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### School calendar sets key dates

Following are important calendar dates for Crittenden County schools:

Class of 2012 class night: 6 p.m., May 15 at Rocket Arena

Class of 2012 baccalaureate service, 6 p.m., May 16 at Rocket Arena.

Last day for students. May 17.

Class of 2012 commencement ceremony, 6 p.m., May 18 at Rocket Arena.

Class of 2012 Distinguished Alumni luncheon, noon, May 18 at Rocket Arena.

## Sherer buys lot; no plans just yet

Local businessman Jim Sherer has purchased the lot at the southeast corner of South Main and Gum streets.

Formerly Randall's Repair, the lot and building were sold Saturday by Bluegrass Auction Company of Marion.

Sherer, who owns and operates Sherer's Nursery on Ford's Ferry Road, has no immediate plans for the city lot.

"I just thought it was too good of an opportunity to let det away," Sherer said.

He has been raising and selling plants and shrubs at the nursery for more than 30 years, but says there's no real plans of moving that operation to Main Street.

He anticipates doing some cleanup work at the corner lot this summer.

## FISCAL COURT

# New tax in proposed county budget

## Occupational, net profits levy shown as revenue in 2012-13 spending plan

#### By DARYL K. TABOR MANAGING EDITOR

The county's \$8.37 million budget for fiscal year 2012-13, presented for the first time at Tuesday's Crittenden County Fiscal Court meeting, includes anticipated receipts from what is now only a proposed onepercent payroll and net profits tax ordinance.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom introduced the new spending plan that includes almost \$500,000 in revenue from the proposed tax first presented to magistrates in Febru-

ary. The measure was introduced partly as an answer to an ongoing request from Crittenden Health Systems to keep its emergency medical service running in the black.

Although the tax has yet to be approved by magistrates, it appears that the judge-executive anticipates its passage because it's included in the new budget.

According to the spending plan presented this week, the county expects to receive \$446,000 from payroll taxes and another \$30,000 from a year-end profits tax on such enter-



Special meeting called

A special meeting of Crittenden Fiscal Court has been scheduled for 8:30 a.m., April 27 in the judge-executive's courthouse office. On the agenda is first reading of a proposed occupational and net profits tax ordinance.

prises as businesses, farmers, sole proprietorships and partnerships.

The new tax would amount to 40 percent of the estimated \$1.18 million general fund receipts for the coming year. Just under one-third of that amount, \$150,000, has been budgeted as subsidy for the ambulance service. Newcom said that figure is not set in stone, but merely a placeholder, of sorts, that can be adjusted based on need during the coming fiscal year.

Hospital officials have requested as much as \$276,000 from the county. The hospital showed the ambulance service as having operated \$204.000 in the hole in 2011.

Additional monies from the proposed new tax would go to help pay increased employee expenses, including a three-percent raise and state-mandated contributions to their retirement fund. The cost-ofliving wage increase would effectively

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PHOTO BY JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN Pat Fuller works on what has become an obsessive hobby, making quilts. Fuller is preparing for next week's annual Backroads Festival in Crittenden County held in conjunction with the Paducah quilt show and contest.

## Meetings

Carrsville City Commission will meet at 7 p.m., Friday in the back of the Baptist church located on the corner of Fleet and Church streets.

Crittenden-Livingstion Water District will meet at 7 p.m, Monday at the district office in Salem.

Livingston Fiscal Court will meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday at the new judicial center.

Crittenden County Republican Committee will meet at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday at the courthouse.

Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m., April 27 at the courthouse to give first reading to a proposed occupational and net profits tax ordinance.

## Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked: "Because of this year's unseasonably warm weather, did you plant crops, gardens or flowerbeds earlier than normal?'

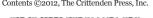
Most people have not let the weather affect their normal planting. The 259 poll voters said:

Yes, 99 (38%) No, 126 (48%) No plans, 34 (13%)

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sided, the 24-year-old mother of one shrugged it off and went on about her routine.

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By the end of the day, however, she and her husband Bobby would see their second child into the world in dramatic fashion.

"I wasn't due until the 15th (of April) so I never thought anything about it," May said. "It wasn't until the pain started increasing that I knew something was going on."

May's mother, Mary Barnes who along with her husband Daniel shares a home with her daughter's family on Copperas Springs Road picked up on the tell-tale signs of active labor and told her daughter she needed to call an ambulance. May, however, wasn't convinced the situation was an emergency. Having already given birth to one child, she insisted she was not in labor despite her mom's warnings.

"With Daniel, she was induced. She didn't know what to expect with natural labor," Barnes said, referring to her three-year-old grandson named after her husband. "I told her she needed an ambulance, but she didn't want to go. And then her pain got worse.

"Her mind changed pretty quickly after that.

It took the ambulance 15 to 20 minutes to reach the family, who live in rural eastern Crittenden County. By that time, May was starting to PHOTO BY JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN

Ciara Barnes-May holds her week-old baby boy Jayden Alexander and three-year-old son Daniel as her husband Bobby watches over his family inside the living room of their Copperas Springs Road home. The mother was forced last week to have her baby delivered in the back of a Crittenden EMS ambulance en route to Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah.

have a lot of pain in her back associated with labor. The pain was becoming almost unbearable. But mustering all her strength, she was able to make it inside the ambulance and onto the gurney before being rushed to Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah about an hour away.

May's husband Bobby and her

parents followed behind in a private vehicle but not two miles from their home, the ambulance pulled over. That's when the expecting father knew something was going on. "The female paramedic jumped

out of the driver's side door and im-

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# **Quilters prep for Backroads Festival slated** for next week

**By JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN** PRESS REPORTER

Unlike most quilters who have learned to piece brightly-colored cloth into intricate designs by watching mothers or grandmothers, Pat Fuller learned the trade by a different route.

Fuller, 65, of Marion, first tried her hand at quilting at around the age of 18, but didn't really start piecing together large quilts until years later. In 1996, she took a trip with her friend Debbie Cox to a quilting class and fell in love with the American craft.

You just kind of lose yourself in it," Fuller said of quilting. "Each quilt is its own art piece and I enjoy making them."

Fuller's and many other quilts will be featured next week during the annual Crittenden County Back-

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## **CIRCUIT COURT** Circuit judge revokes probation, hands down additional sentences

#### STAFF REPORT

Circuit Judge Rene Williams last Thursday revoked one woman's probation and set aside a pretrial diversion for another.

Toni Dawn Tramel, 32, of Owensboro admitted to violating terms of her probation and was re-sentenced to five years in prison. On agreement by Commonwealth At-Zac Greenwell, torney Tramel can be released from jail if she enrolls in an in-patient, long-term substance abuse program.

Tramel, who was convicted a few months ago on charges of stealing two vehi-

cles in Marion, received shock probation in February. After violating terms of her probation, she turned herself in and had been jailed for two weeks leading up to last week's court appearance.

Judge Williams also set aside a two-year-old pretrial diversion in a "doctor shopping" case against Bradley McKinney and sentenced him to five years in prison. McKinney admitted to violating terms of his diversion agreement by pleading guilty in February to a DUI charge in Crittenden District Court.

On agreement by the prosecutor, McKinney may

receive shock probation if he is admitted to the drug court program or enrolls in a longterm treatment facility.

Judge Williams also dealt with several other cases on the Circuit Court docket last week. Among them were the following:

• Amy L. Hamby, 40, of Marion was formally sentenced to two years in prison, but all of the time was probated for five years. She had pleaded guilty last month to fourth-degree assault, a misdemeanor, and a felony charge of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

• Ericka D. McKendree, 22, of Marion pleaded guilty and was given pre-trial diversion on two counts of failure to report changes in order to receive federal benefits.

An investigation by the Kentucky Inspector General found that McKendree received during 2010 and 2011 food stamps and Medicaid benefits in the amount of \$23,327.85 for which she was not qualified.

If McKendree makes complete restitution and abides by the court's diversion orders for five years, the two felony charges will be dismissed. McKendree has already made restitution of more than \$3,400. The balance is to be paid in installments.

• Amy M. Peek, 21, of Marion pleaded guilty to charges of first-degree possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

She was sentenced to three years in prison on the felony possession charge, but granted pretrial diversion. If she completes terms of the diversion for five years, the charge will be dismissed. Peek was sentenced to 12

# The Press News & Views

# Impasse leads to legislative overtime

Last-minute bills were printed, passed and enrolled late into the evening last Thursday as the Kentucky General Assembly wrapped up its 2012 Regular Session after passing final legislation — including a \$4.5 billion two-year road plan on the session's 60th and last legislative day.

At that point, around 9 p.m., I thought it was the last legislative session day for me, as I am not running for re-election and there seemed to be nothing on the horizon that would require Gov. Beshear to call us back into a special session this year (redistricting can, and likely will, wait until the 2013 Regular Session early next year).

Well, I, and most all of my colleagues, were wrong.

With only two or three hours left in our constitutionally mandated time, what had appeared to be a relatively smooth session, with the exception of redistricting early in January, literally fell apart on the issue of funding for the earlierpassed highway construction bill. To hopefully help readers make sense of this, let me take you back a cou-



ple of weeks.

The House and Senate had worked behind the scenes since the veto recess began March 30 to reach agreement on the two-year blueprint for state roads and bridges, but striking a deal was difficult (at best) since both chambers and most members had competing ideas about which of the literally hundreds of worthy road projects should be included.

When the impasse on the road plan, found in House Bill 267, and House Joint Resolution 77 — a piece of legislation that lists state and federal road projects for the last four "out years" of the overall projected sixyear plan — was finally broken late last Wednesday, we lawmakers were relieved and satisfied we had met our duty to provide for the commonwealth's transportation needs until our next budget session in 2014.

Subsequently, the twoyear road plan passed both chambers and was sent to the governor to be signed into law the next afternoon, along with the list of future projects in the six-year plan. But our work on making that road plan a reality was not finished.

As the two-year road plan and out-years plan were being signed and delivered to the governor's office on the first floor of the Capitol, a group of lawmakers continued meeting on a Transportation Cabinet operating budget that would actually pay for the projects in the two-year plan. That budget, found in HB 266, was dissected and debated until late into the night. But in the end, the bill never made it back to House for final passage.

The reason? The Senate Majority, led by GOP Senate President David Williams, and who were in possession of the bill, could not get the assurance they wanted from the governor that key parts of the road plan — which HB 266 would fund would not be vetoed. In essence, they said they were not passing the bill unless the governor publically agreed in advance that he would not veto "any" of it. Remember, we were in our last day and would have no opportunity to override any vetoes, even if both the House and the Senate were to so desire.

The result of the impasse was inevitable, as both Gov. Beshear and Sen. Williams made clear quickly. As a result, early the next morning (Friday), the governor called the legislature into an extraordinary "special" session for Monday to approve a Transportation Cabinet budget. It is expected to be a very short session, three to five days at most, but it is unavoidable. The commonwealth must have a twoyear road plan and a way to fund the projects found therein.

