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Price to mail letter to cost penny more

Again? Already?

Those are sure to be two of the most asked questions around post offices nationwide when the price of mailing a letter goes up a penny in May.

The cost of a first-class stamp will rise to 42 cents starting May 12, the U.S. Postal Service said Monday. Postage rates last went up in May 2007, with a first-class stamp jumping 2 cents to the current 41-cent rate.

The price of the Forever stamp will also go up this May, meaning those stamps can still be purchased for 41 cents but will remain good for first-class postage after the rate increase takes effect.

The cost to mail a post card will also go up a penny, to 27 cents. The charge for other services, such as advertising mail, periodicals, packages special services will also change.

—The Associated Press

Ed-Tech Center meets postponed

Two events planned for earlier this week at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion have been postponed due to the winter storm that hit Kentucky.

A National Weather Service Weather Spotter Class for both basic and advanced certification scheduled for Monday will be held at a later date, as well as two Tuesday meetings hosted by the Crittenden County Board of Education to solicit ideas and concerns from the community that could help the district better meet the economical and educational needs of the community.

At press time, no make-up date for either event had been scheduled.

Parents invited to learn more on ILPs

Parents of Crittenden County middle and high school students are being invited this month to share in a training session about their child's Individual Learning Plan, or ILP.

The meeting in the high school library will teach parents about the program that begins middle school students thinking about their future and a career. Parents, too, can follow along in their child's vocational interests through the Web-based, statewide program.

The training session will begin at 6 p.m., Feb. 26.

Ball nets \$5,000 for Fohs Hall Inc.

Fohs Hall Inc., hosted its annual Fohs Hall Ball Saturday. The event drew almost 100 people and raised nearly \$10,000 in gross receipts through ticket sales and a benefit auction. Alan Stout, president of Fohs Hall's board of directors, said the community center should net about \$5,000 from the event, its single largest fundraiser of the year. "This could be a record," Stout said. The event was catered by Conrad's Food Store and The Temple Ais, an orchestra from Evansville, provided the entertainment.

Local meetings

■ Marion City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Feb. 18 at city hall. A vote on a proposed insurance tax increase to eight percent is expected.

■ Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 9 a.m., Feb. 19 at the courthouse with a 9:15 a.m. public hearing on the four-percent insurance tax.

■ Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Feb. 19 at Crittenden County Middle School.

Weather

Reported by UK Ag Weather Service as of Wednesday at Princeton, online at www.agwx.ca.uky.edu.

Forecast

THURSDAY FRIDAY

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6 pm Mostly clear, 45° Cloudy, 32°

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Insurance tax options up for vote

STAFF REPORT

Next week, both city and county governments will decide whether to move ahead with proposals to add money to their coffers through taxing of insurance premiums.

Crittenden Fiscal Court will convene at 9 a.m., Tuesday for its regular monthly meeting at the courthouse. On the agenda is a public hearing, scheduled for 9:15 a.m., with the sole purpose of hearing input from the community regarding a proposed four-percent insurance policy tax.

Magistrates introduced the new



Tax issue

Both the county and City of Marion will take up the issue of an insurance premium tax next week. The city will meet at 6 p.m., Monday at city hall. The fiscal court will meet at 9 a.m., Tuesday at the courthouse.

posed rate to two percent.

Buying insurance outside of

insurance tax during a January meeting with a vote of 4-2 to move ahead with the measure. An ordinance of this nature requires a second vote, which could possibly be taken during Tuesday's court meeting.

As originally proposed, the tax would affect all sorts of insurance premiums, including property, vehicle, health and life. There has been some indication that leaders may be leaning toward excluding the health and life insurance premiums and perhaps lowering the pro-

Crittenden County will not exclude a premium. The tax is not based on where the policy is purchased, but where the risk is located.

On Monday, the City of Marion will take up a proposal to double the current tax rate on insurance premiums. The measure was introduced last month, one day before the county pitched its own insurance tax. Like with the county, the tax ordinance would require a second reading to take effect by July 1.

However, City Administrator Mark Bryant said Tuesday that discussion of the proposed eight-percent premium tax "did not fair well" in last week's Finance Committee meeting. That committee is comprised of Bryant and council members Janet Pierce and

Dwight Sherer. Council member Donnie Arflack has also been vocally opposed to increasing the tax from four to eight percent.

Bryant gave the proposal little hope of passing at Monday's 6 p.m., council meeting.

Though the city has about \$2 million banked away, the city administrator said the measure was introduced by council members to help offset rising employee retirement payments to the state's ailing pension system. That, he figured, will cost the city about \$28,000 more each year for the next several years.



Bryant

Wicked weather

By Chris Evans | publisher/editor

Power company crews, emergency workers and residents were still digging out from under a sheet of ice and snow that hit Marion and Crittenden County late Monday and Tuesday.

Local officials say it was the most widespread natural disaster in this county in more than 25 years.

Power company officials from Kenergy and Kentucky Utilities say they are working every available employee, while additional crews and private contractors have been called in from other areas.

Donnie Phillips, the local manager at Kenergy, said this week's

Need aid?

Anyone in need of aid — whether a ride to a shelter, food, water or emergency assistance — should call emergency dispatch at 965-3500. Downed trees or power lines blocking the road should also be reported.

Phillips, the local manager at Kenergy, said this week's

storm created a very rare problem for the electricity provider. Power comes to Crittenden County from two main sources, Big Rivers

Electric

Corp., in Henderson and from Barkley Dam at Lake City.

"We're on a loop and we lost both ends of the loop," said Phillips, who was coordinating 10 crews of more than 50 workers from the local headquarters on South Main Street in Marion. The men came in before 6 a.m., after being out until around 10 p.m., Tuesday night.

"It's very, very unusual that we lose both ends," Phillips said.

The two main trunk lines between Kenergy's main power sources and Crittenden County were repaired late

Tuesday, he added.

Kenergy spokesperson Lisa



Owen said that 2,400 Crittenden County homes were without power Tuesday.

Kenergy hoped to restore power to about 60 percent of those residences Wednesday, but some areas may be without power for another day or



Above, a two-car collision just south of Marion Tuesday evening on U.S. 641 sent four local people to the hospital. Two, Linda Tabor of Crayne, and Whitley Adams, of Marion sustained serious injury and were treated out of town. At top, West Carlisle Street was iced over and lines were down.

come off of two substations and three circuits that come out of the Caldwell Springs hub, Phillips explained. The priority Wednesday morning was repairing main circuits coming from those substations.

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is aware of the power outages, but if a resident sees visible signs of a problem, such as a downed line or pole or tree on a line, call the local office at 965-3186.

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New county tax not wanted

At 9 a.m., Tuesday, Crittenden Fiscal Court will convene in the courthouse to discuss passing a tax on your insurance policies.

The elected officials we put into office need to hear from you, and they need to see how many are concerned about the laws passed on us.

They are there to do the bidding of the majority, as they were put in office by the majority. You will be heard if you come and want to speak up, or have someone to speak for you.

Everyone needs to keep informed on everything that pertains to our welfare, safety, freedoms and all the laws passed on us.

So many laws are passed on us that we don't know anything about until we are hit with them in our freedoms or pocket book.

Look at your phone bill, electric bill, gas bill and you will see so many hidden costs. Your phone bill has Kentucky state tax, Kentucky school tax, federal excise tax, FCC tax, Lifeline support and a surcharge, Kentucky GRT surcharge, another FCC net-



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Views**

Crittenden Press guest columnist

work charge, a federal service charge and a charge for every mile of line they put up to your home. And that is every month. That comes to \$11.15 on top of your phone bill if you live in town, more if you live any miles out of town.

Look on all of your utility bills and you will see the same thing. Many of these we can't do anything about if we want the service. But we have a voice in what our elected politicians do, if we will find out all the facts and then speak up.

We pay county real estate tax, library tax, motor vehicle tax, school tax, health department tax, state income tax, federal income tax and Marion residents pay a city income tax. On top of that, city residents pay a Marion real estate tax, business pay-

a net profits tax and then all of us in the city pay a 4.6 percent tax on insurance premiums. We pay six percent state sales tax on everything we buy except food, but food is taxed by the city if it's ready to eat such as in a restaurant. On gasoline, we all pay a much higher tax. These same facts cause us to be against any more taxes the City of Marion might want to put on us or any kind of property tax hikes. We are already taxed to death.

Again some of these we can't help, but on local taxes we have the choice to decide what we want to pay taxes on because the taxes are levied on what services the officials render to us.

County residents spend more on gasoline because of the distances they travel, phone is higher, bottled gas is higher and farm insurance comes very high in most cases.

This is to help all living in Crittenden County to understand what is being decided Tuesday. Do you, who live out in the county, want to pay taxes on all your insur-

ance policies? I'm told that life insurance and health insurance would be exempt, if the magistrates change the original proposal.

Let's all show up Tuesday and hear what is being said and voice our opinions. If we don't, we will never have the right to complain about what is done or not done. We must exercise our Constitutional right and make our voices heard.

Many say it won't do any good. Please remember the elected officials are there to do the will of the people, and not just the will of those who voted for them.

They are good people and they will listen to what you have to say and their decisions are to be based on what the electorate wants, except what the State of Kentucky mandates. The people who pay taxes should do the deciding on what they want the government to do for them. Remember, government does not pay for it, we do.

(Editor's note: Lucy Tedrick is pastor at Marion Church of God. Her column appears weekly in The Press.)

The Press Letters

Humane Society ending operation

To the editor:

We would like to regretfully announce the closing of In His Hands Humane Society, Inc., (IHHHS). Due to me resigning as president, and my husband, Victor Kleinik, resigning as treasurer, and having no successors to fill our positions, IHHHS must be closed.

IHHHS has been a very successful organization and has generated well over \$36,000 for the purpose of sterilizing over 700 personal pets in four counties, which has prevented millions of animals from being born.

The remaining revenue of over \$7,500 has been given to Kentucky Spay/Neuter Program in Frankfort, which will be made available for the pets needing sterilized that belonged to financially disadvantaged owners in Kentucky.

This insurance tax, if passed, could create a cycle of individuals and families having to make their own budget cuts. Not to mention the businesses who are already looking for ways to cut back and save money. We must realize that one in five people in Crittenden County are unemployed. Fuel cost is at an all time high, not to mention have you bought a gallon of milk lately?

