

## Out of the Blue



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*Out of the blue is an expression for surprise,  
But out of the blue is something else I surmise.  
For CCHS spirit colors include blue for one,  
And out of the blue graduates they become.  
Greatness-like doctors, pharmacists, lawyers and engineers, too-  
Have come from this school from out of the blue.  
Yes, even for NASA our graduates are landing.  
They lead our armed forces with service outstanding  
We even have a professor of statistics at UT we once knew.  
Although now she is orange, she came from out of the blue.  
Let us not forget the ordinary people who graduate, too.  
For they work hard, pay taxes, and die for our country,  
And they came from out of the blue.*

*What we do matters, and we must endure.  
Even though sometimes our results are unsure,  
We owe it to society to enforce every rule  
For letting rule breakers get away only produces fools.  
Or out of the blue some will end up behind barbed walls.  
Expect the best and make students struggle sometimes  
For not by our success but hardship is our character defined.  
Mediocre is mediocre; that is all I can say.  
Do not accept it although it would be easier that way.  
For once a generation ordinary did not give up.  
They lived through a depression, and boy was it tough.  
But out of despair, courage and mighty character grew.  
Later this greatest generation saved the world during WWII.*

*Many teachers have walked these halls in search of a calling.  
Many have retired, and some good friends have already fallen.  
Greatness can be produced out of this rural school.  
But commitment to excellence in all should be the rule.  
There once was an ordinary little boy, who did not know much,  
Wanting to make a difference, and how, he did not have a bunch.  
He wanted to be a superhero, and his dream did come true.  
For just like many heroes seated here, he came from out of the blue.*

By Greg Hollamon  
Crittenden County High School teacher

## 86 Rocket seniors say good-bye to high school

# Top honors

3 valedictorians, 1 salutatorian address classmates

### VALEDICTORIAN

AGE 18  
PARENTS Stephen and Mary Hill  
FAVORITE MEMORY Senior trip to Chicago  
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL Attend Kentucky Wesleyan College and pursue a degree in speech therapy  
DREAM JOB Speech therapist  
FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT Advanced Topics (math)  
FAVORITE TV SHOW Today Show  
FAVORITE MOVIE The Lion King  
FAVORITE MUSIC All types of music  
PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET? If I could meet anyone it would be Billy Graham because he has been such an influence while maintaining his place as a Christian role model  
WHAT DOES BEING VALEDICTORIAN MEAN TO YOU? Being valedictorian is what I have worked for, for four long years. By finally being able to have that title it shows that I have reached a monumental goal.  
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AT 40? Successful in my dream job with a healthy family



elise christine hill

### VALEDICTORIAN

AGE 18  
PARENTS Gary and Janna Croft  
FAVORITE MEMORY Finding out that I was valedictorian!  
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL Attend Murray State University to become an elementary school teacher.  
DREAM JOB Kindergarten teacher  
FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT Math  
FAVORITE TV SHOW Grey's Anatomy  
FAVORITE MOVIE Grease  
FAVORITE MUSIC Varied. Some of everything  
PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET? I would want to meet one of my relatives, Thomas S. Croft, who was a very successful farmer a long time ago in Crittenden County. I would like to learn about my family history and how to be successful from him.  
WHAT DOES BEING VALEDICTORIAN MEAN TO YOU? I have been hoping to be valedictorian since the end of my sixth-grade year, so it is the realization of one of my biggest goals so far.  
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AT 40? Married, two children, working at CCES as a kindergarten teacher.



melissa lynn "ma" croft

### VALEDICTORIAN

AGE 17  
PARENTS Dwayne and Jeanette Doom  
FAVORITE MEMORY Undeniably, winning the last game to complete an undefeated volleyball season during my sophomore year.  
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL Attend Murray State University in the fall - majoring in pharmaceutical research in addition to general education  
DREAM JOB Conducting biochemical research in an attempt to help find cures for various diseases in addition to being a daytime teacher  
FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT U.S. History  
FAVORITE TV SHOW Reba  
FAVORITE MOVIE The Wizard of Oz  
FAVORITE MUSIC Country  
PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET? Albert Einstein because a great mind is a terrible thing to waste  
WHAT DOES BEING VALEDICTORIAN MEAN TO YOU? Being a valedictorian represents everything I have worked so hard for. It means that my hard work has truly been worthwhile. Being valedictorian means receiving a blessing I will not ever take for granted.  
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AT 40? At 40 I would like to have established a successful career as a pharmaceutical researcher in addition to having a family of my own.



chasity leigh "t.t." doom

### SALUTATORIAN

AGE 17  
PARENTS Greg and Carol Hodge  
FAVORITE MEMORY None. I've had a lot of good ones that are hard to choose from.  
PLANS AFTER HIGH SCHOOL Attend Murray State University for undecided major  
DREAM JOB President  
FAVORITE SCHOOL SUBJECT Band  
FAVORITE TV SHOW Scrubs  
FAVORITE MOVIE Spirited Away  
FAVORITE MUSIC Rock  
PERSON YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO MEET? George Washington for being such an influential figure  
WHAT DOES BEING VALEDICTORIAN MEAN TO YOU? It means I did a great deal of work.  
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE AT 40? I would like to have a successful job and have a nice family



mary ann hodge

### SALUTATORY ADDRESS

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. About five hours ago, I sat at my home computer and wondered what in the world I could possibly say. Most students like to say something uplifting and encouraging to their peers, but I feel like I'm in no position to give advice. I still can't get over the fact that everyone is leaving. A week from now, I'll probably wake up, eat breakfast, and try to remember what English homework I still have to do before school. Not that I ever did my homework last minute, of course.