I would like to say a final word about the special session that is now before us. Granted, we lawmakers would rather finish all our work in regular session rather than come back to Frankfort. But the legislative process does not always unfold neatly. Sometimes, it is more like a crumpled ball of paper that is unwadded and pressed out dozens of times by hand but never loses its wrinkles. Imperfect, but usable.

We will, without a doubt, use the work that we did on HB 266 and HB 4, which the governor's call to special session included in order to resolve the state's prescription drug "pill mill" problem. Doing so will ensure that our work on the bill in regular session is not for naught, and that the special session is concluded quickly.

The final day of the session led to the final passage of several bills besides the road plan. Those included a bill that will create a state income tax check-off for contributions to local food banks, legislation to improve oral health care for nursing home residents in collaboration with the University of Kentucky and University of Louisville schools of dentistry, and, my bill, a resolution to create a task force to study Kentucky's public pension funds.

And, final passage was given to a rural investment bill that will allow for the creation of so-called "new generation cooperatives," designed to bring new investors to the state's agriculture, energy and other industries. The legislation is based on a model law now in place in Tennessee and nearly a dozen other states that allows such cooperatives to have investors rather than only patrons.

The end of the 2012 Regular Session, is like many before it — a mixed bag. It is a reason for celebration, reflection and disappointment much like our society, our political system and, indeed, humanity itself. All are composed of people who, even with all their frailties, for the most and, in my opinion, largest part, are doing the best they can to do what they feel is right and best for us all.

(Rep. Cherry Princeton Democrat serving House District 4. He represents Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of McCracken County in Frankfort. His column appears regularly when the Kentucky General Assembly is in session.)

# America an exceptional nation? Or was it ever?

There are defining moments in each of our lives, and, indeed, in the life of nations. Our nation has had many defining moments so far: the American Revolution, the Civil War, the Dec. 7, 1941 Japanese bombardment of Pearl Harbor leading us into World War II, Vietnam and 9/11 are just a few. None were easy moments, but in each instance, I believe our nation proved to be exceptional.

For many of these moments we were divided on which path to follow and yet, in the end, we were united and together we made the United States the strongest, most free, most prosperous and most generous nation the world has



doms ensured we would become the nation we are.

I am prone to ask questions, so why is it that America, in the short span of our history, has become the most prosperous, powerful and generous of nations? I submit it is our freedom and the capitalist system of free markets the freedom of success on our own merit or failure acdominion over other nations as proven in two world wars and countless other military conquests offshore only to leave the places we fought and died for.

Our current government has weakened us both at home and abroad. Ask yourself, do you want someone to tell you how to run your business or do you want the freedom to prosper or fail on your own? Do you want someone to tell you how much you can earn or do you desire the ability to earn as much as your ability will allow? Do you want an agency to tell you when your life will end or is it left to a higher power?

I pose these questions because I firmly believe we

## The Press LETTERS

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#### Native challenges match of donation To the editor

To the editor I grew up in Marion and my childhood was truly wonderful. I attended Fohs Hall it is not necessary. I will stop with this: We the people have the power. Please help me use this power by writing a letter to the editor, calling your magistrate, screaming on the street corner, or whatever it takes to stop this tax.

into effect by past county

government leaders because

banner was retired.

Once again, on 9/11, our country was attacked. Patriotism soared to the heights of World War II. American flags flew everywhere and thousands rushed to join the war on terror. Many families have suffered the loss of life or members returning with permanent disabilities. As the war began, the Blue Star Banner was resurrected in honor of the active duty of America in a show of patriotism.

On April 29, Logan E. Clark VFW Post and Unit 217 of the American Legion will host a Blue Star Banner Presentation at the post home at 1364 U.S. 60 East in Burna next to Livingston County Middle School. The 2 p.m., ceremony will be followed by refreshments.

If you are aware of active duty personnel, reservists or National Guard members, please call Terry Black at

ever known.

Do we have scars? You bet. Yet through it all, we have become the longest lasting government in the world with the peaceful transitions of power about every four years, from party to party for more than 230. I firmly believe America is an exceptional country regardless of what some of our national leaders desire you believe or what is being taught to our younger people in schools across this nation

I know I have fallen short in many aspects of my life. but the one thing I have never been short on is respect and understanding of the nation of my birth and what has made her great. For the past several years, I have watched and listened while some of our elected leaders have bowed before and apologized to other nations for America and her standing in the world. Some have found it necessary to divide us once again and this time the divide seems wider than ever.

They cast us into groups rather than see us as American, finding it easier to tear down than build up, to separate rather than unite. At the moment, we need leadership and an appreciation for the greatness of America. We have little of either.

I still think most Americans believe in individual freedom and responsibility, which equals liberty through which everything else ispossible. America was founded to ensure those freedoms, and those freecording to the same and our ability to create wealth.

I suspect the latter of those two got your attention, which leads me to ask why enterprises and or companies are created? Many seem to believe a corporation, company or enterprise is created to provide jobs, when in reality, companies are in the business of creating wealth, thereby having the ability to create jobs. The two can co-exist, but only when the first is allowed to flourish.

You have heard the old saying "a rising sea raises all boats." It's true of the economy as well. A strong economy raises the standard of living for everyone in that economy. Other nations see the United States as a threat because we are free and therefore the nation cannot dictate how the people live or die — although if we don't change, that will become the past tense.

It is no small feat that within fewer than 150 years of the birth of our nation, we had become the supplier of almost half the goods consumed in the world. How did that happen? There is no gene in American DNA that makes us different; it is the truth of liberty and free enterprise.

Yes, there are winners and losers in America, yet who can deny that the poorest among us are wealthy compared to most other nations on the planet? We are a nation that reaches out to the rest of the world and offers friendship and commerce. We do not desire are at a crossroads in this nation. We stand for liberty or we bow to tyranny. We stand for freedom or we submit to bondage.

We face the real possibility of becoming what our forefathers fled when they left the confines of Europe to establish a new world and reap the benefits of their own labors.

Do we really want to return to that which they fled?

I know many will say that is impossible; it can never happen in America. But I ask you to take a hard look at where our nation is headed. Is that the direction you want for your children and grandchildren or do we want to return to the promise of greatness America offered immigrants who poured onto our shores from every corner of the earth?

We have a choice to make Marion, and it starts here, this year. If you think your vote doesn't count, I ask you to recall the Minnesota senate election of 2008 when Al Franken defeated Norm Colman by a whopping 312 votes. Do you still think your vote doesn't count?

If you do, I beg you to reconsider and take a stand for liberty.

(Gatewood is resident of Crittenden County and treasurer of the county's GOP committee. His opinions are his own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper. His column appears periodically in this newspaper.) rounded education there at Fohs Hall.

for first- through fifth-grades.

My teachers were all dedi-

cated and supportive. I believe I received a well-

I challenge any former students to match (my \$100 donation to Fohs Hall, Inc.). The preservation of our school building is important.

> Jenny Zimmer Cincinnati, Ohio

#### Local businessman upset over tax idea To the editor

I have kept my mouth closed as long as possible.

As a businessman in Marion, more specifically, a real estate broker, I know firsthand how hard it is to sell a small town to an out-of-town business. They all like the idea, but logistics are tough to overcome.

I have had some luck, but more times than not, the deal fell through. Most of them would have come if we had offered free trucking, but that's not the way government is run. Or is it?

This (occupational and net profits) tax that is before the county is just that. The ambulance service is the trucking company, if you will, that carries the hospital's customers. I did not vote to dig that hole behind the hospital, and don't want tax dollars to fill it.

Also, there are other ways to provide insurance for county employees. We are falling for the oldest trick in the book. When government runs into a tight spot, it just raises taxes. Some may call this leading. I call it apathetic.

This tax was never put

Marion, Ky.

#### Blue Star Banner ceremony April 29 To the editor

The surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941 sent thousands of citizens of this great country to war against aggressors worldwide in order to attain peace. As some may remember, a Blue Star Banner hung on the door or window of homes indicating at least one family member was serving our country in World War II.

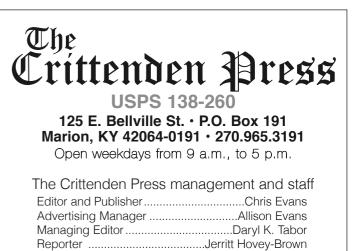
The banner field of white surrounded by a border of red held a blue star representing each active duty person. Some held as many as five stars. After the war, the 988-2865, Faye Gibson at 988-2127 or Helen Casey at 898-6022 or email kyma45@ hotmail.com or visit

> Terry Black Burna, Ky.

## Area woman upset with lies fed to U.S.

The nation's unscrupulous are feeding untruths to the unethical to the extent that the uncaring and uninformed make unwise decisions, causing the uneducated, untrained and unemployed to suffer unfairly and unnecessarily.

> Hazel Robertson Salem, Ky.



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## **CCHS Horizons**

Horizons is an organization that began five years ago to broaden the cultural horizons of students at the school. Students — who are admitted to the club based on grades, attendance and teacher recommendation — study a selected country or area throughout the school year and then travel there during spring break.

For the past year, club members presented information at club meetings on the Cold War, eastern European architecture, regional foods and varying religions prominent in the area. Horizons not only allows students to gain international traveling experience, but allows them to gain an understanding of and appreciation for the connections between what they are learning in school and the larger world around them.

From March 28 to April 6, the group traveled to five countries — Germany, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia and Hungary — all which were under Soviet control during the Cold War.

## Walls

"Walls. Walls enshrouded our mind's view of the world before our 10-day central Europe journey, casting a shadow of mystery. Fittingly, our first stop was Berlin's Wall, torn down by liberty commemorated in the Checkpoint Charlie Museum. New walls rose: foreign currency, food and language. Prague Castle's walls revealed splendid architecture and a rich history. Together, we confronted one of history's greatest walls: the German hatred at Auschwitz. Wall after wall something was changing for us. Budapest's cultural walls had crumbled centuries ago as the city melded. History may move slowly, but in 10 days our walls fell to a bright new horizon."

- Written by Marcus Hughes, Horizons member

















Who We Are is a new feature found weekly inside The Crittenden Press. In it, we give you a chance to get to know your neighbors a little better.

or 26 years, Martha Brandon's smiling face has been a fixture at Conrad's Food Store, oftentimes behind a cash register or behind the service desk taking monthly payments from customers who come to pay bills.

But one thing that many people don't know about Brandon is she has a love for gardening. Brandon finds her quiet time by weeding her flower beds and planting flowers.

"For some, reading books is a way to unwind. For me, I dig in my gardens," Brandon said. "I enjoy it that much."

The draw to gardening is the opportunity of planting something ugly, according to Brandon, and watch it grow into something beautiful after nurturing care. Her preferred plants are perrenials so that they come back each year without her having to replant something each season. Among

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her flowers, her favorite isn't even one she herself has planted but instead, received as a gift.

"I have the most beautiful Easter lily that smells so good," Brandon said. "It is so pretty."

Brandon has been gardening for the last 15 years, finding sanctuary amongst her flowers. When she's not gardening, she's often getting ideas from her favorite television channel, HGTV. Although it's not exactly a gardening show, she

says that House Hunters is her favorite series to watch.

