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Donkey basketball planned for fair

Ronnie Heady is asking alum from Marion Junior High, Frances, Tolu and Mattoon schools to saddle up for the fair this year. Heady is putting together an "old-timers" four-on-four donkey basketball tournament for July 30 festivities at the county fair. He's hoping to get enough interested parties from each school to field four teams. Himself a former Mattoon hoopster, Heady is looking for people to volunteer as captains for each team and round up players. If interested, contact Heady at 704.2038.

Dycusburg plans for July 4 growing

The Dycusburg Community Group has been finalizing the plans for the July 4 celebration, dubbed "Red, White and Boom!" An expanded selection of food will be served at the Dycusburg Grocery that day, including burgers and barbeque. Later, the day's main event will be the Veteran's Memorial marker and park dedication at 6 p.m., followed by fireworks at 8:30 p.m.

KSP writes 7,000 seat belt citations

Kentucky State Police wrote 7,021 seat belt and 223 child restraint citations to unrestrained motorists during the national "Click It or Ticket" enforcement mobilization, which ran May 19 to June 1. KSP joined other state and local law enforcement agencies who participated in the campaign as part of a statewide effort to increase seat belt usage. During May, KSP Post 2 in Madisonville, which patrols Crittenden and six other counties, issued 516 seatbelt and 12 child restraint citations.

Unemployment on rise in Crittenden

Unemployment rates rose in Crittenden County and 66 other Kentucky counties between April 2007 and April 2008, while rates in Union and 46 other counties fell, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training. From April of last year to this April, the jobless rate rose in Crittenden County from 5.8 percent to 6.0 percent. It also rose in Livingston County, up to 5.4 percent from 5.0 percent the year before. The only county bordering Crittenden County to see a drop in unemployment was Union County, which fell from 5.9 percent to 5.6 percent over the same period.

Public meetings

- Crittenden County Election Board will meet at 9 a.m., Friday in the county clerk's office.
- Marion City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Monday at City Hall.
- Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 9 a.m., Tuesday at the courthouse. On the agenda is the second reading and adoption of the proposed budget ordinance for fiscal year 2008-09.
- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Rocket Arena.

Closings

- Crittenden Circuit Clerk's office will be closed this Saturday.

By the numbers

Fixed-rate mortgages (fees)
30-year (southeast)6.03 (0.8)
15-year (southeast)5.59 (0.8)
Source: FreddieMac.com as of June 5

Precipitation report

Last 7 days0.00
Last 30 days2.32
Since Jan. 1, 200829.46
Deviation from average+5.25
Source: UK Ag Weather Service at Princeton as of June 10

2008 highway fatalities

Crittenden County1
Kentucky (as of June 9)319
Same period in 2007374
Source: Kentucky State Police

American war dead

Afghanistan (as of June 9)517
Iraq (as of June 9)4,094
Source: icasualties.org

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Relay for Life goal set at \$40,000

By EMORY WILLIAMSON
PRESS STAFF WRITER

June 10, 1994, is a day that Frances Teer will never forget. On that day, Teer, a resident of Crayne, was diagnosed with breast cancer.

"That's a day that kind of sticks in your mind," she said. "It was quite outstanding in my mind, but it was just an ordinary day for everyone else."

Fast forward 14 years and Crittenden Countians look to celebrate Teer, and other area cancer patients and survivors, with the annual American Cancer Society Relay for Life, a campaign intended to raise awareness and money for cancer research.

Ten teams and 16 sponsors will participate in this year's Relay, which is scheduled to begin Friday at 5 p.m., and continue through the night until 5 a.m., Saturday at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

"Cancer never sleeps, and that's why we stay up all night," said Sue

Padgett, co-chair for the event.

Teer, who has participated in the Relay in the past, said she appreciates the support.

"It's a satisfying feeling to see as many people as there are who have been impacted and to see they are still able to participate in that function," she said.

According to Padgett, the goal for the Relay is to raise \$40,000, up from last year's goal of \$35,000.

"Cancer touches all of us in some way or another," said Padgett. "(The event) is something we shouldn't let go away because cancer is always going to be here."

With Teer, her experiences with

cancer didn't stop with her own diagnosis and subsequent treatment.

In December of 2002, her husband, Tom, was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma cancer.

"I was, of course, worried," said Teer. "And since he had other health issues, I knew that would make treatment that much more difficult."

Her ordeals and battle with the disease helped both her and Tom get through the roughest periods.

"I knew this would be a different trip," she said. "But I had been down this road before, so I thought I could understand some of the difficulties he experienced."

After treatment, like his wife, Tom is in remission from his cancer. The couple now joins more than 10 million cancer survivors in the United States, according to Stephanie Elder of the

American Cancer Society's Paducah office.

But that doesn't mean the Teers don't still feel the effects. Following treatment, which was 50 miles away in Madisonville, Teer underwent chemotherapy and has since been on three different medications.

"I've been on some kind of medication all these years," said Teer. "That's a long time."

Others who have survived cancer and worked with the Relay in the past, such as Helen Lewis of Marion, also believe the event is an important part of the community. Lewis, who helped lead the first Relay in Marion in 1997, was recently honored with the Cancer Society's St. George National Medal for her volunteer work with cancer patients.

"I heard people talking about these Relays, and I wanted to start them here in Marion," said Lewis, a cancer survivor herself for more than 56

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'08 Relay on track

The 2008 Relay for Life opening ceremonies begin at 6 p.m., Friday at Marion-Crittenden County Park. This year's goal is \$40,000.

Tabatha Rowland and Southern Fry'd will be featured performers.



