing illegal signs.

"Kentucky statutes prohibit those signs from being on poles," O'Neal said.

In fact, a sign on a utility pole can create serious civil liabilities for the person placing it there, the chief said.

Yard and garage sales are the most common offenders.

City buys breeding ground for pests

The City of Marion is adding 7.2 acres to its list of municipally-owned property.

On Monday, city council members agreed to purchase a tract of land owned by Darrell Jent that has become known as a mosquito breeding ground. The price paid to Jent will be \$47,250, or \$6,562.50 per acre. The property is located behind the Fraternal Order of Eagles Club off Old Piney Road.

Much of the acreage is low-lying and holds pools of water for extended periods after soggy weather.

City Administrator Mark Bryant has blamed the property, through no fault of Jent's, for the source of summertime

mosquito complaints on the southern end of town.

"The thought there was to just take ownership of the problem," Bryant said of the purchase.

The city is currently in the process of clearing and leveling the land in an attempt to prevent pooling of water.

Tax changes leave \$65,000 shortfall

Crittenden County Road Department's funding for the coming fiscal year is \$65,000 lighter than anticipated.

Judge-Executive Fred Brown said that some unintended ramifications of a 2006 transportation bill has eliminated several thousand dollars in tax revenue from light- to mid-duty trucks. The impact will be felt by every county in the state, Brown said. Each receives the same amount from those types of truck taxes.

Brown said that he has been in contact with state legislators from the district and they are working on trying to ease the sting.

"We hope they can find some other tax dollars to cover at least part of the shortfall," Brown said. "They have been very cooperative in trying to help."

If that doesn't work, Brown said county leaders will have to make some drastic cuts to the road department, which would affect personnel and services. The county's road

department budget is about \$900,000 a year of which about \$232,000 comes from license fees. This year, that amount was around \$167,000.

County officials were unaware of the shortfall until they received the check last week from the state, which was about 28 percent less than anticipated.

Fredonia inmates remain at large

Two inmates who escaped earlier this month from the West Kentucky Correctional Complex in Fredonia remain at large, though authorities believe they are no longer in the area.

On Aug. 16, Jesse James Sebastian and James Ernest Whisman fled the facility but remained in the area as late as last Thursday. Princeton Police recovered a mini van at a motel parking lot Thursday night that they believe the escapees stole from a Lyon County residence.

Whisman, 26, was serving 21 years for several offenses, including assault. Sebastian was serving 13 years multiple theft-related charges.

A third escapee from the facility, James Ray Allgood, has been missing since July 17. He was last seen in Breckinridge County after walking away from a work release program at Lyon County High School.

Allgood stole two vehicles

in the area, including one in the edge of Lyon County that was owned by Randy Peek. That vehicle was found early last week in Breckinridge County by Kentucky State Police.

Woman files suit in Juggalo death

A wrongful death suit has been filed against Hardin County (Ill.) General Hospital and Dr. Kimberly Birch in regard to the 2007 death of an Indianapolis man attending the Gathering of the Juggalos in Cave in Rock, Ill.

According to the Hardin County Independent newspaper, Debora Beckner filed suit Aug. 8 in Hardin County Circuit Court on behalf of the estate of Raymond Shane Barnett, who was found dead in a rural area of the southern Illinois county on Aug. 16, 2007. Barnett, attending the annual gathering of fans of the metal/rap group Insane Clown Posse, had reportedly been treated at the Rosiclare, Ill., hospital on Aug. 11, 2007, and discharged later that day.

The suit filed by Beckner, Barnett's mother, claims Dr. Birch, the emergency room doctor on duty who diagnosed the victim with heat exhaustion and dehydration, did not appropriately treat him before his release. Beckner claims it was the responsibility of the doctor and hospital to see that her 30-year-old son was okay before discharging him.

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cease to belong to a unique and small league of community-owned newspapers that still print their own newspaper," said Mick's daughter, Allison Mick-Evans. "We have been blessed with very loyal employees in our pressroom, and losing them is the hardest part of this transition."

The Crittenden Press was one of 13 of Kentucky's 121 weekly newspapers that still printed its own newspaper in-house. According to Kentucky Press Association President David Thompson, the only remaining weekly newspaper to print solely its own publication will now be The Harrodsburg Herald in Mercer County. The remaining 11 weeklies print several other publications at their printing plants.

The Press and Early Bird will still be composed in Marion and then uploaded to the Internet where Quality Web Printing will retrieve it in an electronic format, print

the newspaper and shopper's guide, then deliver it to Marion on normal publication dates.

The Press will continue to be available at newsstands Wednesday afternoon and delivered by mail on Thursdays in the immediate area. Out-of-town subscribers will not see any difference in delivery either. The Early Bird will be available at most newsstands Monday afternoon and will be in mailboxes on Tuesday and Wednesday in the six-county area it serves.

More changes in store

The newspaper office in Marion will be changing its general business hours. Beginning on Monday, Sept. 8, The Press office will be open from 9 a.m., until 5 p.m. Most after-hours transactions can be done over the Internet, including placing advertising, subscribing and e-mailing of photographs, news and calendar items. Corresponding with reporters or advertising representatives has also been much easier thanks to the Internet and e-

mail. Also, for customer convenience, The Press has a secure drop box next to its front door.

With the changes will come an increase in rack and subscription prices. Starting with the Sept. 4 issue of The Crittenden Press the newsstand price will be 94 cents. Kentucky sales tax will be six cents, bringing the total cost to \$1.

Newspaper subscription rates are going up due to increases in periodical postage. The in-county rate will see only a modest jump to \$32. That rate is good for Crittenden and all bordering counties. Elsewhere in Kentucky, the rate will be \$40 and out-of-state subscriptions are going to \$55. You can subscribe online at ThePress.com using a credit card on a secure Paypal account.

As an alternative to higher out-of-state rates, The Press

is going to be offering online PDF subscriptions for less than half the normal subscriber rate. PDFs are full electronic versions of the newspaper which will be accessible through The Press Online. Those PDFs will be available each Wednesday afternoon, or Thursday morning at the latest during holiday periods. Through September, PDFs will be free online. Starting in October, there will be a nominal monthly fee to access those files.

In the past, The Press Online has featured only a portion of the overall content of the newspaper in PDF format. Beginning next week, the entire paper will be posted online.

The main section of The Press Online will continue to feature an abbreviated version of the newspaper in HTML format. That service

will continue to be free. The online edition also features Web exclusives such as video, audio, Podcasts and breaking news and sports on the blog link. Breaking news is updated daily as things occur in the community.

The Crittenden Press will continue offering commercial printing, including letterheads, envelopes, business cards, brochures and other types of business forms. The Press offers a variety of new full-color lines, including invitations, posters, brochures and more. Low volume black-and-white printing will continue to be done in Marion. Quick copies and short-run items, including business cards and handbills, will be printed here, but high-quantity commercial jobs will be outsourced to other printers. The Press will continue servicing all of its customers' printing needs.

Correction

Due to a reporting error, a caption in last week's Press misrepresented the ballot order for November's Marion City Council election. The ballot order, as determined by a drawing earlier this month, is as follows:

1. Dwight Sherer
2. Michael Byford
3. Darrin Tabor
4. Janet Pierce
5. Bill Frazer
6. Donnie Arflack
7. James "Jim" Brown
8. Scott Tabor



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be a long night, and was the first time in memory – before or since – that the old printer's cliché actually put a halt to the ink at The Crittenden Press.