Living what she calls a quiet life, Brandon says she only does a few things which are work, go to church, garden and take the occasional trip to Wal-Mart.

"I'm just a boring person who likes to garden," Brandon said. "I'm not exciting at all."

Brandon resides in Marion and has four kids, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

#### **Smithland bridge** traffic restricted

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has put a laneand load-width restriction on the U.S. 60 Cumberland River Bridge at Smithland this week. The restriction is to allow a detailed inspection of the bridge.

The work requires the use of a Snooper Truck to allow inspectors to access all areas of the structure. Placement of this equipment on the bridge deck limits the bridge to an eight-foot maximum load width.

Motorists should be alert for one-lane traffic with alternating flow controlled by flaggers from about 8:30 a.m., to 3:30 p.m., through Friday, reports Keith Todd, cabinet spokesman.

#### Forestry program camp apps taken

High school students entering their junior or senior year this fall with at least a C average are eligible to participate in the Kentucky Forest Leadership Program.

The week-long camp will be held June 11-15 at the University of Kentucky's Lake Cumberland 4-H Educational Center located in Jabez. Up to two applications per county will be accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis. Forest Leadership camp is limited to 25 students statewide.

Crittenden County Conservation District will sponsor up to two local youths to camp. Applications are available at the district office located at 118 E. Bellville St., in Marion. Campers are responsible for a \$50 registration fee that will not be refunded if the camper does not attend camp. The conservation district will pay the remaining \$325. Upon completion of camp, the district will reimburse the registration fee to the camper. The deadline for camp application is June 1, 2012.

Forest Leadership Program participants will experience a hands-on approach to learning about forestry. Campers will also experience aspects of a variety of careers in related fields beyond forestry, including civil engineering, soil sciwildlife habitat ence, assessment, water quality control and wood product use.

This is not a recreational camp. Students should have a genuine interest in any of the aspects of natural resource management.

For more information, call the local conservation district at 965-3921, ext. 3 or visit kyforestrycamp.com.

## **KyTC crews begin** seasonal mowing

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) highway crews have started spring mowing across the region. Crews will be mowing along highways in all counties.

should slow Motorists down and use appropriate caution anytime they enmowing counter а zone. Mower operators are often required to enter and cross highway travel lanes with their equipment as they go about their work.

"Please remember that a mowing zone requires the same amount of caution as any other work zone," reminds KyTC spokesman Keith Todd. Mowing crews will be out

working during daylight hours anytime weather allows for the next several weeks.

#### Area road projects awaiting final OK

Key area road projects remained in Kentucky's road plan at press time as lawmakers in Frankfort continued beyond their normal 60-day session. The special session called by Gov. Steve Beshear was, in part, to hammer out details of the transportation cabinet's budget to fund such projects over the next two years.

Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) said late Monday that in the first two years of the six-year road plan, which in-

allocations from the state's biennial budget, is funding for the completion of the Marion-to-Fredonia leg

of the new Ridley 641, U.S.

Kentucky's half of financing the Cave In Rock Ferry across the Ohio River and money to continue work on the Fredonia-to-Interstate 69 portion of the four-lane U.S. 641.

Also included for the first time, according to Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton), is money to start the process of replacing the U.S. 60 Cumberland River bridge at Smithland, also known as the Lucy Jefferson Lewis Memorial Bridge. 1.817-foot The through-truss structure was opened to traffic in 1931, with about 5,500 vehicles crossing the bridge in an average day.

In the so-called "out-years" of the six year road plan, the final four years for which no

actual funding has been allocated beyond the twostate's year spending plan, are continued support for the ferry and Smithland

Cherry bridge project and the second phase of

U.S. 641 construction.

#### **Planning controls** vegetable disease

With many vegetables already in the ground or soonto-be planted, home gardeners can incorporate a few simple practices into their management programs to minimize diseases this growing season, said Kenny Seeplant extension bold. pathologist for the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture.

"Resistant varieties can reduce or sometimes completely prevent damage from certain diseases and can allow a gardener to use less fungicide as well," Seebold said.

Growers should consult their seed supplier or catalog for the availability of diseaseresistant varieties

When planting vegetables, growers may want to rotate where specific vegetables are planted in the garden. Crop rotation can help slow the build-up of pathogens that might have overwintered in the soil. Ideally, gardeners should do three-year rotations with each vegetable, planting them and similar plants in a

different location each year. Vegetable gardeners can

also help prevent diseases by creating an environment that is unfavorable for disease development. This includes making sure plants have proper spacing, choosing a site with well-drained soils, only watering when necessary and only wetting the soil, not the leaves.

Gardeners should also clean and sanitize their tools after each use as plant pathogens can easily spread from tools to other plants. Any diseased plants should be removed from the garden and destroyed.

The UK Cooperative Extension publication "Home Veg-Gardening etable in Kentucky" has information related to products home gardeners can use, diseases controlled and use-rates, as well as information on preventative practices. The document can be found online at www.ca.uky.edu/agc/ pubs/id/id128/id128.pdf or through the Crittenden County Extension Office.

#### **Officials: Building** projects on track While the City of Marion

awaits a building inspector's approval to begin moving into its new fire station, work continues progressing on the county's new emergency operations center (EOC), report officials.

City Administrator Mark Bryant told council members Monday that the fire department was still awaiting a certificate-of-occupancy inspection for the nod to begin the transfer of city's fire department from its old home on East Bellville Street to the new firehouse on the corner of Main and Bellville streets. At press time, completion of the inspection had not been reported.

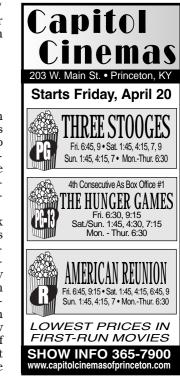
Meantime, the EOC building off Industrial Drive in Marion is starting to show significant progress. Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom told magistrates Tues-



day the plumbing had been installed and construction plans were to begin pouring the concrete floor this week. Deliv-

ery of the outer shell of the metal structure was also expected by week's end.

The county's first-ever dedicated EOC will also house Crittenden Volunteer Fire Department.Construction should be completed by the end of summer.



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made his appearance into the world. May felt relief once she learned her second child was healthy and strong, despite the unusual circumstances of

born were stable, they were taken to Crittenden Health Systems (CHS) for routine observation before eventually making it to Western Baptist.

birth. Hilkey also said that throughout the paramedic's career, he has delivered around a dozen babies.

"Our paramedics are

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knew Ciara was having our son," Bobby said.

BABY

the ambulance With pulled off the side of the road and paramedics helping Ciara through her natural childbirth, Bobby and his father-in-law got out of their car to direct traffic safely around the makeshift delivery room.

Then, at roughly 10:35 a.m., little Jayden Alexander his arrival. The baby boy weighed eight pounds, seven ounces and was 20 inches long.

"The whole time this was going on, I was just in a daze," May said. "The pain is indescribable, and I have a whole new respect for moms that choose to do natural childbirth. I'm just glad he's safe and healthy."

Once the mother and new-

The Marion hospital stopped delivering babies in 2005. Since that time, however, May's child is the second baby to be delivered by CHS.

Kevin Hilkey, Crittenden EMS director, said emergency medical technician Marla Belt and paramedic Jim Wooten were the responding medical team that helped deliver May's baby. It was not Wooten's first experience with

trained for medical emergencies, and this goes to show how useful that is," Hilkey said. "We do carry specialized equipment on our ambulances for these types of situations."

Now home with Jayden snugly tucked in her arms, May can't help but smile. His delivery into the world is one that she'll remember for the rest of her life.



## BUDGET

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be only two-percent for county workers, because the proposed payroll tax would send one percent back to the county

Rising utility and fuel expenses and maintaining community services also account for significant demand for the additional revenue.

No money has been budgeted for health insurance for the county's approximate 80 employees, though complying with The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act — regularly referred to as Obamacare — was one of the reasons given by Newcom for the need fo extra revenue. The judge-execu-

tive said cost of providing health insurance, estimated anywhere between at \$200.000 and nearly \$250,000 based on current

was

next

rates, not included in year's budget because it remains to be seen if the law will be struck down by the U.S. Newcom Supreme

Court later this spring. Employers currently have until 2014 to offer insurance to workers or face penalties.

Elected officials' salaries set by officials in Frankfort — will also see slight increases in the coming year,

but they, too, will also be subject to the proposed new tax.

Newcom's near \$1,000 raise to \$68,170 will see him take home less than an additional dollar per day after payroll taxes are taken out. The county's six magistrates could fair even worse for their effort. With their collective \$47,360 in annual salary remaining static in 2012-13, they will actually take home less by okaying the tax ordinance.

Magistrates did not discuss the tax proposal at Tuesday's fiscal court meet-

ing when reviewing next year's budget at its introduction. However, they will meet next week to officially put the measure on the table. A first reading of the ordinance is scheduled for 8:30 a.m., April 27 in the judge-executive's office. A forum to allow input from the public must then take place at the second reading before magistrates vote on the matter. That will have to occur in May, as the county's spending plan for the new fiscal year must be approved by June 1, one month before it takes effect.





## COURT

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months on the misdemeanor paraphernalia charge, which was probated for two years.

Peek was indicted in October, but failed to appear in Crittenden Circuit Court to answer the felony charges. A warrant was issued and she was arrested in March in Henderson.

Another Circuit Court case was recently resolved when Mandy Winders of Marion pleaded guilty to theft of a controlled substance. Another charge of endangering the welfare of a child was dismissed. The remaining charge will be

## **Detention center** prisoner count

Following is a census of the 133-bed Crittenden County Detention Center as of Tuesday:

CLASSIFICATION	NO.
Federal	2
State	115
Crittenden	7
Other	5
Total population	130

dropped in five years, according to a pretrial diveragreement, if the sion defendant successfully completes drug court and pays restitution to the victim.



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# March exits like lamb, but most severe Kentucky weather to come

#### By DARYL K. TABOR MANAGING EDITOR

March in Kentucky came in like a lion, and went out like a lamb... a roasted lamb. But the potential for the deadliest weather in the commonwealth is still to come.

The age-old lion and lamb idiom about March weather certainly held true in 2012, when just two days into the month a line of severe storms blew over Crittenden County, with ominous skies that brought at least two reported funnel clouds and maximum sustained winds of more than 56 mph. Though the threat left the county relatively untouched, the system eventually produced tornadoes that touched down in surrounding and nearby counties and killed two dozen in central and eastern Kentucky.

March would eventually waltz off the calendar quietly, however, with the last half of the month producing record highs, exceeding 80 degrees seven times and bringing less than half of the month's wellbelow-normal 2.19 inches of rain, according to data from Kentucky the Mesonet weather and climate monitoring station in Repton. The abnormally mild and dry weather has continued into the first half April, with temperatures the first two days of the month in the mid-80s and only a hint of rain having been reported in the county since a trace on March 25.