Elder

Heavenly traditions



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS

Hurricane Camp evangelist Matt Greene makes a point Tuesday evening by holding up the Bible and referencing a verse in Acts. Greene, from Georgia, will continue to bring nightly messages all week at the 120th camp meeting.

Hurricane, West Kentucky Youth camps continue inspiring children

By EMORY WILLIAMSON
PRESS STAFF WRITER

Mandy Gardner is having trouble sleeping this week.

It isn't because of her work as an elementary school teacher or her life as a mother, but rather because of the more than 35 kids she has to oversee on a daily basis this week at Hurricane Church Camp near Tolu.

Gardner, along with four other camp counselors, is in charge of the kids and the camp until Saturday

morning, when the children's parents will pick them up.

"Every year they definitely keep me up," she said of her nights at the camp and in the cabins. "But it's worth it because I love these kids."

Gardner has been working at Hurricane since 1998 and said she is appreciative of her experience at the camp.

"The kids are what it's all about," she said. "I love children, and it's a

fun way to serve God."

Hannah Peek, 14, has been coming to Hurricane for the past five years and said she enjoys her week at the Bible-based camp.

"It's a lot of fun, and you get to meet new people here," said Peek. "I like it because it's more directed toward youth."

Hurricane, which is hosting its 120th camp, is located on the

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"We're getting reports every other day at least. We had two Saturday."

- Sheriff Wayne Agent

Countywide thefts still plaguing law enforcement

STAFF REPORT

There seems to be no end in sight for the thefts being reported from all corners of the county.

"We're getting reports every other day at least," Sheriff Wayne Agent said. "We had two Saturday."

The sheriff is calling on citizens to be alert to unfamiliar vehicles in their neighborhoods.

"We need a very good description of the vehicle, and more importantly a license number," he said.

A farmer's disk was stolen from near Tolu and a resident on U.S. 60 East reported copper and aluminum cans stolen.

Aluminum cans are fetching about 65 cents per pound right now, the sheriff said.

Jones Pawn Brokers on U.S. 641 south of Marion was hit hard by burglars last Wednesday night. Sometime during the overnight hours, thieves broke out a window in an overhead door and gained entry to the pawn shop. Once inside they stole cash, jewelry, knives, a .410 shotgun, three ATVs and other merchandise valued at around \$10,000.

The burglary was reported early Thursday morning and by the end of the day, the sheriff's department had recovered a large number of the items taken, including two of the four-wheelers.

A property owner in the southern part of the county had discovered some

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Bobcats' economic fortunes still unmeasured

On-field performance measured by 6-6 record

STAFF REPORT

Gordon Guess hasn't put a pencil to it, but the calculations in his head have him optimistic for the welfare of the Marion Bobcats.

The former bank president and baseball enthusiast could wax lyrical for hours about the game. When it comes to the finances of the team he's managing, however, he's a little more matter-of-fact.

"I know what I see," he said of attendance driving the club's revenue. "And it's been good."

Guess made the statement at the end of Tuesday's game, which was the conclusion of the collegiate summer league team's first homestand of the season. Like the June 4 home opener, the stands Tuesday were packed with fans. This time, though, they weathered an ugly 8-1 loss to Farmington.

"Everything was great except the outcome,"

said Gareth Hardin, who threw out Tuesday's ceremonial first pitch on Farmers Bank Night.

Hardin is president of the bank, which signed on to sponsor the night of baseball, offering give-aways and drawings to fans as well as information on banking services. Hardin is also one of the 20 investors who sank \$1,000 into the start-up of the team.

"I never considered myself a big baseball fan, but I think this is a really neat idea."

That's exactly what General Manager Guess likes to hear. He also likes what he sees when he peers out of the press box during radio broadcasts of the games.

"People come out and stay. And there are people here I'm surprised to see," he said.

On Tuesday, Farmers Bank brought their own contingency of fans to the park, making the game the center of a company-wide outing. More than 100 of the fans at the game

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PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

Marion Bobcat pitcher Bryce Law makes a pitch on opening night June 4 at Gordon B. Guess Field. The Bobcats beat Fulton 5-4.

Crittenden Grand Jury indicts 8

STAFF REPORT
A Crittenden County Grand Jury has indicted eight individuals on a variety of charges.
Grand juries do not determine guilt or innocence. They simply determine whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecution of a case. The jury met on June 2. It indicted the following:

- Christopher Freeman on misdemeanor charges of failure to wear a seat belt, having a controlled substance prescription not in its original container and second-degree possession of a controlled substance.
- The Freeman case was remanded to Crittenden District Court. The others were sent to Crittenden Circuit Court.
- Billy Wayne Holland, 49, of Old Salem Road was indicted on eight felony counts of possession of mate-

- rial portraying a sexual performance by a minor. The charges stem from a police investigation that began on Feb. 23 and included the confiscation of several items at Holland's home, including CDs, DVDs, computers and other media. Police reports say that Holland had photographs of a minor female portraying a sexual act. Marion Police Department is heading up the investigation with assistance from the Kentucky State Police.
- Robert A. Morgan, 40, of Blueridge Drive in Henderson was indicted on a single count of flagrant non-support for being behind by the amount of \$21,815.10 on child support payments.
- Krystal L. Powell, 22, of Nunn Switch Road was indicted on felony charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana

- and first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine). Police records indicate that State Trooper Darron Holliman went to Powell's home Jan. 31 searching for a man for whom he had a search warrant. The man was not there, but the trooper smelled marijuana and was given consent to search the home. There, police reports say, the police officer found a bong, glass pipes, rolling papers, a light bulb fashioned into a smoking device, marijuana and meth.
- Josh Sisco, 25, of West Central Avenue was indicted on two felony counts of second-degree assault for allegedly stabbing Jackie Jones and Josh Jones with a knife during an altercation on April 20.
- Ryan Brandon Springs, 21, of West Main Street in Salem was indicted on felony charges of third-

- offense DUI, third-offense driving on a DUI-suspended license and failure to illuminate head lamps. According to court documents, Springs pulled out of the Five Star Convenience Center parking lot in a vehicle at about 1 a.m., on April 10 without headlights turned on. Marion policeman Bobby West stopped the car and charged the suspect with the above infractions.
- James A. Sutton, 22, of Claylick Creek Road, was indicted on a charge of receiving stolen property valued at more than \$300. Court records indicate that Sutton is suspected of selling a piece of farm equipment on May 20 to a salvage yard in southern Illinois. The equipment, a fertilizer wagon, had allegedly been stolen from a farm near Tolu.
- David Blake Tabor, 18, of East Central Avenue was indicted on sev-

- eral felony charges stemming from a late-night police chase that involved various city policemen and county deputies on Feb. 7. Tabor was indicted on four counts of first-degree fleeing or evading police; second-degree fleeing or evading police; third-degree criminal mischief; improper start from a parked position; DUI; two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment; two counts of reckless driving; resisting arrest; and possession of a radio that sends and receives police messages. Police records say Tabor led officers on a chase for several hours and that he twice swerved at police cruisers, ran through Larry Orr's yard on Ky. 120 and ran several red lights and stop signs.
- A charge of theft by unlawful taking was dismissed against Thomas Tackwell.

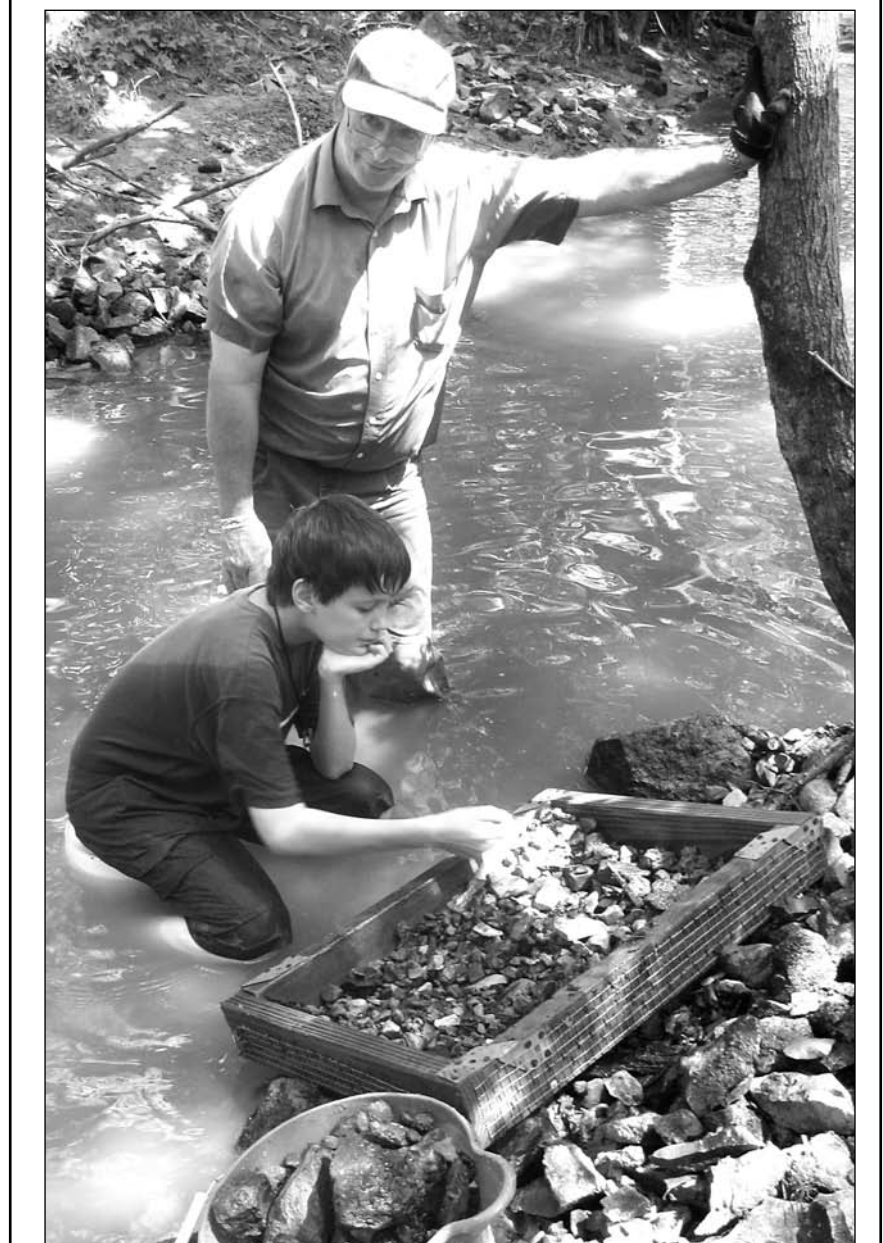


PHOTO BY EMORY WILLIAMSON

Diggin' in the dirt

Morgan Beaudoin of Rome, Ga., sifts through a collection of rocks excavated from Eureka Creek Saturday in rural Crittenden County during a dig as part of the Ben E. Clement Mineral Show and Dig. Taking a break from digging is Bob Madden, also of Rome and soon to be Beaudoin's stepfather. About 15 came to the site to dig early Saturday afternoon. Another digger, Pott Nash of Nashville, had some advice for mineral seekers. "Don't have your manicure done before you come," she said.