Press moves printing

On Wednesday, the ink stopped for good in the production room of The Press. There was no red button pushed, no special edition and little fanfare... just a few teary eyes and a cloud of nostalgia lingering as the final issue of The Crittenden Press to be printed in Marion was readied for its readers.

"I'll probably shed a few tears," Conger said last week, preparing others for her last day on the job. "You work at a place 31 years, it's hard."

Conger, 62, has been with the newspaper longer than anyone else, showing up each week since August of 1977 to methodically collate advertising flyers and sections of the paper for distribution. She remained until the last one rolled off line this week, almost 31 years to the day she started.

For most of that period, she has worked alongside a man who has become like a brother.

"I remember when he came here," said Conger, chuckling as she recalled how quiet Ken Sharp was at the time he was hired. "I thought he was a bashful, but he grows on you. He's my friend."

Over a couple of decades of working together, the two have shared ideals, both religious and political. In fact, for a period, Sharp willingly allowed Conger to subject him to conservative radio host Rush Limbaugh, while both enjoyed gospel music and preaching over the airwaves.

In Sharp's 21 years as pressman for the newspaper, he has monitored ink wells, threaded newsprint and sometimes coaxed a miracle or two out of the aging units that have produced The Crittenden Press and The Early Bird. Altogether, he's printed about 14.2 million newspapers, not including school papers, fair catalogs and the occasional assistance to neighboring community newspapers.

"I've probably printed three times that," said Sharp, who after graduating from Livingston Central High School began as a pressman at The Shoppers' News in Paducah, printing several community newspapers, including The Crittenden Press. "I've killed a lot of trees."

He printed his last newspaper Wednesday, as The Press transitions to a more cost-effective plan that will see its publications printed in Elkton, Ky., with full-color capabilities.

"I wasn't sure I could be around to see the press' gears



The Crittenden Press' production crew joined the rest of the staff Monday for a dinner honoring their service in getting the newspaper to readers for the last 32 years. Pictured (from left) are Peggy Easley, Phyllis Risner, Carolyn Cannon, Ken Sharp and Faye Conger. Missy Myers is not pictured.

PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

make their last turn," said Allison Mick-Evans, daughter of the late Paul Mick, who ran the newspaper from the mid-1960s until his death in 1990. "This change marks the end of something very unique in Kentucky, especially in western Kentucky, and the hardest part about losing the local printing operation is losing several very good people from our Press family."

Life after The Press

Sharp, Conger and Carolyn Cannon are three regulars who will be forced to move on after the presses stop running in Marion, though Sharp is the only full-time employee. Other affected employees who have helped from time to time are Peggy Easley, Missy Myers and Phyllis Risner.

Conger will keep her eyes open for another part-time job that might strike her interest while she updates her Web site with family photos and builds her scrapbook collection. Cannon, who has worked alongside her daughter Gina Brown the last three years, won't be looking to replace her hours, instead preferring to call it quits.

"I mainly came up here to spend more time with Gina," Cannon said of her reasons for starting work at The Press.

Sharp, however, is uncertain of his future. He has for some time contemplated getting out of the printing business, which requires long hours of standing on concrete, heavy lifting and often dangerous situations. In more than a quarter-century in the industry, he's had only one serious injury – a finger smashed

between two rollers on a press unit just a couple of years ago. But three back surgeries and other recurring health problems have taken their toll.

"I don't know why I even got into printing," Sharp, 59, contemplated as he eyes an end to a career that started in 1968. "I fell into it and just stayed in it."

He left printing in 1971 to work for Illinois Gulf Central Railroad in Paducah, where he stayed until his first back surgery in 1979. Trying his hat at a few other stops, he returned to printing in the area when Mick came calling in 1987. Mick remembered Sharp from nearly two decades earlier when he printed The Press in Paducah.

"He called me at home," recalled Sharp, who lived in the Marshall County community of Sharpe at the time. "I don't even know how he got my number."

Conger's career also started while Mick was publisher, but she came looking for some spending money outside of being a homemaker and mother of two young children. She answered a tiny ad in the classified section seeking people to "stuff newspapers" every other Monday for four hours. That wasn't even for The Press, but a shoppers guide out of Illinois printed locally. However, with the advent of The Early Bird, Conger soon became a fixture two or three days a week.

"I never dreamed I'd be working up here 31 years," she said.

Like Cannon, she's had the opportunity to work with her daughter collating newspapers. Myers has joined a crew

of dozens over the years who have stood alongside Conger dragging circulars across one another and into a newspaper. But no one will ever eclipse the number of insertions Conger has made.

"It's up in the millions, I'm sure," Conger figures. In fact, on some Mondays alone, there have been as many as 40,000 pieces inserted into The Early Bird.

Conger started in 1977 with Donna Hearell and the two worked several years together before Hearell moved on. Along with Hearell and Cannon, Nellie Kirk spent one of the longest periods helping Conger get the newspaper on the streets.

Co-workers like family

Conger said working at The Press, at times, has been like family. She has watched her own children grow up in the three decades she has scrubbed newspaper ink from her hands, and has seen many

people come and go through the doors of The Press.

She recalls the early 1990s as the most difficult period for her work family. During the span of three years, Mick was murdered; her mentor, Jim Smith, died; and the man who hired her, John Lucas, left the newspaper.

"It was a pretty emotional time," she said.

Sharp was also an employee during that period, and remembers the death of Smith, the man Conger says took her "under his wing," as particularly difficult.

"Jim was not too far from retirement," Sharp said, only three years from his own retirement eligibility. "Boy, he was looking forward to retirement."

While many of the faces the have worked with have changed, the job for the two longtime Press employees has not. Conger's job of catching newspapers as they run off the press and stuffing publications has been as steady as her catchphrases. For Sharp, spreading ink and adjusting dozens of knobs and levers has become second nature.

Sharp, who has also seen his family grow up during his time at The Press, hasn't spent time thinking about what he

will miss. But he says he won't long for the ink-stained hands that come clean only with a harsh bath in Clorox bleach. Nor will he miss taking his work home.

"No more ink on the carpet at the house," said Sharp, who now lives in Marion. "No more ink on the truck seat."

Conger, however, will miss being one of the first to be in the know each week.

"I'm gonna miss getting the news as quick as I do on Wednesday," she said.

But more importantly, Conger and Sharp will both be missed by their fellow employees as the switch to off-site printing begins.

"Ken thinks he doesn't have any friends, but he does," Brown said. "They're all right here."

The Crittenden Press on Monday honored its longtime employees and others working in production with a noontime meal, similar to the many birthday meals organized over the years by Conger and Cannon.

(Editor's note: Next week, The Press begins off-site printing at Quality Web Press in Elkton, though the only difference readers will notice is full-color photos and eventually a sleeker, more modern design.)