The residents of the county should not have to pay because the county administration wants to live above its means. I urge everyone to contact their magistrates and tell them to Vote no on Tuesday.

adopted cats and dogs at the Crittenden County Animal Shelter.

Best wishes to everyone and please, have your personal pets sterilized.

Portia Kleinik

Marion, Ky.

Encourage vote of no by magistrates

To the editor:

Our own president speaks of less tax, less government and individual responsibility. However, our county administration wants to solve its problems by increasing taxes rather than making hard choices. The proposed insurance tax sounds to me like an easy way out for Fred Brown and the fiscal court.

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Eric Miller and Nathan Russell

Salem, Ky.

Local brush dump to stay open for disposal

STAFF REPORT

In the wake of this week's destructive ice storm, property owners will have tons of debris to dispose of. In Crittenden County, a municipal dump site has been expanded to accommodate disposal.

The brush dump off Bridwell Loop in Marion will remain open all week during regular business hours for dumping, according to Marion Mayor Mickey Alexander. As usual, disposal is free for tree and other brush waste from both city and county residents.

"It will be open as long as we need it," Alexander said.

Residents should not leave limbs on the curb for garbage collection, and limited manpower will not allow pick-up by municipal employees.

"I don't think there will be enough people to do that," the mayor said. "Of course, we've got our own cleanup to do."

Burning is permitted in limited circumstances and under specific conditions. Because of forest fire hazards, burning within 150 feet of woodlands or brush land remains illegal from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., through April 30.

Residents needing to dispose of storm debris on their own property should first notify their local emergency operations center (965-3500) for instructions. To minimize environmental impact, those property owners should not be burn debris until it is dry.



Electric company crews repaired a damaged power line Tuesday afternoon at Curve Inn on Sturgis Road. The weight of broken or slumped tree limbs snapped lines across the county.

PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS

at least on exterior surfaces. Small amounts of clean diesel fuel or kerosene, not to exceed five gallons, may be used to aid ignition.

Further information about what to do about damage from a storm, and restrictions on open burning are available at www.eppc.ky.gov.

General disposal guidelines

are as follows:

■ For woody vegetative waste, recycling by shredding or chipping is encouraged. If recycling is not feasible, contact the solid waste coordinator at 965-5251 if you have questions about disposal.

■ The Division of Forestry can offer advice and/or contact information to address

urban trees that have storm damage. For more information, go to www.forestry.ky.gov/programs/urban/PruningYour+Trees.htm.

■ The Kentucky Office of Insurance offers a brochure, After the Storm Has Passed, online at doi.ppr.ky.gov/kentucky/Documents/pubs/After_the_storm_Oct2006.pdf.

■ To remove spills and freshen the freezer and refrigerator, wash them with a solution of two tablespoons of baking soda dissolved in one quart of warm water.

■ To absorb any lingering odors, place an open box or dish of baking soda in the appliance.

Outages create food concerns

STAFF REPORT

Jim Tolley, director of the Pennyrile District Health Department, advises residents to take the following precautions regarding food during times of power outage and after electricity is restored:

■ A full freezer will hold the temperature for approximately 48 hours, 24 hours if it is half full. If it looks like the power outage will last for several days, 50 pounds of dry ice should hold an 18-cubic foot full freezer for two days.

■ Keep appliance thermometers in the refrigerator and freezer no matter how long the power has been out. The refrigerator temperature should be 40 degrees or below: the freezer, 0 degrees or lower.

If you are not sure a particular food is cold enough, take its temperature with a food thermometer. If you can't do that, throw it out. Do not take a chance.

■ Throw out any perishable food in your refrigerator, such as meat, poultry, lunchmeats, fish, dairy products, eggs and any prepared or cooked foods that have been above 40 degrees for two hours, because bacteria can multiply to unsafe levels under these conditions.

■ Fresh fruits and vegetables are safe as long as they are still firm and there is no evidence of mold or sliminess.

■ If an appliance thermometer was kept in the freezer, read the temperature when power comes back on. If the appliance thermometer stored in the freezer reads 40 degrees or below, the food is safe and may be refrozen.

■ If a thermometer has not been kept in the freezer, check each package of food to determine the safety.

■ If the food still contains ice crystals or is 40 degrees or below, it is safe to refreeze.

■ Raw meats, and poultry, cheese, juices, breads and pastries can be refrozen without losing too much food quality.

■ Prepared foods, fish, vegetables and fruits in the freezer, can be refrozen safely, but food quality may suffer.

■ Remember, you can't rely on appearance or odor of the food to determine if it is safe. Food that has thawed or was held above 40 degrees for more than two hours should be thrown out because bacteria may multiply to unsafe levels.

■ If you plan to eat refrigerated or frozen meat, poultry, fish or eggs while they are still at safe temperatures, it's

important that the food is thoroughly cooked to the proper temperature to assure that any foodborne bacteria that may be present is destroyed.

■ Wash fruits and vegetables with water from a safe source before eating.

■ For infants, if possible, use prepared, canned baby formula that requires no added water. When using concentrated or powdered formula

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Local & Area Briefs

Mineral museum hosts more visitors

A growing number of visitors from 35 states and six foreign countries passed through the Ben. E. Clement Mineral Museum in Marion last year.

Museum Director Tina Walker said 2,257 people signed the register at the museum, one and a half times more than in 2006. Nearly 2,000 of those 2007 visitors came from a Zip Code other than that of Marion's. Half of those called another state home.

The museum is not just a collection of both rare and common minerals, but hosts a number of digs throughout the year in rural Crittenden County. Many of those digs are at historic fluorspar mines that helped drive the county's population to nearly 20,000 in the early 1900s.

The largest groups invited to those digs were from area schools who regularly transport busses of students to the facility. Several adult geological groups from around the nation spent an entire weekend in the county digging for minerals.

Early Monday fires dispatch volunteers

Separate fires destroyed one home and damaged another early Monday morning.

Crittenden County Fire Department responded to the scene of a house fire at the corner of Guggenheim Road and Ky. 1668 (Crittenden Springs Road) at 6:43 a.m., Monday.

The structure was fully engulfed when firefighters arrived. A motorist had noticed the fire and called 911. No one was at the home at the time. It was owned by Larry Reeves of Paducah.

The house was a total loss. The roof had already collapsed by the time firemen arrived. The fire department was at the scene until 11:30 a.m.

Another fire at the home of David "Jock" Crider at 711 E. Depot caused minor damage.

That blaze was reported at 2:43 a.m., and City of Marion firemen were on the scene for almost three hours.

On Tuesday, city firemen were called out several times to put out small blazes that had started in homes as electricity was turned back on. At least one call was related to a gas heater catching fire.

Crittenden hospital offers health fair

Crittenden Health Systems will kickoff its 65th anniversary celebration later this month with a customized business health fair for Par-4 Plastics' employees.

The event, which is the first

of many customized health fairs scheduled throughout the year, will take place from 6:30 to 9 a.m., and 2 to 5 p.m., on Feb. 29 at the Par-4 complex.

The professionals of CHS will offer screenings that are vital to early-detection of several underlying health conditions. Screenings will include PSA testing and lipid panels with glucose testing. Employees who participate in the lab tests should not have anything to eat or drink with the exceptions of plain coffee, tea or water for at least 10-12 hours. This allows for more accurate lab test results.

In addition to the lab tests, employees will have an opportunity to participate in hands-on activities covering a variety of health-related topics. CHS nursing and medical professionals will be on hand to cover matters such as nutrition and diet, rehabilitation, sleep disorders, medications, osteoporosis and more.

If your business is interested in scheduling a customized health fair for its employees, call CHS Chief Nursing Officer Robin Curnel at 965-1031.

LHHS hires new performance head

Judith C. Martin, RN, BS, CCM will be joining Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services, Inc. next week as the Salem facility's new director of performance improvement.

Martin comes to LHHS from Troyer Health System in Madisonville where she worked for more than 20 years, the last eight as director of clinical quality and safety. Martin Pat Fletcher retired at the end of 2007 after 20 years at LHHS.

Martin's background includes a nursing degree in 1986 from Madisonville Community College as well as a bachelor's degree in business management from Mid-Continent University in Mayfield in 2007.

"She will be a wonderful help to our employees, medical staff providers and Board of Directors in moving Livingston Hospital forward in the years ahead as we continue to improve and expand our services," said LHHS Administrator Mike Budnick.

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were called out several times to put out small blazes that had started in homes as electricity was turned back on. At least one call was related to a gas heater catching fire.

'Net safety course offered by district

Increasing concerns over Internet safety among parents has crept into nearly every home in the United States, as computers have replaced television as one of the biggest interests of teens and pre-teens.

Next week, Crittenden County schools will be addressing the concerns of guardians with a free class designed to provide the tools and training needed to keep both parents and children safe from Internet scams and predators.

A Parents Guide to Internet Safety will be held at 6 p.m., next Thursday at the Ed-Tech Center on Industrial Drive in Marion. You need not be a computer expert to participate in the class; "you only have to care about the safety of your child," said Holly White, community educator for the school district.

Because seating is limited, reservations are requested by calling White at 965-3525.

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GREAT FOR A HUNTER'S LODGE - 3 br w/large great rm, lots of kit, cabinets, large laundry, & fam. rm. A barn & small storage bldgs. A 32x52 metal bldg. w/upstairs br apt., a 1/2 bath on lower level & concrete floor, 4+ acres fenced & a spring. Salem area. \$130,000.00, js

NEW - GOLFER'S DREAM - Nice 3 br, 2 bath brick home overlooking hole 7. Fam. rm, dining rm & office. Large deck as logs. Att. 2 car garage. Detached 25 X 30 garage w/electric. Gazebo, am

GREAT FAMILY HOME - 3 Br bath, living rm, eat-in kitchen w/nice oak cabinets & ap. A double lot & 5 out buildings. This home is well kept. Price Reduced to \$65,000.00, evv

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION - On this 3 bedroom home with bath, living room, kitchen, 2 car garage, paved drive and 3+/- acres. Owner wants offer. Price reduced to \$62,000.00, lc

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

LOTS - GRANDVIEW ESTATES IN MARION - Lot 19 \$24,900.00, 3.23 AC, Lot 11 \$10,000.00, 1.02 AC, Lot 6 \$11,500.00, 1.208 AC, Lot 5 \$10,500.00, 1.088 AC, Lot 4 \$11,500.00, 1.508 AC, County Water, Underground utilities, jn

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GOOD LOCATION - Lot across from Crittenden Farm Supply on Gum St. \$6,000.00, rd

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

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General Assembly watch '08

Lawmaker columns can be found online

Due to limitations created by this week's winter storm, The Crittenden Press was unable to print the regular weekly submissions by both Sen. Dorsey Ridley and Rep. Mike Cherry, both of whom serve Crittenden County in Frankfort. However, both columns can be online at our Web site, www.the-press.com.