So...seniors, we are leaving. I have mixed feelings about not seeing most of you again and making new friends and classmates next year, and I hope you feel the same. But I would like to take this moment, if I don't see you after Friday, to wish you good luck in whatever you do, whether it's going to a university, community college, or neither. No matter what you do after the next few days, you have the opportunity to be happy.

With that said, I'm at the part I'll really have trouble with. It's been fun, and in particular this last year has been amazing. There are so many people I have to thank. I'm sitting through the church service to thank them, which should let everyone know how sincere I am. Of course, the faculty here, from administration to cafeteria workers. Most of you have been incredibly nice to me, and there's no way I can repay you. I don't think I'll even realize how much the teachers have helped me until next year in class. My family... I don't know what I can say that you don't know already. I've also had the best group of best

friends you could wish for. I can't express how grateful I am. Thank you, all of you, so much. Well, I guess this is it. Congratulations, Senior Class of '08. I'm looking forward to planning the reunion.

### VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Wow! Our senior year is over, high school is over...We are no longer students at Crittenden County High School. This journey is coming to an end. How time flies when you're kind of having fun! Just a few years ago it felt like we would never graduate, but now it's here. I don't know about you, but I don't feel like I'm quite ready. It has been a long ride to get here. There were several times when I felt like giving up and many of you may have too, but we somehow managed to finish this journey. We persevered so that we could make it to this night - one of the most important nights of our lives. Congratulations class of 2008, we did it!!!

I pondered about this speech for some time, and I kept getting writer's block every time I tried to write it. I wanted it to be humorous and entertaining, but I'm not the funniest person. I wanted to give inspiration to my fellow classmates, but how can you do that in a five-minute speech? I wanted to thank people, but what if I forgot someone? I didn't want it to be long and boring, but I tend to be a little wordy. This is my attempt at funny, thankful, and inspirational, but I won't make any promises about it being short.

I started my journey at Tolu Elementary School. Emily Lowery and I both had older siblings that attended school at Tolu. Because of that, our mothers spent a great deal of time there, so naturally we did, too. We were used to school, and we were ready to start, or at least I

### VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Let us pray...  
*Our father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come,  
Thy will be done,  
On Earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
And forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
But deliver us from evil,  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen*

When asked a few days ago what being valedictorian meant to me, I simply replied, "being valedictorian means knowing that all of the hard work and effort I have given has been worthwhile." Standing here today, I realize that all of my aspirations are actually becoming reality. There were numerous times when I didn't think this day would get here and now it has. I am so grateful to have such a loving family and wonderful friends, all of whom have always sup-

### VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

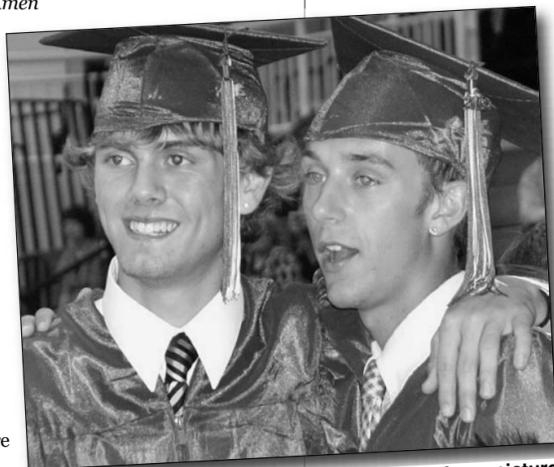
Good evening, I would like to welcome you all again, and thank you for joining our class in this evening's celebration. To begin I must tell you, I have deliberated quite a bit over what I would say tonight. I hoped to really have something great to give to you because it is not very often that one gets to address so many people from our community, and I realize I will probably never get the chance again to speak to our entire senior class. I feel very humbled. I thought I would have so many things to speak on tonight but now I see that is hard to know what to say. It would probably help if I could have some great advice, but you see, I am in the same position as the rest of you, excited and anticipating the future before us. So, I won't try to pretend that I really have any great wisdom to share with all of you.

What I want this class to know, is that each of you bring something special to this group. While I am not sure where I fit into that equation, I do know that I am thankful to be part of it. Saying that, this group has spent more time together than we probably ever have, and I feel like I have just gotten to know some of you. During that time I took the opportunity to just observe this group I have spent so many years with. What I saw amazed me.

Friends and family I present to you a group of individuals capable of most anything. I won't be unreasonable. I realize we are not a class of 90 doctors and lawyers, but there are sure to be some and the rest of us will surely try our hardest to make ourselves the very best we can be. We



Andrea Bennett, Jessica Belt and Nicole Bean await the playing of the processional music prior to graduation.



Pals Adam Hardin and Jordan Martin pose for a picture after Friday's commencement ceremonies.