But the entire state is in the midst of potentially its most dangerous stretch of weather, according to historic data for the Bluegrass State. The National Weather Service reports April through June as the most likely months for tornadic activity in Kentucky. In fact, since 1950, eight of the 12 twisters to have touched down in Crittenden County through 2011 occurred in either April or May, injuring 32 along their path of destruction and causing hundreds of thousands of dollars in damage. The data comes from the Storm Prediction Center and the National Climatic Data Center as compiled TornadoHistory Project.com.

At press time, there was a slight chance of isolated thunderstorms forecast for Saturday, but that is the only

## **'12 local rainfall** through April 17

LOCATION	SINCE JAN. 1	THRU APRIL 17
Crittenden County*	9.20.	5.14
Princeton	8.34.	7.39
Henderson	8.64.	4.51
Mayfield	11.69.	4.78
Paducah	10.54.	4.22
Bowling Green	10.83.	4.52
*The global inform	nation sv	stem (GIS)

estimates are derived by ARC/INFO GIS software for a central point in the county. The estimates are calculated from from 29 weather stations in the Kentucky area.

potentially severe weather predicted for the coming week.

#### Preparing for the worst

Though tornadoes can strike at any time of the year like the Jan. 3, 2000 twister that struck Crayne, causing an estimated \$7.4 million in damages and injuring three — now is the time to be prepared for the worst, say Crittenden County officials.

"One thing to impress upon people is having weather radios even though they can be aggravating at times," said David Travis, appointed as emergency management association (EMA) director for Crittenden County earlier this year after serving several years as a deputy under former director Greg Rushing.

As EMA director, Travis has a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) radio in his house. He said they can be programmed to alleviate much of the annoying traffic over the waves, which is a turnoff to some people keeping the radios plugged in. However, weather officials do suggest programming radios for alerts not just for your location, but from areas to the west, as storms generally travel from west to east. Warnings from those locales can provide lead time to prepare for severe weather.

Nearby weather-watcher classes that Travis has attended have stressed one important thing: "What they tried to teach us at that time is to watch WPSD," he said.

Travis said tuning into WPSD TV 6 allows watchers to monitor live weather pat-

"With the Doppler radar we have, you can kind of see the direction a storm is going," Travis added.

Also, local weather watchers from across the region report conditions to the television station that can keep viewers abreast of what's going on near and in Crittenden County.

For those who may not be around radios or televisions at the time severe weather threatens, the county will soon have installed its own warning system — 11 emergency sirens placed strategically throughout the county so that they can audibly warn the most heavily populated areas as to looming threats. Two will be placed in

city's new siren being installed atop the new fire station. It should be

though, that

are merely outdoor warnings. They are not built to be heard indoors, over televisions or radios. They are designed to warn those outdoors that there is a weather event or emergency taking place. And once residents hear the audible warning, Travis said they should rush to find weather coverage over their NOAA radio or television air waves.

"You still need to pay attention to your weather radio," he said.

Travis said former magistrate Greg West was instrumental in the getting the ball rolling on warning sirens. The county's early-warning system is funded through an \$200,000 federal almost grant.

#### **Gimme shelter**

Of course, once the warnings are issued, taking proper shelter is the key to survival, the local EMA director said. If residents have a basement, that's where the family should head in the event of severe thunderstorm warnings and tornado watches and warnings. Of course, many homes in the county do not have base-

"You need to go to the middle of house, maybe a bathroom," Travis said. "And get a mattress and put over vour head."

Interior walls can usually withstand damage produced by twisters below the most severe levels.

Travis said it is unfortunate the county does not have public storm shelters available in communities across the county, but they are just not economically feasible for the fiscal court to finance. However, the courthouse basement is always open to the public during threatening weather. Other locations, such as churches, often open their facilities as well.

Those seeking shelter from and severe tornadoes weather in their own residence have options to add such protection on their property.

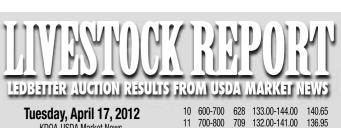
Concrete storm shelters produced in Salem can offer the best protection from tornadoes and are easily added to a residence without adding a single nail to the home. The shelters can be placed on the landowner's property relatively easily.

While the shelters are not guaranteed against anything Mother Nature can throw at them, Jonathan Croft, who heads the shelter-making operation onsite at Terry Croft Concrete Products in Salem. said the shelters are reinforced with wire and rebar to offer the greatest strength possible.

Three types and sizes of shelters are produced at the facility, with the most common being a bunker with a 45-degree entry that can be buried flush into a hillside or have dirt built up around it. Fully equipped, they can cost up to \$26,000, but have been confirmed to accomodate 14 grown adults at a time.

Croft said during the March 2 severe storm over the local area, individuals in at least five vehicles traveling along U.S. 60 in Salem stopped at the facility to seek protection in their on-site display of the high-end unit.

He said sales of shelters boomed for a couple of weeks after the March 2 outbreak of storms.



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Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2

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Source: Kentucky Department of Agriculture-USDA

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#### Receipts: 386 head.

Compared to last week: Slaughter cows and bulls 3,00-5,00 higher. Feeder steers mostly steady Feeder heifers 1.00-2.00 higher.

#### Slaughter Cows Breaker 75-80%

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 2 800-1200 1088 78.00-82.00 80.08 800-1200 1190 83.00 83.00 HD 4 1200-1600 1312 77.00-81.00 79.16 2 1200-1600 1388 87.00-91.00 89.08 HD 1 1200-1600 1270 75.00 75.00 LD

#### Slaughter Cows Boner 80-85%

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#### Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90%

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#### Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 3 1000-1500 1403 101.50-107.50 103.60 3 1500-3000 1812 103.00-106.00 104.94 2 1500-3000 1875 112.50-113.50 112.91 HD

#### Slaughter Bulls Y.G 2

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#### Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg \	Nt Price Range	Avg Price
5	200-300	288	197.00-200.00	198.77
13	300-400	371	189.00-195.00	192.24
23	400-500	434	178.00-192.00	186.88
13	500-600	526	164.00-172.00	170.07

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3	300-400	358	160.00-183.00	175.15	
2	400-500	480	157.00 15	57.00	
8	500-600	578	142.00-155.00	150.07	
1	700-800	720	120.00 12	20.00	
2	800-900	822	113.00 11	3.00	
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1	200-300	210	201.00	201.00	
24	4 300-400	352	180.00-191.00	184.97	
22	2 400-500	430	170.00-182.00	177.30	
20	500-600	552	144.00-157.00	150.99	
1(	0 600-700	647	130.00-138.00	134.15	
1	700-800	725	110.00	110.00	
7	800-900	810	106.00-110.00	107.16	
3	900-1000	950	92.00-103.00	95.80	
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1	200-300	275	180.00	180.00	
4	300-400	377	167.00	167.00	
1	5 400-500	466	150.00-169.00	166.47	

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	8	300-400	366	177.00-189.00	184.63	
	17	400-500	443	170.00-184.00	178.01	
	11	500-600	525	148.00-162.00	156.13	
	9	600-700	610	135.00-143.00	140.32	
	5	700-800	718	128.00-130.00	129.20	

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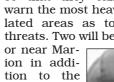
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#### Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2

Head	d Wt Range	Avg V	/t Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	390	173.00	173.00
4	400-500	470	160.00-163.00	162.31
5	500-600	548	127.00-144.00	139.89

Stock Cows: Cows 3 to 10 years old and 5 to 8 months bred 830.00-1000.00 per head. Stock Cow/Calf Pairs: Cow 8 years old with calf at side 1030.00





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# Farmers readying for record corn crops



Because of near-record corn futures. U.S. farmers are expecting one of the largest crops in history, with national forecasts at as many as 95.9 million acres planted in corn, the highest acreage since 1937. In the commonwealth, crop growers are anticipated to plant about nine percent more acreage in corn than in 2011, or about 1.5 million acres. Soybean acreage should be on par with 2012, at about 99 percent of last year's total. More hay and wheat acreage is also anticipated for the year, according to Kentucky Agri-News' April issue. At left, with arms outstretched like a soaring eagle, Security Seed and Chemical of Morganfield uses a sprayer to kill weeds early last week before planting the 100-acre field off Ky. 91 north of Marion in corn.

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ing the same tick precautions that they would typically need to use later in the year.'

"Because we are likely to see above normal numbers earlier in the year, it will be important to use the nonchemical 'cultural' controls preventively. For example with ticks, keeping grass mowed regularly around the house, yard and other paths where people frequent."

## Farm recognize Earth Day Sunday

As the themes of soil conservation, clean water, reduced carbon emissions and environmentallyother friendly topics take center stage for the annual Earth Day celebration on Sunday, it is important to note that Kentucky has a workforce 85,000-strong aiming for those same goals year-round, our commonwealth's farmers. "Farmers have always been the primary caretakers of the land," said Kentucky Farm Bureau president Mark Haney. "In fact, I would make

the argument that farmers were the world's first environmentalists.

Kentucky's farmers not only do a great deal to protect their land, they strive to make it better. Aside from planting trees, protecting wetlands and providing wildlife sanctuaries, farmers work to improve environmental quality by installing conservation buffers on their farmland. Across the U.S., farmers have voluntarily enrolled approximately 30 million acres into the nation's Conservation Reserve Program to date, makthe ing it largest public-private partnership for conservation and wildlife habitat in the country.

## Ag official warns of West Nile threat

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner James Comer issued a warning earlier this month that weather conditions are ripe for an outbreak of West Nile Virus and cited State Veterinarian Dr. Robert Stout's advice that Kentucky equine owners should consult their veterinarians about vaccinating their horses against the disease.

"While we do not wish to cause unnecessary alarm, we are concerned about the equine population's vulnerability to this potentially deadly disease," said Comer.

West Nile is spread by mosquitoes, and mosquitoes thrive in the warm, wet conditions Kentucky has experienced over the last couple of months. No horse in Kentucky that has undergone a full West Nile vaccination regimen is known to have contracted the virus since 2003, according to Dr. Stout. West Nile was first discovered in Kentucky in 2001.

West Nile Virus causes encephalitis, or inflammation of the brain, in horses, humans, birds and other warmblooded animals. It is transmitted by mosquitoes that acquire it from infected birds. Humans and equine cannot transmit the disease. It was first discovered in the United States in 1999 in New York.

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## likely many, long University of Kentucky professor Ricardo Besson believes eight- and six-legged pests will be abundant this

"So far this year, we are expecting higher survival rates this winter, and we have had an early spring," he told The Sentinel-News in Shelbyville. "So what this means is that there is likely to be higher numbers of insects and other arthropods this spring and they will become active sooner due to the warm weather."

**Pest infestations** 

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What's more, Besson said, with an early spring, there will also be more time for insect populations to increase, with some pests possibly able to squeeze in an additional generation.

What kinds of bugs will be more prominent?

"What people have seen so far this spring, ticks have been active for several weeks now, as well as mosquitoes," Besson said. "So when out hiking, people should be tak-



Members and friends of Marion United Methodist Church commemorated the 100th anniversary of their church building Sunday. More than 100 people participated in the reenactment of a 1912 processional from the church's original meeting place (today's Marion Christian Church) to the present building at the corner of South College and East Carlisle streets. More than 200 received holy communion while attending Sunday's centennial celebration church service. Worship included a morning message by Bishop Lindsey Davis of Louisville. Methodist District Superintendent Dr. Jay Smith of Madisonville was also in attendance, along with numerous former members, and former pastor Ken Spurrier, his wife Becky and their son Brandon. The church also celebrated on its lawn Saturday with food, activities and games for the whole community. On Sunday five people made professions of faith and joined the church.

