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## Bluegrass group returns to Fohs

The Carefree Highway Band will return to Fohs Hall in Marion this weekend. The all-star bluegrass band brings together 85 years of experience on the instruments and vocals that make bluegrass music a uniquely American experience. Carefree Highway Band returns for a show at 7 p.m., Saturday. Admission to the concert will be only \$5. For more, call 965-5983.



## Paving on Caldwell U.S. 641 continues

A paving crew continues work along U.S. 641 in Caldwell County this week. A contractor for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is paving the federal highway from the Caldwell-Lyon line to the intersection with Ky. 91 in Fredonia. The work should be completed in about a week, according Keith Todd, a Cabinet spokesperson. Meantime, replacement of guardrails along two Ky. 120 bridges near the Deanwood community in Crittenden County continues this week. Motorists should use appropriate caution in both areas.

## Blood center seeks donations Monday

Western Kentucky Regional Blood Center will host a Blood Drive from 11 a.m., to 6 p.m., Monday at Crittenden Health Systems Education Building. Donors will receive a t-shirt and refreshments will be served. This is a new location and behind the hospital.

## Sheriff warning of area paving scam

Crittenden County Sheriff's Department is warning residents about a paving company that is allegedly operating in the area. According to the sheriff's department, authorities in Henderson County say the paving company is offering very low rates to pave driveways. The company is getting its money up front, then leaving the customer with a shoddy job. The out-of-state company is operated by individuals driving vehicles with South Carolina license plates. For more information, call the sheriff's department at 965-3400.

## Public meetings

■ Marion City Council will convene at 5 p.m., Aug. 25 at city hall to finalize 2008 property tax rates.  
■ Crittenden County Public Library Board of Directors will meet at 5 p.m., Aug. 28 in the library meeting room.  
■ Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Aug. 28. A forum on the proposed increased property tax rate will begin at 5:45 p.m.

## By the numbers

### Precipitation report

Last 7 days .....	0.00
Last 30 days .....	1.88
Since Jan. 1, 2008 .....	35.82
Deviation from average.....	+2.42

Source: UK Ag Weather Service at Princeton as of Aug. 19

### 2008 highway fatalities

Crittenden County .....	1
Kentucky (as of Aug. 18) .....	480
Same period in 2007.....	546

Source: Kentucky State Police

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# City asks for less taxes; county same

## Extension service ups rate slightly

By DARYL K. TABOR  
MANAGING EDITOR

Marion property owners shouldn't feel the increase in taxes sought by the school district and extension service. In fact, their overall tax burden could be a little less in 2008.

Within the last week, several taxing jurisdictions within Crittenden County have introduced their planned property tax rates for the year, with the board of education and Extension service

seeking increases in the amount collected off real estate. For those with land inside the City of Marion, though, those increases should be offset by a rate reduction proposed Monday by the city.

"We want people to know we know things are bad," said City Administrator Mark Bryant. "It's getting kind of scary."

The city is asking for 22.4 cents per \$100 of assessed real estate, down 7.5 percent over last year's rate of 24.2 cents. Though the city's levy on personal property increased slightly to 28.0 cents, Bryant said the amount

collected from those tangible assets is comparatively low.

"On personal property, we collect about a quarter of what is taken in from real estate," Bryant said.

The 0.7-cent increase in the personal property rate is revenue neutral, meaning the city will collect about the same in 2008 as in 2007 due to a decrease in the overall assessment of tangible assets within the city.

Meantime, Crittenden Fiscal Court on Tuesday opted to keep all of its property tax rates unchanged – 12.0 cents for real estate, 12.4 for personal property and 12.4 for motor vehicles

and watercraft. All rates are based on \$100 of assessed value.

Ronnie Heady, Crittenden County Property Valuation Administrator, said real estate assessments in the county were up about \$8 million in 2008 to \$277 million. That increase will actually funnel more revenue to the county's general fund even with the same rate as the year before.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Fred Brown said that with the school and Extension service proposing tax increases this year, he thought the

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## Governor delivers \$622,000 to county



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

Gov. Steve Beshear speaks with Anna Joycedean Simpson (right) and Mary Hubbard (center) during a visit Tuesday to the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. The governor was in Crittenden County for the first time since taking office in December

# Allocations will help construct health department, sidewalks

By DARYL K. TABOR  
MANAGING EDITOR

Steve Beshear marked his first visit to Crittenden County as governor by handing over more than half a million dollars for monuments to public welfare, an effort he said is satisfying a campaign pledge to his native western Kentucky.

Though two oversized, ceremonial checks were themselves worthless, the \$622,000 they represent will help fund a new public health department and reconstruct city sidewalks for students who choose to walk to school. During his campaign last year against incumbent Ernie Fletcher, Beshear vowed to end what he called

the neglect Frankfort has shown the state's westernmost counties.

"I promised we would not leave out western Kentucky," the Dawson Springs Democrat said Tuesday during his stop at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. "One of the reasons I'm here today is to fulfill that promise."

Most of the funding announced by the governor will go toward construction of a 9,000-square-foot public health department to replace an aged, cramped facility. The \$500,000 from the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, in fact, was approved under Gov. Fletcher's administration, and the City of Marion has pledged another \$200,000 from its revolving

loan fund. Construction is just a few weeks away, said the director of the county health department.

"We're eight to 10 weeks before construction starts," said Jim Tolley, head of the Pennyryle District Health Department that encompasses five counties. "That may be a little optimistic, though."

Once completed on property adjacent to the very building in which Beshear made the check presentation Tuesday, the new health department will be able to provide more efficient, effective service, the governor said. The current 2,700-square-foot build-

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# Fredonia escapees on lam

### STAFF REPORT

Authorities are still searching for two men who escaped Saturday morning from the West Kentucky Correctional Complex in Fredonia.

The search is centered around the Fredonia area where a local construction company owner said he was assaulted by the men just one day after their escape as they attempted to steal gasoline from a vehicle.

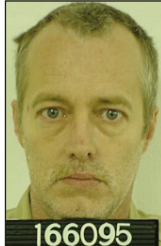
Don Russell said he caught a man siphoning gas from a truck Sunday and recognized him as Jesse James Sebastian, one of the escaped convicts. Russell said he didn't see James Ernest Whisman until Whisman hit him in the back of the head with a screwdriver.

Russell said the fugitives then ran

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Whisman



Sebastian

# Rudd-Hart sewer lines still waiting

### STAFF REPORT

Longer-than-expected work along Fords Ferry Road to expand city sewer services and widen the street has put a delay on another sewer expansion on the other side of town.

Residents on the south end of town, primarily along Rudd and Hart streets, are still waiting for installation of the waste-removal utility. Though some work has been completed at 18 sewerless homes in the area, none of the residents currently using their own septic systems have been tied onto Marion's sewer system.

The delay, said Utilities Manager Brian Thomas, has been the a result of the depth of work on the Fords Ferry Road project, which has added sewer availability to 14 homes and

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# STLP seeks record; humanitarian awareness

By ALLISON EVANS  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Ben Thompson's students have big ambitions for their small school. They want to reach America's next president.

More specifically, they want the president to sign the President's Promise Project, vowing to act on global humanitarian issues. The President's Promise Project is designed by Crittenden County Middle School's technology club, or Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP), which this summer was honored nationally as Kentucky's best student-organized technology showcase.