No laws, halfway through '08 session

As of press time Wednesday, 28 days into the 60-day regular session of the 2008 Kentucky General Assembly, no bills have passed both the House and the Senate, though each chamber has passed a number of their own originating bills.

Weather radios subject of House bill

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — As some Kentuckians recover from last week's deadly storms that left seven people dead and dozens more injured, state lawmakers are considering a plan to require retailers that sell manufactured and mobile homes to equip them with weather radios.

Rep. Ruth Ann Palumbo, the bill's sponsor, believes that when deadly tornadoes and storms hit, early warning is key to survival. A functioning weather radio could mean more time to get out of harm's way, she says. "This is about life and death," Palumbo said.

A similar measure sponsored by U.S. Rep. Brad Ellsworth (D-Ind.) is pending in Congress. Ellsworth spokeswoman Liz Farr said the radios provide "that little extra bit of warning so that families could protect themselves."

Health, some social services face cuts

Under Gov. Steve Beshear's proposed two-years spending plan, Kentucky's public-health system could take cuts of about 12 percent a year over that period, according to the Courier-Journal newspaper.

"We're trying to minimize the impact, but it's likely there will be reduced services," Commissioner of Public Health Dr. William Hacker told the House budget review subcommittee on human resources. "We'll consider what options we have to get the job done. We'll do the best we can."

That could spell bad news for local health departments, like the one in Crittenden County. Those facilities rely on state funds to provide services such as immunizations, well-baby care, diabetes counseling, prenatal care, cancer screenings and a host of other health programs for the low-income and uninsured.

And Beshear's budget includes no money for 19 additional resource centers that officials had hoped to add this year to public schools.

The Family Resource and Youth Service Centers provide assistance for parents and children in need of social services and other help, and they have been enormously popular with educators and advocates. The 820 centers served roughly 613,000 students last year, according to the budget presentation yesterday.

In another area, funding for the state's 13 rape-crisis centers and 15 child-advocacy centers, which help children who have been sexually abused, won't be cut, the Courier-Journal reported.

House Dem urges support of tax hike

FRANKFORT, Ky. — House Democrats are urging the state's university presidents to back a tax increase and possibly legalized casino gambling to avoid deep cuts legislators have proposed for the institutions.

Heads of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System, University of Kentucky and University of Louisville have all told lawmakers that the 12 percent higher education cut proposed by Gov. Steve Beshear would equal double-digit tuition increases, as well as cuts to staff and course offering.

"It's a three-letter word and it starts with a 'T,'" Rep. Mary Lou Marzian (D-Louisville) told the presidents during a hearing of the House budget review subcommittee on education. "We've got to ... do what's best for the citizens of Kentucky — raise that cigarette tax and maybe the gaming thing, we need to look at that. Get your students to start e-mailing us. And say, 'Raise that cigarette tax.'"

However, all three presidents refused backing any specific bills to help their cause, according to the Courier-Journal newspaper.

Marzian is co-sponsor of a bill that would raise the state's 30-cent-per-pack cigarette tax by 70 cents and, she said, generate about \$300 million a year. House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he supports a higher cigarette tax. But he said an increase of 25 to 30 cents may be the largest that House would approve.

Beshear is expected to offer his proposal for legalizing casinos within two weeks.



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

Forced from a Marion home on Keeling Street when a tree weighted with ice fell across the structure, an extended family of nine made shelter Tuesday night at Crittenden County Elementary School, the only shelter in the county with electricity. Pictured above (from left) making the most of the evening away from home are Kevin Tolley, 7; Destiny Tolley, 3; Nathan Stokes, 8; Michael Tolley, 5 months; and Heather Tuck, visiting from Detroit.

STORM

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206th Engineer Battalion arrived at 10:39 with four guardsmen and two humvees. Sgt. Frank Murphrey was in charge of the relief effort that worked tirelessly all day and through the night evacuating people, directing traffic for work crews and assisting local authorities at a variety of emergency situations.

■ "This is the worst damage to trees and power lines that I have seen since I started in law enforcement," said Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent.

■ Volunteer firefighters and rescue squad members were mobilized early Tuesday morning to help clear roadways and evacuate people in rural areas who needed to get to emergency shelters. Few were willing to go to the shelter until about dark Tuesday when it became apparent that many would go another night without power. Most homes in the county lost electricity between 2 and 3 a.m., Tuesday.

■ U.S. 60 closed at Dyer Hill curve due to falling trees at midday Tuesday and remained closed through Wednesday morning. One tree fell on a rescue vehicle at the scene. A utility pole fell across U.S. 60 near New Salem Church Wednesday morning, closing the road for a few hours.

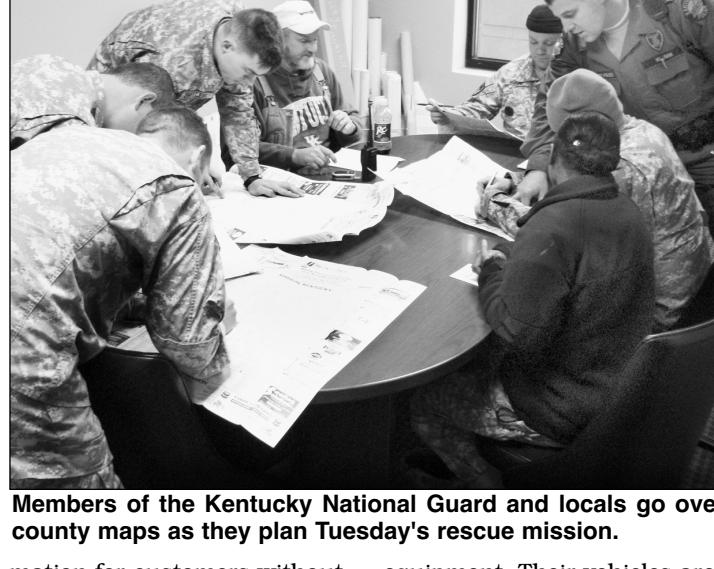
■ Red Cross, with local director Geraldine Shouse and crew, arrived in Marion at 11 a.m., to assist the county in providing shelter and aid to those in need. The Red Cross set up its headquarters at Crittenden Elementary School. Marion Baptist and Marion United Methodist churches were ready to open their doors and provide emergency shelter for those in need; however, power was not restored to either building, thereby eliminating their use as emergency shelters. About 40 people sought overnight shelter at the elementary school Tuesday night.

■ Smoke in the Crittenden Hospital emergency room Tuesday at 12:03 p.m., sent city firemen in a rush to the scene. As it turned out, the source of the smoke was a heat and air unit that overheated. It caused no major problems. The hospital, clinic and new detention center were all operating on backup power systems Tuesday. All surgeries at the hospital and appointments at Family Practice Clinic were cancelled.

■ A handful of small fires broke out at homes, but none turned out to be serious.

■ Schools in Crittenden County were called off for Wednesday and may be out more days this week.

■ Sandy Heady, who works in the office at Kenergy in Marion, said phone calls were coming in constantly, but she had very little information.



Members of the Kentucky National Guard and locals go over county maps as they plan Tuesday's rescue mission.

mation for customers without power. They were advised to call 1-800-844-4832.

■ Lisa Owen, a spokesperson for Kenergy, said Crittenden was one of several areas in Kenergy's 14-county service area that suffered severely from the ice storm. About 10,000 Kenergy customers were without power in the region, including many in McLean, Daviess, Hopkins and Webster counties.

■ Crittenden was the hardest hit," Owen said.

Every available employee was working on lines for Kenergy and Kentucky Utilities Tuesday and Wednesday. The electricity companies called in additional crewmen from Warren Rural Electric Cooperative in Bowling Green and other private contractors to help restore power.

■ Travis, the DEM deputy director, said he was advised that a major service line from Big Rivers Power had been severed, creating many of the problems in the Crittenden County area.

"Anyone in Crittenden County who is without power should make arrangements for long-term outages," Owen told The Press Tuesday. "It could be one day, two or maybe three before everything is back up."

■ District Court in Crittenden County was cancelled Wednesday.

■ National Guard troops, as well as local fire and rescue volunteers went door to door Tuesday searching for anyone in need of emergency service or shelter.

Judge Brown said getting the word out was difficult because the local radio station, WMJL, was down Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Also, most people had no electricity to get messages from WPSD-TV or other television stations.

■ Marion policemen started going door to door at Creekside and Bellville Manor apartments about 4 p.m., Tuesday looking for people who might need assistance.

Everyone who did was taken to the shelter at CCES.

■ The National Guard's efforts were hindered by a lack of communications

equipment. Their vehicles are not equipped with radios that allow them to communicate with one another, and they do not have hand-held devices.

To alleviate the problem, county rescue squad members were called to the EOC and asked to give up their spare hand-held radios to the guardsmen operating in the county. Most were reluctant to do so because they were also on duty due to the disaster.

■ There was a serious accident about 4:20 p.m., just south of Marion on U.S. 641. One of the two vehicles burst into flames shortly after the collision and two people sustained serious injuries.

Crittenden County Deputy Don Perry said the wreck was a result of black ice that had formed as the temperature dropped just before dark.

Linda Tabor of Crayne, a passenger in a Mercury Mountaineer driven by Stacy Hardin, also of Crayne, and Whitley Adams, driver of a Plymouth passenger car, were both seriously injured in a head-on collision. Perry said both were transported out of town for treatment of their injuries. Hardin and a passenger in the other vehicle, Rodney Adams, were treated locally for their injuries.

Both of the Adamses are of Marion.