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30 +/- ACRES - 30 Wooded acres with creek, excellent for hunting. Reduced to \$55,500. jh

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NEW LISTING - BEAUTIFUL FARM - 348 ACRES - fenced & cross fenced, 3 ponds, creek, older 2 story house, barn, county water, lots of road frontage, super cattle farm. lc

7 BUILDING LOTS - Coleman Rd. with underground electric. rg

APPROX. 1 ACRE - Hwy. 506. \$5,900.00. dh

GOOD LOCATION - Lot across from Crittenden Farm Supply on Gum St. \$8,000.00. rd

NEW - 3 NICE BUILDING LOTS - On Campbell Lane & Hwy 641. County water & elec. Lots range from 1 acre to 2 1/2 acres. Mobile homes o.k. Broker/Owner. jc

VERY NICE BUILDING LOT - In Penn Estates, Lot size 150x200, close to town. Price reduced to \$6,500.00. jg

NICE CORNER LOT - This nice 1+/- acre lot is located on the corner of Chapel Hill Rd and Oak Hill Dr. It adjoins the golf course property, has city water & sewer and is nicely shaded with lots of mature trees. \$15,000.00. jn

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Community Spotlight

King recognized for abstract on infection

An effort to improve patient safety and reduce cost turned into an award-winning project for Cathie King, RN, and Lourdes Director of Acute Care Services. King, a graduate of Crittenden County High School and Madisonville Community College, served as the presenter at the Annual Association for Professionals in Infection Control & Epidemiology (APIC) conference in Denver, Colo. Her abstract, called "Assessment of the Impact of a Silicone Silver Foley Catheter System versus a Latex Foley Catheter System on the Hospital Acquired, Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infections (HA-CAUTIs) Rates at Midwest Hospital" won first place at the national and international conference.

While at the event, King answered questions and spoke with many of the nation's leaders in infection control about her project. She describes the experience of presenting to an audience of nearly 4,000 as a little frightening, but quite an honor.

Crittenden native now opens Princeton clinic

Crittenden County native Jami Perry will soon be the newest practicing doctor in neighboring Caldwell County. Perry, who will be affiliated with Caldwell County Hospital, will open Perry Family Medical in Princeton beginning Sept. 15, according to The Times-Leader newspaper. The clinic will be located on U.S. 62 West adjacent to Sonic and will serve patients of all ages. Perry completed both her undergraduate and medical schooling at the University of Kentucky, according to the newspaper. Her residency at Trover Foundation in Madisonville ends this week. Perry and her husband

King

Perry



News and notes on the people you know from Marion and surrounding communities

Community Spotlight

Ryan, who also is a native of Crittenden County and serves as pharmacy director of Caldwell County Hospital, are building a new home in Princeton. The couple has two children.

Perry Family Medical will begin taking appointments Monday.

Guess earns funeral director's license

Ricky Guess of Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem recently received his funeral director and embalmer's license from the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He is a 1981 graduate of Livingston Central High School and a 2007 graduate of the John A. Gupton College of Mortuary Science. In addition to working, Guess enjoys golf and woodworking. He is the son of the late Linford and Betty Guess of Salem.



Guess

DeBoe, Hollamon earn Mr. & Miss CCHS title

Brandon DeBoe and Mary Hollamon have been elected by their fellow Crittenden County High School seniors as Mr. and Miss CCHS for recognition in the 2008-09 Rockette yearbook.

Hospital officials no longer with Quorum

Crittenden Health Systems Board of Directors has decided to hire the hospital's chief executive officer and chief financial officer independent of Quorum Health Resources, a consulting firm retained by the



Christensen

hospital to help manage the facility. For nearly 20 years, Quorum has been responsible for providing the two top officials at the hospital, and other services. Board chairman Bart Frazer and hospital CEO Jim Christensen both recently confirmed the move. Christensen, who was hired through Quorum just over a year ago, will continue as the CEO, but will work directly for Crittenden Health Systems, Frazer said. Hospital CFO Joe Swab will also be retained under a direct contract with Crittenden Health Systems. The



Swab

Brian Wilkes Media celebrates nine years

Brian Wilkes Media, a Web development and marketing firm, will celebrate its ninth anniversary in Marion next month. Operated by Brian Wilkes of Marion, the company has been helping small businesses and community service groups harness the power of the Internet for commerce and communication. Wilkes has designed and maintains sites for several local organizations, including Marion Tourism Commission. Brian Wilkes Media can be found online at www.wilkesweb.us.



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Extension agents train to aid farm women

Four Crittenden and Livingston County Extension agents were recently trained on the Annie's Project, which is a program to assist farm women to take a more active role in the business side of the farming operation. Jennifer Hunter, (seated left) from the University of Kentucky Department of Agricultural Economics, conducted the training in Marion. Agents participating were Annie Kingston (seated), Livingston County FCS; (standing from left) Nancy Hunt, Crittenden County FCS; Corey Payne, Crittenden County Agriculture; and Landon Flexter, Livingston County Agriculture. The Extension service, along with Susan Champion from the local Farm Service Agency, will be offering the program this fall.

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The Press Community Calendar

Today
 ■ Crittenden County Elementary School site-based decision-making council will meet at 3:30 p.m., today (Thursday). All SBDM meetings are held in the CCES library.

Saturday
 ■ The Damron family will hold its annual family reunion from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday in the Tolu Community Center. They will have a potluck meal and music by the Hamptons. Family and friends are welcome. For information call Bonnie at 965-4335 or Annette at 442-3062.
 ■ Freedom Waste's Marion convenience center will be closed Saturday and Monday and will reopen at 8 a.m., Tuesday.
 ■ Crittenden County Circuit Clerk's office will be closed Saturday.
 ■ Crittenden County Sheriff's Department office will be closed Saturday.
 ■ Crittenden County Clerk's office will be closed Saturday.

Sunday
 ■ The Dycusburg school reunion will be held at 1 p.m., Sunday at the Methodist Church Yard. Potluck with barbecue and soft drinks provided. Family and friends of students and teachers invited. Bring your lawn chairs. For more information call Gail Bannister at 625-2090.

Monday
 ■ Freedom Waste's Marion convenience center will be closed Saturday and Monday and will reopen at 8 a.m., Tuesday.
 ■ The Senior Citizens Center in Marion will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Circuit Clerk's office will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Sheriff's Department office will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Clerk's office will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Judge-Executive's office will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Attorney's office will be closed Monday.
 ■ Marion City Hall will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County Public Library will be closed Monday.
 ■ Crittenden County PVA office will be closed Monday.

Tuesday
 ■ The first meeting for the upcoming Relay For Life season will be at 6 p.m., Tuesday at the Ed-Tech Center on Industrial Drive in Marion.
 ■ Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours will next host an after-work get-together at The Peoples Bank from 5 to 6 p.m., Sept. 9. Reservations should be made by Tuesday by calling the Chamber at 965-5015.

Wednesday
 ■ A Project Graduation meeting is scheduled for Wednesday in the high school library at 5:30 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend.

Thursday
 ■ The middle school PTO will meet at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 4 in the CCMS library.

Upcoming
 ■ The Crittenden County Farm Bureau's Annual Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 8 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. Please call or come by our office for reservations by Thursday (today). For questions call 965-4624.
 ■ All former employees and spouses are invited to the annual BF Goodrich Reunion-Picnic from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sept. 6 at the Grand Rivers Senior Community Center. Please bring a box/sack lunch. Drinks and water will be provided. Please pass the word and hope to see you there. For information call 362-7475 or 965-5250.

Ongoing
 ■ The Senior Citizens Center in Marion, located at 210 N. Walker St., is open for lunch weekdays at 11:30 a.m. The meals are now \$5 for anyone under 60 and a \$3 donation for anyone 60 and over.

School dates
 ■ Crittenden County High School individual student photos will be taken Sept. 4.
 ■ Sylvan Learning Center in Paducah offers free practice ACTs every Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Call 554-4111 a few days in advance to schedule an appointment.