# Scholarship recipients

from COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES

- **Asbury College** – Jessica Dempsey
- **Kentucky State University** - Breanna Cozart
- **Kentucky Wesleyan College** - Elise Hill, Aaron Jewell
- **Madisonville Community College** - Elizabeth Collins, Brandon Jackson
- **Murray State University** - Melissa Croft, Mary Ann Hodge, Ali Shewcraft, Tyler Collins, Jennifer Harris, Bethany Heaton, Emily Lowery, Nicole Head
- **Three Rivers Community College Baseball** – Jacob McMican

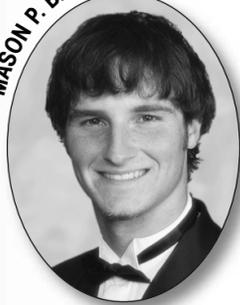
from ORGANIZATIONS

- **Community Healthcare Foundation** – Ali Shewcraft and Bailey Travis
- **Crittenden County Education Association** – Melissa Croft
- **Crittenden County Homemakers** – Andrea Bennett
- **Crittenden County Retired Teachers** – Luke Dennis
- **Crittenden Health Systems** – Josh Ipock
- **Critenden Health Systems Auxiliary** – Chasity Doom
- **Crittenden County Cattlemen Association** – Jennifer Harris
- **Donan and Georgia "Jo" Travis Jenkins** – Chad Ingram, Stephen James, Brandon Jackson
- **Elizabeth Stevens 4-H Education** – Wynne Wallace
- **Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation** – Luke Dennis
- **Fredonia Lions Club** – Bethany Heaton and Lacey Etheridge
- **Gear Up and Soar** -Cassie Hughes, Wynne Wallace, Leila Lane
- **Amy C. Kirk Memorial** – Breanna Cozart

- **Woman's Club of Marion English Award** – Elise Hill
- **Woman's Club of Marion Marie Frazer Scholarship** – Andrea Bennett
- **Crittenden County Farm Bureau** – Elise Hill and Jennifer Harris
- **American Legion Auxillary Unit 111** – Kelley Sizemore
- **American Legion Post 111** – Adam Hardin
- **Tolu United Methodist** – Melissa Croft and Travis Perryman
- **National High School Rodeo Association** – Wynne Wallace
- **Greg "Dozer" Belt Memorial** – Mason Baker
- **Hunters for the Hungry** – Josh Ipock
- **Paul E. Mick Memorial** – Josh Ipock and Jessica Dempsey
- **Colt Herran Memorial** – Andrea Bennett
- **Nellie Stone Hamilton** – Elise Hill
- **Hamilton Cochran Memorial** – Elise Hill
- **Raymond and Agnes Easley** – Chasity Doom, Luke Dennis, Stephen James
- **Marion Eye Care Center** – Ashtan Williams
- **Paul F. Riley Memorial** – Tera McDaniel
- **McDonald's** – Chasity Doom
- **Rebecca J. Johnson Crittenden County Attorney** – Tyler Collins and Andrea Bennett
- **Rosemary Pace Region 21 FCCLA** – Mandy Dodson
- **National Wild Turkey Federation** – Melissa Croft
- **Friends of FFA** – Brandon Jackson
- **Par-4 Plastics FFA** – Melissa Croft
- **FFA Dodge Truck/Hometown Scholarship** – Jennifer Harris
- **Career and Technical School Skills Standard Certification** – Elizabeth Collins and Bailey Travis
- **U.S. Marine Corps Awards** – Tyler Collins, Josh Ipock, Elise Hill