As temperatures dropped at sundown, road conditions worsened dramatically. Roads were completely covered with black ice, according to law enforcement officials, then it began snowing shortly after 5 p.m. Periodic snow continued to fall Wednesday morning.

■ Conrad's Food Store and Food Giant were both open early Tuesday, but by late afternoon only Conrad's on the south side of town was operating. The deli was especially busy as people without electricity flocked to town all day seeking a hot meal. Lori Holeman at the deli said they served more than 1,000 meals Tuesday. Getting fuel was another problem for most residents as power outages kept most of the city's gas stations from being able to pump fuel.

Liberty Fuels on the south side of town was able to stay open most of the day.

Two local humane societies folding

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County is losing both off the humane societies that have operated here over the past several years.

In His Hands Humane Society is ceasing to operate, according to its founder and president Portia Kleinik.

Additionally, the Crittenden County Humane Society, which has been largely idle for the past four or five years, will be closing its books for good this month.

Although the plight of stray cats and puppies may seem in peril, there is some good news. The Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter will be built soon and the money left over from the now defunct humane societies will be used for spay and neutering programs.

Kleinik, who started the non-profit In His Hands Humane Society here in 2000, said the organization had grown over the years to serve Livingston, Caldwell, Lyon and Crittenden counties. The group could not find anyone to replace Kleinik, so it's going out of business so to speak, but not before donating all of its remaining funds to the State of Kentucky for spay and neutering programs..

Kleinik said \$7,500 was sent to the state when the humane society shut down earlier this month.

"Over the years we have generated over \$36,000 for

spay and neutering," she said. "And we helped lower Crittenden County's euthanization rate from 50 percent to 21 percent."

Kleinik said that spaying or neutering one cat prevents the potential for 420,000 unwanted animal births over a seven-year period. For dogs, that same procedure prevents the potential for 67,000 unwanted puppies over a six-year period.

Coincidentally, although the two humane societies were not directly affiliated with one another, both are closing out at the same time. Gerry Beavers, a member of the Crittenden County Humane Society's board of directors, said it was ceasing operations and giving its funds, about \$30,000, to the county dog shelter.

Beavers said the group had been largely inactive for several years and only recently decided to donate all of its funds to the local dog pound.

Toya Redd, a board member for the proposed Ruddiman no-kill animal shelter, said plans are moving right ahead to build a center of operations here. The shelter is being funded through a large financial bequest by the late Mary Hall Ruddiman.

Redd said dogs that check into the shelter will live out their days there or be adopted.

Pets may also be adopted from the county's stray animal shelter on U.S. 60 east.

LIVESTOCK REPORTS

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MARION LIVESTOCK SALE

February 11, 2008. KDOA-USDA Market News West Kentucky Livestock Market, Marion Auction (cattle weighed at time of sale). Receipts: Cattle: 695.

Compared to last week: Slaughter Cows 3.00-5.00 higher. Slaughter Bulls 1.00 to 2.00 higher. Feeder Steers and feeder Heifers under 600 lbs 3.00 to 6.00 higher, some 6.00 to 8.00 higher on improved quality, over 600 lbs steady to 3.00 higher. Winter storm moved into area late afternoon making travel hazardous.

Slaughter Cows:

Percent Lean Weight Avg-Dress hi-Dress lo-dress

Breaker 75-80 955-1650 45.00-49.00 53.00-55.50

Bones 80-85 875-1500 43.00-47.00 51.00-53.00

Several 54.00-58.00

Lean 85-90 1300-1400 40.00-44.00 45.00-49.00 36.00-40.00

Slaughter Bulls: Weight Carcass Boning Percent Price

Y.G. 1580-1860 79-82 61.50-66.50

Y.G. 1-2 1200-1600 77-79 55.00-59.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

3 200-300 253 120.00-124.00 121.54

21 300-400 354 119.00-130.00 126.68

2 400-500 372 109.00-110.00 109.52

2 400-500 488 101.00-103.00 107.03

2 500-600 525 102.00-108.00 104.89

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 3

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

2 500-600 510 73.00 73.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

2 300-400 372 123.00-125.00 122.39

5 300-400 356 123.00-127.00 125.29

7 400-500 448 100.00-125.00 113.47

14 500-600 549 98.00-113.00 109.30

5 600-700 636 95.00-101.00 99.85

2 700-800 735 94.00 94.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

8 300-400 364 96.00-112.00 106.30

5 500-600 595

Church notes

■ Greg Freeman will be the guest speaker at Southside Baptist Church in Princeton at 1 p.m., Saturday. There will be hot dogs, soft drinks and door prizes. This is a free event in a family-friendly environment for the whole family. The church is located at 205 Nichols St. For more, call 388-4542 or 365-5510.

■ Goshen Independent General Baptist Church has a dinner following morning service Sunday. The church is located behind Marion Pizza Hut at Darben Plaza.

■ Marion Baptist Church is inviting the community to honor Louella Tibbs at 10:45 a.m., Sunday for her many years of faithful service to the Lord and Focus on WMU.

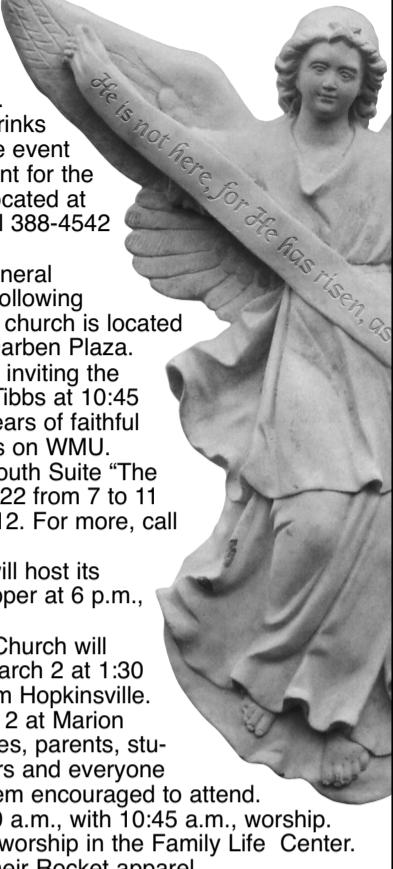
■ Marion Baptist Church Youth Suite "The Basement" will be open Feb. 22 from 7 to 11 p.m., for youth grades six to 12. For more, call 965-5232.

■ Mexico Baptist Church will host its fourth annual Wild Game Supper at 6 p.m., Feb. 23.

■ Sturgis General Baptist Church will have their homecoming on March 2 at 1:30 p.m., featuring His Praise from Hopkinsville.

■ Rocket Sunday is March 2 at Marion Baptist Church with all coaches, parents, students, administrators, teachers and everyone involved with the school system encouraged to attend. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m., with 10:45 a.m., worship. A meal to will follow morning worship in the Family Life Center. All are encouraged to wear their Rocket apparel.

■ On March 9, during morning worship, Marion Baptist Church will be recognizing its Upward ministry, including players, cheerleaders, parents, coaches, referees, concession workers and prayer partners. All participants are encouraged to come and worship.



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Flames often need fanning

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The apostle Paul was encouraging Timothy in his ministry. Being young, he was experiencing some

Lula Mae Gostley
Devotions

Crittenden Press guest columnist

opposition as a leader. No doubt he felt intimidated. Paul reminds him of the special gifts he had been given, and to stir gifts into flame.

We can remember the excitement we felt when we were saved. We were anxious to share that experience with everyone. Over time, that enthusiasm has faded because of criticism or failure to see results. Our vision has been narrowed.

We need to allow the Holy Spirit to fan the flames of hope He has planted in our hearts. God's word says, "Be steadfast, unmoveable always abounding in the work of

"Fan into flame the gift of God

- II Timothy 1:4

the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

"It only takes a spark to get a fire glowing."

(Editor's note: Lula Mae Gostley is a guest religion columnist for The Crittenden Press. Her column appears periodically on this page.)

Kentucky Baptist send in disaster relief

In addition to teams already working in Muhlenberg County, the Kentucky Baptist Convention is sending disaster relief volunteers to Cecilia, Brandenburg and Monroe County in response to severe damage from storms last week.

According to Coy Webb, disaster relief associate for the KBC, a chainsaw team of 17 volunteers was dispatched late last week to Cecilia to clear debris and assist with cleanup. Additional teams are preparing for chainsaw work in Brandenburg as well as areas in Monroe County.

Webb said the duration of the relief effort has not yet been determined.

Kentucky Baptists are part of a larger network of Southern Baptist volunteers trained to respond to disasters by manning mass feeding operations, using chainsaws to clear downed trees and limbs, clear mud out of

flooded homes and more.

Southern Baptist disaster relief volunteers work in conjunction with other organizations, such as the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Together, Southern Baptists compose the third largest relief organization in the United States.

To learn more about Kentucky Baptist Disaster Relief, go to www.ky.baptist.org/dr.

The Kentucky Baptist Convention is a cooperative missions and ministry organization made up of more than 2,400 autonomous Baptist churches in Kentucky. A variety of state and worldwide ministries are coordinated through its administrative headquarters in Louisville, including: missions work, disaster relief, ministry training and support, church development, evangelism and more.

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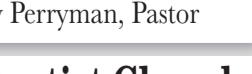


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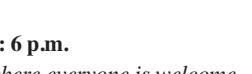
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— Philippians 4:13

OBITUARIES**Perryman**

Harold Glen Perryman, 77, of Marion died at 10:20 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2008 at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Center in Salem.

Born March 8, 1930 in Marion, Perryman was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church and was retired from U.S. Steel in Gary, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Cash Perryman; a son, William Ray Perryman of Marion; two daughters, Constance F. Iwan of Portage, Ind., and Brenda J. Christensen of Chesterton, Ind.; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

His parents were Bunk and Jessie Maynard Perryman.

Funeral services were Saturday, Feb. 9 at Myers Funeral with Rev. Herbert Alexander officiating. Burial was at Mapleville Cemetery in Marion.

Extended obituaries require a nominal fee. Ask your funeral director about fee-based obituaries.

Obituaries from 1999 to 2008 are archived and available to the public free of charge at The Crittenden Press Online. View our searchable database of past obituaries at www.The-Press.com

McCormick

Sharon Y. May McCormick, 54, of West Paducah died Thursday, Feb. 8, 2008 at her residence.