The President's Promise

Project is an online effort to garner one million signatures on the STLP Web site, [StudentActionNetwork.org](http://StudentActionNetwork.org).

"This is a way to get kids involved in political process, maybe gain a little interest in it," said Thompson, a social studies teacher at Crittenden County Middle School.

Thompson, an Indianapolis native and fourth-year teacher at CCMS, hopes interest in the project will spread far beyond Crittenden County's borders.

"The reason we want to do this is I think every social studies class in the country is going to be talking about this election, and this President's Promise Project will help facilitate discussion on it," Thompson said. "If it can help

discussion in other classes, that'd be cool... (and to participate), all people have to do is sign the petition on our site and that's it."

Thompson, his students and the school district's technology coordinator, Ben Grainger, developed the online petition

and began telling everyone they know – via word of mouth and e-mail – to get online and sign the petition.

The club's Web site is already recognized statewide and in some national circles, since it was recognized in San



Thompson

Antonio at the National Education Computing Conference as a result of being named best in Kentucky last spring.

In fact, Thompson has been in contact with representatives from Promethean, an education technology-based company interested in having CCMS students help train other schools in Adobe software, which is used on the local site.

"Those two companies (have offered to) give us free software and fly people out to train my students," Thompson explains. "The cool part is they want to use our students when they make corporate presentations, and will fly some of our students out to

wherever they're making a big corporate presentation and our students will show how they've used Adobe software in our project... It will show how students can use that software."

But in the immediate future, the STLP students will be encouraging everyone they know to sign their petition so they can present it to the next President of the United States at the end of January 2009.

"We've already done a lot of winning best showcase in Kentucky award for our Web site, we have a good reputation and a lot of people already know about us, so we're starting from a good spot. Hopefully we can get this done," the teacher said.



# School personnel ready to ‘rock it’ for students

The employees of the Crittenden County schools are prepared to “Rock It” for students each and every day of this new school year. We have had a remarkably successful start to this school year and hope that each child’s experience thus far has been as equally remarkable. Crittenden County students are fortunate to have such a high quality group of committed individuals working every day toward the ultimate purpose of influencing student success. All of the pieces are here – caring/supportive community, hard working students, high quality staff, positive board of education and committed

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administration – to make Crittenden County district a flagship school system in the state of Kentucky.

### Focused priorities for improvement

As a result of the first annual Crittenden County School District Leadership Retreat, the board of educa-

tion, district and school level administration worked together to develop priorities and strategies based on the following standards for district improvement:

- Building relationships
- Improving academic performance
- Creating a learning-centered environment
- Utilizing all resources for efficiency

### Top 10 administrative commitments

An important step in moving Crittenden County schools closer to becoming a flagship district is to re-establish commitments from every group connected with

making our schools effective for student learning. Each district and school administrator was asked to answer the question, “As a district administrator in Crittenden County Schools, what will I commit to do to improve learning for students?” All of the answers were compiled into one common list. From this list, the group determined the “top 10” to guide our work for improving the quality of education for students. The following represents the Commitment list from this group.

As the Crittenden County Administrative Team, we commit to:

1. Work as a team to do

- what is best for student learning.
2. Do “whatever it takes.”
  3. Always put students first in all decisions we make.
  4. Think outside the box.
  5. Learn and grow continuously.
  6. Dedicate our time for continuous improvement.
  7. Work collaboratively to resolve issues.
  8. Provide accurate data for decision making.
  9. Exceed high standards.
  10. Demonstrate positive interactions.

We are in the process of working through this process with all other groups (board of education members, transportation staff, food service

staff, maintenance staff, teachers, students, community leaders and parents) connected to the successful performance of the school district. I am excited about the positive teamwork demonstrated by the Crittenden County School employees focused on “what is best for kids.” As your superintendent, I look forward to sharing with you the great work being accomplished in Crittenden County Schools.

*(Editor’s note: Dr. Yarbrough is superintendent of Crittenden County schools. Her guest column will appear periodically in The Crittenden Press.)*

# ‘Hate speech’ binge is madness

Ministers beware. Actually anyone who cares about truth and the world we live in and the souls of others should beware of what’s going on. People are speaking hate for a person who tells them the Gospel truth. These rogues are influencing government, trying to pass hate speech laws that will do as is being done in Canada and the Scandinavian countries, jailing preachers who warn people of these sins, which is preaching what the Bible teaches.

Hate speech for America, against Conservatives, even showing glee when one of them is sick or dies, and against our service personnel, is spewed out by the same stripe. All that is hate speech.

But to call the words of the Bible hate speech is not only madness, but blasphemy and very dangerous.

Rev. Lucy Tedrick

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Regardless of what we want to deny or not want to hear does not change God nor His word.

He is the one that condemns adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, murder, drunkenness, lust, covetousness, lying, stealing, hate, vulgarity, rape, hypocrisy and the whole nine yards of evil.

The Lord not only tells us what sin is and its punishment, but He had choice names for those who wanted to deny Him and His words such as vipers, serpents, and hypocrites, and even added

“how can you escape the damnation of hell?” See Matthew 12:34; 23:23,33.

Surely there is no one that would be so imbecilic as to accuse Him of hate speech! Our culture is sin sick, and wants to bad-mouth, condemn and intimidate those who care enough to tell them the truth, because they want to continue down the path of self destruction and drag everyone they can with them without any condemnation from God or man.

There are also too many by-standers, professed Christians, and some ministers who get timid and fail to do as Jesus has commanded His followers: “Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.”

Paul said: “Preach the truth, when they want it and when they do not. Reprove, rebuke, and exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

For the time will come when they only want to hear something that will tickle their ears. They will heap to themselves teachers that will appease them and will turn away their ears from the truth. Endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry” 2 Tim. 4:2-5.

I will always be guilty of obeying these instructions of the Holy Spirit and the instructions of a great man of God and dear friend of mine, the late Haynes Bebout, who would leave the church time and time again saying to me: “Sister continue to always tell us the truth. It is the only thing that will help.” How I wish everyone could see that nugget of classic truth.

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

# Crittenden County Briefs

## County takes in 2 new road sections

Crittenden County Fiscal Court has approved the acceptance of two new sections of road into the county maintenance system.

Magistrates voted Tuesday during their regularly monthly meeting to add two-tenths of a mile of Hillside Road and three-tenths of a mile on Jeff Clements Road to the county road system. Hillside Road is off Ky. 91 North and leads to Hillside Grocery. Jeff Clements Road is an extension to some newly developed property.



Brown

plan to pay \$400 toward litigating the case.

Judge-Executive Fred Brown said the lawsuit is not a hostile one, but merely a form of legal action that will allow the courts to determine who is statutorily responsible for paying for a state inmate’s incarceration before sentencing.

## Marion teen hurt in auto accident

Rebecca Wright, 18, of Marion was injured in an automobile accident about 8:40 a.m., last Thursday near the Crittenden-Caldwell line on U.S. 641.

According to state police, Wright was southbound when she entered a curve and dropped off the shoulder

of the roadway. She then over-corrected causing her vehicle to cross both lanes of travel and leave the opposite side of the roadway. She then struck an earth embankment and a utility pole, coming to final rest off the roadway.