# Crittenden County High School Class of 2008

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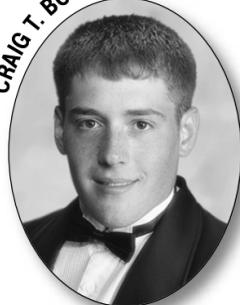
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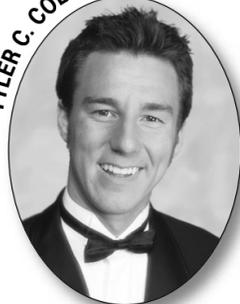
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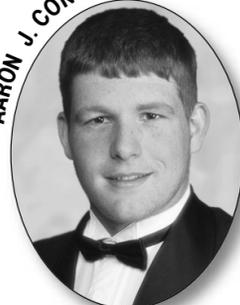
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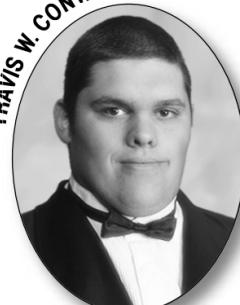
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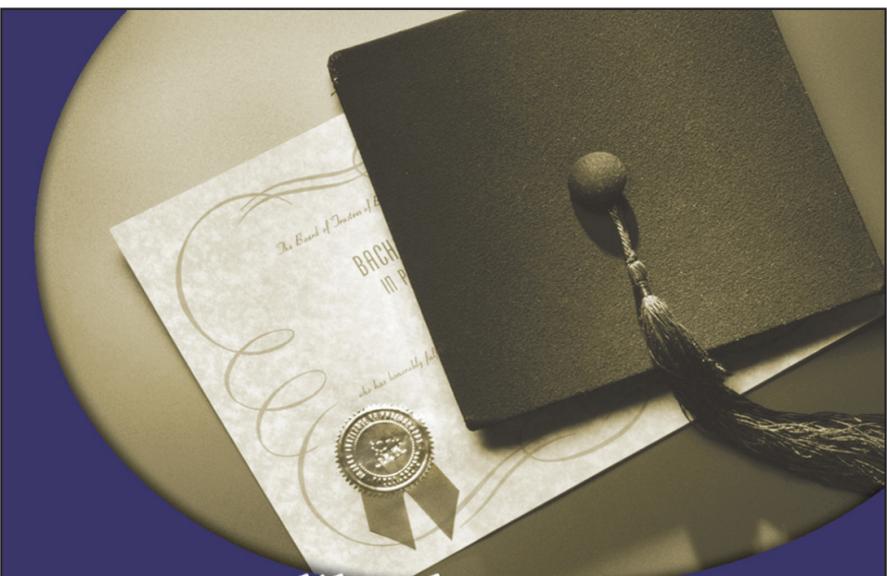
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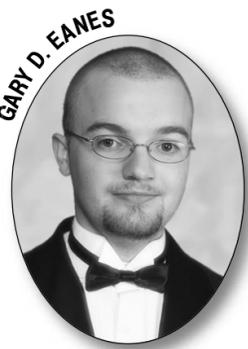
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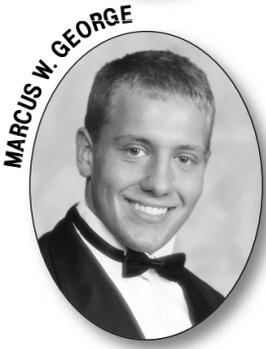
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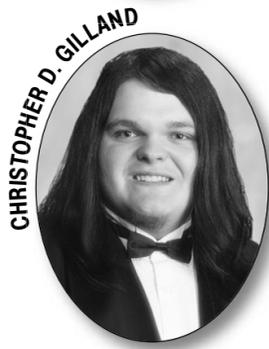
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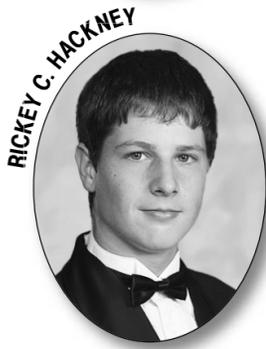
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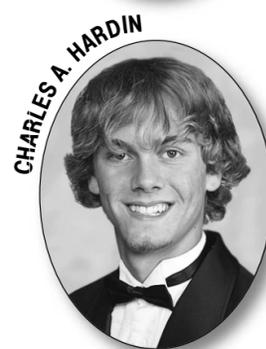
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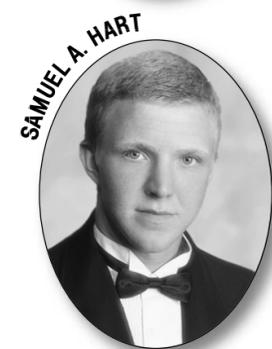
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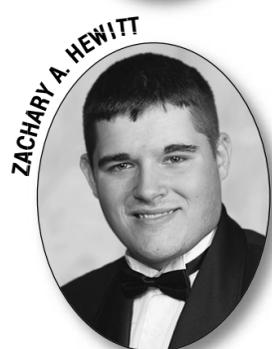
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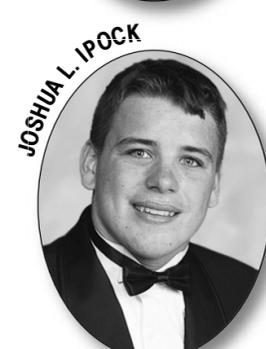
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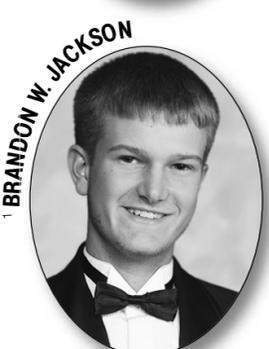
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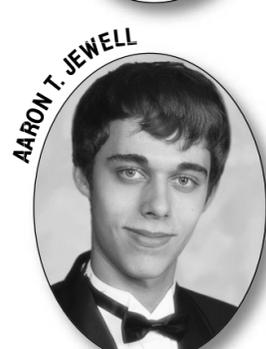
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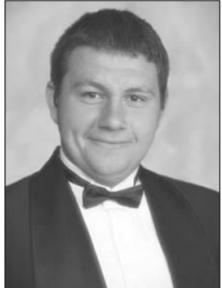
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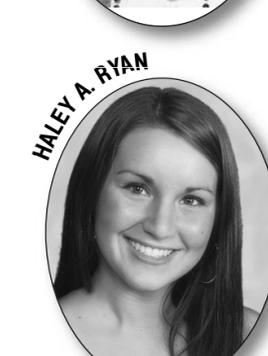
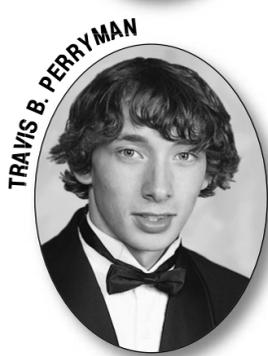
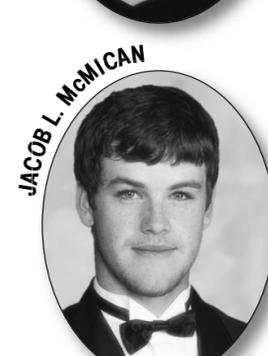
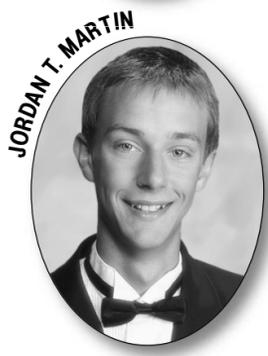
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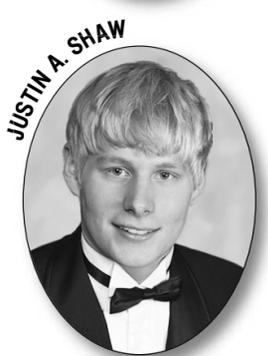
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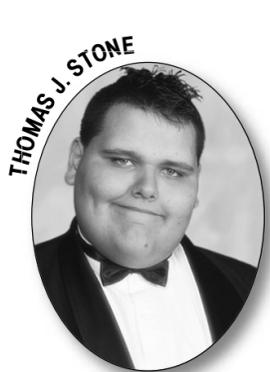