The Frances School Reunion will be held at noon Sept. 6 at the Majestic House Restaurant in Princeton. All former students are invited.
 ■ Do you love to quilt or have wanted to learn? Come be part of a new quilt guild now forming. The first meeting will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., Sept. 27 at Morganfield's United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Julie Morgan at 389-2244 or fjmorgan99@yahoo.com.
 ■ Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community will meet at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 8 at the Another Way Inc. office building located at 308 S. Main St., in Marion.
 ■ Mid-Continent University in Mayfield will have a representative available from 3 to 6 p.m., Sept. 18 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion to discuss educational opportunities with the college.
 ■ Liberty Lodge F&AM of Frances will be hosting Family Night beginning at 6 p.m., Sept. 4 at the lodge. A potluck dinner will be served and side dishes are welcome. Service awards will also be presented on the night.
 ■ The Women's Club of Marion will meet at noon Sept. 10 for its 88th anniversary and membership luncheon. Guest speaker will be Jennifer Kennedy Dean. Reservations can be made through the club's telephone committee.

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We would like to thank the residents and local business owners of Crittenden County for helping to make the benefit car wash held for the Duncan family such a success, we raised over five hundred dollars.
 A special thank you to everyone at Pizza Hut for use of their water and parking lot, and Ronnie Myers at Napa Auto Parts for donating soap. We thank God for our community and each one who participated.
From the "Marion Misfits",
 Greg Perryman, Teddi Hodge, Jessica Gass, Stacey, Jaylie, Coleman Stone, Krystal Samuel, Paula Samuel and Jada Williams

■ The 18th Annual Southern Gospel Quartet Reunion will be held from 3 to 7 p.m., Sept. 6 at the South Junior High School auditorium in Henderson (800 S. Alves St.). Hometown favorites include: The Vocalists; The Southerners with special guests, The Holders; The Haire Family; Master of Ceremony Jerry Simpson; Scrap Iron Quartet; and Gaither Style Singing. Refreshments will be available and a love offering will be taken.

■ There will be a Gospel Music Extravaganza at 2 p.m., Sept. 6 at Victory Church in Madisonville. Featured performers will be The Childress Family, Southern Sound, The Conquerors and His Praise. Admission is free. A love offering will be received.

■ Piney Creek Community Church will hold a Prayer and Singing Service for

Rayloc employees beginning at 6 p.m., Friday at the church located on Ky. 1077. Local talent will be featured in the service. For more information contact Pastor Andy Yates at 704-9400.

■ Seven Springs Baptist Church will have Revival at 7 p.m. nightly beginning Monday and running through at least Sept. 5. There will be special singing and nightly preaching by Bro. Gossum. Everyone is invited.

■ Seven Springs Baptist Church will have Homecoming Sunday, with Sunday School beginning at 10 a.m., and worship service following at 11 a.m. Lunch will be served after services with singing by the McKendres in the afternoon.

■ A Women's Conference, "He's Concerned About Me" featuring Dr. Brenda Robinson will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sept. 13 at the First

Baptist Church in Morganfield. Lunch will be served and childcare will be provided. For tickets call Bonnie Thomas at 822-9161. A gospel singing will also be held at 6 p.m. the same afternoon. The church is located at 200 Morgan Street.

■ A benefit singing for the Junior and Debbie Duncan family will be begin at 7 p.m., Sept. 5 at Fohs Hall with the Stone Family and The Hamptons. The Duncan Family recently lost everything to a fire. For more information call 988-4709 or 988-3613. All proceeds go to the Junior Duncan family.

■ Crittenden County Ministerial Association will meet at noon Tuesday at Conger's Restaurant at the Marion Country Club. Jennifer Kennedy Dean will be the guest speaker. She is an author of numerous books on prayer, popular speaker and conference leader. All minis-

Churchnotes

ters and churches are invited to attend.

■ Homecoming will be held at Unity General Baptist Church in Crayne Sunday. Featured singers will be His Praise, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Bro. Buddy Hix and congregation welcome everyone to attend.

■ The Basement at Marion Baptist Church will be open from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m., Sept. 5 for grades 6-12.

■ Marion Baptist Church invites you to worship with them for Friend Day on Sept. 7. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. A meal will follow the morning worship service. The MBC Choir, Quartet

and others will be singing after the meal.

■ Mission Possible is held from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday at Marion Baptist Church for grades 1-12.

■ Walnut Grove Baptist Church will have their First Women's Conference from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Sept. 9. Speaker will be Jennifer Kennedy Dean and a meal will be provided. All denominations and walk-ins are welcome. Contact 545-3479 or 545-3278 for more info.

Family care center hosts seminar

STAFF REPORT
Living Hope Pregnancy and Family Care Center Inc., will be hosting its third annual seminar, Wednesday, Sept. 3 at Calvary Baptist Church in Princeton. This year's seminar, is titled ABC "A Better Choice: Youth Rally."

Brady Weldon, president and founder of the Brady Weldon Evangelistic Association Inc., will be the guest speaker. His motivational program is presented to teens in promoting positive peer pressure, life-changing truths relating to teens' choices in relationships with peers and such issues surrounding those choices: abstinence,

drugs and alcohol. He has presented programs in schools and youth rallies nation-wide and was instrumental in launching the "True Love Waits" program.

A hot dog meal will begin at 6:15 p.m. The youth rally is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. Teens and youth leaders from area counties are welcome to attend. Drop-offs are welcome, as supervision will be provided. For more information, call Anna Ray at 365-7935 or TaJuana Davis at 388-0861.

Living Hope Ministries, Inc.

will also begin a new series of classes for mommies and mommies-to-be (daddy's are always welcome, too), Oct. 7. These classes will continue each Tuesday through Nov. 25, and will be held at the Mary Jane Jones Center, 108 W. Green St., Princeton. Topics will include stress/exercise, nutrition, spirituality, child proofing, disciplining through "Parenting by the Heart," domestic violence, and budgeting.

These classes are free and are open to anyone. "Mommy

money" will be given out for participation which the parents can then use to spend in our Baby Love Center.

If you are interested in attending these classes, or in sponsoring the Baby Love Center, contact contact Davis, Teresa Wurts 365-7138 or Margie Yandell at 545-3429.

Heritage Days choir practice to start Sept. 7

STAFF REPORT
Practice for the Heritage Days Children's Choir will be from 4 to 5:30 p.m., Sept. 7 and 14 at Ambassadors for Christ Church directly behind the courthouse in Marion. All children are invited to participate in the choir, as are any church choirs wanting to participate in the Sept. 17 service.

The Wednesday night service is going to start at 6 p.m., behind the courthouse. In the event of rain, it will be held inside Ambassadors for Christ Church. For more information, call 965-9436 or 704-3805.

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"When a child is lost and believed to be in danger in Kentucky, an alert notification goes out across the airwaves. Law enforcement officers, news media personnel and everyday citizens go into high gear to bring the one who is lost to safety. On Thursday, Sept. 11th, 2008, Pastor Danny Starick and Marion Second Baptist invites everyone to gather to focus on a similar kind of alert as all concerned across the Commonwealth participate in special prayer gatherings to focus on the urgent need to bring those who are lost to Christ."



PRAYER GATHERINGS ACROSS OUR STATE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 AT MARION BAPTIST CHURCH IS FRIEND DAY, GRANDPARENTS DAY AND OUR 80TH ANNIVERSARY!

~Dress is Casual~

We encourage you to come worship
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There will be a meal following the morning service.

Come and hear our MBC Choir, Quartet and Others sing after the meal!

Sunday School (Bible Study) at 9:30 am – We have a class for everyone!

Morning Worship at 10:45 am

Marion Baptist Church

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Worship with us

For where two or three are gathered together
in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

— Matthew 18:20



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I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.
— Philippians 4:13

WEDNESDAY: Bible Study 5:45 p.m. • Prayer Service 7 p.m.
SUNDAY: Sunday School 10 a.m. • Morning Worship 11 a.m. • Evening 7 p.m.