CAMPS

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grounds of Hurricane Church. Individual cabins are set up for boys and girls, as well as a dining hall and an outdoor worship area.
Elise Hill, who is in her fourth year as a camp counselor and has been coming to Hurricane since she was seven, said she enjoys the outdoor services.
"It's a different way to worship," said Hill, a recent graduate of Crittenden County High School. "You don't get to (worship) outside every day."
The non-denominational camp began this week and will



Hill

continue until Saturday. Area residents are encouraged to attend nightly dinners and services held at the tabernacle. Dinner begins at 5:30 p.m., and costs \$6, with services following at 7 p.m., and ice cream socials at 8 p.m.
This year's evangelist is Bro. Matt Greene of Georgia.
A Father's Day dinner starts at noon Sunday in the dining hall.

Growing pains
If the Western Kentucky Youth Camp were a child, it might be complaining about growing pains every night.
According to Joseph Williams, a camp counselor and board member at WKYC, attendance at the camp has grown by about 10 percent each year for the past 10 years, causing the need for a new dining hall, recreational

Louisville native adjusting to small-town life as Press intern

STAFF REPORT
Continuing a long tradition of providing community newspaper experience to college journalism majors, The Crittenden Press is again hosting a summer intern.
Emory Williamson, a Louisville native and editor-in-chief of the University of Louisville's campus newspaper, joined The Press last week for a 10-week internship. Williamson has already begun contributing to the weekly paper.
While in Marion, Williamson is eager to immerse himself in the community, meeting as many people as possible and experiencing life in a small town, which is unfamiliar to him. There were 415 students in his graduating class of 2005 at Eastern High School in Louisville, or about as many seniors as the total student body at Crittenden County High School. He is also working in a county with about as many residents as live within a few blocks of his college residence near historic Churchill Downs.



Williamson

"I want to be like a sponge and absorb as much as possible," he said of his time in Marion. "I would like to get to know and understand the community better."
He hopes to take a different per-

spective back to Louisville and share it with his co-workers at The Cardinal, the university paper. Williamson has already begun visiting churches and volunteering in the press box at Marion Bobcat games.
"It can only help out my staff more," he said of the 30 or so under his supervision at the campus newspaper. "It's a good thing for me, and it's a good thing for my staff as well."
Williamson, who will be a senior at U of L this fall, became interested in journalism when he started taking news writing classes in high school.
"Once I got involved, I couldn't stop," he said.
He hopes to continue his career in journalism if he does not pursue a career in law. His father has his own practice in Louisville.
"He would love for me to take over," the junior Williamson said.
His parents, Jim and Sondra Williamson, live in Louisville. He has an older brother and sister, both of whom also live in Louisville.
Though Williamson has traveled around much of Kentucky, prior to his initial trip to Marion in April for an interview, he had visited only Hopkinsville and Owensboro in the western portion of the state.

After less than two weeks in Marion, his initial impression has been a good one.
"It's very peaceful, but a lot different from what I'm used to," he added.
The 21-year-old is spending the summer with Scott and Melissa Tabor of Marion, a situation he couldn't find more accommodating.
"It's absolutely a perfect fit," he said. "They are a great host family."
Among his new experiences in Crittenden County, Williamson drove on his first gravel road; having never seen a mobile home park, he learned the difference between a single-wide and a double-wide mobile home; and he had someone else pump his gas for the first time.
"I thought that was so weird," he said with a chuckle.
Apprenticeships like Williamson's are offered to college students in cooperation with the Kentucky Press Association (KPA), of which The Press is a member. Each year, KPA gathers the resumes of interested college students and awards member newspapers interns agreed upon after conducting interviews.
Williamson agreed to accept the paid internship in Marion two months ago. He will remain with The Press through early August before returning to campus to resume his editorial duties at The Cardinal.

THEFTS

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of the stolen items in a metal shed on his property. He reported it to police, who investigated at the scene.
"We found some good evidence left behind at that location," Sheriff Agent said.
Later that night, two of the stolen ATVs turned up on the same property. Agent said the property owner is

not a suspect. He thinks the thieves were stashing the stolen goods at the remote location and planning to return later to recover their loot.
The sheriff said that many of the thefts reported in the county are directly related to the price of scrap metal, which is about \$200 a ton for most items. Agent said many of the items being stolen are actually not scrap. In some cases, the thieves have been damaging the equipment before presenting it at the scrap yard.

"Some of it's perfectly good stuff," the sheriff said, pointing to a Ford tractor recently recovered at an area scrap yard. That tractor had been beaten with a club and its tires slashed to make it appear ready for the junk yard.
"If residents see anything out of the ordinary, make a point to write down a description of a vehicle, a license number and any other information. If something comes up missing later, we might be able to use that information," Agent said.