McCormick was a native of Marion and she was a member of the Gospel Mission Church.

Surviving are her daughter, Jona Sue McCormick of West Paducah; her son, Michael Anthony McCormick of Graves County; her mother, Ruth Rushing May of Paducah; three brothers, Mark S. May and Gaylon M. May, both of Ledbetter and William L. May of Paducah; three sisters, Linda R. Davis of New Jersey, Sandi G. May of Ledbetter, and Ramona F. Hope of Paducah; three grandchildren, Ry'Ann Nichole McCormick of Nashville and KaliDawn McCormick and Xazavier Ryan McCormick, both of Graves County.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack C. McCormick, her father, Isaac "Ike" Lewis May; and a brother, Charles "Chuck" May. Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 11 at the Keeling Family Funeral Home with the Rev. Terry Mitcheson officiating. Burial was at Good Hope Cemetery in Livingston County.

Harris

William Harold "Preacher" Harris, 79, of Lola died Wednesday, Feb. 13, 2008 at Livingston Hospital in Salem. Arrangements at Boyd Funeral Home are incomplete.

McDonald

Frankie McDonald, 80, of Marion died Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2008 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah. Arrangements at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion are incomplete. For more information you can call the funeral home at 965-3171 or 965-3588.

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Marion woman hurt in Bowling Green accident

STAFF REPORT

A Marion woman remains in critical condition in a Nashville hospital after a Sunday accident in Bowling Green.

According to the Bowling Green Daily News, Amy Tabor, 26, was taken to Vanderbilt University Medical Center after the driver of another vehicle fell asleep and slammed into her car. A police report indicated she was turning onto Campbell Lane when Mason Whitlow, 16, of Owensboro hit her broadside.

Whitlow and Tabor's passenger, Kasey Teasley, 28, of Bowling Green, were taken to The Medical Center in Bowling Green, where they were treated and released.

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A toast to fortune

Good fortune sometimes smiles on those of us who may not deserve it. Such was the case Tuesday when my little corner of Marion stayed juiced with electric current – all day and night.

That's why I found it surprising when a phone call from co-worker Ken questioned what we were going to do about work today.

"Well, work, silly," was my first thought. "Why?"

My colleague went on to explain that a few extra tons of ice amassed overnight on trees and power lines had created a problem. It seems power was out for over three-quarters of town and for thousands of homes outside the city. When Ken mentioned the power was out at The Press office, my first concern was of my morning Hostess and milk fix from Five Star.

"Oh," I humbly replied, already feeling my sugar level plummet with disappointment. "I dunno. Good question."

You see, some of us live in a tiny world. One that revolves around ourselves, in fact. If my bed was still warm; if the lights in the my hall lit my way to a warm shower; if my dryer was ironing out the wrinkles of my pants; if my orange juice was still chilled, then shouldn't everyone else's?

Suddenly, I felt left out. As the day progressed, hundreds were dealing with the difficulties of living without power – spoiled food, no television or radio, an idle Internet, cold showers and worst of all, no heat. Why, how dare the world turn without including me?

I felt shunned... and guilty at the same time.

As night fell, however, the spurn and guilt subsided, to be replaced by the warmth of electric heat and a song in my heart in harmony with my iTunes. The microwaved pizza was pretty good, too.

We have all survived without electricity at some point in our lives – typically an hour or two at most. Why, even I spent an entire day without power, albeit the climate of a late October day in south Florida was hardly miserable without temperature control, though I did lose one six-pack to Hurricane Wilma's wrath.

To all of the better, less fortunate souls than I who endured an icy Mother Nature without the amenities that keep us a notch above orangutans, hopefully your suffering is now over. Truly, you have endured a misery befit a penguin.

But with a worse fate, emergency personnel, road and utility crews, guardsmen and even some prisoners lent a hand from dusk to dusk in the worst disaster – certainly most widespread – in Crittenden County in decades.

This disaster, my six pack fared better, so here's to you, the ice warriors.



Bosworth

Susan Kay Brock of Somerset, Ky., and Vern W. Bosworth, Sr., of Monticello, Ky., were united in marriage in a 3 p.m. ceremony on Dec. 1, 2007, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Meece in Louisville. The Rev. Meece officiated the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are the late Emmet and Ella Mae Hamm Brock of Somerset, formerly of Marion and the late Merton and Doris Bosworth of Damariscotta, Maine.

The bride was given in

marriage by Bill Taylor, cousin of the bride, of Lexington.

Attending the bride was matron of honor Margaret Burnam, childhood friend of the bride, of Sturgis.

The best man was Darrell Burnam, also of Sturgis.

Following the ceremony, a dinner was hosted by the groom at Olive Garden in Louisville.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Opryland Hotel in Nashville. They reside in Somerset.

The bride was given in

Parents can help prevent bullying

Nancy Hunt
Home Notes
U.K. Cooperative Extension Agent

her, the situation is not her fault, and you will try to do something about the problem. Do not tell her to ignore the bully or to fight back. Doing so would likely make the situation worse.

• Together with your child, think of ways to avoid the bully if possible: Take another walking route home, arrange for different transportation, or find a trusted older child to walk or ride with your child on the bus.

• Encourage your child to speak out to a teacher at an early point in a bullying incident. Explain the difference between telling (explaining facts and standing up for yourself) and tattling (telling to deliberately get someone else in trouble).

• Ask your child in an indirect way about how things are as he is going to school, at recess, at lunch, and on the way home. Ask if he has seen children being bullied in school and what exactly is happening. Your child may not feel free to tell you immediately about himself for fear that the bully may find out and make life worse for him.

• Listen and take your child's answers seriously. Stay calm and give your child plenty of time to talk. It is important to let your child know that you believe

physical complaints such as stomach and headaches.

What can parents do?

• You must first recognize signs that your child is being bullied. Such signals may be crying, complaints of illness, and general reluctance to go to school; increased fear and anxiety about school; or belongings missing or damaged.

• Ask your child in an indirect way about how things are as he is going to school, at recess, at lunch, and on the way home. Ask if he has seen children being bullied in school and what exactly is happening. Your child may not feel free to tell you immediately about himself for fear that the bully may find out and make life worse for him.

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BIRTHS

Kentfield

Leslie Sunderland and Jonathan Kentfield of Marion announce the birth of a son, Wyatt Lane Kentfield.

Wyatt was born Jan. 25, 2008 at 9:12 p.m. at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah. He had a brother, the late Joseph Kentfield.

He weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Terri and Ken Pryor of Salem.

Paternal grandparents are Rick and Annetta Nelson of Marion.

Maternal great-grandparents are Charlie "Wahoo" and Shirley Sunderland, Kay Fuller and the late Ralph Fuller, all of Marion.

Paternal great-grandparents are Loyce Nelson of Evansville, Phylistine Nelson of Princeton and the late Printice Nelson of Princeton, Richie Roberts of Marion and the late Meddie Roberts of Marion.



State support for CAF

Fols Hall Community Arts Foundation last week received an award of \$2,338 from the Kentucky Arts Council. CAF President Kathleen Guess was in Frankfort for presentation of the check backed by a grant funded through federal and state resources. The money is for CAF's current fiscal year and will be used to further the Marion-based organization's promotion of the arts in Crittenden County. State legislators Sen. Dorsey Ridley and Rep. Mike Cherry, who each represent Crittenden County, were on hand for the presentation. Pictured above are Cherry (left), Guess (center) and Kentucky Arts Council Executive Director Lori Meadows. Ridley was not pictured. This is the third time that CAF has received the General Operating Support Grant, which is to be used for promotional needs, mailings, paper products, etc.

Pennyrile State Park has scrapbooking event planned for Feb. 29-March 2

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park will host a Scrapbooking Weekend from Feb. 29-March 2.

Whether you are an old pro at scrapbooking or just starting out, this weekend is for you. Enjoy a spacious table to work all weekend, plus a goodie pack including a Creative Memories Paper Album, pen and tape runner, and a make and take class.

There will also be a

Creative Memories consultant on hand to help participants with their own scrapbooking.

Participants are eligible for a 10 percent lodging discount.

For more information, contact the park's naturalist, Rebecca Clark, at 1-800-325-1711 or you may email rebecca.clark@ky.gov or go online to www.parks.ky.gov.

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Happy Valentines Day Shirley. I love you very much, Ken.

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Even when we are apart... you are forever in our hearts.
Love you, Memmie, Pappy, Jimmy Wayne and Daddy*

*Riley Dean Lockhard,
Nanny, Dado, Moma and Mamaw love you very much.
Happy Valentines Day.*

You're the best thing that has happened to me. Happy Valentines Day. Love you with all my heart. Love Kacey.

Happy first Valentines Day, Kendyl. To our little sweetheart, love always. Mom, Dad, Gran, Pappa, Meem, Pappaw, Gram, Pop

Daddy, you will always have my heart. I love you. Peyton Mechele.

Happy Valentines Day, Darren. We love you very much. Mom and Dad

To my baby girl, Happy Valentines Day Goober! I love you always. Love, Uncle Tate

Martin on MSU panel

Murray State University has initiated a new program that will increase and improve upon their activities in addressing local and regional needs. This new initiative was developed by Kentucky's Council for Postsecondary Education under House Bill 1 to create an Office of Regional Stewardship and Outreach. The focus of this new office is to promote "stewardship of place," an effort to create more engaged interactions between the university and the communities it serves.

One of the first priorities for each university's Regional Stewardship program is to assemble a regional advisory committee made up of local government and community leaders, business and industry representatives, education leaders, policy professionals, interest groups, and involved residents to help identify regional needs, opportunities and stewardship priorities. The following named individuals to the advisory council met on MSU's campus with President Dr. Randy J. Dunn on Jan. 10 for an orientation meeting to learn more about the initiative and their individual responsibilities.

Crittenden County's needs committee is headed by Bobby C. Martin, owner, Turner & Conyer Lumber Company Inc. In Livingston County, Darrell Jones, field representative, Kentucky Department of Agriculture, is the coordinator.