Come worship with us • Sunday worship at 11 am Dunn Springs Baptist Church

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We invite you to be our guest
Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.
The People of The United Methodist Church
Sunday School 10 am • Service 11 am • Bible Study 6 pm

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www.the-press.com/MARIONUnitedmethodist.html
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• Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
• Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.
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Pastor Mike Jones

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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.
Pastor, Buddy Hix • 365-5836
Buddy Hix

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Sunday Discipleship Training 6 p.m. • Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m. • Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
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Sunday: Sunday school at 10 am; Worship at 11 am and 6:30 pm
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
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Children's church provided
Sunday night | 6 p.m.
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Sunday morning worship 11 a.m. • Sunday night study 6 p.m.
G-Force children fellowship Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Thursday Bible study and prayer 7 p.m.
Bro. Danny Starick, Pastor • Bro. Chris O'Leary, worship leader

Pleasant Grove General Baptist Church
State Route 723, 4 miles north of Salem
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
Herbert Alexander, Pastor

St. William Catholic Church
Sunday Mass 11 a.m.
860 S. Main St.
Marion, Ky.
965-2477
Father Larry McBride

Union County mine, wheelchair ramp maker creating 735 jobs

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS
In the wake of Rayloc's massive layoffs announced earlier this month, new mining jobs in Union County are offering new economic hope to hundreds of families.

Alliance Resource Partners L.P. of Tulsa (Okla.), which owns the River View mine near Uniontown, said it expects to develop an underground mining complex with up to eight continuous mining units that would produce up to 6.4 million tons of coal a year.

The company says about 600 people will work at the underground mine, with as many as half of that number having never worked at a mine before.

Earlier this month, hundreds formed a long line that snaked down a hallway, around a lobby and outside the Sullivan Tech Center at Henderson Community College. Officials estimated the number of applicants at the Alliance job fair reached 800, several of whom were from Crittenden County.

"They were overwhelmed," said Paul Monsour, executive director of Union County First, a Morganfield-based economic development agency. "Some people were there as long as four hours."

To accommodate the number of interested people, Alliance is hosting another job fair next month in Sturgis. Monsour said this second application opportunity will be

Sept. 10, running from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at John A. Arnold Arena.

Applicants from Henderson, Union and Webster counties made up the majority. But there were also people from Crittenden, Daviess, McLean, Hopkins and Ohio counties as well as from southern Indiana and southern Illinois to sit in on a short orientation and take a 50-question test. Many were employees at Rayloc, the Morganfield auto parts plant that is halting operations in October and laying off as many as 480 people.

One of them, Benny Griggs of Sturgis, has been an assistant supervisor at Rayloc for nearly 23 years.

"I never even considered being a coal miner," Griggs said. "But I'm here to take a look and see what they've got."

Application is a three-step process, with many of those who attending Alliance's job fair being invited back for further paperwork and testing. The final step will be a personal interview, Monsour said.

He said starting wages at the mine will be \$17 per hour, with pay going from \$22 to \$24 an hour once training is complete. That is typically within nine months, according to Heath Lovell, general manager of the River View Mine near Uniontown.

"They have excellent benefits, too," Monsour added.

The Union County First

Crittenden, 111 other counties' jobless rate up

STAFF REPORT

The jobless rate in Crittenden and all but one surrounding county rose between July 2007 and July 2008, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training. In fact, unemployment increased in all but eight of Kentucky's 120 counties over that period.

Crittenden County's rate rose from 5.9 percent in July 2007 to 7.0 percent over a 12-month period and was up from 6.5 percent in June 2008. There were 282 Crittenden Countians in July who reported being unable to find work.

Livingston County, from July 2007 to July 2008, saw an increase from 4.9 percent to 6.0 percent, still one of the lowest jobless rates in the state.

Statewide, unemployment rose from 5.5 percent in July 2007 to 6.8 percent in July 2008. Over that time, the rate in the nine-county Pennyrile Area Development District, which includes both Crittenden and Livingston counties, increased from 6.9 percent to 8.3 percent.

Meantime, Union was the only county bordering Crittenden to not see a rise in last month's jobless rate as compared to the previous July. Unemployment in Union County stayed steady at 6.2 percent.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 5.3 percent. Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 11.5 percent.

director said employees get full coverage insurance at no cost.

"They don't pay a penny," he explained.

Mining has changed for the better since its early days, according to Stan Hoover, executive Director of Crittenden County Economic Development Corp., with technology that rivals any industry.

"Coal mining has some pretty sophisticated jobs," Hoover said.

But the 50- to 55-hour work weeks underground still take their toll on a worker, Monsour added.

"It won't be a fit for everyone," Hoover said.

Alliance anticipates spending \$250 million to \$275 mil-

lion to develop the mine between now and 2010. A tax incentive bill passed in 2007 helped the county lure the company into opening the mine.

Hoover said on the local front there are some tentative developments on the horizon that could employ 20 to 30 people in Crittenden County, though he could not elaborate.

Additionally, Homecare Products, a designer and manufacturer of wheelchair ramps for residential use, will soon begin production in Morganfield. The facility will employ as many as 135 individuals, with starting pay ranging from \$10 to \$18 per hour, according to Kevin Shelley, executive director of Northwest Kentucky Forward, a multiple-county economic development agency.

Hoover estimates as many as a dozen of those workers could come from Crittenden County.

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SAT. SEPT. 6, 9:30 AM
National Guard Armory, Rochester St., Marion, KY.

FURNITURE: Duncan Phyfe drop leaf dining table & china cabinet; Jerry Lind Twin beds; Nice Traditional matching hide-a-bed love seats; French Provincial coffee & end tables; Floral cushioned white wood trim couch & love seat; Old dresser base; Sm. wood drop leaf table w/4 chairs; Dinette set; Sm. round white kitchenette table w/2 chairs; Pitcher & bowl w/ Mirror/towel bar stand; **MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS:** Grinnell Bros. Studio Piano, (good sound, easy play); Yamaha elect. key board; 12 Bass Ballarina Accordion; Conn Alto saxophone; Bundy Trombone; Child Instruments: T J Percussion drum set; Portable organ; Guitar; **OFFICE EQUIP:** Metal wood top desk; Swivel chair; Secretary & Occasional chairs; Printer, copier & fax machine; Scanner; Laptop computer; Elect. typewriters; Lg. print calculator; Credit card shredder; Answer machine; **OFFICE/SCHOOL SUPPLIES:** Teaching aids & resource materials; Middle school & Kindergarten teaching materials; Bulletin board ideas; Teacher's plaques & décor; **BOOKS:** Religious books; History; Civil War; Holocaust; Titanic; Children's books; VCR tapes; CD's; Old LP Children and Gospel records. **APPLIANCES:** Elect. range (white); Frost free Refrig.; Frigidaire Stack washer-dryer; Microwave; RCA TV; VCR; Shop Vac; Foot massager; Euro-Pro steam iron press; **HOUSEHOLD/MISC.:** Collectible & Nostalgic items; Old collectible dishes; Indiana glassware; Amber fruit stand; Nice bowls; Press Glassware; Pitcher & glasses; Green glass canister set; Misc. color glassware; Turkey Platter; Preserve stand; Compton; Chalice; Cake plate; Cake stand w/dome lid; Melmac dishes; Gold leaf tumblers w/caddy; Jumbo ice floral pattern ice tea glasses; Misc. old Coming ware; Set of old Jell-O molds; Tupperware; Salt & Peppers; Vases; Planters; Ornaments; Lots of Dishes; Cookware; Misc. Kitchen utensils & appliances; Bread maker; Table & Floor Lamps; Home décor; Baskets; Linens; Old dinner bell; Misc. Garden, yard & hand tools; Step ladders; Power push lawn mower; **TOYS/CHILDREN ITEMS:** Child's cherry table & 2 chairs; Several Noah's Ark items; Lots of toys for girls & boys; Mattel battery type jeep & car; Radio flyer wagon w/sides; Tricycle; Bicycle; Tykes Trike Jet copper; Games; GI Joes; Rescue Heroes; Imaginex Castle sets; Lego's; Robotic, Action toys; Infant & toddler car seats; Plus many items too numerous to mention. Announcements made day of sale take priority over any advertisement.