### **Church notes**

■ Maranatha Baptist Church in Salem will be having a local singing at 6 p.m., Saturday. Finger food will be served.

■ Trinity Pentecostal Church in Fredonia will host its homecoming services on Sunday. Sunday School starts at 10 a.m., followed by worship at 11 a.m. A meal will be served at noon with a special singing by the Stone Family from Henderson.

■ Old Salem Baptist Church will have a singing and fellowship meal at 6 p.m., Sunday. Everyone is invited.

■ Sulphur Springs Baptist Church will have morning service at 11 a.m., Sunday with a meal to follow. A revival will be held at 7 p.m., nightly on Monday through April 25 with Bro. Fred Lowrance as the speaker.

■ Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 200th anniversary as the first Cumberland Presbyterian Church established in Kentucky on April 28. The community is welcome to join the congregation at 1:30 p.m., to travel back 200 years in church history through a PowerPoint presentation and oral history. The church is honored to host the business meeting of the Synod of the Midwest on April 28 also.

■ There will be a benefit dinner for Vonda Todd immediately following the morning worship service at New Union General Baptist Church in Lola, April 29. Donations will be accepted and proceeds help offset medical expenses. Please plan to be there and invite a friend.

■ The Caldwell and Lyon County Grief Support Group is held at 2 p.m., every Monday in the Caldwell/Lyon Baptist Association building in Princeton. It offers an educated and trained Christian grief counselor who can guide a person through the initial stages of grief and beyond after the loss of a loved one. The group is open to everyone and there is no charge. For more information or directions, call Carma Lee Chandler at 365-6578. If unable to attend meetings on Monday nights, Bro. Mac Walls can counsel on Saturdays. Call 210-1204 to make an appointment.

■ The Marion Baptist Family Life Center's weight room and walking track is open 5-8 p.m., Mondays, 5-6 p.m., Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., Thursdays and 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Saturdays.

■ Marion Baptist Church has AWANA for children ages two through fifth grade at 5:45 p.m., Sunday night along with several special classes that begin at 6:30 p.m.

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## Kentucky offers free GED tests for limited time

STAFF REPORT

The GED test will be free in Kentucky through June 30. Kentuckians taking the test during that timeframe will not have to pay the usual \$60 fee. Kentucky Adult Education, a unit of the Council on Postsecondary Education, will pay the fee.

Free GED classes are available at your county's adult education center. To be eligible to take the GED test, students must first successfully complete the GED Official Practice Test.

The GED tests provide adults who did not finish high school with the opportunity to certify their attainment of high school-level academic knowledge and skills. The GED consists of five parts – reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies. Completing the entire test battery takes just over seven hours.

The GED tests are currently offered only in a paperpencil format at official GED

Testing Centers – the tests cannot be taken online.

Anyone interested in taking advantage of free classes and the limited-time free GED testing should contact their local adult education center: Livingston County Adult Education at 928-3777 (now located in the old EMS Building at 436 Walnut Street in Smithland – www.facebook.com/livingstonged), Crittenden County Adult Education at 965-9435, or Lyon County Adult Education at 388-2158.



**Revival** April 22 - 11:00 a.m. Meal to Follow Morning Service

April 22 - 6:00 p.m. Evening Service

April 23-25 - 7:00 p.m.

**Bro. Fred Lowrance (Speaker)** 

Sulphur Springs Baptist Church 528 Mexico Road Marion, KY 42064





## The Press **OBITUARIES**

#### Workman

Sidney Dean Workman, 77, of Marion died Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah.

He was a retired heavy equipment mechanic and a

member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Workman is survived by his wife, Birdie Workman of Marion: a son. Kevin Workman of Madisonville;



Workman

two daughters, Judy Murphy of Calvert City and Diane Wheeler of Marion; one brother, Ted Workman of Marion; three sisters, Nancy Byarley, Pearl Byarley and Betty Belt, all of Marion; and three grandchildren, Cody Fox of Benton; Kasey Hale of Marion and Katrease Hale of Louisville.

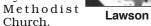
He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Leona Johnson Workman; and one brother, Lyle Workman.

Funeral services were Saturday at Myers Funeral Home with burial in Mapleview Cemetery.

#### Lawson

Relma Lee Wood Lawson, 84, of Symsonia, formerly of Crittenden County, died Monday, April 16, 2012 at her resi-

dence. She was the former owner of Cochran's Hardware in Marion and a member of Symsonia



Lawson is survived by her husband, Frank L. Lawson of Symsonia; two daughters, Donna and husband Mike McDaniel of Benton, Dorothy and husband Roger Hughes of Marion; seven grandchildren, Rachelle McNeely of Marion, Renee Hurley of Nashville, Tenn., Carrie Burnette of Mayfield, Lisa Hughes of Marion, Teresa Baird of Marion, Amy Hutchison of Benton, Ashlee McDaniel of Paducah; and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Lee and Dorothy Ruth Styers Wood, and one sister, Norma Jo Wood.

Funeral services will be eld at 2 p.m., Friday at Col-

#### Hines

Linda T. Hines, 79, of Salem died Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services.

She survived by two sons, Jerry L. Phelps of Salem and David Wayne Phelps Benton; one brother. Bob



Hines Thweatt of Arizona; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Hines was preceded in death by her husband, Merle Gene Hines; one daughter, Felicia Gail Butler; one brother, Carter Brouds; and her parents, Ray T. Thweatt and Beulah Morgan Thweatt.

Funeral services were Saturday at Filbeck-Cann & King Funeral Home and Crematory in Benton with Bro. Terry Phelps officiating. Burial will follow in the Sharpe Cemetery.

### Elliot

Lillian Yates Elliot, 87, of Hertford, N.C., a native of Crittenden County, died Saturday, April 7, 2012 in Vidant Chowan Hospital in Edenton, N.C.

She was a retired secretary in the school bus maintenance department of the Perquimans County school system in North Carolina. She was a member of Hertford Baptist Church where she had taught Sunday School and had served as a G.A. leader.

Elliot is survived by two daughters, Patsy Elliot Miller of Hertford and Barbara Elliot Rupolo of Raleigh, N.C.; one sister, Sylvia Martin of Evansville, Ind.; two grandsons, John Morgan and A.J. and wife Katie Miller; one granddaughter, Nicole M. and husband Charles Elliot; and three great-grandchildren, Dylan and Curry Elliot and Ava Miller.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Silas Andrew and Mary Susie George Yates: her husband. William O. "Red" Elliot; two sons-in-law, Archie Miller and James Rupolo; three sisters, Mary Wheeler, Naomi Eskew and Reba Young; and one brother Ivan Yates.

Funeral services were April 9 in the Miller and Van Essendelft Funeral Chapel in Hertford with Rev. Greg

#### Bozeman

Dell Bozeman, 93, of Alrington, Texas, a native of Dycusburg, died Tuesday, April 10, 2012.

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Marion: two daughters.

Channa Woodall of Murray

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of Marion; and four grand-

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She is survived by one daughter, Diana and husband Ralph; one grandand daughter, Shawn husband Tim; one grandson,

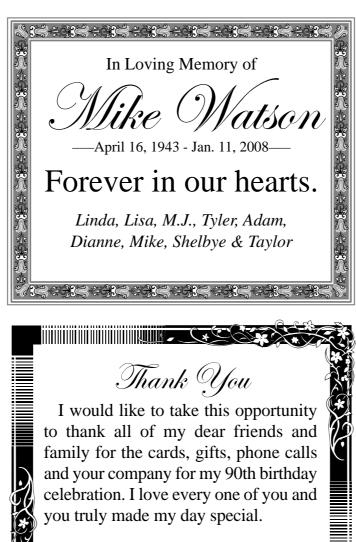
Ray and wife Mindy; two great-granddaughters; Caitlyn and Taylor; one great-greatgrandson, Cohen Ray; and a num-

ber of friends Bozeman and ex-

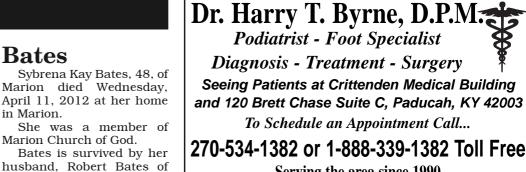
tended family members in Kentucky, Indiana, Alabama and Texas.

Bozeman was preceded in death by her husband. Ray Bozeman; her mother and father; and brothers and sisters.

Private funeral services for Bozeman were Friday at Moore Funeral Home in Arlington.



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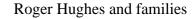
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We want to thank each and everyone who has offered up prayers, put us on their church's prayer list, brought food, sent lovely uplifting cards, made phone calls, or stopped by for a home visit to share stories and compassionate thoughts. Friends and loved ones are truly the "angels" here on Earth.

We ask for your continued support and prayers as we travel this journey and hope that each one of you has the most blessed spring.





lier Funeral Chapel in Benton with Rev. Ed Clement and Rev. Mark Stevens officiating. Interment will follow at Clarks River Cemetery in Symsonia. Visitation will be held between the hours of 5 and 8 p.m., today (Thursday) at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Gideons International. Marshall County Camp, P.O. Box 206, Benton, KY 42025.

Clark officiation. A private burial followed in Cedarwood Cemeterv in Perquimans County.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to either the building fund of Hertford Baptist Church, 124 W. Market St., Hertford, N.C., 27944, or to one's favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made by visiting www.millerfhc.com.

## Wind gusts cause motorcycle driver to lose control, crash

#### STAFF REPORT

A McCracken County woman was injured early Sunday afternoon after a strong winds caused her to lose control of her motorcycle on Ky. 91 in rural Crittenden County.

According to Kentucky State Police, Holly Williams, 49, of Paducah was southbound on her 2011 Harley Davidson when a gust of wind caused her to lose control and lose her safety goggles. While attempting to

adjust her evewear, she left the roadway, struck an earth embankment and road sign and came to a final rest.

She was transported by Critenden EMS to Western Baptist Hospital for treatment. She was wearing helmet at the time of the crash.

Sustained winds Sunday Crittenden in County reached as high as 37.5 mph, according to the Kentucky Mesonet weather and climate monitoring station in Repton.

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The family of Jesse Eli Ellis Jr. wishes to express our thanks and appreciation for each and every act of kindness shown to our family during the illness and loss of Dad. Thank you for every phone call, visit, message and prayer sent our way to help us through the difficult days of his illness. We are so thankful to have friends and family who stand by us when the pain of life becomes almost unbearable. We appreciate all the beautiful flowers, cards, donations given in Dad's memory and food that was sent our way. A special thank you to Crittenden County EMS for the fast response and loving care you gave Dad each time he needed you. Thank you to the Crittenden Health Systems staff, Dr. Gary James, Dr. Greg Maddux and Alicia Clark A.P.R.N. for the wonderful care given to Dad and the support and concern for our family. Thank you to Bowtanicals for the beautiful flower piece and to the staff of Gilbert Funeral Home for the kindness extended our way. Thank you Rev. Selby Coomer for the beautiful service and to the Tolu community for the meal provided for our family.