BOBCATS

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were bank employees or their family whose tickets were courtesy of Farmers Bank.
"It was outstanding," Hardin said. "The employees really enjoyed it."
The bank president said what was most impressive to him after his first game in the stands was the play on the field.
"They are a great bunch of kids," he said. "They've got some real talent."
But Hardin is aware it may be difficult to coax even hardcore baseball fans to the park to see college-age men compete, especially when none of the players are from Crittenden County. That's why he was proud his bank took

the lead in an attempt to lure fans to the park with additional attractions.
"It's important for other businesses to step up and help out," he said. "It'll help bring people out and get them used to the idea (of attending games)."
Guess is appreciative of those who have helped out thus far, from individuals to the business community. Crittenden Health Systems has scheduled July 18 for its own night of baseball sponsorship. Others, too, have committed to corporate backing this season.
"A bunch of people have come together on this," Guess said. "It's been a lot of work, but it's been worth it."
The Bobcats don't keep



Guess

attendance figures, but walk-up ticket sales, purchases at the concession stand and merchandising have all fared well during the seven-game homestand. The Bobcats were off Wednesday and hit the road today (Thursday) for a three game set in Fulton before returning home for four games beginning Sunday.
But Guess is not yet looking past this season. He knows the crowds are spending money with the team and at restaurants and convenience stores around town, but as on the field in baseball, he's weighing the fiscal game one day at a time.
"I'm optimistic," Hardin said of his investment.
"If nothing else, Guess adds, "We've created quite a stir."

Crittenden Jail report

Crittenden County Detention Center provides The Crittenden Press with a weekly report of its 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 June 2-8:

- Five men at 40 hours each mowing crew
 - Marion-Crittenden County Park
 - Crittenden County Courthouse
 - Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum and Cabin
 - Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center
 - Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center
 - Crittenden County Health Department
 - Dam 50 recreational area
 - Crittenden County fire and rescue department
- Four men to county road department
- Four men collecting roadside trash in the county.
- Two men to the City of Marion
- One man to the Crittenden County Animal Shelter

Inmate count as of June 8:

Total: 94	Federal: 1	Crittenden County: 12
State: 79	Other counties: 2	

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Chamber honors local leaders

By EMORY WILLIAMSON
STAFF WRITER

Gordon Guess struggled to hold back the tears.

Guess, along with four others in the community, received awards from the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce at its 35th annual meeting last week at Fohs Hall. Nearly 100 community leaders gathered June 3 to honor the recipients and to install new chamber officers and board members.

The featured speaker for the evening's event was Dr. Randy Dunn, president of Murray State University.

Guess was honored with the Community Pride Award for his work over the years in the community and his recent work with the Marion Bobcats, a summer collegiate league baseball team. He became emotional as he spoke of the baseball players.

"Their dream is to play professional baseball and we're giving them that shot here (in Marion)," said Guess.

Other winners included Margaret Gilland, who received the Volunteer of the Year Award for her work in the community and especially with area cancer patients.

"If you don't volunteer,



PHOTO BY EMORY WILLIAMSON

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce last week honored its annual recipients of community leadership awards at Fohs Hall. Pictured above are award winners (from left) Judy Winn, Tina Walker, Gordon B. Guess and Keith Hart.

especially with cancer patients, you are missing a blessing," said Gilland, who had traveled in from Nashville, Tenn., to receive the award.

Keith Hart was the first winner of the new Customer Service Award for his work at Marion Feed Mill.

He praised his time at MSU for the success he found in his career.

"While I was at Murray State I majored in history and political science, and it has absolutely nothing to do with

the feed business," he said. "But what I learned at Murray State University about people has helped me feed the sales person and the customer provider that I am."

Tina Walker, director at the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum, received the Unsung Hero Award for her work with the museum.

"Our hero is Tina Walker," said Ed Clement, son of the facility's namesake and a museum board member. "Tina has come in and mothered us

and has somehow become the glue that keeps us all functioning together."

Judy Winn received the Person of the Year Award for her services and efforts within the community.

"I love this community, and it's a wonderful place to live," said Winn. "We have a proud past, a reasonably productive present and a promising future."

New board members installed for the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce included Jared Byford, Beverly Mateja, Mike Jones, Jon Keniston and Phyllis Orr. New officers installed included Mark Bryant as president, Dr. Stan Hoover as vice president, Andy Hunt as treasurer and Scott Tabor as past-president.

A silent auction was also held at the meeting to benefit Heritage Days. According to Ron Padgett, chairman of the Heritage Days, more than \$2,000 was raised for the festival, which will take place from Sept. 17-21.



Gilland

Community Spotlight



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

Community Spotlight

MCC dean's list names 12 Crittenden Countians

Madisonville Community College has released the spring 2008 dean's list, with more than 350 students from three states and 19 Kentucky counties recognized this year for their academic achievements. Students from Crittenden County include: Jessica Binkley, Harold Bryant Jr., Amber Gray, Evan Head, Sara Kesler, Kevin King, Angela O'Leary, Kelsey Simpson, Donna Starrick, Marc Tabor, Wendy Thurmond and Damion Young.

A students must be full-time and earn at least a 3.50 cumulative grade point average for the semester in 100-level or above courses to be named to the dean's list.

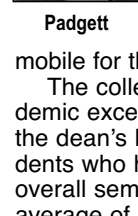
Fogarty earns degree from Berea College

Virte I. Fogarty of Marion is one of 255 students who received degrees from Berea College at commencement ceremonies on May 25. Virte, the son of Leslie Fogarty of Marion, earned a bachelor's degree in theatre.

Berea is a non-denominational, liberal arts college that offers bachelor degrees in 31 fields, including arts and sciences and select professional programs, as well as independent, student-designed majors. Every student receives a tuition scholarship and works at least 10 hours a week to pay living expenses.

Bluegrass C&TC dean's list includes Padgett

Bluegrass Community and Technical College recently recognized Tabby Padgett of Crittenden County for achieving dean's list honors for the 2008 spring semester. Padgett is an employee at Crittenden County Public Library and operates the book-



Padgett

mobile for the facility. The college recognizes academic excellence by naming to the dean's list full-time students who have earned an overall semester grade point average of 3.5 or better in courses numbered 100 or above.