TERMS: Cash or approved check. **OWNERS:** Louella Tibbs, Floyd Milton et al

NOTE: Don't miss this sale! Many items are in storage and in boxes that we are not able to itemize. **COME PREPARED TO SPEND THE DAY!**

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TAXES

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city has exceeded its receipt expectations. The windfall has allowed the general fund and general fund investments to grow considerably — \$95,000 in the last fiscal year alone, he explained.

"We obviously manage our budget and finances well and feel confident in our ability to do so in the future," Bryant said. "There is enough growth annually in property assessments, whether due to new construction/improvements or revaluations, that the tax cut will not place a foreseeable undue burden on the city's coffers."

Another motivating factor for the reduction in the primary property tax rate was to give taxpayers a break as household and business costs continue to rise amid a sluggish economy, he explained.

All other tax rates introduced initially by the city remain unchanged, including a 0.7-cent increase in the personal property levy to 28 cents per \$100. Motor vehicles and watercraft will be taxed at 22.9 cents per \$100 and public utilities at 22.4 cents.

The city's tax bills should be mailed to property owners within the next couple of weeks.

Meantime, the county's other taxing districts have set or introduced their 2008 tax rates. All county, library and health district rates will remain unchanged, while the

Proposed 2008 property tax rates

TAXING DISTRICT	REAL PROPERTY 2007	REAL PROPERTY 2008	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2007	PERSONAL PROPERTY 2008	MOTOR VEHICLE 2007	MOTOR VEHICLE 2008
General*	12.00	12.00	12.40	12.40	12.40	12.40
Schools	41.40	42.70	41.40	42.70	54.10	54.10
Library	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Health	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Extension	3.20	3.40	4.69	4.69	2.50	2.50
Marion**	24.20	21.80	27.30	28.00	22.90	22.90

*Fiscal court general fund. **Final 2008 rates Marion residents only

NOTE: This chart corrects errors in last week's Press. Property tax rates for 2008 are expressed in cents per \$100 of assessed 2008 property value. Owners will begin receiving their 2008 tax bills from the city and/or county next month. Motor vehicle taxes are payable to the county clerk upon annual notice.

Extension service is asking for a 0.2-cent bump in its collection from real estate.

The board of education will hold a forum Thursday (today) to hear comments on its planned increase to real and personal property tax rates. The school district is looking to increase revenue by as much as \$180,000 by moving rates from 41.4 cents per \$100 to 42.7 cents.

The public hearing will begin at 5:45 p.m., just prior to the regular monthly meeting.

While some property owners may feel overtaxed, Kentucky's average state and local tax burden is ranked in the middle of the pack among the nation's 50 states.

According to the Tax Foundation, a nonpartisan tax research group, Kentucky's tax burden is ranked 25th nationally, with taxpayers shelling out 9.4 percent of their 2008 earnings to state and local governments. The national average is 9.7 percent.

Started in 1937 amid an explosion in federal spending and IRS collections during the Great Depression, the Washington, D.C.-based Tax Foundation has been tracking the nation's tax system for seven decades.

In comparing Kentucky's current tax burden to 30 years ago, Tax Foundation data show the strain on the taxpayer has dropped considerably. In 1977, the average Kentuckian was paying a full 10 percent of their \$6,212 per capita income to state and local government. That ranked 26th in the nation.

Kentucky taxpayers now pay \$3,243 per capita in state and local taxes, but earn an average of \$32,250.

Over the last three decades, the state has ranked as high as 10th in tax collections in 1991 — 10.4 percent of a person's income — to as low as 31st in 1983 — 9.2 percent.

The Tax Foundation can be found online at www.tax foundation.org.

CRITTENDEN COUNTY HOMES

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OUTSTANDING VALUE...4 BR, 2 BA Ranch located in Marion on nine-tenths of an acre, new stainless appliances including washer & dryer. Home is move in ready, maintained inside and out. MB bedroom is situated on one end & balance of bedrooms on the other w/ the living room and eat-in kitchen centrally located. Nicely landscaped yard. Back yard w/parameter fencing.

OUTDOORSMAN...3 BR home is situated on 24 acres. Approx. 20 acres in mature hardwoods. Hunt deer in the fall, turkey in the spring and fish all year round in your own backyard. The lake according to owner is 16 feet deep & stocked w/ largemouth bass, catfish & bluegill. Property is well maintained & 2 detached garages for all your toys.

HANDYMAN'S SPECIAL ...3 bedroom, 1.5 bath mobile home and lot in Marion. Good investment. Broker owns property. Needs some TLC.

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MOBILE HOME & LOT...3 bedrooms, 2 bath, central heat & air in a nice quiet neighborhood.

MINI FARM...Take a look at this home on approx. 7.5 acres. Move into this 100-year-old home that offers 3 bedroom, 2 bath, hardwood floors, kitchen with appliances, large front porch, county water, pond, and lots of room for horses.

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ENJOY THE PEACE & QUIET...28 x 56 Cedar sided Manufactured home situated on 1 acre. Features: 3 BR, 2 BA, large den w/gas fireplace & built in shelving. Kitchen w/all appliances including washer/dryer. Large master BR w/walk-in closets, master bath w/garden tub and shower unit. Detached 2 car garage and storage shed.

MARION HISTORIC HOME...located on corner lot 3 blocks from center of town. Features 3 BR, 2 BA, high ceilings, dining room, butlers pantry, large living room, hardwood floors, original double pocket doors leading to the dining room/kitchen area, sunroom. Also has outside entry for upstairs for separate apartment including kitchen & bath. 2 car garage with side street entry.

WALK TO TOWN...from this immaculate brick home featuring 2 bedroom, 2 bath, foyer, formal living room, separate dining room, family room, eat-in kitchen with appliances. This attractive home has attached double car garage and 34' x 36' shop building with loft situated on large deep lot. PRICE REDUCED.

STARTING OUT OR SLOWING DOWN...this is right for you. Nice 2 bedroom mobile home with porch and portable 10' x 16' storage building. Must be moved. Reduced \$15,500.

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NOTICE
On July 29, 2008, Kentucky Utilities Company ("KU") filed an Application with the Public Service Commission seeking approval to adjust its electric and gas rates effective September 1, 2008. Public Notice of this filing was published in all of KU's service territory. KU's proposed revisions to its Customer Deposits, however, were not included in the published Notice.