We are so blessed to live in such a loving community. We will never forget your kindness during our time of loss. Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and sympathy during this difficult time.

> Danny and Pat Ellis and family Ted and Fay (Ellis) Dalton and family Eddie and Linda (Ellis) Tinsley and family Randy Ellis and family Jeff and Marceia Ellis and family

000000 Shank You

There are no words that the family of Sidney Workman can express to each of you for your acts of kindness during our sudden and unexpected loss. We would like to thank Kenneth Davenport for his guick response and the EMTs. Thank you to Bro. Rogers and Bro. Crabtree for the thoughtful words and to the staff of Myers Funeral Home for the attentiveness to detail and kindness shown to our family. Thank you to the members of Calvary Baptist Church for the wonderful meal. We would like to personally express our sincere gratitude to each and everyone for all the food, phone calls, prayers, cards and flowers, they have been so appreciated.

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# The Press Lifestyles

# Class of 2012 college career signing day 1st of its kind; modeled after athletic equivalent school where students can post 100 percent say they are going

Crittenden County High

School, in collaboration with Crittenden County Ed-Tech Education Director Jeremy Wheeler, are hosting the first College and Career Signing Day today (Thursday). Modeled after the annual national College Football Signing Day, the intention of the event is to draw attention to members of Crittenden County's class of 2012 who are college or career-bound this fall.

Wheeler has commitments from just over half of the 78member senior class. In his second year as education director, Wheeler has expanded on a plan to publicly celebrate stu-

Gon April 19, we will formally recognize those students who have solid post-sec-



ondary plans in place.

- Jeremy Wheeler Crittenden County Ed-Tech Education Direction on the county's first-ever College and Career Signing Day slated for Thursday

dents' post-secondary plans.

"We have a wall in the high

their plans for college or careers, but I require that they fill out their financial aid forms and be accepted before they can post their information on the wall," Wheeler explained. "My hope is that their excitement will create interest in the wall and encourage others to pursue post-secondary education.

"On (April 19), we will formally recognize those students who have solid post-secondary plans in place," Wheeler said earlier this month.

While he's pleased with the number of students who have already formulated a plan, he says he won't be happy until to college.

Wheeler, a University of Kentucky graduate who spent several years in the U.S. Marines, uses his enthusiasm to encourage student success.

Students participating in the event today will be photographed in their school colors, many sporting ball caps or t-shirts for their future schools. Wheeler and The Crittenden Press are collaborating to showcase their school commitments with individual photos of students participating in College and Career Signing Day in The Crittenden Press' April 26 edition.



## Bakemeir-Franklin

Charlie and Doreen Bakemeir of Phoenix, Ariz., announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter Christa to Josh Franklin, son of Curtis and DeeAnn Franklin of Fredonia.

The groom is the grandson of Bill and Linda Phelps and the late Gary Blackburn and Carolyn Franklin and the late Thomas Franklin.

Franklin is employed with Jackson Purchase of Paducah

The bride-elect is employed with Mid Continent University.

Wedding vows will be exchanged at 5 p.m., July 8 at Paradise Pointe Resort in San Diego, Calif. Invitations are being mailed



Wright-Williams



## Drug Coalition delivers check for school district's K9 Resources

The Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community recently allocated money to fund the Crittenden County School District's new contract with K9 Resources for the first year, delivering a check to the district last week for \$8,856. The preventive program will be used in place of the random drug testing in Crittenden County schools to help deter illegal drug use, among other things. By funding the first year of the program, the coalition is utilizing its funds to help prevent and combat drug and alcohol use, as well as investing in prevention methods employed by the school district. Crittenden County's Director of Pupil Personnel Al Starnes, Family Resource and Community Educator Holly White and Crosswalk Learning Center Director Cheryl Burkes sit on the coalition's board as representatives of the school district and in turn help the coalition to have a working partnership with the school district as it continues to raise money locally and support local government while making an impact, according to coalition member Brandi Rogers. Pictured above are (from left) Coalition members Rogers and Jan Gregory, school board chairman Chris Cook, Starnes and Burkes.

# Students make bouncing balls for science class

#### BY JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN

PRESS REPORTER

Crittenden County Elementary students in third through fifth grade experienced first hand last week how to make their own bouncing balls using very few ingredients - cornstarch, corn oil and water. By microwaving the concoction for 30 seconds in a ziplock bag, the ingredients created a biodegradeable corn plastic that students then rolled into bouncing balls.

The small experiment was part of Kentucky's Department of Agricultural Mobile Science Activity Center (MSAC) that helps to teach students experiments related to agriculture and the environment.

The mobile science lab is housed in a 42-foot trailer that has 10 work stations. The Kentucky Department of Agriculture (KDA) has two centers, each servicing eastern and western Kentucky.

MSAC's coordinator Jason Hodge said the mobile activity center is so popular among elementary students



PHOTO BY JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN

Students Shelby Cooper, 9 and Jaylin Blackburn, 10, take time to roll their newly formed corn plastic into balls during the MSAC's visit to CCES.

that it's booked fully into the next year.

"Students can come in here and learn first hand about science while also learning about agriculture," Hodge said. "It's a way of thinking outside the box."

The MSAC visited CCES for three days last week, featuring a different experiment each day including making ice cream, bouncing balls and planting seeds.

"Making our own balls was a very cool project," Shelby Brown, 10, said. "We were able to use very simple ingredients to make a ball, which happened in a fast process. It was a lot of fun." After students rolled their

newly formed balls, they had to allow them sit for 10 hours before bouncing. The bouncing balls were then used in class to see whose could bounce the highest while answering questions regarding the making of the plastic and why one ball may bounce higher than another.

Philip and Julie Wright announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Sallie Lynn, to Luke Alan Williams.

Wright is the granddaugh-ter of Glen "Ace" Davidson and the late Marcia Davidson, Wendell Wendy and Naomi Wright. She is also the great-granddaughter of Kenneth Drennan, all of Marion.

The bride-elect is a 2005 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a 2009 graduate of Madisonville Community College with an associate's degree in applied science, majoring in medical laboratory technology. She is employed by Crittenden Health Systems as a medical laboratory tech.

Williams is the son of Alan Williams of Mills Shoals, Ill.,

and Marilyn Allen of Eldorado, Ill. He is the grandson of Mrs. Marilyn Williams of Carmi, Ill., and the late Floyd Williams and the late Travis and Shirley Allen.

Williams is a 2006 graduate of Carmi White County High School and a 2007 graduate of South Eastern Illinois Community College where he received a certification of mine maintenance and repair. He is employed by Riverview, Alliance Coal Company in Waverly as an underground mechanic.

The back yard ceremony will take place at 4:30 p.m., at the home of Glen "Ace" Davidson with the reception to follow at the Marion Countrv Club. The couple will reside in Crayne.



Captain (P) Sarah E. Morton and her crew took The Crittenden Press on a medical evacuation mission on a C130 over Afghanistan during the week of March 27. Capt. Morton is deployed to the 451 Airmedical Evacuation Wing / 651 Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Kandahar Air Field, Kandahar, Afghanistan. Morton is a flight nurse deployed from Pope Air Field, Fort Bragg, NC. This is Morton's third Middle East deployment. Her husband Dennis and daughters Gracie and Lauren live in Fayetteville, NC. Morton is the daughter of Rudy and Arlena Fowler of Marion. Pictured above are (from left) MSgt Nicole Morales, Morton, (back) SRA Benjamin Pace, SSgt Jonathon Ritter, Capt Leslie Mugg. Morton was selected and placed on the list for promotion to Major in January.

## Learn to work with family temperament differences

Have you ever wondered why someone you know reacts in certain ways? Perhaps you hear an immediate hearty laugh. Someone else may only smile at the same joke. One child throws a tantrum. Another child goes on as if nothing happened. Temperament is much more than tantrums! However, understanding the temperament of different family members may help prevent tantrums. Our temperament influences the way we emotionally respond to the world around us.

Researchers Alexander Thomas and Stella Chess have identified nine temperament characteristics. They grouped the traits into three basic emotional behavior patterns. Around 65 percent of children as well as many adults fit into three broad temperament types.



#### These are:

■ flexible, calm, easygoing, persistent, with regular body habits:

energetic, intense, enthusiastic, moody, easily distracted, not very adaptable, with irregular body habits; and

■ cautious, quiet, thoughtful, hesitant to try new things. It is important to know that about 35 percent of people show mixtures of these three types. Each type and all mixtures are normal and okay.

As adults, we can learn to understand and work with our own and family members' temperament differences. Creating more peaceful relationships is the result. For example, if you have an energetic, intense, enthusiastic, moody family member, gather your reserves of patience and calmness. Give warnings before you make a change in his activities. Make sure he has plenty of time for vigorous activities. Make time also for enough rest and quiet, since he may get easily over-stimulated. To lessen distractions, set up a homework table away from television, video games and other people. Be firm, matter-of-fact and consistent with setting and enforcing limits.

On the other hand, the cautious, quiet, thoughtful person may be hesitant to meet new people or try new things until she feels at home. If she has understanding, encouraging people to permit her time and space to adapt, she will usually get used to new situations at her own pace.

The third broad type, the flexible, adaptable individual, may get overlooked in an enthusiastic, demanding family. Pay close attention to his face and body expressions for clues to interests and feelings. Encourage him to speak up for his rights. Set aside a special time to play and talk with him.

Working with rather than against our own and others' temperaments is an essential part of nurturing the family. When we match temperaments with expectations for behavior, we create a harmonious, happy family environment that Thomas and Chess call "goodness of fit."



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS

## Shining knight greets CCES students

A knight in shining armor showed up at Crittenden County Elementary School Tuesday morning with Morning Kids' Club Supervisor David Drennan. The knight, which "Mr. David" purchased at a flea market in Murray has turned into a popular prop for his educational talks to kids who come to school earlier than most. Morning Kids Club is for students whose parents work or must leave their children at school starting at 6 a.m. Drennan uses the knight as an illustration while teaching children about classic literature such as lvanhoe and Don Quixote. On Tuesday morning, the knight held a press conference where students could ask him questions. Of course, Mr. David answered on behalf of the empty shell. Pictured with Drennan and his knight are Jacob Hoover (right) and Coleman Stone.

## Cancer survivors sought for Relay for Life

#### STAFF REPORT

Holland Medical Services will be sponsoring the cancer survivors during this year's Relay for Life held at Marion-Crittenden the **County Park** 

Relay for Life will be held on May 11, beginning with a survivor's dinner at 5 p.m. Elizabeth Floyd, local manager for Holland Medical, said survivors who would

like to register with the American Cancer Society for Relay for Life can do so through Holland Medical.

"They can call us and we'll register them online through the American Cancer Society," Floyd said. "After they register, they'll be able to receive a shirt during the event.