Duffys retire May 30 from separate careers

Marlene Duffy retired May 30 as director of Tenco Workforce Development Program at Buffalo Trace Area Development District, according to the Maysville Ledger Independent. Her husband Michael coincidentally retired the same day from Comprehend after five years, a career he moved into after retiring from Maysville Community and Technical College, the newspaper reported.

The Duffys are natives of Crittenden County and moved to eastern Kentucky in the mid-1970s.

The Press Community Calendar

Today

■ PACS NOW Bingo will be hosted at 10:30 a.m., today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center.

■ Two representatives from Madisonville Community College will be at the Marion Ed-Tech Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., today (Thursday) to assist with enrollment and financial aid for the 2008-09 school year.

Friday

■ There will be music before lunch and bingo after lunch Friday at the Senior Citizens Center.

Saturday

■ There will be an eight-hour class that will satisfy the continuing education requirements for HVAC masters and journeymen at the Marion Ed-Tech Center on Saturday.

Approved topics are variations in residential duct design and heat load calculations. The instructor will be Donald Lomache of Madisonville Community College. The class will meet from 8 a.m., until 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$105. Contact the Ed-Tech Center to register.

■ The Crittenden County Genealogy Society will meet Saturday at 10 a.m., in the meeting room at the library. The program will be "50 Questions for Family History Interviews."

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.

Renita Duff, the regional benefits field representative with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs, will be at the library from 9 a.m., to noon on Monday. She can answer questions and provide assistance in filing claims for VA benefits. This is a free service provided by the Commonwealth of Kentucky. For more information call 1-877-662-0008.

Tuesday

■ A legal aid representative will be at the Senior Citizens Center at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Wednesday

■ A nutrition class will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at the Senior Citizens Center.

Next Thursday

■ Salem Lodge No 81, F & AM will meet Thursday, June 19 for its regular meeting with work planned. The group eats at 6 p.m., and meets at 7 p.m. All Masons are welcome.

Upcoming

■ The Carroll and Iva Millikan family reunion, as well as the Charlie and Cora Tabor family reunion will be held at noon on June 21 at Fohs Hall. A potluck dinner will be served and all family and friends are welcome.

■ A car show will held June 28 in Carrsville. There is a \$5 entry fee and check-in time is 10 a.m. Prizes will be given away at 2 p.m. For information, call 988-2812.

■ Martin/Byrd family reunion will be held June 21 at Enon Baptist Church in Marion. Descendants and relatives of Walter Martin and Dolly Byrd - residents of Fish Trap Village - are invited. (Walter was the son of Jacob Martin, and Dolly was the daughter of William G. Byrd.) The reunion is from 10 a.m., to 5 p.m. Contact Dee Weddell at 212-2323 for more information.

■ There will be a Western Kentucky Regional Blood Center community blood drive from 11 a.m., to 6 p.m. on June 23 in the Outpatient Clinic at Crittenden County Health Systems. All blood donors will receive a T-shirt and non-fasting cholesterol screening.

■ There will be a reception in honor of the retiring Livingston County School employees at 2 p.m., June 22 in the commons area of Livingston Central High School. Those employees being recog-

nized are Jack Monroe, Marsha Hunt, Mike Riley, Marilyn Riley, Earl "Buddy" Devine, Lela Gainey, Pat Wyatt, Gary Watson, Jean Rittenberry, Doris Cothron and Jimmy Croft.

■ Crittenden County Middle School Site Based Meeting will be held at 3:30 p.m., June 24 in the library.

■ This year's Marion High School class reunion will be at 5 p.m., July 5 at Marion Country Club.

■ To make hospital stays as easy and stress-free as possible, Western Baptist Hospital is offering a free one-hour class, "Hospital 101: Your Guide to Hospital Admission." The first class is scheduled for July 17, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Atrium Classroom of Western Baptist Hospital's Doctors Office Building 2. Other classes are planned for this fall. To register or for more information, phone 575-2918.

■ North Livingston Baptist Church will provide a 12-step, confidential recovery program for issues such as divorce, uncontrolled anger, gambling, drug and alcohol addiction, sexual abuse, codependency, food addiction, uncontrolled spending and domestic violence. The groupe meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m., every Thursday night at the church. Transportation can be provided if needed. Call 988-3076 or 969-0402 for any questions.

Ongoing

■ "Variety! Music, Memories and More" returns for its fourth season as the main production at the Badgett Playhouse in Grand Rivers. Variety! features a professional cast of singers, dancers and a live band. The show plays tributes to various variety shows from the past including Ed Sullivan and Hee Haw and includes several different styles of music. Variety! is performed every Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m.

■ 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

include local cloggers and Tabatha Rowland of the band Southern Fry'd.

Padgett said that purple ribbons symbolizing Relay week will be sold for \$10 each. Local businesses are encouraged to place the ribbons on their doors.

For more information regarding the event, or if interested in becoming involved in Relay for Life, contact the American Cancer Society at 444-0384 or online at www.relayforlife.org.

RELAY

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years. However, according to Lewis, attendance at and financial support of the Relay have declined in the past few years and coordinators have struggled to understand why.

According to Elder, lead organizer for this year's Relay, only \$22,566 was raised last year, falling \$12,434 short of the goal.

"We've all tried to think of some way (to increase attendance), but we can't come up with a solution," said Lewis. "I don't know, maybe they're just getting tired of it."