Wright was transported to Crittenden Hospital by ambulance.

## Ferry deckhand injured in accident

A Cave In Rock Ferry deckhand was hurt Tuesday morning in an accident involving a tractor-trailer.

Robert Allen, 25, of Elizabethtown, Ill., did not seek immediate medical attention, but suffered a back injury when a tractor-trailer driven by Billy Ash of Illinois lurched forward as the deckhand was preparing to open the ferry gate and allow vehicles to exit.

The ferry had just completed a run across the Ohio River from Illinois to the Kentucky side. The deckhand was pinned up against the gate on the end of the ferry. Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent was investigating the accident.

About 1,000 vehicles per day use the ferry.

## Area Labor Day office closings

The following Crittenden County government or services providers will be closing for the Labor Day holiday, with Saturday dates listed if the office maintains regular hours on the weekend.

- Freedom Waste’s Marion convenience center will be closed Aug. 30 and Sept. 1 and will reopen at 8 a.m., Sept. 2.
- Crittenden County Circuit Clerk’s office will be closed Aug. 30 and Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Sheriff’s Department office will be closed Aug. 30 and Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Clerk’s office will be closed Aug. 30 and Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Judge-Executive’s office will be closed Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Attorney’s office will be closed Sept. 1.
- Marion City Hall will be closed Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Public Library will be closed Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County PVA office will be closed Sept. 1.
- Crittenden County Extension Service will be closed Sept. 1.

## County joins jails’ suit against state

Crittenden County is joining other counties across the state in a lawsuit against the Commonwealth of Kentucky for failure to properly fund county jails for keeping state prisoners.

County jails are losing \$130 million a year because the state does not reimburse them for keeping felony offenders prior to their convictions and sentencing, the lawsuit says. Once offenders are sentenced, they are given

## The Press Letters

## Fund-raiser hopes to set world record

To the editor:

As the manager of Cashland in Princeton, I am very excited to announce the plans for our third annual fundraising benefit for Bright Life Farms.

This year we will be attempting to break a world record by putting together the longest line of handprints. We are currently collecting handprints from anyone and everyone we come in contact with. We’ll continue to collect these prints until the date of our actual event, which we have penciled in as Oct. 4.

Hopefully, by this date, we will have enough handprints to successfully break the record! Each year we are reminded of what a caring population we have here in this area, and I feel very confident that we will be amazed at the generosity and helping hands offered.

In order to break the current record, we will need around 120,000 handprints, which seems like a very large number for this area.

However, with your support and prayers, I am positive we will be able to blow this number away! I am asking that if you feel in your heart that this is something you would like to help with, contact me. For us to be able to get anywhere close to breaking this record we need help from everyone, whether it’s just

stopping by Cashland to give us your handprint or taking a packet of supplies with you to help in collecting handprints.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this attempt. I would be happy to discuss it with you in hopes that maybe you have ideas that I have not thought of!

Bright Life Farms is one of the most deserving organizations in this area, and every year we feel very compelled to make sure that each fundraiser is as successful as possible. In the last two years, with God’s grace, we’ve been able to raise more than \$12,000 for Bright Life Farms.

If each of the 120,000 anticipated participants donates at least 50 cents, we would be able to grant Bright Life Farms more than \$60,000 this year! This money would be used by the organization for the development of its next home.

Again, if you have any questions please contact me at Cashland at 365-5732. I look forward to speaking and working with as many people as possible on this project.

Remember 120,000 handprints seems like a huge number that would be impossible to collect by October, but with God anything is possible.

Shanna Winn  
Princeton, Ky.

*(Editor’s note: Bright Life Farms in Princeton is dedicated to mentally handicapped adults.)*

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# Golf cart issue remains on table

STAFF REPORT

A proposal to allow golf carts on city streets remains on the tee after an attempt to put the measure to rest.

Councilman Jim Brown, looking to put the issue to bed after a final decision by Marion City Council was put on hold in June, asked his fellow council members Monday to take another swing at the matter during their regular monthly meeting.

The ordinance to permit the use of golf



Brown

carts on specified streets was introduced in June, but a subsequent vote was postponed indefinitely pending further fact-finding by the council.

Brown said he and constituents that have contacted him just want the issue off the radar screen.

“I’ve had people who want to know what’s happening,” said Brown, who is not a supporter of the ordinance made possible by a

2008 change in state law.

While Brown had backing from


Councilman Jason Hatfield to put further discussion of the issue to a vote, when the poll was taken, Brown was alone in his voice for that conversation. So, the matter remains tabled, still waiting to be brought back for discussion and a vote.

Councilman Dwight Sherer reiterated that he would like more time to see how other municipalities across the state deal with golf carts on their streets before Marion moves ahead with a decision.


Police Chief Ray O’Neal said he has yet to have an enforcement problem with golf carts on city streets.

## Marion City Council


Marion City Council convenes in regular session at Marion City Hall at 6 p.m., on the third Monday of each month




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Tourism : www.marionkentucky.us



## Crittenden Jail report

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.

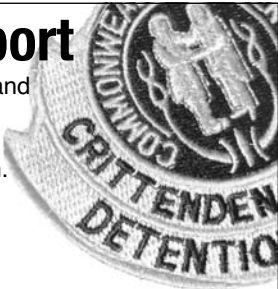
### Work-release for the week of Aug 1-16:

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
  - h. Crittenden County History Museum
  - i. Crittenden County fire and rescue department
  - j. Crittenden County Dention 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 170 miles and collecting 51 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. Four males at 40 hours each working on the Blackford Trailhead Facility
9. Four females at 24 hours each painting at the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum
10. Two males at 40 hours to the Carson G. Davidson National Guard Armory
11. Two woman at 40 hours each to Marion City Hall

Shea Holliman, CC/CD Coordinator

### Inmate count as of Aug. 16 (female count):

Total: **117 (20)**    Federal: 1 (0)    Crittenden County: 10 (1)  
State: 104 (18)    Other counties: 2 (1)



# Fed sentences final of 13 defendants in meth ring

#### STAFF REPORT

The final defendant in a 13-person meth ring was sentenced this week, more than one year after federal jurors indicted all 13.

Robert Topp, 52, of Marion was sentenced Monday to five years in federal prison for his role in a conspiracy to distribute multiple pounds of methamphetamine, said David L. Huber, U.S. Attorney of the Western District of Kentucky. Topp was also sentenced to four years supervised release following incarceration.

On Aug. 14, 2007, a federal grand jury in Paducah returned an indictment charging 13 area individuals with conspiring to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine in western Kentucky between the fall of 2003 and the summer of 2007. During that time frame, Topp entered into an agreement with at least six of the 12 other defendants in the case to distribute meth in western Kentucky.

According to Huber's office, Topp would obtain the drug primarily from Russell Hunt, 47, of Henderson but formerly of Marion, but on occasion, depending on the supply, would obtain it from others.

Those included Kim Cowsert, 29, and Ollie Peek, 53, of Crittenden County, Stephanie Holloman, 28, of Salem and Thomas Dawes, 46, of Calvert City.

On occasion, Topp would sell "eight-ball" quantities of meth, or 1/8-ounce, to others, including Cowsert, Holloman and Dawes. On a few occasions, Topp received meth directly from Tim Binkley, who was supplying Hunt and the other co-defendants.