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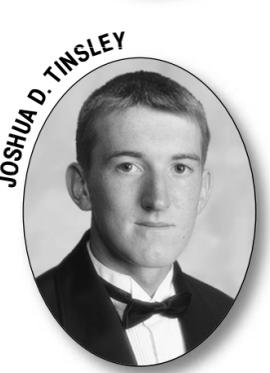
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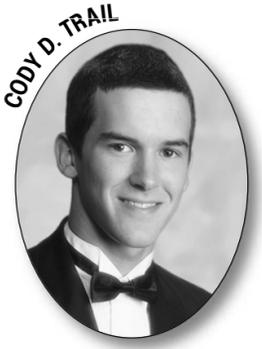
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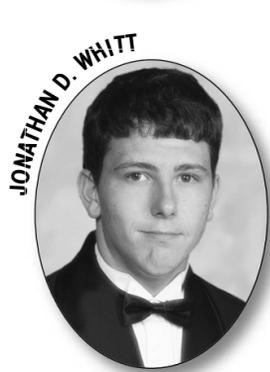
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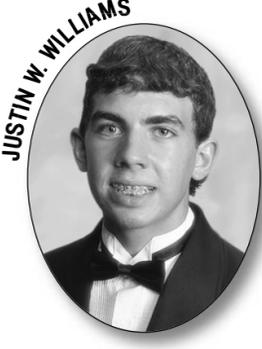
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Eighty-six royal blue mortarboards went flying into the air Friday evening after Crittenden County High School seniors were declared graduates. Many of the students returned to the school one last time after commencement to catch a bus for Nashville, Tenn., where Project Graduation was held overnight at a downtown laser tag facility.

## CROFT

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was. On my fifth birthday, I ran down the stairs asking my mom if I could go to school. See, I had always been told that I could go to school once I turned five, so I was ready to go that day. It turns out you have to wait until the new school year starts, but I didn't know that then. That was merely a small speed bump though. It was only a few months after my birthday before I started going to school.

When I did finally start attending school at Tolu Elementary, it was within walking distance of my house. My kindergarten class only had 14 people in it. Those first few miles in my journey were quite enjoyable. In a school that small, everyone knows everyone, and some pretty funny things can happen. I remember one day of kindergarten rather vividly. The class had lain down for naptime, and I was lucky enough to get the spot under the sand table that was full of birdseed. I had trouble going to sleep during naptime, so I was playing with the pieces of birdseed that had fallen onto the floor. Don't ask me why, but for some reason I placed a kernel of corn from the feed into my ear. After a while, I realized that I couldn't remove it, and I began to cry. When Emily saw me crying, she told our

teacher, Mrs. Hunt. I actually had to go to the doctor to get it out. If you're here Mrs. Hunt, I bet you didn't expect me to become valedictorian after that little incident, huh? That definitely wasn't my brightest moment. Since then I have been through several learning experiences, and I know better than to do anything like that again.

Six years ago my sixth grade year was ending, and my brother was graduating. I came to his graduation where I sat in awe of the proceedings. I don't think I had heard of a valedictorian before that night. When I saw those people standing up there and speaking to the audience, I knew that I wanted to be valedictorian some day. The only problem was the fact that I was somewhat shy in sixth grade. I might have been able to make a speech then, but I would have been so nervous that I would have barely been able to talk. I'm definitely still nervous tonight, but I am functioning properly – at least for the most part. I was able to get over my fear of public speaking mainly because of Mr. Duvall. I had to speak in front of others some throughout elementary and middle school, but when I entered ninth grade I decided to take Ag. classes and join the FFA. In Introduction to Agriculture, I had to memorize and say the FFA Creed in front of my class. Although it was a little daunting to begin with, after

adding one paragraph to what we had to say for five weeks in a row, I realized it wasn't so bad. I even chose to go to competitive speaking events with the FFA my sophomore, junior, and senior years. That was an important step in my journey, and I'm sure all of you have events that prepared you for tonight. For any young people out there tonight that think you can't possibly become valedictorian, if I can do this, you can, too!