Please take notice that with this filing, KU is proposing to increase its required Customer Deposits from the current amount of \$115.00 for residential customers to \$150.00 (30.43% increase) when applicable. Currently, all non-residential customers are required to pay a deposit based upon actual usage for the most recent 12-month period, if such information is available. If usage information is not available, the deposit is based on the average bills of similar customers and premises, not to exceed 2/12 of the customer's actual or estimated annual bill. KU is proposing a fixed Customer Deposit amount for its General Service customers in the amount of \$140.00, with the Customer Deposit for all other non-residential customers being not more than 2/12 of the customer's actual or estimated annual bill.

The Customer Deposits contained in this notice are the Customer Deposits proposed by Kentucky Utilities Company; however, the Public Service Commission may order Customer Deposits to be used that differ from these proposed Customer Deposits. Such action may result in Customer Deposits for customers other than the Customer Deposits contained in this notice.

Notice is further given that any corporation, association, body politic or person with a substantial interest in the matter may request leave to intervene by motion within thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed rate changes is given. The motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, and shall set forth the grounds for the request, including the status and interest of the party. Intervention may be granted beyond the thirty (30) day period for good cause shown. Any person who has been granted intervention may obtain copies of the application and any other filings made by the utility by contacting Lonnie E. Bellar, Vice President - State Regulation and Rates, Kentucky Utilities Company, c/o E.ON U.S. LLC, 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky, 502-627-4830.

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River View Coal Mine JOB FAIR

John Arnold Convention Center
Union County Fairgrounds • Sturgis, KY
Wednesday, September 10th
10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Underground Mining Career

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2005 750 HONDA SPIRIT, 12,000 miles, excellent condition, gets 65 mpg, new tires-new chain, mustang seat-saddle bags, back rest, cobalt blue w/gray flames, \$3500. Call 965-2679 or 969-0097. (3t-11-p)

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ANTIQUE BEDROOM SUIT with new mattress and bedding, \$700. Call 704-0759. (3t-tfc-gb)

HP SCANNER/COPIER/PRINTER, just needs ink. Not compatible with Vista. \$20 firm. Call 965-3911. (8-tfc-nc) fc

2005 HONDA CRF 150F Dirt Bike, has extended warranty until Feb. 2009. Call 969-0156 or 618-289-3878. (2t-9-p)

AUTOMOTIVE

WANTED: JEEP TRANSFER CASE and Drive Shaft for 1994 Wrangler. Call 704-5105, if no answer, please leave message. (1t-35)

2000 KIA SPORTAGE, 4 door, 4 cylinder, good condition, \$3400. Call 952-0949. (3t-11-p)

1996 SILVER FIREBIRD with T tops, 5 speed, V6, 212,000 miles, \$800. Call 965-2991 for questions. (2t-9-p)

CARS, TRUCKS, SUVs, VANS. Visit www.allredmotors.net or call Brett Travis at 247-1011. (19-tfc-c) 700

FOR RENT

UNIT 3 SPACE set up for office, Unit 4 space set up for beauty shop, everything new in both units. All utilities included. Come look across from Pizza Hut. Call 704-0576 or 965-2605 or see Tommy Wright. (9-tfc-c) 850

3 BR, 2 BATH MOBILE HOME, central h/a, stove and refrigerator, \$375 deposit and \$375/month. References required. Call 704-3234. (9-tfc-c) 700 je

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3 BEDROOM HOUSE, nice location in Marion. Range and Refrigerator furnished. Washer and Dryer hook up. Immediate possession. \$350/month plus deposit. No Pets. Call 965-3614. (7-tfc-c) mj 750

2 BEDROOM TRAILER in Salem. No Pets. Rent plus deposit. Call 988-3466. (4t-10-p)

16x80 MOBILE HOME, 2 br, 2 bath, stove and refrigerator, 5 minutes from town, country setting, no pets. Call 965-2657. (1t-9-p)

KELLY BROOK APARTMENTS now has 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom fully accessible, Section 8 apartments available in Sturgis. Rent is based on income. Contact Kim McCallister at 333-4469 or 221 S. Holt Drive. Equal Housing Opportunity. (6-tfc-c)

NEWLY REMODELED Mobile Home. 3 br, 2 bath, all appliances furnished plus yard mowing. No Pets. References and deposit required. Call 704-0528. (6-tfc-c) mp 700

CREEKSIDE APARTMENTS is now taking applications for 1, 2, and 3 bedroom apartments. Ideally located near pharmacy, grocery and restaurants. Laundry room on site. Maintenance done in a timely manner. (27-tfc-c) 800

REAL ESTATE

MATTOON AREA SECLUDED 4 br, 3 bath master suite open floor plan 3 year old home on 5 acres patio & pool. 952-1976. (3t-11-p)

2 HOMES FOR THE PRICE of 1!! Two 2 br, 1 bath homes with detached garages, large lots and within Marion city limits. \$39,500 for both. Call 836-7272 or 825-8600. (4t-11-p)

HOUSE FOR SALE, new 3 BR, 2 full bath, cathedral ceilings, 2 car attached garage, priced to sell. Call 965-2195. (8-tfc-c) 700 dt

3BR BRICK HOME on large lot, paved drive, 2 car garage, near schools and hospital. Call 965-4714 or 965-2905. (8t-14-p)

AGRICULTURE

HORSE, GOAT & CATTLE Hay, round and square bales for sale. Call David Gregory at 704-0932, leave message if no answer. (3t-9-p)

ANIMALS

GERMAN SHORT HAIR Pups. Litter registered, 7.5 weeks old. Have had all shots and worming. Call 965-3473. (1t-9-p)

PRICE REDUCED: Japanese Spitz, \$50; Puggles - Pug/Beagle, \$75-\$90; and Chugs - Chihuahua/Pug, \$85-\$100. Call 965-3706. (1t-7-nc) 700 jd

WANTED

LAND TO LEASE near Crittenden or Livingston counties for deer hunting. Call Mark Smith, 527-8275. (4t-12-p)

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NOTICE OF MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF MARION BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

The Marion Board of Adjustments will conduct a Public Hearing on Monday, September 8, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at Marion City Hall, 217 South Main Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the following request:

Case # V-02-2008 - Dimensional variance request application submitted by Virgil and Linda Cook for property located at 317 West Bellville Street. The requested variance is to correct a 6-inch encroachment of a garage into the required 6-foot rear setback.

All evidence and comments for the Board of Adjustments to use in deciding this case must be presented at the public hearing. General questions regarding the case or Marion's zoning procedures should be directed to Mark Bryant, City Administrator, at 270-965-2266, or at mbryant@marionky.gov.

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Martin Marietta Materials is the second largest supplier of crushed stone, sand and gravel in the USA. We currently have an opening for qualified Electrician/Electronics Technician at our Fredonia Quarry in Fredonia, KY. Experience in low and medium voltage, AC/DC drives, soft starts, plcs, and motor controls are essential. Troubleshooting ability and excellent communication skills are required. Mechanical work experience and skills are a plus. High school diploma or GED is required. Completion of an Industrial Electricity program is a plus. There may be times where other assigned jobs will be required such as operating off highway haul trucks. Must be able to work any shift.

Martin Marietta Materials provides competitive compensation and benefits.