As part of a fundraiser for



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Relay for Life, Holland Med-

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will be announced at 2 p.m.,

May 11 and will be con-

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#### Thursday, April 19

The Almost Home Band will be performing at 9:30 a.m., today (Thursday) at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center on North Walker Street, followed by guest speaker Bro. Dennis Winn at 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 23

The West Kentucky Regional Blood Center and Crittenden Health Systems are sponsoring a blood drive from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday. The bloodmobile will be in the medical office building parking lot, just off Country Club Drive. All donors will receive a "Give It" t-shirt. For each pint donated, WKRBC will donate \$5 to the Crittenden County Relay for Life.

■ Through Monday, the CCHS Site Based Decision Making Council will be accepting nominations for the upcoming parent election for the 2012-2013 SBDM term. Nominees must be a parent, stepparent, foster parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in the school during the year of service on the council. The only people who cannot serve are those who work at CCHS, work in the administrative office, are related in some manor to a person working at CCHS or in the administrative office. Nominations can be submitted to Kathy Harris at CCHS until 3 p.m., Monday. All parents nominated will be notified and a parent election will be held 7 a.m. - 4 p.m., April 26. Parents can also vote at the PTO meeting at 5:30 p.m., April 26 in room 117. At the close of the meeting, PTO President Dawn Hollamon will announce the new parent members. Tuesday, April 24

There will be a Republican party meeting at the Crittenden County Courthouse at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday. Wednesday, April 25

The Crittenden County Public Library's bookmobile will be at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center at

10:30 a.m., Wednesday. Ongoing

The Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter will have a flower bulb fundraiser until April 30. All items are \$10 and feature a variety of flowers. The shelter is also having a Yankee Candle fundraiser through Monday, featuring candles, tart warmers and gift sets. To see a brochure for either fundraiser or place an order, call Melissa Guill at 965-2495 or email melissa72@vci.net.

Upcoming ■ The VFW is hosting a barbecue and "all the trimmings" from 5-7 p.m., April 27 at the VFW. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Local and state district candidates will attend.

The second annual Mother/Daughter Tea will be held from 2-4 p.m., April 28 at the Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center. Cost is \$15 per couple or \$50 for a table of eight. Registration forms are available at Crittenden Health Systems. All proceeds go to Relay for Life. There will be a Mad Hatter hat contest, fashion show by Gran Grans Clothesline and photos available for purchase. Call Misty Pugh at 965-1080 for more information.

■ The members of Logan E. Clark Post and Unit 217 of the American Legion invite personnel and family members of active duty military, reserves and National Guard to attend a Blue Star Banner presentation at 2 p.m., April 29 at the post on 1364 U.S. 60 East, next to Livingston County Middle School. Refreshments will be served following the program. If you have names and a contact person for active duty, reservists or National Guardsmen of Livingston County, please call Terry Black at 988-2865, Faye Gibson at 988-2127 or Helen Casey at 898-6022. Information can also be emailed to kyma45@hotmail.com.



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## Woman's club acquires two new members

Two new members officially joined the Woman's Club of Marion April 5. Kathy Bechler and Ginger Boone were welcomed by Judy Winn, membership chair. The meeting included a program by Sharon Linn, local artist who shared the background of several of her drawings. Examples of her equine and western art can be viewed on facebook. The next event for the Woman's Club is the annual quilt show April 27, which is open to the public to display. Entries will be taken from 9-10 a.m., at the club building located at 126 E. Carlisle Street. The show will be open for viewing from 10 a.m - 2 p.m., followed by the announcement of the show favorite. A bake sale will be held in conjunction with the quilt show.

Lovell is the son of Robin Willett of Ky. 130 South, Morganfield, and Ryan Lovett of Ky. 109, Sturgis.

He is a 2010 graduate of Union County High School.



#### **Brasher graduates from** Murray State University

Matthew Brasher, 21, a former Crittenden County High School student and graduate of

the first class of Western Kentucky University's prestigious Gatton Academy, will be graduating from Murray State University in May with a degree in psychology, accord-

Brasher

ing to his grandmother, Rose Crider of Marion. In fact, both he and his brother Ray Brasher will be graduating from the university at the same time with the same degree.

"I'm extremely proud of them both." Crider said.

Crider also commended Marcus

Hughes, the second Crittenden Countian accepted into the Gatton Academy, as announced in The Crittenden Press last week. Hughes will be a member of the 2014 academy class.

A regular on the Murray State dean's list, said Crider, Matthew Brasher has been offered to be a graduate school student assistant at the university once he receives his bachelor's degree.

#### Pvt. Lovell graduates Army basic training

Army Pvt. Dyson C. Lovell has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and



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# Piney Fork church celebrates bicentennial on April 28

Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church will celebrate its 200th anniversary on April 29, 2012. Here is short history, only highlighting a small part of their background.

The beginnings of the Cumberland Presbyterian church began on Feb.4, 1810 in Dickson County, Tenn. Three ordained Presbyterian ministers, the Revs. Samuel McAdow, Samuel King and Finis Ewing met and after a night of prayer, they decided to proceed with the organization of a new Cumberland Presbytery which later became known as the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of today. By preaching a "Whosoever Will" gospel, many religious people were converted and saved by the marvelous grace of God.

A few months later in May 1810 Revs. Finis Ewing, Alexander Chapman and William Harris were preaching a camp meeting near the Salem "Y" of Golconda and Smithland roads.

At this meeting an elder of the Bethany Presbyterian Church, John Travis, with 13 other people from the vicinity of Piney Fork area heard their message and was so impressed by it that they decided to organize a new church back at their home location (at this time Crittenden County was still the eastern part of Livingston County) which was the Piney Fork area.

The Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church was organized and completed in 1812. By this action, Piney Fork became the first Cumberland Presbyterian church organized as such in the state of Kentucky.

For a year or two this small society met for occasional preaching at the residence of Mr. John Wheeler, who lived four miles southwest of Marion on what is now Ky. 506. In 1812 the organization was completed by the Rev. Finis Ewing at a school house in the neighborhood of Mr. Wheeler's home. Being situated between the forks of Piney Creek, it was called the Piney Fork Church. The following is a list of the original members: John Travis, Rebecca Travis, James Travis, Rachel Travis, John Wheeler, Susan Wheeler, James Clinton, Ann Clinton, Rev. William Henry, Mary Ann Henry, Mrs. McGough, Mrs. Zachariah Bivens and Ms.



is the fourth church built in 1957, on the same site as the third church.

#### **Camp Meetings**

The first camp meeting, for which Piney Fork was so famous, was held on the present grounds in May 1812 and the yearly meetings continued until 1955. These services were held under arbors on the beautiful knoll near the present church site. People came from miles around to attend these camp meetings. The hillsides would be full of wagons and supplies for the entire week. Camp meeting usually lasted five or six days, and the services were intensive. There were two large sheds originally built. The first was built around 1867. It replaced the brush arbors that had been used each year. The second was built in 1886. It was designed to seat 1000 people, and at many meetings would be full.

An interesting item from an old Crittenden Press tells us of a different time. At the announcement of the camp meeting in August of 1911, it says: We the session of Piney Fork have resolved to publicly announce through the county paper our rules and laws by which we are to be governed during the coming camp meeting. 1st. That we have no smoking on the camp ground in the enclosure, as it is very offensive to most people. 2nd. That we have no driving on the camp ground with horses and buggies and wagons except when they are moving in or out of the camp ground, also that no one hitch to the wire fence as this is dangerous for stock. 3rd. That there is no stand to be on camp ground or near camp ground within the distance prescribed by law, except the located place of business of J.S. Crayne, which will be prepared to furnish the public with refreshments, bread and ice. 4th. Also, we kindly request the public not to talk near the shed during service as this disturbs the preacher, also those who sit just



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Above is he old Piney Fork Camp Meeting Shed. Built to hold 1,000 people, the open air shed was built in 1886 with foundation rocks weighing 250-300 lbs, and the center posts were 8"x 8" and 24 feet tall.

within. This done by the order of the session of Piney Fork Church. C.T. Boucher, Mod., W.F. Wilson, Clk.

The last of these historic camp meetings was held in the shed in 1955. During the late winter months of 1969 the county experienced a heavy wet snowfall. The weight of the heavy snow caused extensive damage to the old metal roof and in the spring of 1970 it was decided by the church to tear down the old building. The bell from the shed is preserved and located in a brick bell tower next to the church. It is still used on Sunday mornings to call the people to worship. The speaker's lectern from the shed is on display in the Crittenden County Historical Museum at 124 East Bellville St.

#### **Other churches with Piney** Fork roots

Piney Fork Church has also been the inspiration for other churches in the county to be formed. The first was the Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church which was organized in 1840. The charter members were mainly from the Piney Fork CP Church, who found it inconvenient in that day and time to try to travel the distance to the Piney Fork Church. The Crayne Presbyterian Church (disbanded in 1970s) included members of the Piney Fork CP church who had moved to Crayneville; Crayne United Presbyterian Church was first organized as a Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1892 by members of the Piney Fork Church, but later reunited the USA Presbyterian Church, and the Frances Presbyterian Church after interest was stirred from an early revival held at Frances by pastors from the Crayneville Church. \*\*\*

#### **Historical recognitions**

Piney Fork has been the recipient of several well deserved historical monuments and awards. In June 2002, a large granite memorial marker was placed in honor of the first location of the church. It was placed in the cemetery as that was the first location of the church. It reads: Original site of Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church & Organized May School. 1812 by Rev. Finis Ewing, who preached the Whosoever Will Gospel. The first Cumberland Presbyterian Church organized in Kentucky. The ceremony commemorated the 190th anniversary of the church. The marker was presented by Rev. Cortis Hill and Rev. Wendell Ordway.

The church is listed in the "Historical Site Registry of Presbyterian American Churches" by the Presbyterian Historical Society. The church received a plaque commemorating the honor during its 191st Anniversary

Celebration on May 18, 2003. Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church is the only church in western Kentucky to have this award.

In September 2005, a Kentucky Historical Highway Marker was dedicated at the church. It is located at the church lot on the corner of Spring Copperas Road/Flynn Ferry Rd, and Ky. 506.

This is only a small part of the special and unique history of this church, truly one of Crittenden County's treas-Although all our ures. churches are special to us, Piney Fork has the longest and continuing history of them all. Through 200 years the families of the area have kept the church alive and an active part of the community. A quote from Ercel Alexander in an article he wrote about the new church being built in 1957, "If the people in those days were that much interested in Piney Fork and for the good it could do for all, why should we not now be at least as much interested in our future generations."

Piney Fork Cumberland

PHOTO PROVIDED

icated in May 1957. Presbyterian Church, Ky. 506, will celebrate its 200th Anniversary as the first Cumberland Presbyterian Church established in Ken-

Historic Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church as it looks

today. The fourth church building to be built, this one was ded-

tucky, Saturday, April 28, 2012. The church welcomes the community to join the congregation at 1:30 p.m., to travel back 200 years in its church history through a PowerPoint presentation and oral history.