My fellow classmates, our bags are packed. We've packed up knowledge, skills, and the many memories that we've made together. We've been to Six Flags on three different occasions for field trips; that's probably some kind of record. We have 11 distinguished portfolios this year; that is a record! Congratulations, guys. We've spent 13 years trying to get to this night. There were some twists and turns in the road we traveled on – we spent many late nights working on homework and projects; we spent many hours making sure everything was turned in so that we could graduate. But this is it – here and tonight. All of our hard work is paying off. This is our destination.

Mom and Dad, thank you for setting me on the right path at a young age. I want to thank my teachers, my family, my church family, my friends, and anyone else that has helped me to get to this point on my course. I want

to thank Mary Ann, Nicole, Breanna, and Josh for making my year as a senior officer a great one. I couldn't have imagined being at this point just a few years ago, so thank you all for your help and support, but I want to give my greatest thanks to my God. There were many nights when I didn't think I would be able to complete a big important project, and many tests that I didn't think I could pass, but God helped me to get through those hard times.

Seniors, this is our last night together. This journey is coming to an end and it is time to start a new one. We have had very similar journeys from kindergarten till now. You probably have funny stories to tell about kindergarten, like me, and you've probably had a lot of people influence your direction over the years, like me, but at this point everyone can take their own path. We each must choose our own. There are many different paths that you can take; you may choose to go to college, to start working, or to go on some other venture. Some of our journeys may be similar and some of our journeys may go many miles apart, but no matter where you choose to go, keep God first, try hard, and you will always succeed!

Congratulations and good luck on the road ahead!! I hope our paths cross again sometime soon!

## DOOM

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ported me and given me the encouragement when I needed it most. My parents, siblings, and nieces have remained the stable rock for me to lean on when times were trying; my friends, those I will always hold near and dear to my heart, will always remain the individuals who have undoubtedly made the gloomiest day bright. These past few years, which have flown by so much faster than what I ever could have fathomed, wouldn't have been so influential to me and my future had it not been for the wonderful faculty and staff of this school system. Above all, though, I want to thank God above for all of his many blessings. When times were tough, and I couldn't see a way out, I could always count on him to provide the guiding light to see me through.

Everything is still surreal, and I don't think the true meaning of it all has sunk in for most of us. Yet, as we are all soon to journey down our separate avenues, we will carry with us a common foundation. Not only have we gained the valuable asset of knowledge, but we have obtained the wisdom to use it. In Proverbs, chapter 24, verse 3, it is said that through intelligence a house is built, but by understanding, it is established. We have all been fortunate enough to be able to attend this school. We have learned so much more than mere facts; we have learned about life. We have been taught perseverance, acceptance, responsibility, know-how, and above all, that we are all capable of pursuing the best for our lives.

To everything there is a season; a time to every purpose. We are the future and the future is now. We have the potential to make such a dramatic difference in the world. We are the next generation of leaders with the sky truly being the limit. Now is our time, and this is our season to make a change. All of our tomor-

rows are readily becoming today. The future is no longer soon-coming; it's happening. As we are soon to face obstacles in which some degree of failure will be inevitable, do not let the fear of failing dictate your every action. Those who fail are always thinking of what they may lose. Yet those who succeed, they are the individuals who think of what can be accomplished. We have but one true choice: seize every opportunity possible and experience every facet of every instance. Do not simply settle for being successful in general; be successful for a reason. No longer can we take life for granted, for it will pass us by with a mere blink-

ing of an eye. If you are aspiring for greatness within your life, go for it! Together, we can make the possibilities for the future become endless.

As a wise man once said, a small, solitary candle may light a thousand. After leaving tonight, we can all be assured that the wick of the future has been lit inside each and every one of us. Thank you all for coming tonight to support us as we take the first step towards our future. We have awaited this day for so long. With all of the knowledge we have gained, the lessons learned and the memories made, nothing can stop us now. As the real world knocks at our front door; let's

greet it with a proactive attitude. I invite each of you to be that one small candle, burning for a bright future, making an emphatic difference. Well, we have been steadfast towards our goal of obtaining a diploma and finally the moment has arrived. Congratulations class of 2008; we did it!

## HILL

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may not know what that is yet, but we have proven ourselves capable by being here tonight, accomplishing one of the greatest feats of our lives.

We could not have done it without the group of individuals here on the stage and filling this auditorium. I do not know the specific sacrifices each one of you has made but I know there have been some. I know you have emptied pockets and hearts to make the best life possible for us. How can we thank you for that? How can I thank you, my loving

family, and Grant, and all the others who have constantly been there just like family, for all you have done? And everyone else that is here tonight who could have been a million other places. It is this kind of support that you are showing that makes me, and hopefully this whole group realize that we are definitely not alone. Thank you does not seem to be enough but hopefully our lives can be a tribute to the love you have shown us.