Those who do participate this year can expect the Luminaria Ceremony, which will be held after dark along the walking track at the park, to highlight this year's Relay. Luminarias will be available at the track for a minimum donation of \$5 each until 8 p.m. Entertainment will

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Churchnotes

■ Matthews Cemetery near Frances needs donations and help for cleanup and upkeep. Asbridge, Brown, Hamby, Matthews, Millikan, Mitchell, Parish, Perkins, Polk, Shewcraft, Tabor and Waddell are names of some buried there. Anyone who can help with donations or cleanup may see or call Peggy Dean at 988-3956 or Rita Travis at 965-5945.

■ Cave Springs Missionary Baptist Church near Joy will have homecoming services Sunday. Sunday school will begin at 10 a.m., with worship service following at 11 a.m. Victory Way will be singing after a potluck lunch at noon. Bro. Jim Lee and congregation invite everyone to attend.

■ Marion Baptist Church is now signing up youth for Upward Basketball and Cheerleading Camp. The camp is from 6:30 to 8 p.m., July 28. The deadline for signing up is July 11. Registration can be done at the church on the corner of Depot and College streets.

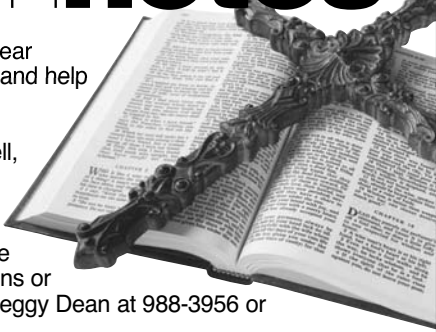
■ North Livingston Baptist Church will have Bible school from 6 to 8 p.m., June 16-20. The church is located at 967 Carrsville Road in Hampton. For more information or a ride, call 988-2869, 988-4740 or 704-2187 or visit www.NorthLivingston.org. This year's theme is Outrigger Island.

■ Marion Baptist Church Bible Study meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m., and worship begins at 10:45 a.m.

■ Due to the ice storm this past winter, the Bobb Cemetery incurred a lot of damage. Anyone wishing to donate for repairs, make check payable to Bobb Cemetery Association in care of H.F. Simpson, 1177 Enon Church Road, Marion, KY 42064.

■ Hurricane Church will have homecoming June 22 with morning services from 9:45 to 11 a.m., and lunch after services. A singing provided by the Hamptons will follow lunch.

■ Piney Creek Community Church is inviting families, groups, couples, babies and children to have their photo made as a fundraiser for the church. Photos by Portraits by Kelly will be taken from 1 to 5 p.m., Saturday at the church. The church is located at 1147 Ky. 1077 in Marion.



More prayer worthwhile Bible: Always pray

"Family's Angel Drowns," was the headline in the morning newspaper. A teenage boy accidentally drowned in a private lake. This happened in my Evansville neighborhood and prompted me to pray for his family.

Earlier, when I raised the shade at the bay window, the room was filled with a brilliant array of color. It came from a butterfly sun-catcher my daughter had put on the window in my hospital room when I was recovering from colon cancer surgery. I paused to pray for her and the rest of my family.

Later, on my way to church, I passed an intersection where a mother and her two children were

hurry to cross the street and walked in front of an oncoming truck. The mother was killed and the children are being cared for by their grandmother. I paused to pray for her and the rest of my family.

My niece drives a P.T. Cruiser and every time I see



Lula Mae Gostley
Devotions
Crittenden Press guest columnist

one of those cars I pray for her.

Passing by a homeless shelter, I pray for the fathers that they may find work and be able to provide for their families.

Driving by a high-rise apartment, I'm reminded of a wonderful Christian lady who lives there, and I pray for her.

Down the street is a local funeral home. I pray that God will comfort the families who have lost a loved one.

Someone wrote, "Let there be no limit to what we take to God in prayer." The Bible tells us to, "Pray about everything," because "more things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

Men ought always to pray.
Luke 18:1

Jehovah's Witnesses hold convention this weekend

STAFF REPORT
Jehovah's Witnesses are invited this weekend to the 2008 "Guided by God's Spirit" district convention held at Roberts Stadium in Evansville. Daily sessions Friday through Saturday start at 9:20 a.m., and end at 4:40 p.m.

This year's theme is taken from John 16:13 and Galatians chapters five and six. The three-day convention is free and open to the public.

The convention explains why humans need reliable guidance and how God's holy spirit provides it. The convention theme will develop Jesus Christ's assurance to his followers, as recorded at John 16:13, that God's spirit will guide them. Other key texts that will be discussed at the convention include Jeremiah 10:23, Romans 8:6 and Galatians 5:16.

Continuing through mid-September, there will be a total of 305 conventions in 76

cities in the United States. Conventions will be held in English, as well as in Spanish and 14 other languages, including American Sign Language. For a full listing of locations, visit www.watchtower.org.

Daily themes for this weekend's Evansville convention are:

■ Friday: "The spirit ... will guide you into all the truth," taken from John 16:13.

■ Saturday: "Sowing with a view to the spirit," based on Galatians 6:8.

■ Sunday: "Keep walking by Spirit" from Galatians 5:16.

Sunday morning will feature a public talk, "Reap Blessings Through Jehovah's Spirit-Guided King," and a full-costume Bible drama, "Do Not Leave the Love You Had at First."

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Local & Regional Briefs

Nasseri exiting as high school's head

Crittenden County High School will be in search of new leadership during summer break.

Principal Karen Nasseri has accepted the position of director of special education for Crittenden County Schools, vacating her position as head of the high school. She will replace a retiring Ramona Ford in that position beginning next month.