Binkley, 37, of Marion, admitted during his change of plea that he was obtaining the meth in Atlanta for \$10,500 per pound and selling it in Kentucky for \$22,000 per pound. Binkley admitted to supplying the group with 10-30 pounds of meth.

Others charged in the ring were Wade Hopkins, 35, Randy Cowsert, 37, and Michael Elliot Towery, all of Marion; Michael D. Lovelace, 36, of Salem; and Riley Marie Baucum, of Paducah.

The 13 defendants were sentenced to a total of 96 years and eight months in jail and \$25,716 in cash was forfeited to the federal government. There is no parole in the federal judicial system.

One defendant, Troy

Douglas Fox, died Feb. 17, before sentencing.

#### Where is it coming from?

According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, which assisted in the investigation of the local ring, primary suppliers of meth are Mexican drug trafficking organizations.

A decrease in clandestine laboratories in Kentucky is countered by importation of "ice" methamphetamine from Mexico primarily via U.S. border towns, Atlanta and Asheville, N.C.. Independent traffickers travel to Atlanta and major cities along the border with Mexico to obtain pound amounts of Mexican-produced meth and smuggle it back into Kentucky via privately owned vehicles.

Small "Mom and Pop" operators continue to manufacture methamphetamine in small one- to two-ounce quantities for personal use and for distribution at the local level.

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## The Press Community Calendar

### Crittenden county high school notes

■ The 2008 PSAT/NMSQT is the qualifying test that students must take to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) competitions for college scholarships that will be awarded in 2010. You must be a junior in order to qualify for NMSC; however sophomores are allowed to take the test as well. You must have either a PSAT or ACT score to apply for the Governor's Scholar Program your junior year. PSAT/NMSQT will be given Oct. 15 in the high school library. The test fee is \$13. Interested students must sign up and pay the fee by Sept. 5.

■ Horatio Alger Association Scholarship program provides financial assistance to students who have financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Eligible seniors must submit an online application at [www.horatioalger.com/](http://www.horatioalger.com/) scholarships. Applications must be completed by Oct. 30.

■ 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.

### Today

■ A trivia game will begin at 10:30 a.m., today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center.

■ Salem Lodge No. 81, F&AM will hold its regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m., today (Thursday). The Traveling Gavel will be given to the Lodge with the most members present. Work will be on the Third Degree and a free lapel pin will be given to all first-time visitors. A meal will be served at 6 p.m. All Masons are welcome.

### Friday

■ There will be a bingo game before lunch Friday at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion.

### Saturday

■ Tolu School reunion will be held Saturday at the old Tolu School building with a lunch provided at a reasonable fee. You may arrive anytime between 10 a.m., and noon. For questions call Mona McDaniel at 965-3448.

■ The West Kentucky Christian Home Educators will have a back to school picnic at 5 p.m., Saturday at the city-county park in Princeton. All area home-school families are invited. Please bring a picnic supper for your family. For questions call Krista Berry at 965-3446 or Cheryl Bowers at 365-1336.

■ A benefit car wash will be held for Junior Duncan and family from 10 a.m., to 4 p.m., or later on Saturday at Pizza Hut. All donations accepted and appreciated.

■ A community household for the Duncan family will begin at 1 p.m., Saturday at the City Hall in Marion. The Duncan family lost everything in a recent fire. Anyone wishing to help in any way would be greatly appreciated. For any questions please call Teresa Fletcher at 704-3216 or Dena McDowell at 704-0062.

### Monday

■ Bingo is hosted every Monday at the Marion VFW post on North College Street. The doors open at 5:30 p.m., with bingo following an hour later.

■ Jim Pearce Camp 2527, Sons of Confederate Veterans will meet at 7 p.m., Monday at the George Coon Public Library in Princeton.

### Tuesday

■ The Democratic Women of Crittenden County will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at the Crittenden County Public Library. All Democratic Women are invited.

### Wednesday

■ Music will be played before lunch with Hershel Belt and Friends Wednesday at the

Senior Citizens Center in Marion.

### Next Thursday

■ The Crittenden County Farm Bureau's Annual Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 8 at the Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center. Please call or come by our office for reservations by Aug. 28. Call 965-4624.

■ The Senior Citizens Center will host chair volleyball at 10:30 a.m., Aug. 28 and will have a hospital program on community-acquired staph infections at 11:30 a.m.

■ Crittenden County Elementary School site-based decision-making council will meet at 3:30 p.m., Aug. 28. All SBDM meetings are held in the CCES library.

### Upcoming

■ Dycusburg School Reunion will be held at 1 p.m., Aug. 31 at the Methodist church yard in Dycusburg. Potluck with barbecue and soft drinks will be provided. Family and friends of students and teachers are invited. Bring lawn chairs. For more information, call Gail Bannister at 625-2090.

■ The Crittenden County Democratic Executive Committee will meet at 6 p.m., Sept. 2 at the law office of Rebecca Johnson. All Democrats are invited to attend.

■ The Damron family will hold its annual family reunion from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Aug. 30 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.

### 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 \$2 for anyone over 60 and \$4 for others.

(Editor's note: Community Calendar items should be submitted by 5 p.m., Monday for publication in that week's issue. Find the calendar online at [www.the-press.com](http://www.the-press.com).)



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# SEWER

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widened the narrow road. Thomas said by the city taking on the work themselves in an effort to keep costs low, its employees have been tied to finishing that project.

"Fords Ferry has zapped our resources," Mayor Mickey Alexander said.

Thomas said it will probably be October before the homes along Hart and Rudd streets, as well as Country Club and Oak Hill drives, are connected to city sewer lines. Individual grinder pumps, which mill a home's solid waste before moving along to sewer lines, and a pump station must be installed and tied together before the project is complete.

City workers have returned to many of the homes to level dirt from earlier installation of lines and equipment for the project. One of the next steps will be for the electrical work to bring the grinders online.

Until the Fords Ferry project is finalized, however, Thomas said there will be few resources available for other projects.

"You fight the flame that's burning your hind end the hottest," he said.

After the Rudd-Hart project is complete, there will remain about 70 properties inside Marion that are not connected to city sewer for various rea-



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## Drawing for ballot position

Jim Brown (left) draws for position on the November ballot for Marion County Council from a basket of numbers last Thursday held by Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford as fellow candidate Scott Tabor (center) looks on. Brown, the top vote-getter in the last two elections for city council, drew No. 8, meaning he will appear at the very bottom of the list of eight candidates. Tabor drew No. 7 and will appear just above Brown on the ballot. Only the top six vote-getters will be elected to the two-year term. Byford has used the method for ballot positioning for years.

# Big payday nears for Marion

By DARYL K. TABOR

MANAGING EDITOR

The City of Marion's million-dollar payday is growing ever nearer.

Because of a deal struck years ago through a chance phone call, Marion awaits \$1 million from an Ohio power company working to generate electricity from Smithland Lock and Dam in Livingston County. And the payout could come before the end of the year, said the man who initiated the agreement 26 years ago.

Jim Price, from his home in Aiken, S.C., said Tuesday he expects American Municipal Power of Ohio, the non-profit electric corporation constructing the Ohio River hydro plant, to reach its financial closing on the development within the next three to four months.