Each of these individuals will gather information on the needs, hopes and aspirations of their respective communities. In many communities, the local chamber of commerce, community college or human service agency cooperative such as the United Way has completed a formalized needs assessment. Once the information from each part of the region is submitted, the MSU Regional Stewardship Advisory Council will then review the needs of each county in the region and begin to develop plans for partnerships, projects and shared initiatives.

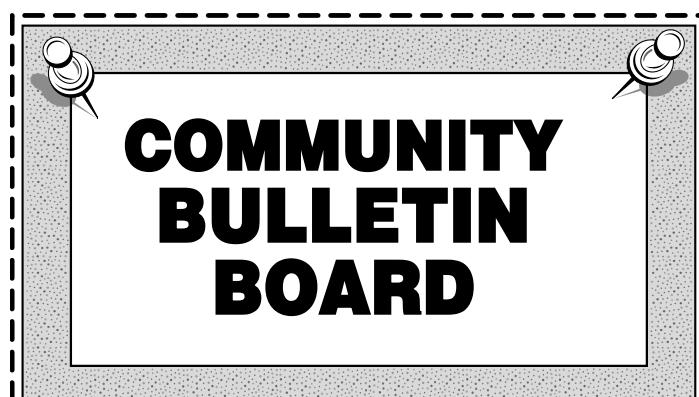
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Commerce Lexington held its annual dinner Thursday at the Lexington Center, where four awards were given. They were: 2007 Ambassador of the Year: Lisa Parke of Advertising Specialties; 2007 Volunteer of the Year: Daryl Smith of Kentucky Utilities; Leadership Lexington Distinguished Leader Award: David Cozart of the Urban League of Lexington-Fayette County; and Leadership Lexington Youth Program Distinguished Leader Award: Emily Lovejoy of Lexington Catholic High School.

MARTIN COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING

U.S. Marine Corps Pfc. Cody E. Martin recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C. Martin and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Martin spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour, team evolution culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and addressed as "Marines" for the first time in their careers. Martin is the grandson of Carol G. Suterlin of Providence.



Front from left are Mary Hollamon, Summer Shuecraft, Laiken Chambliss; (back) Kari Joyce, Kadie Heidrich, Janson James, Saundra Winn, Mandy Dodson and Kara Berry. Not pictured Brittany Phillips.

Club returns STARS

Members of Crittenden County High School's FCCLA club recently earned high marks at the Regional STAR Event.

Results are as follows:

- Chapter Service Project Manual - 1st place Summer Shuecraft and Brittany Phillips

- Focus on Children - 2nd place Kadie Heidrich and Laiken Chambliss

- Illustrated Talk - 1st place Kari Joyce

- Financial Planning 1st place Saundra Winn

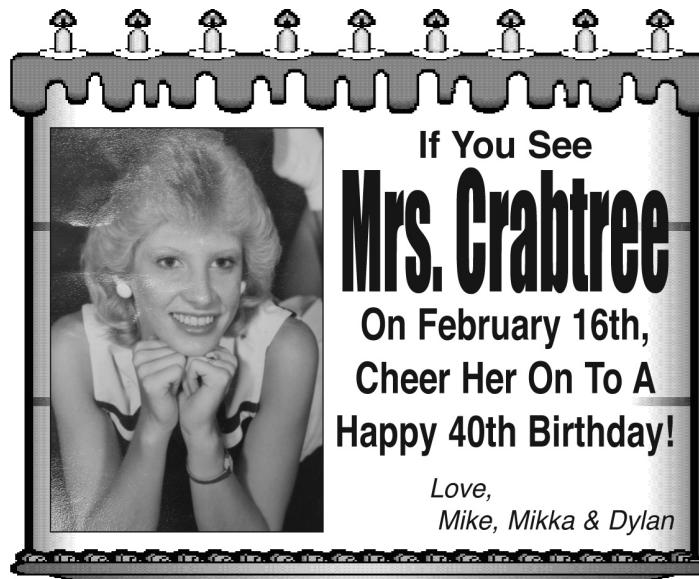
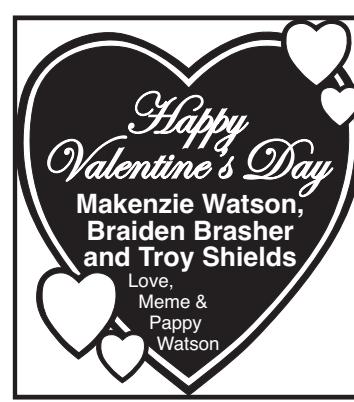
- National Programs in Action - 1st place Kara Berry, Mary Hollamon and Janson James

The FCCLA advisor is Dawn Hollamon.

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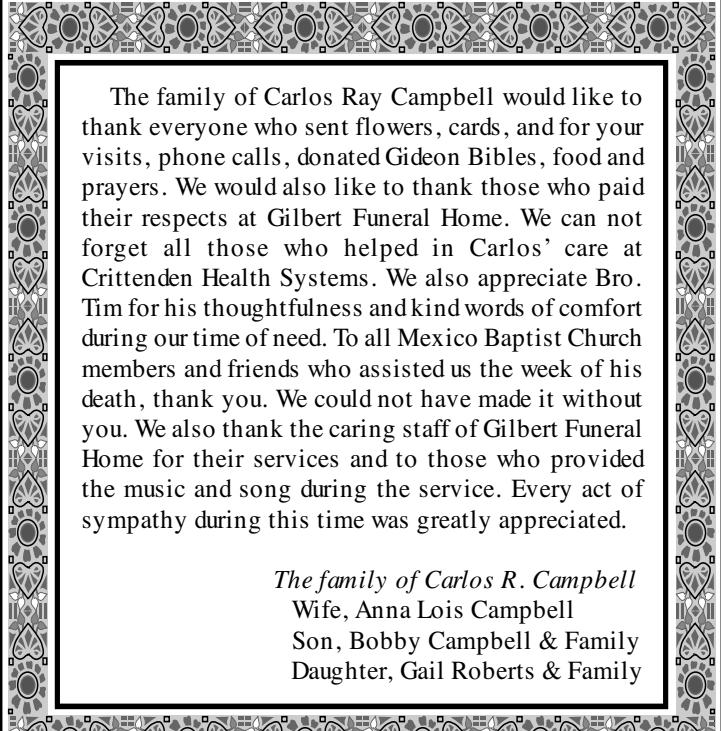
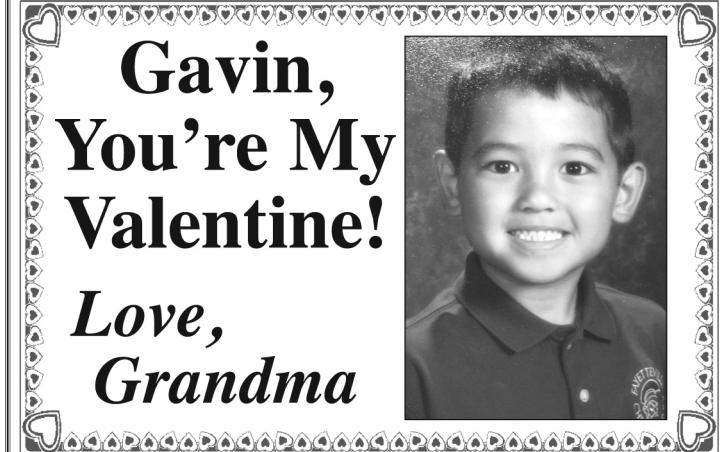


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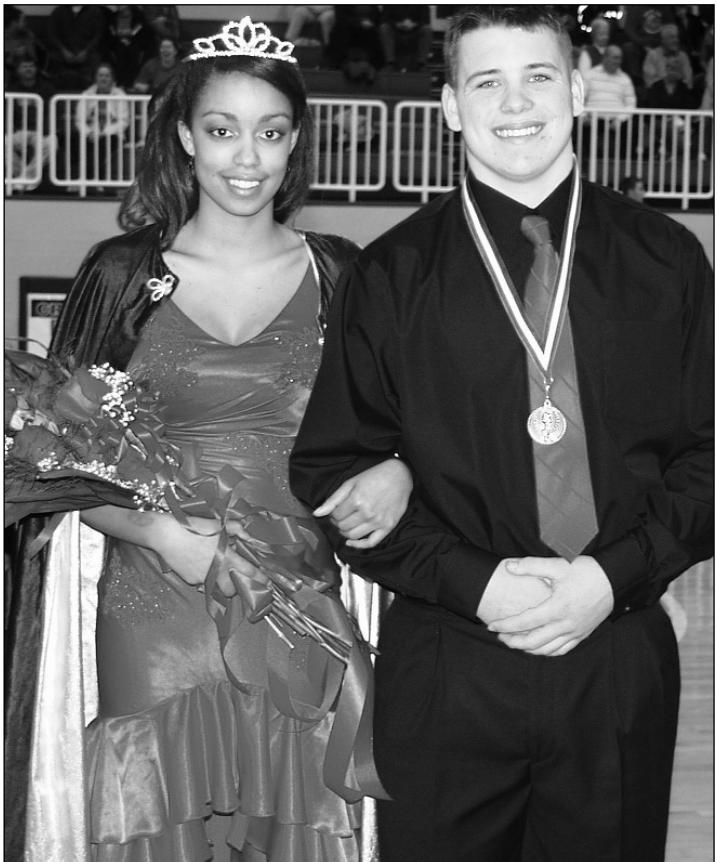
The Day God Called You Home

God looked around his Garden and found an empty place. He then looked down upon His earth and saw your loving face.

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When we saw you sleeping so calm and free from pain, We would not wish you back to earth to suffer once again. You've left us precious memories, your love will be our guide, You live on through your children, you're always by our side. It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone. For part of us went with you on the day God called you home.

Sadly missed by your loving family,
Charlie, Denny & Brenda, Dennis & Charlotte, Kim, Britt, Chad (Stephanie), Aimee (Troy), Lynzee, Gabe, Lacey, Hannah & Seth



Crittenden County crowned its basketball homecoming queen, Breanna Cozart, and king, Josh Irock (pictured at left). The entire court was (above from left) 2007 queen Katlyn Nasseri, freshmen Talyne and Terry Werne, juniors Anna Jiminez and Cody Dunham, seniors Nicole Head and Luke Dennis, senior queen and king Cozart and Irock, seniors Taylor Wright and Josh Tinsley, and sophomores Taylor Wallace and Alec Pierce. The ring bearer (front) was Trace Derrington and flower girl was Carly Towery.