Nasseri

"She will be leaving the high school effective July 1 for her new position," Superintendent John Belt said this week.

Last month, assistant principal Steve Head announced his intentions to leave the district for a position in Georgia. Both positions are currently posted with the Kentucky Department of Education.

"The principalship of CCHS has been advertised and will be open for at least 30 days unless a waiver is granted," Belt added.

The superintendent said the school's site-based decision-making council will recommend a replacement after interviews are conducted, most likely under incoming Superintendent Rebecca Yarbrough.

Additional staffing issues will be taken up at Tuesday's board of education meeting.

Fund-raising drive shoots scheduled

Crittenden County Rescue Squad's family portraits will be made June 28 and 29. The pictures are part of the rescue group's annual fund-

raising efforts.

Photos will be made from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., on June 28 and 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., on June 29.

Over the next several weeks, those who have signed up for portraits will be contacted by phone to set up an appointment. If you are not called, you may show up during the aforementioned times to have your picture made.

Those who may have missed the opportunity to participate in this fundraiser may show up and pay \$20 at the time of the picture shoot.

The pictures will be taken at the Rescue Squad building - the white block building just past the library and new jail - on West Carlisle Street.

HogRock biker rally this weekend

The annual HogRock River Rally starts this today (Thursday) in Cave in Rock, Ill., with gates opening at 8 a.m. for visitors to the four-day gathering of motorcycle enthusiasts.

Though a few more motorcycles may be heard rumbling through the county en route to and from the Ohio River ferry, Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal doesn't anticipate any problems out of the ordinary this weekend.

"It's usually calm around here," he said of the rally weekend. "We haven't had any problems in the last few years."

However, O'Neal said enforcement will be stepped up a bit over the next few days in order to address the influx of people into the city.

HogRock is located on a 115-acre farm on the Ohio River in Hardin County. It was started in 1997 and has grown to host thousands of motorcyclists and other rally-goers each year. Because of its adult theme - nudity and alcohol - visitors to the rally must be 18 to enter.



HogRock under way

HogRock River Rally, an annual gathering of motorcycle enthusiasts in Cave in Rock, Ill., starts today. For more information, visit www.hogrock.com or call 1-866-HOGROCK.

A similar event, will be July 17-20 at the Union County Fairgrounds in Sturgis.

Governor's Scholar students named

Corey Dodds, the son of Randall and Debbie Dodds of Smithland, and Kenzie Henson, the daughter of Brian and Sheri Henson of Grand Rivers, have been selected to represent Livingston County in the Kentucky Governor's Scholar program this summer.

Henson will be attending Bellarmine College in Louisville for five weeks, while Dodds will live on the campus of Morehead University. They will be living on the campus and experiencing life much like college students.

"I know both of these students will represent Livingston Central well," commented guidance counselor Scot Gray. "They will have many challenging opportunities while dealing with a demanding and rigorous curriculum."

The Governor's Scholar program originated in 1983 in an effort to provide residential life experiences for students before their senior year. The goal of the program is to enhance Kentucky's next generation of civic and eco-

nomie leaders, while making them aware of what college life will be like. The students are selected based on test scores, teacher recommendation and extra-curricular activities.

Aug. 12 deadline for election filing

School board chairman Chris Cook has filed for reelection in November. He is the only candidate to have already filed papers for any of the non-partisan races on the general election ballot - school board Districts 1-4 and Marion City Council.



Cook

Cook represents District 3 on the Crittenden County Board of Education, while Bill Asbridge serves District 1, Eric LaRue District 2 and Ronald "Red" Howton District 4. None of those three have announced their intentions for the fall. Neither have candidates for the six, two-year terms on city council.

County Clerk Carolyn Byford said candidates have until Aug. 12 to file for school board or Marion City Council. Voters have until Oct. 6 to register for the Nov. 4 election.

Also on the ballot will be contested races for President of the United States, U.S. Senate and Congress.

Correction

A story in last week's Press said that, according to police reports, 300 Percocet tablets were stolen from New Haven Assisted Living in Marion. A representative from the assisted living facility said the drug taken was not Percocet. Instead, the drug taken was Lortan, not Percocet.

FEMA aid awaited

STAFF REPORT

By next week, magistrates should know how much federal aid will be coming to Crittenden County to help pay the damages from April flooding.

Judge-Executive Fred Brown has spent the last couple of weeks escorting a representative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, or FEMA, around the county, reviewing damage and the efforts made to repair what Mother Nature destroyed.

"We've looked at all 350 miles of county roads," Brown said on Friday.

Brown shared with the fiscal court during a special meeting that the initial damage estimate of \$250,000 from the April storms will probably be eclipsed. However, federal disaster declaration in late May included Crittenden County and could help relieve the burden. Federal funds will pay 75 percent of the approved cost for debris removal, emergency services related to the disaster, and repairing or replacing damaged public facilities such as

roads, buildings and utilities. The county could be responsible for as little as 12 percent of total costs if state aid is also okayed.

"There's still a lot of information to be input (before approval)," Brown said.

In Friday's special meeting, the fiscal court also approved the following items:

- A resolution that would allow the county to apply for a grant to implement a reverse-911 system. The system automatically calls residents in the case of an emergency, warning of impending danger and what action should be taken.

- A resolution that would accept General Assembly appropriations from coal severance funds for fiscal years 2009 and 2010. Those include \$440,000 for debt reduction related to Crittenden County Detention Center; \$20,000 for the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum; \$30,000 for Dam 50 tourism improvements; and \$10,000 for a memorial park on the riverfront in Dycusburg.

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