"We're thinking within the next few months they would fund it and begin construction on the site soon thereafter," said Price, the man who phoned Marion City Hall in the early 1980s looking for a partner in his plan for retrofitting the dam for power generation. "At that time, we would get paid."

The entities that will reap the benefits of AMP-Ohio's hydro project are the City of Marion and Smithland Hydro Electric Partner, a private

company that shared a federal license for building the plant before agreeing along with the city to sell to the Ohio company. Once the Smithland project is funded through the sale of bonds, Price said AMP-Ohio will complete the license transfer through its payment.

That's will bring \$1 million the city's way. Most likely, said Mayor Mickey Alexander, the money will be banked for future needs. There are no specific uses planned for the wind-fall.

"It will likely depend on the need at the time," he said. "You can go through a million dollars pretty quickly."

One of those needs could be a new sewage treatment facility. The current plant, at times, struggles to meet the treatment needs of the municipality and, in fact, has earned the city a state order to begin alleviating the problem.

The city has been anticipating the looming payout from the Smithland Dam proposal for more than a quarter of a century, but only recently did the prospect of a payday look so sure. It was in December of 2006 that the city, Smithland Hydro Electric Partner and AMP-Ohio filed for a transfer of the license from the federal government.

During the almost two years that have passed since

the transfer, AMP-Ohio has been working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, conducting required preliminary studies for construction and an environmental impact assessment. Price said there is an endangered mussel that calls the site home, but the lengthy impact study has shown no harm will come to the Ohio River mollusk.

"All the preliminary things have been done," Price said.

In fact, AMP-Ohio, which provides electricity to municipalities in six states, is moving ahead with project, having in June awarded a \$300 million-plus turbine and generator contract for the hydroelectric project at Smithland and two other locations. Combined, the three projects will generate 208 megawatts of power. One megawatt is typically considered enough power to supply 1,000 homes.

The origin of the million-dollar deal for Marion dates back to 1982 when Price, an executive with Noah Corp. of South Carolina, called city hall seeking a municipal sponsor for a hydroelectric project the company was looking to start at the Smithland dam. Because he couldn't find a phone number for Smithland City Hall and had no luck piquing the interest of other nearby cities, he finally found a willing partner in Marion.

Marion then-city adminis-

trator, David Cobb, invited Price to speak to the city government about the partnership that would cost the city nothing, but allow Price to have the municipal backer that made awarding a power-generating license more attractive for the U.S. Department of Energy. Because the council liked what it heard - the potential for millions of dollars from annual revenues from power production at Smithland - they agreed to seek federal licensing, which the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission eventually awarded.

Over the years, the economy and a changing state of the energy industry made construction of the project impractical. And, the initial deal struck between Price and the city changed, too, moving the city from owner of the license to co-owner along with Smithland Hydro Electric Partner. The move to a joint public-private license ownership, Price said, made it easier to transfer to another power company like AMP-Ohio.

Over the years, Price said, several utilities had expressed an interest in purchasing the license, but a push for renewable, clean energy made the hydro plant an attractive proposition for AMP-Ohio. Construction could take three to five years to complete, he said.

# Kentucky's jobless rate up

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's unemployment rate for July rose to 6.7 percent from June revised 6.3 percent, according to the Office of Employment and Training (OET), an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet. July 2007's jobless rate was 5.5 percent.

The jobless rate, which is a preliminary, seasonally-

adjusted figure, compares to the national rate of 5.7 percent unemployment. That number is up 0.2 percent from the previous month, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

"The Kentucky economy, grappling with the fallout from the housing crisis, tighter credit, and skyrocketing food and energy prices, suffered an increase in its unemployment

rate. This reflects the continuing difficulty teenagers and young workers encounter as they search for a job that matches their skills," said Justine Detzel, OET chief labor market analyst.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' monthly estimate of the number of unemployed Kentuckians for July 2008 was 137,397, up 25,648 from July 2007.

# TAXES

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county's rate should stay the same.

Faced with increased costs to operate the school district on flat funding from the state, the board of education will unveil its higher tax rates in a meeting next Thursday. The board is proposing a rate of 42.7 cents per \$100 on both real and personal property, up 1.3 cents from last year. The Extension service, which offers 4-H for youth and a variety of services for farmers, land owners and homemakers, has approved a 0.2-cent increase on real estate, taking the levy to 3.4 cents per \$100.

"The Extension service is being faced with (the same) cost increases as everyone else," said Nancy Hunt, in her 29th year with the agency in Crittenden County. "Money provided by federal and state funds have greatly decreased

## 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	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
Extension	3.20	3.40	4.69	4.69	2.50	2.40
Marion**	24.20	22.40	27.30	28.00	22.90	22.90

\*Fiscal court general fund. \*\*For Marion residents only

NOTE: 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.

over the years."

Stuart Collins, chairman of the six-member board that governs the local extension service, said the increase is needed in order to provide the same level of service that has been provided in the past.

The Extension service's new rate would mean an extra \$2 in taxes paid in 2008 by the owner of a \$100,000 home.

"It's not that much, really," Collins said.

Together, with the school district's proposed increase, that same taxpayer will pay \$15 more this year. Those rates will affect all real property owners in the county. However, those who also pay property taxes to the city will actually be paying \$3 less when the city's reduction is combined with the increases.

"It's the right thing to do," Bryant said of the city's decision to lower real estate taxes.

# BESHEAR

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ing on North Walker Street is 50 years old, prone to flooding from a creek behind the facility and too cramped to provide adequate care.

"We're literally out of space," Tolley said.

Despite moving the health department from the heart of Marion to its outskirts on Industrial Drive, Tolley expects a higher visibility to increase the workload at the Marion clinic. He said the number of people who walk to the current clinic and may be inconvenienced by the move are very few.

The new project will be the first new health department building in the five-county Pennyrile district in a half-century, Tolley said.

Another \$122,000 headed this way from Frankfort through a federal Safe Routes to School Program will help reconstruct 2,350 feet of sidewalk along the north side of Elm Street from Main Street to the middle and high schools. The matching grant, which will be complemented by in-kind work from the City of Marion, will also fund a new four-foot-wide pedestrian bridge over Rocket Creek.

"We will be able to service the students that walk, bicycle, skateboard, etc., through this grant," said Al Starnes, director of transportation for the Crittenden County school district.

Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant said the city's grant application also includ-

ed plans for future sidewalk replacements in town tied to the Elm Street project. The city's in-kind work will primarily be tearing up the existing pathways before a contractor pours new concrete.

Because city employees are already slated for a number of existing projects, Bryant said the new sidewalks might not be completed during the current school year.

The governor, en route to Murray for one of his last town hall meetings on his "Beshear About Kentucky" tour, also touched on the current employment environment in the region.

"There are too many people out of work," he told the dozens crammed into the ed-tech center's conference room.

Earlier in the day, the state's Office of Employment and Training announced a 6.7 percent July unemployment rate up 1.2 points from a year ago. Last week, the Rayloc plant in Morganfield, one of the area's largest employers of Crittenden County workers, announced it was cutting 480 jobs.

"(Western Kentucky) can be one of the economic engines of this state," Beshear said.