OUTDOORS

2007-08 Hunting Seasons

Coon, Opossum	Nov. 12-Feb. 29
Trapping	Nov. 12-Feb. 29
Squirrel	Nov. 12-Feb. 29
Crow	Jan. 4-Feb. 29
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 2-3
Coyote	Year round

Rabbit, quail finished

The quail and rabbit seasons in western Kentucky ended Sunday. Squirrel season lasts through the end of the month.

LBL deadline Saturday

Deadline is Saturday for applications for the first six hunting days of the 2008 turkey season at Land Between the Lakes.

Mexico wild game

Mexico Baptist Church will host its fourth annual Wild Game Supper at 6 p.m., Saturday Feb. 23. Everyone is invited. There is no charge.

Turkey Bay closed

Turkey Bay Off-Road Vehicle Area at LBL is closed until March 1 due to weather-related damage at the ATV area. Recent rains eroded and damaged roads, trails and water-control features at LBL, forcing the long-term closure of the Turkey Bay area until repairs are complete. LBL officials estimate that the area will be re-open next month, if no further weather-related issues arise. To check on Turkey Bay status, call 924-2000 or go online to www.lbl.org.

BASKETBALL

Game schedule

Upcoming high school basketball schedule:

Friday
Boys & Girls at St. Mary

Saturday
Rockets at McLean County
Lady Rockets host Caldwell

Tuesday
Lady Rockets at Central Hopkins
Thursday, Feb. 21
Rockets at Central Hopkins

Friday, Feb. 22
Boys & girls at Fort Campbell

FOOTBALL

Thompson enrolls

Former Crittenden County football player A.J. Thompson was one of 19 recruits Indiana University signed to national letters of intent last week. Thompson, who started his senior season at Crittenden, transferred to Kathleen High School in Lakeland Fla., after one game. There, he was an honorable mention All-County performer. A 6-2, 290-pound offensive lineman, Thompson graduated early from high school and is now enrolled at Indiana. He will participate in spring drills.

CHEERLEADING

Girls going to state

The Crittenden County cheerleaders received one of four "video bids" for the traditional category for the KAPS State competition. The event will be held at Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena in Bowling Green starting at 8 a.m., Saturday.

REPORT YOUTH SPORTS

Email thepress@thepress.com

Driving Time

Crittenden County's Cody Holzer drives down the floor against Reidland during last weekend's homecoming game. Holzer was the leading scorer with a dozen points, but Crittenden lost the game.



Rockets pick up 3rd victory against McLean

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County won just its third game of the season Saturday night in a makeup contest at home against McLean County.

The Rockets jumped out early and led by as many as 13 points in the third period. However, McLean staged a furious comeback that included 27 fourth-quarter points.

Gaige Courtney led the way with 16 points for the Rockets while Alex Porter added 14 and Cody Holzer 13.

Crittenden coach Rob Towery said the victory illustrates the potential for his team if it takes care of the basketball and puts forth a big effort

for a full 32 minutes.

Homecoming loss

The Rockets drilled a bunch of 3-pointers late in the game, but couldn't overcome an early deficit against Reidland in Friday's annual homecoming game.

Reidland's head coach Jimmy Johnson was not at the contest due to an illness in his family and Crittenden native Cullen Crider took over the team. Crider led the Greyhounds to just their third second win of the season.

The Rockets were somewhat lethargic early and fell behind 31-18 by halftime. A final flurry in the

fourth, led by several long-range shots from senior Adam Hardin and freshman Casey Oliver, helped close the gap, but Crittenden couldn't get the breaks it needed in the final two minutes.

Crittenden 60, McLean 53

McLean Co. 15 10 5 27

Crittenden 9 17 14 20

McLean - Whitt 15, Brackett 19, Phillips

5, Heflin 1, Coin 6, Miller 4, Render 4,

Heflin 1, Hayes, Bolton. FG 19. 3-pointers

(Whitt, Brackett). FT 7-12.

Crittenden - Dunham 2, Hardin 10,

Oliver 3, Porter 14, Courtney 16, Nielsen

2, Holzer 13. FG 21. 3-Pointers 3 (Oliver, Holzer). FT 15-25. Foul 14.

Reidland 60, Crittenden 53

Reidland 18 13 12 17

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Crittenden - Dunham 2, Hardin 8, Oliver

9, Porter 2, Werne , Courtney 18,

Nielsen 2, Holzer 12. FG 31. 3-pointers

(Hardin 2, Oliver 3, Courtney 1, Holzer

1). FT 2-7. Foul 21.

Reidland - Grimm 34, Barkley 3, Smith

6, Mitchell 13, Bridges 3, Forbis, Ward 1,

Linsey. FG 19. 3-pointers 3 (Barkley 1,

Mitchell 2). FT 19-26. Foul 10.



Crittenden County guard Jessi Hodge picks up a Reidland ballhandler at mid-court as the Lady Rockets turned up the defensive pressure against the Lady Greyhounds. Crittenden won the annual homecoming game against Reidland.



The Marion-Crittenden County Basketball Hall of Fame inducted three new members Friday. They were (from left) Bruce Ordway, Shannon Collins Hodge and Leonard Faith.

The Lady Rockets home game scheduled for Tuesday night against Dawson Springs was cancelled due to weather.

Also, the Crittenden County boys'

basketball game against Webster County scheduled for Monday night was cancelled.

No makeup date for either game had been announced as of press time.

Games cancelled for bad weather

The Lady Rockets home game scheduled for Tuesday night against Dawson Springs was cancelled due to weather.

Also, the Crittenden County boys'

Farmer, NWBA rookie, is focusing on defense

Football, skiing may be his next challenge

STAFF REPORT

Brian Farmer is on cloud nine and rekindling emotions he had almost forgotten after being injured in an automobile accident one year removed from high school.

Now 31, Farmer is a rookie and one of the up-and-coming stars on Nashville's wheelchair basketball team.

The Music City Lightning, which won just six games all last year, is currently ranked No. 5 in the nation and Farmer has found a mentor in the former of Hall of Famer Willie Buchanan.

Under Buchanan's tutelage, Farmer is re-learning that basketball is more than just points on a scoreboard.

"I pride myself on defense, assists, steals, blocked shots, etc.," said Farmer, who played four years of high school basketball with the Crittenden County Rockets and never dreamed he'd be back on the basketball court again, especially after losing mobility in his legs.

However, the National Wheelchair Basketball Association (NWBA) has

given Farmer a new passion for the game and improved his outlook on many other things.

He admits that for years after his accident, it was easy to get caught up in a sea of self pity. Now, though, he's finding a new spark thanks to basketball. Farmer is even thinking about other wheelchair sports, maybe football.

"I played little league football, but I wasn't very good," he said. "But I may give it a try again in a wheelchair on an asphalt lot in Las Vegas this summer."

His mother, Ruth Ann Farmer of Marion, cringes at the thought.

"I just know he'll get hurt if he does that," she said.

Despite those fears, she realizes that her son's focus on athletics has helped him heal emotionally from old scars.

"I know for sure I'm going to try a little softball and skiing with some of my teammates this summer, but I don't think I'll play the softball season because I need to

rehab my shoulder," Farmer said, pointing to a basketball injury that's slowed his play in recent weeks.

The Music City team is 15-7 and Farmer averages about 20 points a game. The team participates in Division III of the NWBA against teams from Fort Wayne, Ind., Pittsburgh, Miami, Green Bay, Phoenix and other cities. The Lighting will compete in the national tournament starting March 12 at Columbus, Ohio.

The NWBA is a popular sports program for paraplegic athletes. It got its start in VA hospitals after World War II ended, leaving many young men crippled in body, but not in spirit.

The NWBA plays by the same rules as the NCAA game, except for no double dribbles. That part is altered to allow two chair pushes then one dribble before being counted as a travel. It's physically demanding, Farmer said.

And that's part of the appeal.



PHOTO BY BRENT DUFFY

Brian Farmer, wearing No. 13, works the defensive end of the floor during a recent Bluegrass Invitational Tournament game against Charlottesville at Lexington. Farmer made the winning three-pointer in this game.

CCES Family Fitness

Crittenden County Elementary School held its first ever Family Fitness Night last Thursday drawing more than 200 students, parents and grandparents. The third graders had the largest turnout, accounting for 63 of those in attendance. Ms. Stowes' class had the most in there, with 27. Her class will be receiving the extra recess with Coach Denis Hodge's advanced physical education students. Pictured are (top) Sue Parent passing out healthy treats, Cheyenne Day jumping rope, Lonna Starnes teaching dance, Paxton Riley jumping rope and at bottom are Chelsea Hoover, April Hoover and Kayla Hoover doing yoga.



Tournament champion

The Crittenden County Rockets under-12 basketball team won a tournament hosted in Marion last weekend by the local Diamond Club. The team is now 15-3 this season.

Friday's Game

Crittenden 42, Caldwell 20
Hodge 11, Owen 10, Phillips 7, James 2, Gilbert 4, Watson 1, Belt 6, Cullen 1.

Saturday's Games

Crittenden 55, Calloway 33
Hodge 10, Owen 8, Phillips 1, James 2, Gilbert 6, Cullen 3, Watson 2, Belt 6, Young 4.

Crittenden - 52 Webster 33
Hodge 11, Owen 8, Phillips 8, James 4, Gilbert 10, Watson 2, Champion 1, Belt 6, Young 2.

Crittenden 60, Livingston 46
Hodge 19, Owen 17, Phillips 16, Gilbert 6, Watson 2.



Crittenden County's under-12 traveling basketball team stayed close to home last weekend to win four games and a tournament title. Team members are (front from left) Taylor Champion, Jake Hodge, Landon Young, Brenden Phillips, Paxton James, (back) Colby Watson, Aaron Owen, Travis Gilbert, Tristan Cullen and Devin Belt.

Bobcats schedule announced, now online

STAFF REPORT

The schedule for the Marion Bobcats, Crittenden County's entry into the six-team KIT League, has been released. Each team plays one another five times both at home and away for a 50-game schedule.