Send resume to:

Martin Marietta Materials
297 Fredonia Quarry Road, Fredonia, Kentucky 42411
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YARD SALES

YARD SALE, Thurs.-Sat., 8 a.m.-? Tons of little boys brand name clothes. Size 0-18 months. Halloween costumes, christmas outfits, coats, shoes, snow suits, and sleepers. Also strollers, car seats, high chairs, co-sleeper and playpen. All in excellent condition. Household items, women's clothes. Items too numerous to mention. Rain or shine. Shelley Singleton's house at top of Moore Hill across from the Animal Clinic. Follow signs to the top. 965-0007. (1t-9-p)

3 FAMILY YARDSALE. Thurs.-Sat. 503 E. Depot St. (in back yard) Lots of stuff!!! 8 a.m. to ??

YARD SALE, Fri.-Sat., 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Kelly Kirby, 1698 Chapel Hill Rd. Baby girl clothes, baby items, household items, toys, duck decoys. (1t-9-p)

3 FAMILY YARD SALE, Thurs. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m., Fri.-Sun. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. U.S. hwy. 641 South beside Basic Bike. Baby to adult clothing, a lot of name brand, two dog pens, a lot of misc. Everything going cheap. (1t-9-p)

YARD SALE, Thurs.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 102 Eagle Eye Lane, in Midway, look for signs. Boys clothes 2T-4T, girls newborn-6x, home interior pictures, 19 in. TV with built in VCR. Lots of other items. (1t-9-p)

GARAGE SALE, Fri.-Sat., 8 a.m.-?, Carr Street. freezer, bikes, bike trailer, digital camera, bassinet, plus size, men, kids, baby and women clothes. Lots of new stuff to see. 965-0811. (1t-9-p)

YARD SALE, Saturday only, located at 140 North Yandell St., Marion, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Apple, eagle, angel and elephant items. Some household items and some clothes. (1t-9-p)

YARD SALE, Fri. 9 a.m.-?, Sat. 9 a.m.-?, 309 Travis St., sheets, pillow cases, kitchen items, clothes, jewelry, shoes, DVD's, VHS movies, knick knacks, Avon bags and order forms, Sauge Model 110, 270 caliber deer rifle, garage door opener, jeep top and lots more. (1t-9-p)

TAG SALE and YARD SALE Aug. 23 and Aug. 28, 6540 US 641 near Cole Lumber, beginning at 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. each Saturday. Furniture, lamps, mirrors, pictures, queen size mattress set, memory mattress pad, patio set, end tables, glassware, complete china set, everyday dish set, wooden hamper, household and decorative items, clothes, lots more. Serious inquiries may call 965-2323 and leave message about any item. (2t-9-p)

ESTATE SALE, Household items, kitchen, office, lamps, shelving, chairs, tables, books, music CDs, chests, trinkets, collectibles, clothing, pickup truck, utility trailer, much stuff, some free items with sizable purchase, handyman books, encyclopedias - old but sound, secretary desk, 2 antique chairs, pine deacon's benchtable, new birch kitchen table and 2 chairs. Sale begins on August 29-30 and again on Sep. 1. 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Acres of parking. Location: 3.5 miles South of Frances, 8011 SR 70, 2 miles North of Dycusburg. Bridges Cedar Hill. Rain or shine. (2t-9-p)

MOVING SALE, Oak Wood Desk, includes hutch top. 4'10 long by 5'2 tall. Selling for \$200 (original price was \$550) Antique bow style dresser with Cheval silvered mirror, make an offer. Matching 7' couch and 4'10 love seat, tan and sage abstract design \$450. Call 965-2991 to see or for questions. (2t-9-p)

Industrial Electrician Needed

Well established company has an opening for a Master Electrician. This is a day shift full-time permanent position paying \$18 to \$25 per hour based on experience. Ideal candidate should have 7 to 10+ years Industrial Construction and/or Installation experience, including demonstrated performance in a leadership role. Must be able to complete installations from electrical prints and schematics, including planning rigid conduit routes and wire pulling locations, terminate PLC controls, motor controls, motors and field devices. Good organizational skills and knowledge of NEC are needed. Includes a benefit package.

Send resume to:

Attention: Electrician Position
P.O. Box 53
Morganfield, KY 42459-0053

Crittenden County Health & Rehabilitation

If you are interested in becoming part of our growing team, we are hiring for the following positions:

Full-Time 3-11 Nurse Aide
Part-Time 11-7 Nurse Aide
Part-Time 3-11 Medication Aide/LPN

If you are interested in any of these positions please contact, Kelly Stone, RN, DR or send resume to Kathy Pogue at cccc-prn@atriumlivingcenters.com

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has an immediate opening for a:
Full-Time RN Shift Supervisor - 7a-7p
Must have current KY RN license, supervisory experience and ACLS. Rotate every 3rd weekend. Competitive salary and excellent benefits package available.
If you are interested, please contact or send resume to:
Human Resources Department, Crittenden Health Systems
P.O. Box 386, Marion, KY 42064
Ph# 270-965-1012 • Fax# 270-965-1151
Email: tkayse@crittenden-health.org

SERVICES

H&H SERVICES: Affordable Pressure Washing - houses, boats, etc. Call 619-5164 or 994-6786. (4t-12-p)

WANTED: HOUSES To Clean. Call 625-5738. (2t-9-p)

CROFT & SON BACKHOE & PLUMBING. New or repair. Call 988-2748 or 988-2720. (3t-10-c) 700

ANNA'S FAMOUS CAKES- Are you needing a home-made cake, but no time to make it? Just call my number, I'll be glad to bake it! Place orders between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday at 965-4051. (3t-15-p)

LOW SULFUR diesel, high sulfur diesel, hydraulic oils, gear oils, motor oils, anti-freeze and grease available at Liberty Fuels, 825 S. Main St., Marion, Ky. 965-4922. (39-tfc-c)650

BUSHHOGGING - call Mike McConnell at 965-5752 or 704-0342. (4t-10-p)

EMPLOYMENT

IMMEDIATE POSITION OPEN: 2 medical assistants, 1 full time receptionist and 1 part time receptionist. Requirement: CNALPN, high school diploma, good people skills. Send resume to Medical Clinic, P.O. Box 65, Marion, KY 42064. (1t-7-c)

HELP WANTED: Experienced truck drivers wanted for fall harvest help. Contact Todd Clements at 836-6583 or Steve Anderson Farms shop at 389-1648. (2t-9-p)

FARM HELP NEEDED: Fall harvest/truck drivers, must be experienced. Applications may be picked up on Thursdays from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. L.B. Waller Bros. Farm, 3988 U.S. Hwy. 60 West, Morganfield. For info call 836-5181 or 389-3741. (3t-9-p)

HELP WANTED, taking applications at Hanor's Muffler-Tire, 1886 US 60 E. Marion, KY, 965-2330. (1t-9-p)

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NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Madeline Henderson Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, KY do certify that the following has filed Periodical Accounting: Carrie Yandell of 211 Church Street, Marion, KY 42064, Guardian of Edna Frances McEuen. Hon. Robert B. Frazer Attorney.

The foregoing is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on October 1, 2008. All persons having exceptions to said Settlements are to file same at once.

Madeline Henderson, Clerk
Crittenden District Court

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE
Ordinance No. 08-10: An ordinance relating to the tax levy for the year of 2008.

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Ky., at a special-called meeting on Aug. 25, 2008, at 6 p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on Aug. 18, 2008, at 6 p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

This Ordinance levies an ad valorem tax on each One Hundred Dollar of Fair Cash value of the below listed property in the City of Marion, Kentucky:

\$218 per \$100 Real Property
\$280 per \$100 Personal Property
\$218 per \$100 Public Utilities
\$229 per \$100 Motor Vehicles
\$229 per \$100 Motor Boats

The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Ky., where it is available for public inspection.

Prepared by:
/s/ Robert B. Frazer, City Attorney
Greenwell, Frazer & Peek
Attorneys -At- Law
P.O. Box 361, Marion, Ky 42064
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