The governor, though, offered no immediate plans or remedies addressing employment opportunities in the state.

Beshear concluded his town hall series Wednesday in Paducah after finishing the 13-meeting tour with visits to three western Kentucky communities in the last three days.



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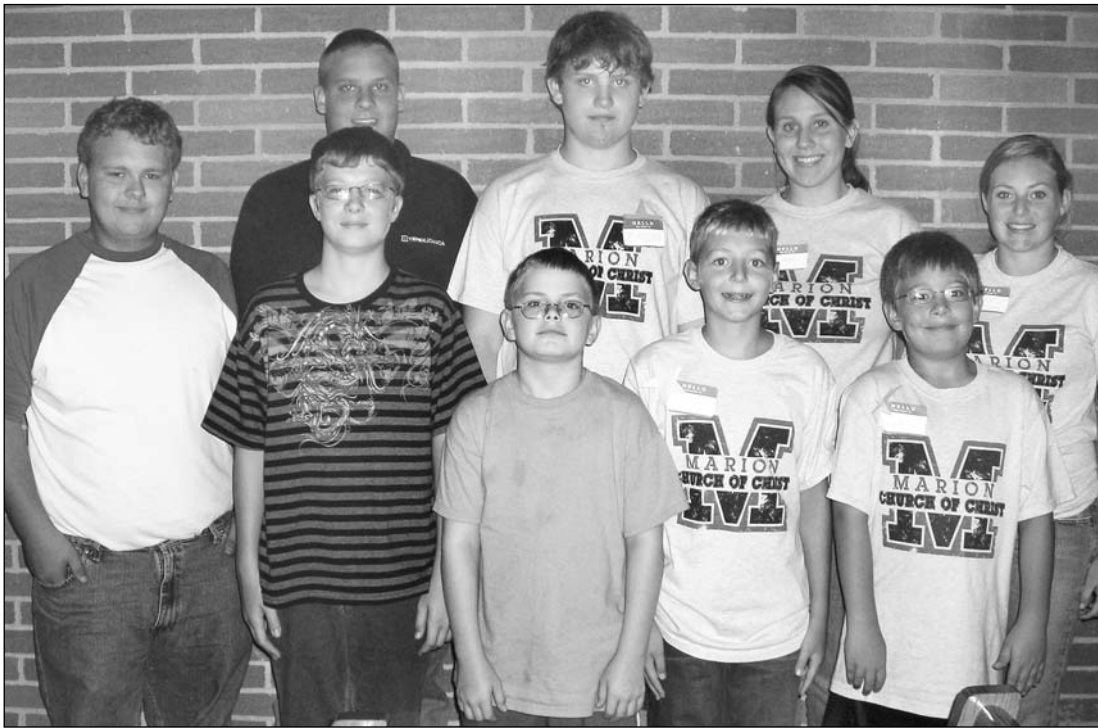
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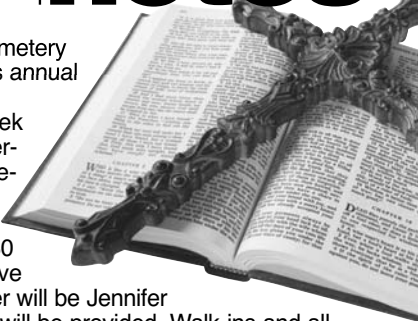
STAFF REPORT  
Several youth from the Marion Church of Christ recently came home with first-place awards from the Bible Quest at the Madisonville Church of Christ.  
Bible Quest is a contest of knowledge of one book of the Bible with both team and individual competitions. This year's book was the Gospel of Mark.  
In individual competition, Cole Foster placed first in the third- through fifth-grade division, while Micah Hollamon placed first in the middle school division. In middle school team competition, a combined team of Zach Collins, Hollamon and Foster from Marion, along with Cameron Angleton and Dylan Lanham from the Hardin County, Ill., congregation placed first in the quick recall competition.  
Other local participants included Mary Hollamon and Lindsay Collins from Marion and Ethan Hastie and Adam Lanham from Hardin County.



Submitted photo  
Pictured from a recent Bible Quest competition in Madisonville are (front, from left) Cameron Angleton, Dylan Lanham, Micah Hollamon, Cole Foster, (back) Adam Lanham, Ethan Hastie, Zach Collins, Lindsay Collins and Mary Hollamon

Churchnotes

■ The Crooked Creek Cemetery Association Inc., will hold its annual business meeting at 2 p.m., Sunday at the Crooked Creek Baptist Church. Anyone interested in upkeep of the cemetery is urged to attend.  
■ A women's conference will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Sept. 9 at Walnut Grove Baptist Church. The speaker will be Jennifer Kennedy Dean and a meal will be provided. Walk-ins and all denominations welcome. For more information, call 545-3479 or 545-3278.  
■ Miracle Word Church will be having revival Friday through Sunday with Prophetess Len Bunting and Prophet Ed Nichols. Services will begin at 7 p.m., Friday and Saturday. Worship will begin at 11 a.m., Sunday and a nightly service beginning at 6:30.  
■ 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 Vocalystics; The Southlanders 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.



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Fredonia church awards scholarships

The Basil Gertrude Green Scholarship Fund of the Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church was distributed last month to seven students, each receiving \$500. Recipients pictured are (from left) Lacey Etheridge, Jessy Weatherspoon, Bristyn Prowell, Nan Baker and Tana Williamson. Not pictured are Keith Rogers and Whitney Ray.

Friday gospel concert to aid Lester family

STAFF REPORT  
There will be a benefit concert for Shain, Steffany and baby Lexie Lester at 7 p.m., Friday at Southland Baptist Temple, which is located at 927 Yarbrow Lane on Paducah's south side.  
The River City Area Gospel Music Fellowship-sponsored singing will help offset medical expenses for Steffany, who was severely injured while pregnant in a Livingston County traffic crash in February. Baby Lexie was born in good health last month.  
A love offering will be accepted for the family during the event, but there is no charge.  
For more information, call 928-1122. To donate to or participate in the benefit concert, contact the church office at 444-9678 or mail donations to Wanda Perryman, 709 Wesley Lane, Smithland, KY 42081.



Steffany Lester

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# Beshear: 641 changes would involve local input

**By DARYL K. TABOR**  
MANAGING EDITOR

Gov. Steve Beshear, while on a visit to Marion Tuesday, said his "Practical Solutions" approach to undertaking highway projects in the commonwealth on dwindling transportation funds will have plenty of input at the community level.

While a new four-lane U.S. 641 has not been specifically targeted for changes by Beshear's administration, the governor has warned that four-lane projects in the state may be whittled down to two for the sake of maximizing transportation dollars. When asked Tuesday about U.S. 641, Beshear said that while cost-effective construction will mean cutbacks on certain projects, the intended purposes of improved public safety and economic benefits from any project will not be compromised.

"We will have input of local officials before any changes are considered," Beshear told The Crittenden Press.

The governor, a western Kentucky native, said Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) and Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) have already let him know of the importance of a four-lane U.S. 641 to the economic health of Crittenden County and the area the corridor would serve. Judge-Executive Fred Brown, who has also lobbied to keep the project as is, made his pitch Tuesday while drawing laughter from a crowd gathered to see the governor at the Ed-Tech Center.