Marion will play 25 home contests at Marion-Crittenden County Park, with the first pitch tentatively scheduled for 7 each night.

The Bobcats will begin the season May 30 with a three-game set at the Owensboro Oilers. Following a two-game series with the Tradewater Pirates in Dawson Springs, Marion will host its first home opener against the Fulton Railroaders June 4. The last home game of the season will be July 19, when the Farmington (Mo.) Redbirds come to town. The Bobcats end the regular season on the road at Fulton with a two-game series July 25-26.

The three-round playoffs begin July 28.

The season schedule is as follows:
May 30, 31, June 1 at Owensboro
June 2, 4 at Tradewater Pirates
June 4, 5 Fulton Railroaders
June 6, 7, 8 Union City (Tenn.)
June 9, 10 Farmington (Mo.) Firebirds
June 12, 13, 14 at Fulton Railroaders
June 15, 16 Union City Greyhounds
June 17, 18 Owensboro Oilers
June 19, 20, 21 at Farmington
June 23, 24, 25 at Tradewater Pirates
June 26, 27, 28 Owensboro Oilers
June 30, July 1 Tradewater Pirates
July 3, 4 at Farmington Firebirds
July 5, 6 at Owensboro Oilers
July 7, 8, 9 at Union City Greyhounds
July 10, 11, 12 Tradewater Pirates
July 14, 15, 16 Fulton Railroaders
July 17, 18, 19 Farmington Firebirds
July 21 All Star Game
July 23, 24 at Union City Greyhounds
July 25, 26 at Fulton Railroaders
July 28 - Aug. 3 Playoffs

MarionBobcats.com also offers links to a complete season schedule and the KIT, or Kitty League, official site.

Brian Wilkes, owner of Brian Wilkes Media in Marion, created the site at no charge to the club.

The site will be maintained through volunteer efforts and

postings of stories and photos.

A team roster and photos will be added when the 22 players report in May for a late spring training or sorts. The Bobcats' home opener is June 4 at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

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The Bobcats Web site is now up and running, with archived stories on the club and new uploads as they become available.

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The Press Community Calendar

Friday

■ Crittenden County Homemakers International Program will be at noon on Friday at the EdTech Center. Lunch will be provided followed by a program on Finland presented by T.J. Papineau who lived with a family in Finland on a 4-H trip. This program is open to the public.

Saturday

■ The Rocket 4-H club will host a Group Yard Sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday at the Marion Armory. There will be furniture, bedspreads, home decoration items and much more.

■ This year's 4-H aluminum can drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday at the Lions Club building and fairgrounds. Anyone who would like to donate cans may drop them off during that time. Please let us know which 4-H club you would like to donate the cans to or you can make a general donation to the 4-H council. For more information call the Extension Office at 965-5236.

■ The Class of 1968 will be having a planning meeting for its 40th class reunion at 10 a.m., Saturday at Thom's Sweet Shop (please use the Marion Cafe entrance). Any class member who would like to help is welcome. For additional information, call Sheila (Brantley) Truitt at 965-2490.

■ The Fredonia Valley Heritage Society will hold their first Annual Genealogy Seminar Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church of Fredonia. The cost will be \$5 which will cover the cost of a sack lunch and seminar handouts. Topics will include lessons on how to begin a family tree, where to look for information, and various research techniques. There will be a hands-on session where participants will be able to research using various Genealogy Reference Books. For questions call Pam Faughn at 545-3215.

Monday

■ Though Presidents' Day is a federal holiday, only limited closings will affect most people. In Crittenden County, all courthouse and City of Marion offices will be open, as well as all state offices. Only the postal service, banks and Crittenden County Public Library will be shut for the official

observance of George Washington's birthday.

■ Marion City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Monday at city hall. A vote on a proposed insurance tax increase to eight percent is expected.

■ Crittenden Health Systems Auxiliary will sponsor a white elephant sale fundraiser from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday in the hospital lobby. This is open to the public. Come out and check the items on display and purchase a white elephant gift.

■ Western Kentucky Regional Blood Center will have a blood drive from 11 a.m., to 6 p.m., Monday at Crittenden Health Systems. All donors will receive a shirt and refreshments will be furnished.

■ Relay for Life committees will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday at the EdTech center. Team captains will meet at 6:30 p.m.

■ The American Cancer Society Crittenden County Cancer Board will meet at 1:30 p.m., Monday in the cafeteria at Crittenden Health Systems. The board meeting dates will change thru May then return to regular date in June.

Tuesday

■ Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 9 a.m., Tuesday at the courthouse with a 9:15 a.m., public hearing on the four-percent insurance tax.

■ Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Crittenden County Middle School.

Wednesday

■ The West Kentucky Workforce Investment Board will meet at 10 a.m., Wednesday in meeting room A at the Kentucky Dam Village State Park Convention Center in Gilbertsville. Items on the agenda will include Workforce Investment Act program activities, business and industry services, and support activities for economic development.

■ The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Local Chapter 1373 will meet at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday at the Marion Cafe. The discussion will be about the 2008 NARFE National Convention which will be held at the Galt House in Louisville next September. For more information visit the Kentucky NARFE Web

site at <http://laurelrose.com/> KYNARFE/ or contact Tom Diaz at 965-2621.

Next Thursday

■ The Habitat for Humanity meeting will be held at 6 p.m., next Thursday at the court house. All members are urged to attend. Visitors are welcome.

■ Free food will be available from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., next Thursday at the Senior Citizens Center on North Walker Street. Residents are asked to pick up food only for themselves.

Upcoming

■ The Carefree Highway Band is scheduled to perform at Fohs Hall next week. The band is a western Kentucky group with outstanding vocals and instrumentation. Whether on the concert stage, festivals or strolling entertainment, they are a listening pleasure for all age groups. "A group to watch for and an acoustic musical experience you won't want to miss," said Susan Alexander, a member of Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation, which is sponsoring the event. Admission for the 7 p.m., Feb. 23 event will be \$5.

■ Crittenden County High School prom is May 3 at Madison Hall in Paducah. Pictures will be taken at Rocket Arena from noon to 4 p.m., immediately followed by the grand march. A charter bus to Madison Hall leaves Marion Country Club at 6:30 p.m. The dance begins at 8 p.m., and ends at midnight.

■ The annual meeting of the Sugar Grove Cemetery Association will be Feb. 23 at the church after the morning church service. Anyone interested in the upkeep of the cemetery is encouraged to attend the meeting.

■ Mexico Baptist Church will host its fourth annual Wild Game Supper at 6 p.m., Feb. 23.

■ Carolyn Halbleib, an admissions counselor at Western Kentucky University, will be visiting area high schools to discuss with prospective students the opportunities offered at WKU. Halbleib will visit Crittenden County High School on Feb. 26 from 11:50 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. For more information, contact the WKU Admissions Office via email at admission@wku.edu or by phone at 745-2551.

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.

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CHILDREN WANTED...in this 4 bdrm, 1 1/2 story family home that enters into living rm. w/grand open staircase. The nice colonial column front porch house has vinyl exterior with replacement windows and concrete double drive with large 30' x 40' building. Situated on beautiful corner acre lot in Salem.

LOTS / SMALL TRACTS / FARMLAND

1.27 ACRE LOT...located in Marion. Many possibilities. Call today. Owner/Agent.

LAKE AREA LOT...located south of Eddy Creek Marina on Hwy 93. Perfect for mobile home or build your dream home. Utilities already on property. Call for more information.

MOBILE HOME LOTS...These lots are located at the end of the road. Utilities available and ready for your home. Buy one, two or all. Priced to sell. Call today for more information.

GREENWOOD HEIGHTS...looking at building your dream home? Here are the lots for you. Priced to sell at \$8,000. Call for more information.

SALE PENDING 27.994 ACRES...of prime deer & turkey hunting ground. Located in Crittenden County with 3-5 acres open and balance in woods.

60.5 ACRE CATTLE FARM...with portion of farm in timber with road frontage on two roads. Farm is fully fenced and cross fenced and has two ponds. Property has several areas that would make great home sites that have wonderful views of Crittenden County. Abundant deer and turkey also make this farm a great place to harvest that trophy deer or turkey. Call us for a showing. \$119,500.

AWESOME DEER AND TURKEY HUNTING...on this 75.5 Acre Crittenden County Farm. 30 acres of tillable farm land surrounded by hardwood timber and creeks. Great views from atop this farm, several areas of the farm would make a great home site or a place to put that secluded cabin. Several nice trophy deer and turkey have been taken from and around this location. Give us a call to view. \$149,500.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES

1800 KENTUCKY, PADUCAH KY...Midtown office location. Access to bldg. from KY Ave. or thru the alley off 18th St. Professional office bldg. w/ many rooms available. \$139,900.

612 KENTUCKY, PADUCAH, KY...Commercial bldg. Located on corner of 19th & KY Ave. Has over 2400 SF of space that currently has 1100 SF leased to "Man's World" barber shop. Balance of bldg. approx. 1300 SF recently has been used as convenience store. Features a storage bldg. in rear w/over 950 SF. Conveniently located near hospital and DR. offices & other professional bldg. This would be a great investment opportunity. \$165,000

112 S 5th ST., PADUCAH, KY...located in heart of downtown renovation area. Building was home to "Conway's" barber shop for over 50 years and bldg. dates back over 100 years. Period architectural designs are still very visible & attractive. \$80,000.

RESTORED HISTORICAL COMMERCIAL BUILDING...located Main St. in downtown Marion. This renovated building has original ornate tin/medallion ceilings, hardwood/mosaic tile flooring, replacement windows plus central heat & air. The building has 1 and half baths, 2 stories with an open staircase leading to the balcony and second floor. Excellent for various retail businesses and downtown apartment. Come take a look and began a new business or transfer your location to this unique building. Call today for more details.

GREAT LOCATION...in Salem. Commercial building and lot. Many possibilities. Call for more information.

START YOUR OWN BUSINESS...from this 30 x 50 garage. Features (3) 10' x 12' overhead doors, office space, propane heat, exterior lighting, concrete floors, city water. Call for more details.

UPCOMING AUCTIONS

SAT. MAR. 15, 10 AM - 67.7 acres of hunting land. Deer, turkey, duck. Location: Hwy. 137 in Livingston County.

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