So class of '08 and your families, I hope I have not been too long but I have been sincere. It means a great deal to me to be in front of you tonight. Thank you and may God bless each of you.

## Tech center honors Crittenden students

STAFF REPORT

On May 23, several Crittenden County High School seniors who also attend the Kentucky Tech Caldwell County Area Technology Center were recognized at the annual high school awards breakfast. The students received certificates in Auto Tech, Culinary Arts, Health Services, Information Technology and Welding.

Travis Conway received a certificate for his auto tech training. Travis' auto teacher was Alan Shaffer.

Students receiving culinary arts certificates included: Kristen Dreihaupt, Kendra Fitzgerald, Sarah Shoemaker and Rebecca Wicker. Wicker was recognized for her participation in the local, regional and state Skills-USA competition. The culinary arts class is taught by Ruth Gray.

Health Services students receiving certificates included: Jessica Belt, Andrea Bennett, Elizabeth Collins, Jessica Earls, Josh Ipock, Tala Jepsen, Misty Rose, Bailey Travis and Taylor Wright. The Health Services class is taught by Vicki Wilcox.

Information Technology student Chad Ingram received a certificate of training in information technology and com-

puter repair. IT classes are taught by Brian Chastain.

Rickey Hackney was awarded a certificate for his training in welding. The welding class is taught by Mickey Bayer.

Seniors Collins and Travis also received Kentucky



Collins



Travis

Occupational Skills Standards Certificates Tuesday night for their accomplishments on the industry-prepared assessment in their field of

study during class night activities, according to Principal Arthur Dunn.

They were two Crittenden Contants of the 13,684 students enrolled in vocational technical educational classes across Kentucky who participated in this assessment in 2007-08 school year. Forty-eight percent earned certificates by passing a multiple choice and writing scenario test. Caldwell County ATC had a 47 percent pass rate. Both Crittenden students receiving KOSSA certificates were enrolled in the Health Services class at the Caldwell County ATC. The students were:

Thirty-four Crittenden County High School students participated in classes at the Caldwell County Area Technology Center during the 2007-08 school year.



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Charles Walker

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## Valedictorian



Shauna Nicole  
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## Salutatorian



Harrison Scott  
**SANDERS**

## Third Honor



Jessika Dannielle  
**JOINER**

## Honor graduates

Lauren Gail Whetstone  
Candace Annette Kitchens  
Ethan Drew Travelstead  
Tia Kay Dunbar  
Kayla Danielle Shull  
Jessica Elizabeth Rushing  
Micaela Nicole Kirk  
Cyndel Leigh Bebout  
Rebecca Darlene Tedford  
John Andrew Wingham  
Brittany Nicole Reynolds  
Jana Danielle Guess  
Emily Brooke Hansen  
Misty Lynn Markham  
Patrick Norman Oswald, Jr.  
Ashley Nicole Hansen  
Amanda Brooke Kittel  
Jessica Paige Stewart



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## Livingston Central scholarship winners

The following students were awarded scholarships at Livingston Central High School's Senior Night on May 29: (front, from left) Claire Nelson, Amanda Kittel, Tia Dunbar, Ashley Hansen, Danielle Cole, Leslie English, Jessica Stewart, Candace Kitchens, Lauren Whetstone, (second row) Kara McDonald, Amanda Dickerson, Brandy Nelson, Shauna Gaines, Laken Johnson, Emily Duncan, Bethany Trimble, Chelsea Barrett, Jana Guess, Dannielle Joiner, Jessie Rushing, (third row) Misty Markham, Clinton Tolley, Amanda Shull, Wes Lasher, Shawn Faulkner, Ethan Travelstead, Harrison Sanders, Kobi Gray, Casey Heald and (back row) Patrick Oswald.

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### CITY OF MARION NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

Ordinance #08-05: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 7/1/08 TO 6/30/09, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT.

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a called meeting held on May 23, 2008, at 4:00 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 a regular meeting of the Council held on May 19, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. A summary of the ordinance is as follows:

The Ordinance adopts the Annual Operating Budget for the City of Marion, Kentucky, for fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009, by estimating revenues and resources and appropriating funds for the operations of the municipal government. The Ordinance also adopts the operating budgets for the General Fund, Water Fund, Sewer Fund, Municipal Aid Fund, LGEA Fund, and Restaurant/Motel Fund as follows:

	General Fund	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	Municipal Aid Fund	LGEA Fund	Rest. Motel	Total
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>							
Taxes	249,000	0	0	0	0	165,025	414,025
Licenses & Fees	607,950	0	0	0	0	0	607,950
Intergovernmental Payments	52,050	0	0	50,000	15,000	0	117,050
Miscellaneous	147,800	0	0	500	400	0	148,700
City Hall Building Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fines and Forfeits	3,850	0	0	0	0	0	3,850
Water Revenues	0	605,300	0	0	0	0	605,300
Sewer Revenues	0	0	414,000	0	0	0	414,000
Service Charges	0	6,000	0	0	0	0	6,000
Penalty Fees	0	10,000	500	0	0	0	10,500
Cash Carryover	72,956	0	0	130,000	0	0	202,956
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$1,133,606</b>	<b>\$621,300</b>	<b>\$414,500</b>	<b>\$180,500</b>	<b>\$15,400</b>	<b>\$165,025</b>	<b>\$2,530,331</b>
<b>ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES:</b>							
Elected Officials	38,070	0	0	0	0	0	38,070
General & Administrative	290,454	55,106	44,606	0	0	2,4375	392,641
Industrial Development	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	10,000
Police Department	444,926	0	0	0	0	0	444,926
Fire Department	41,768	0	0	0	0	0	41,768
Street Department	125,675	0	0	0	0	0	125,675
Light Department	45,200	0	0	0	0	0	45,200
Parks Department	900	0	0	0	0	0	900
Planning/Zoning Department	33,990	0	0	0	0	0	33,990
Public Assistance & City Affiliations	40,787	0	0	0	0	0	40,787
Water Treatment Plant	0	287,995	0	0	0	0	287,995
Sewer Treatment Plant	0	0	182,483	0	0	0	182,483
System Maintenance	0	174,430	96,300	0	0	0	270,730
Debt Service & Required Contingency	61,836	61,728	111,658	0	0	0	235,222
Public Transportation	0	0	0	180,000	15,000	0	195,000
Tourism Commission	0	0	0	0	0	162,550	162,550
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$1,133,606</b>	<b>\$567,830</b>	<b>\$447,983</b>	<b>\$180,000</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>	<b>\$165,025</b>	<b>\$2,507,937</b>
<b>Projected Net Increase (Decrease)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$42,041</b>	<b>\$(20,547)</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$22,394</b>

The full text of this Ordinance is available for public inspection at the City Clerk's office in Marion City Hall.

Prepared by:

Robert B. Frazer, City Attorney

### CITY OF MARION NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 08-06: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING PAY PLAN FOR CLASSIFIED CITY EMPLOYEES AND NON-ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SETTING COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2008, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2009.

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a called meeting held on May 23, 2008, at 4:00 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 a regular meeting of the City Council held on May 19, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. A summary of the ordinance is as follows:

This ordinance sets forth the pay plan and compensation for classified city employees, non-elected and elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009. The pay plan is attached hereto as EXHIBIT A and governs the pay of all city employees and non-elected officials for services rendered on and after July 1, 2008, until amended by ordinance. The ordinance determines the amount of compensation for city elected officials for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2009, and is attached hereto as EXHIBIT B.

The full text of the Ordinance is available for public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk, located at Marion City Hall.

Robert B. Frazer, City Attorney

### CITY OF MARION PAY PLAN, 2008-2009

### EXHIBIT A

Position Classification	Category of Employment	Maximum # of Positions Established	Compensation 2007-2008	Compensation 2008-2009
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>				
City Administrator	Full-Time	1	54,880	57,514
City Treasurer	Full-Time	1	34,573	36,232
City Clerk	Full-Time	1	25,426	26,646
Administrative Clerk	Full-Time	1	17,973	18,836
City Attorney	Part-Time	1	12,000	12,000
Janitor	Part-Time	1	\$8.16/hour	\$8.41/hour
<b>POLICE</b>				
Police Chief	Full-Time	1	35,059	36,742
Sr. Police Officer	Full-Time	3	31,684	33,205
Police Officer	Full-Time	2	31,245	32,745
Police Officer	Part-Time	1	\$15.02/hour	\$15.47/hour
Dispatcher	Part-Time	4	\$9.04/hour	\$9.31/hour
<b>FIRE</b>				
Fire Chief	Part-Time	1	2,568	2,645
Asst. Chief	Part-Time	1	875	901
Fire Fighters	Volunteers	23	\$18.82 per run	\$36 per run
<b>STREETS/PARKS</b>				
Street Laborer II	Full-Time	1	21,957	23,011
Street Laborer I	Full-Time	1	18,332	19,212
<b>WATER &amp; SEWER</b>				
Utilities Director	Full-Time	1	46,463	48,693
Sewer Plant Lead Oper.	Full-Time	1	34,573	36,232
Water Plant Lead Oper.	Full-Time	1	34,573	36,232
Sewer Plant Operator	Full-Time	1	30,032	31,473
Water Plant Operator	Full-Time	1	32,711	33,754
Water Plant Operator	Full-Time	1	25,277	26,490
Water Plant Operator	Part-Time	1	\$14.16/hour	\$14.58/hour
Water Plant Operator	Part-Time	1	\$12.30/hour	\$12.67/hour
Maintenance Foreman	Full-Time	1	29,271	30,676
Equipment Operator II	Full-Time	2	24,727	25,914
Laborer II	Full-Time	1	18,699	19,596
Laborer I	Full-Time	1	17,973	18,836
<b>AFFILIATED AGENCY</b>				
Tourism Director	Full-Time	1	28,309	29,668

### CITY OF MARION PAY PLAN FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS, 2008-2009

### EXHIBIT B

Elected Office Held	Compensation Per Month	Compensation Per Annum	Compensation Paid From:
Mayor	790.58	9,487	General Fund
City Council Members	250	3,000	General Fund
Planning Commissioners	81.23	975	General Fund
Code Enforcement Board Members	81.23	975	General Fund