Brown, referring to previous visits to the

county by Lt. Gov. Daniel Mongiardo that included meals, apologized for not having Tuesday's affair catered.

"We fed Mongiardo twice, so I hope you will take a rain check," Brown said after introducing the governor. "Maybe when you come back to cut the ribbon on 641... a four-lane 641."

As proposed, a four-lane U.S. 641 would begin in Marion and connect with the Western Kentucky Parkway in Eddyville. That would provide four-lane access from Crittenden County to Interstate 24. Crittenden County is one of only a handful in the state without a four-lane highway.

The parkway has also been considered for incorporation into Interstates 66 and 69.

Keith Todd, a spokesperson for the Transportation Cabinet, said the relatively low cost of road construction in western Kentucky as compared to other areas of the state would be a consideration that could preserve the original plans for U.S. 641.

No indication has been made by Frankfort, state legislators or local officials that construction of the roadway is in jeopardy, nor have any reassurances been given that the initial plan will remain intact.

Land purchases for the first phase of construction in Crittenden County have already begun, but a few property owners are disputing in court the price offered for their land. Construction on the 5.2-mile, \$50 million first phase of the road in Crittenden County is slated to begin sometime after July 1, 2009.

The second phase of the plan, which runs from Fredonia to Eddyville, maintained allocations in the revised six-year road plan offered by the governor earlier this year.



Beshear

# Wheeler's connection to restaurant a century old

**STAFF REPORT**

The Main Street Coffee Shop and Grill has undergone many changes since beginning its life in 1974 simply as The Coffee Shop. But sometimes, the more something changes, the more it stays the same.

Founded by Jack Easley, the Marion restaurant opened its doors at 110 S. Main St., the building adjacent to the site the downtown eatery has called home since moving in 1997. Today, that current location of 108 S. Main St., holds a special place in the lives of the current owners, Bill and Kory Wheeler.

Ironically, the building was built in 1905 by Isaac Franklin Wheeler, Bill's great-great-grandfather. In fact, the building has become known as the Wheeler building," according to Crittenden County historian Brenda Underdown.

On July 22, 1919, a devastating fire burned several buildings between the former Marion Bank (now The Peoples Bank) and the Masonic hall on the north end of the block. The Wheeler



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR  
**Bill Wheeler, who operates Main Street Coffee Shop and Grill with his wife Kory, cooks a hamburger recently on the grill at his downtown Marion restaurant.**

building was one of the structures gutted by the blaze.

"The building we are in today was rebuilt in May of 1921," said Bill.

The contractor was George E. Boston, and the year is

noted on the front of the second story. However, the brick diners see inside the store today is believed to be the remains of a "soft brick" fire-wall built in the original building in 1905.

## Area&RegionalBriefs

### Hopkins County OKs smoking ban

Officials in in Madisonville have approved a measure that will limit smoking in another nearby community.

The (Madisonville) Messenger reports that the Hopkins County Board of Health last week approved the regulation, 9-1.

The regulation prohibits smoking in enclosed public areas throughout Hopkins County, including restaurants, businesses and workplaces, and at least 75 per-

cent of hotel and motel rooms. Smoking will be allowed in independently ventilated public areas where persons under 21 may not enter, private residences except when used as a child care, adult day care or health care facility; outdoor places of employment; and retail tobacco stores.

Board members had been examining the issue for more than a year.

"It is, as we all know, a community health issue," board chairman Joe Miller said. "It's not about their rights to smoke. It's about

community health."

Individuals may be fined up to \$50 per violation, while businesses may face fines of up to \$100 per incident.

The City of Paducah and Daviess County have similar smoking bans. At least nine other Kentucky counties or cities - including Louisville, Lexington and Frankfort - also have some type of restrictions on public smoking.

Kentucky is one of only 16 states in the nation to have not passed some type of statewide smoking ban. Illinois' ban went into effect on Jan. 1 of this year.

## ESCAPE

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in opposite directions, one towards Ky. 70 and the other toward Fredonia east of Ky. 902. Local officials said Wednesday morning that authorities are still looking for the men.

Whisman, 26, is white with brown hair and blue eyes, stands 6 feet tall, and weighs 140 pounds. He has scars on his left eyebrow and left knee.

Sebastian, 43, is white with gray hair, blue eyes, is 5 feet 10 inches tall and weighs 158 pounds. He has a quarter-sized tattoo of an 8 ball on the ring finger of his right hand.

They were noticed missing early Saturday from Correctional Complex, which is a few miles from Russell's farm near Fredonia.

According to The Paducah Sun, Whisman, of Ohio, was serving a 21-year sentence



Allgood

for multiple theft-related charges, the paper reported. He would have been eligible for parole in February 2012.

Whisman had been at the facility since June 2006, and Sebastian had been there since April 2008.

The complex houses close to 700 felons who maintain a 2,300-acre farm and provide

several community work details.

Another inmate at the facility who walked away last month from a work detail in Lyon County is still missing. James Ray Allgood, 34, left a minimum security detail July 17 in Eddyville.

Allgood was serving a 30-year sentence at the Correctional Complex on convictions from Hardin and Breckinridge counties for criminal possession of a forged instrument, theft by unlawful taking, burglary and receiving stolen property.

Allgood, last spotted in Breckinridge County, is described as a white male, 5-foot-11 and 175 pounds. He has light brown hair, hazel eyes and faded tattoos on the back of his left hand.

Police are asking the public to take the keys from vehicles and keep houses locked while officers search the area. If any of the subjects are seen, contact Kentucky State Police at 1-800-222-5555.

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**NOTICE OF THE AVAILABILITY OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**  
As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, the Crittenden County Fiscal Court has prepared an Environmental Assessment that evaluated the potential environmental effects and consequences of the proposed project listed below. This notice announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment for public review and comment.  
The Crittenden County Fiscal Court proposes to construct a new 8,800 square foot health department including the following activities.  
Construction of a new ADA compliant 8,800 square foot Health Department along Industrial Drive in Marion, Kentucky.  
If implemented, the proposed action will not impact the 100-year floodplain and will not indirectly impact important farmland. In order to avoid or minimize any adverse impacts, the Rural Utilities Service will require the County to incorporate the following mitigation measures into the proposed project design: (1) the County will be required by the RUS Letter of Conditions to amend its ordinances as necessary whereby it will deny water service to any new customer planning to build in a designated floodplain; (2) the RUS Letter of Conditions shall require the applicant to comply with the requirements of the Department for Local Government clearinghouse letter on the proposed project, dated August 11, 2008 and signed by Lee Nalley, Kentucky State Clearinghouse; (3) the RUS Letter of Conditions shall require the applicant to comply with the requirements of the US Fish and Wildlife Service letter dated August 4, 2008 and signed by the Field Supervisor; and (4) standard mitigation measures regarding protections of Prime Farmlands, Cultural and Historic Resources, Wetlands, Floodplains and Cultural Resources will remain as conditions within the Letter of Conditions.  
Copies of the Environmental Assessment are available for review at the Crittenden County Court House, Judge Brown's Office, 107 S. Main. For further information contact Judge, Fred Brown at 107 S. Main, Marion, Kentucky 42064 from 8:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. or call at 270-965-5251. Any person interested in commenting on this proposed project should submit comments to the address above no later than September 12, 2008.  
Federal law prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, age, handicap, and sex in this program.

HP SCANNER/COPIER/PRINTER, just needs ink. Not compatible with Vista. \$20 firm. Call 965-3911. (8-tfc-nc) 1c

2005 HONDA CRF 150F Dirt Bike, has extended warranty until Feb. 2009. Call 969-0156 or 618-289-3878. (21-9-p)

AUTOMOTIVE

1999 FORD TAURUS 3.0 V6, 145,000 miles, a/c, auto, \$3500 OBO. Call 704-0284 or 965-3356. (11-8-p)

1997 FORD RANGER, like new, step side, automatic, a/c, fiberglass lid, 69,321 miles, red, 4 cylinder, \$5000. Call 965-2232, Truman Croft. (11-8-p)

1996 SILVER FIREBIRD with T tops, 5 speed, V6, 212,000 miles, \$800. Call 965-2991 for questions. (21-9-p)

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2 BEDROOM TRAILER in Salem. No Pets. Rent plus deposit. Call 988-3466. (41-10-p)

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AGRICULTURE

NEW HOLLAND HAY BALER, good condition, price \$3500. Call Loyd Patton at 965-5428. (21-8-p)

FOR SALE: 11-month old registered black Angus bull. See Glenn Underdown or call 965-2082 after 5 p.m. or 619-1232. (21-8-nc)

HORSE, GOAT & CATTLE Hay, round and square bales for sale. Call David Gregory at 704-0932, leave message if no answer. (31-9-p)

ALFALFA HAY FOR SALE, square bales. Call 635-1873. (41-8-p)

ANIMALS

ADOPTING A PET from Crittenden County's Animal Shelter gives an animal a second shot at life. Animals can now be seen online at crittendenshelter.blogspot.com. The shelter holds animals from Crittenden, Lyon and Livingston counties. (nc)

PRICE REDUCED: Japanese Spitz, \$50; Puggles - Pug/Beagle, \$75-\$90; and Chugs - Chihuahua/Pug, \$85-\$100. Call 965-3706. (11-7-nc) 700 jd

WANTED

BABYSITTER NEEDED: before and after school. Must have references. Call 965-0902 or 704-9869. (11-8-p)

WANTED TO BUY - a manifold for WD45 Allis Chambliss Tractor. Call 988-4592. (11-8-p)

YARD SALES

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 of the items. (21-9-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 bench/table, 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. (21-9-p)

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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.  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
c/o E.ON U.S. LLC  
220 West Main Street  
P.O. Box 32010  
Louisville, Kentucky 40232  
502-627-4830  
Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard  
P.O. Box 615  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601  
502-564-3940

GARAGE SALE, Saturday only, 228 Country Drive (last street going toward ballpark), 9 a.m.-? Lots of baby clothes - infant through 3T. Also pre-teen through adult. (cheap) home decorations and other items. (11-8-p)

CLEANING OUT - Multi Family Sale - Fri.-Sat., 8 a.m.-?, in Frances by old school. Vehicles, appliances, furniture, household new and used, variety of odds & ends. Rain cancels. (11-8-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. (21-9-p)

INSIDE SALE, cool and dry, Thurs.-Fri., 121 Blake Lane, Linda Wooley, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Baby clothes, kids clothes, books, knick-knacks, all types of clothing, bread machine, kitchen items, food processor, furniture, guitar and premie baby clothing, must come and check us out. (11-8-p) lw 850

YARD SALE, Thurs.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4 p.m., in Midway - turn on Levias Rd. and follow signs. (11-8-p)

3 FAMILY MOVING SALE, Saturday, 108 Meadow Drive in Greenwood Heights, 8 a.m., adult/children/baby clothing, home/kitchen/bath furnishings, table/chairs, bakers rack, washer and dryer, sofa, antique tables, and day bed.

SERVICES

WANTED: HOUSES To Clean. Call 625-5738. (21-9-p)

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BUSHHOGGING - call Mike McConnell at 965-5752 or 704-0342. (41-10-p)

EMPLOYMENT

IMMEDIATE POSITION OPEN: 2 medical assistants, 1 full time receptionist and 1 part time receptionist. Requirement: CNA/LPN, high school diploma, good people skills. Send resume to Medical Clinic, P.O. Box 65, Marion, KY 42064. (11-7-c)

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. (31-9-p)

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**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, DON or send resume to**  
**Kathy Pogue at cccc-pr@atriumlivingcenters.com**  
EOE

HELP WANTED: Experienced truck drivers wanted for fall harvest help. Contact Todd Clements at 836-6583 or Steve Anderson Farms shop at 389-1648. (21-9-p)

HELP WANTED: seeking dependable individual for full-time Automotive Parts Counter/Delivery position. Must be at least 18, with good driving record. Drug testing required. Apply in person at Crittenden Auto Parts, 103 Sturgis Rd., Marion. No phone calls please. (21-8-c) 900

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**NOTICE OF HEARING**  
**CRITTENDEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
The Crittenden County Board of Education will hold a public hearing in the Crittenden County Board of Education Rocket Arena on August 28, 2008 at 5:45 p.m. to hear public comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy of 42.7 cents on real property and 42.7 cents on personal property.  
The General fund tax levied in fiscal year 2008 was 41.4 cents on real property and 41.4 cents on personal property and produced revenue of \$1,237,566. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 42.7 cents on real property and 42.7 cents on personal property is **expected\*** to produce \$1,421,653 for 2009. Of this amount, \$244,004 is from new and personal property. Estimated increase over the prior year is \$184,087. The compensating tax rate for 2008 is 40.7 cents for Real Estate and is **expected\*** to produce \$1,134,052 and 40.7 cents for Personal Property to produce \$221,013, for a combined total of \$1,355,065.  
The general areas to which revenue in excess of 2008 revenue is to be allocated are as follows: Cost of collections, \$12,401; building fund, \$2,044; instruction, \$169,642.  
The General Assembly has required publication of this advertisement and the information contained herein.  
\*Actual collections will probably be less. Last year the percentage of collection was 93%. At this same percentage the tax increase would generate \$84,571 more than what was collected in the prior year, not the estimated \$184,087.

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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: Richard Brian Rozwalka of 2955 State Road 723, Salem, KY 42078, guardian for Kyren Seth Rozwalka, a minor.

The foregoing is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on September 17, 2008. All persons having exceptions to said Settlements are to file same at once.

Madeline Henderson, Clerk  
Crittenden District Court

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Madeline Henderson Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, Ky. do certify that the following has filed Periodical Accounting: Jamie D. King of 8230 SR 70, Fredonia, KY 42411 Guardian of Alison S. Lefan, a minor.

The foregoing is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on September 17, 2008. All persons having exceptions to said Settlements are to file same at once.

Madeline Henderson, Clerk  
Crittenden District Court

LEGAL NOTICE

I, Madeline Henderson Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, Ky. do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Freddie Jackson of 141 Cherry St., Marion, KY 42064 Administrator of Pamela J. Jackson, deceased.

The foregoing Settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on September 17, 2008. All persons having exceptions to said Settlements are to file same at once.

Madeline Henderson, Clerk  
Crittenden District Court

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