The church is also honored to host the business meeting of the Synod of the Midwest April 28. According to Rev. Wendell Ordway, this is the first Synod Meeting at Piney Fork church in many years; maybe the very first.

To honor this historic occasion a booklet has been prepared and printed by the historical committee of the church and titled "History Of Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1812-2012. It is an informative booklet with history and pictures of the church, camp meetings, pastors, cemetery and many other interesting facts about the church and area. It will be available for purchase at the Historical Museum at 124 East Bellville St. (10 a.m - 3 p.m., Wednesday - Saturday) for \$3 after April 28.



William Leach.

During the year of 1812 the members of the Piney Fork Church erected a log church on the knoll in what is now the cemetery. At this time the church was on state land which had not yet been granted. On Nov. 11, 1841, James Rutter, surveyor of Livingston County, conducted a survey for the Elders of Piney Fork Church by virtue of Livingston County warrant #130 and #146.

About 1842 the first log church burned and the second log church was built in 1843 about 100 yards west of the first church. This was used as a church and a community school house in the 1880s and 1890s. In 1867 a third church was built a little further west of the first location. This building was made of local-made bricks burned on the grounds.

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## BASEBALL

#### Public, parent meeting

The Crittenden County Dugout Club will host a public meeting at 6 p.m., Monday at the park for coaches, parents or anyone else interested in knowing more about the summer youth baseball and softball leagues. League rules will also be explained during the meeting. It will be held at Marion-Crittenden County Park's pavilion next to the ball fields.

## **OUTDOORS**

#### Upcoming seasons

Youth Turkey April 7-8 Spring Turkey April 14 - May 6 May 19 - June 15 Spring Squirrel Year Round Groundhog Coyote Year Round

#### Turkey harvest figures

Crittenden County turkey hunters harvested 207 birds last weekend, the first days of the statewide shotgun season. As of Tuesday morning, the total county harvest was up to 269 birds, counting everything taken this season and on the two-day youth hunt.

The average Crittenden County harvest over the past five years has been 486 turkeys. Last year, spring gunners took 519, the most over the past five years. The largest harvest in the past 10 years was 544 in 2002.

In Livingston County, hunters have taken 166 turkeys. Livingston's average annual harvest over the past five years has been 357. Hunters there took 329 last season.

The season will last through three more weekends, closing on May 6.

### SOCCER Boosters meet Tuesday

The Crittenden County High School Goalie Club will meet at 4 p.m., Tuesday at the Crittenden County High School Library.





#### Belt no-hits Dawson Springs; Rockets head to regional final

Sophomore righthander Devin Belt threw a no-hitter Monday as the Rockets (5-10) thrashed Dawson Springs 27-0 in the first round of the All A Classic Baseball Tournament at Marion.

Belt walked none and struck out 10. A fielding error allowed one Dawson baserunner, which prevented Belt from getting a perfect game.

Travis Gilbert was 3-for-4 for Crittenden. Aaron Owen, Wes Evers, Bryce Willis, Brenden Phillips, Noah Dickerson and Taylor Champion had two hits apiece. Champion drove in five runs and Willis knocked in three.

Crittenden scored three in the last inning Tuesday to beat Trigg County 3-0 in the Class A semifinal round at Eddyville. The Rockets play Caldwell County tonight (Thursday) for the regional championship. Details of these two games will be published next week.

#### CCHS falls to Heath. Tilghman

In games against two Paducah-area First Region opponents, Crittenden County, which plays in the Second Region, lost to Heath and Tilghman.

The Rockets lost 8-7 last Thursday at Tilghman then Heath routed Crittenden 17-7 Saturday in Marion.

Wes Evers hit his second homer of the season against Heath, but errors and 14 Pirate hits were too much for the homestanding Rockets.

Eli Bebout started the game for Crittenden and Taylor Champion finished up, but neither could slow the bleeding.

For the Rockets, Bryce Willis, Travis Gilbert and Evers had two hits apiece. Gilbert doubled. Evers drove in two runs and Zack Knight, Gilbert and Willis knocked in one apiece.

Tilghman jumped ahead 2-1 in the first inning and teams played to a stalemate from then on

Willis had two hits and three RBIs. Gilbert was 3-for-5 at the plate with an RBI. Knight tripled for the Rockets, and Brenden Phillips and Champion also drove in runs.

Evers was the starter and went fiveplus innings. Gilbert and Willis came on in relief with Willis taking the loss as Tilghman broke a 7-7 tie in the bottom of the last inning.

#### **Rockets beat Fort Campbell**

Crittenden won 11-7 at Fort Campbell last Tuesday despite six Rocket errors.

The Falcon defense was even worse, allowing just two hits, but giving up nearly a dozen runs largely due to 10 errors

Devin Belt worked 6.2 innings for the victory. He struck out two and walked two while giving up 11 hits. Evers pitched part of the last inning.

Aaron Owen and Champion had the Rockets' only hits in the game. Phillips drove in two.

## **Spring Sports Roundup**



Devin Belt threw a no-hitter Monday against Dawson Springs.

#### Heath 17, Crittenden 7

420 245 0 - 17 14 3 202 030 0 - 7 9 11 Heath Crittenden Co. Cook, Bell (5) and Jordan; Bebout, Champion (5) and Phillips. WP Cook. LP Bebout. 2B C-Gilbert, H-William, Cook, Swinford. 3B H-Rice. HR C-Evers.

Crittenden 27, Dawson Springs 0 Dawson Springs 00000-009 Crittenden Co. 6 11 82x - 27 16 1 Bullock, Brewer (4), Puckett and B.Puckett; Belt and Phillips. WP Belt. LP Bullock. 2B C-Owen, Gilbert. 3B C-Evers, Willis



#### Owen starts 1-2-3 doubleplay

to beat Lyon in Class A game

Senior Emily Owen worked out a jam in the last inning to preserve a 10-3 opening-round victory in the Class A Second Region Softball Tournament Monday at Marion.

Owen relieved Lady Rocket starter Haylee Young in Lyon's two-run fourth. Owen got her team two quick outs in the fourth. Then after allowing Lyon to score one and load the bases with one out in the seventh, Owen got the Lady Lyons cleanup hitter to hit a grounder back to the mound. She fielded it cleanly, went home for the first out then catcher McKenzie Hewitt fired a shot to first baseman Brittney Buell to complete a game-ending doubleplay.

Crittenden (2-8) jumped on their guests early, with its first three batters -Buell, Cassidy Moss and Owen reaching and scoring. However, the Lady Rockets left the bases loaded in that inning. They stranded two more in the second but plated one run when Oliver knocked in Owen, who reached on a walk

Right fielder Taylor Keister made a diving catch in foul territory for the first out in the third inning, and Crittenden's defense remained firm the whole way.

The girls got three runs in the fourth

## Oliver, Moss homer in loss

Freshman Chelsea Oliver knocked a three-run homer out of the park and seventh-grader Cassidy Moss hit a solo home run, all in the first inning of a 16-10 loss Friday to Carlisle County at Marion.

Owen and Hewitt had two hits apiece against the Comets, who used an eightrun third inning to build its winning margin.

In other games last week, Crittenden lost 12-0 to Webster County, but picked up its first win 15-12 against Dawson Springs.

Jessica Tinsley scored three times against Dawson while Megan Hunt, Hewitt, Wendy Williams, Oliver and Danielle Byarley scored twice each.

#### 1600 boys' relay is first

Crittenden County's four-person, onemile relay team finished first in an 11team All Comers track and field meet at Ballard Memorial April 10. The boys' team finished seventh overall. The girls were eighth.

Here are results from Crittenden and Livingston Central's individual participants:

#### BOYS

At Ballard Memorial April 10 Team Totals Tilghman 164, Marshall County 90, Graves County 86, Heath 74, Ballard Memorial 62.5, Lone Oak 53.5, Crittenden 44, Livingston 24, St. Mary 22, Fulton County 19.5, Reidland 05

3200 Meters 6. Crittenden 10:37.0 (Graham, McKinney, Berry, Mayes).

110 Hurdles 2 T Dalton Livingston 17.9 7 J.Gaston, Crittenden, 90.83; 10. D.Wagoner, Crittenden, 21,99.

**100 Meters** 15. Tinsley, Crittenden, 12.4; 16. C.Asbridge, Crittenden, 12.46; 22. A.Hunt, Livingston, 13.41.

800 Meters 3. Crittenden 1:42.

1600 Meters 9. D.Wilson, Livingston, 5:26.17; 18. J.Berry, Crittenden 5:55.9; 19. J.Graham, Crittenden, 5:56.96; K.Elder, Livingston, 6:03.8; 24. D.Paris, Crittenden, 6:19.77; 31. D.Wood, Livingston, 6:57.30.

400 Relay 7. Crittenden 49.50 (Scott, Tinsley, Asbridge, Gaston).

400 Meters 11. D.Roberts, Crittenden, 59.20; 21. P.Croft, Livingston, 1:04.06; 26. D.Wilson, Livingston, 1:04.8; 27. T. Scott, Crittenden, 1:05.42; 30. N.Burnett, Crittenden, 1:11.96.

300 Hurdles 4. T.Dalton, Livingston, 46.28; 8. J.Gaston, Crittenden, 51.42; 10. D.Wagoner, Crittenden 53.14.

800 Meters 8. J.Graham, Crittenden 2:46.42; 9. J.Suggs, Crittenden, 2:56.42; 12. D.Paris, Crit-3:05.46; 13. C.Hayes, Crittenden tenden, 3:12 36

200 Meters 7. T.Dalton, Livingston, 25.91; 13. D.Roberts, Crittenden, 26.20; 15. B.McKinney, Crittenden, 27.39: 17, A.Hunt, Livingston, 28.02: 18. A.Yates, Crittenden, 28.39.

3200 Meters 2. D.Wilson, Livingston 10:59; 8. J.Berry, Crittenden, 12:40; 9. K.Mayes, Crittenden. 13:03.

1600 Relay 1. Crittenden 3:55.83 (Tinsley Roberts, Gaston, Scott).

Long Jump 8. C.Asbridge, Crittenden, 16-9; 11. D.Wagoner, Crittenden, 16-1; 11. A.Yates, Crittenden, 15.-3.

Triple Jump 5. D.Patton, Crittenden, 33-6; 10.

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## SPRING SPORTS

#### Upcoming events THIS WEEK'S CCHS GAMES THURSDAY

Track team at Caldwell County FRIDAY

Baseball at Trigg County Softball at Trigg County MONDAY

Baseball at Union County Softball at Caldwell County

TUESDAY

Softball at union County Track team at Hopkins Central

R.Dossett, Crittenden, 14.92, T.Layne, Livingston, 15.27; 28. K.Crown, Livingston 16.4. 800 Relay 3. Livingston 1:59 (Sloma, Barnes.

Wright, Clinger); 4. Crittenden 2:02 (McDonald, Moss, Dossett, Shuecraft). 1600 Meters 9. M.Sitar, Crittenden, 6:45.72; 17. A.Schnittker, Crittenden, 7:24.52; 19. J.Mc-

Connell, Crittenden, 7:56.26. 400 Relay 2. Livingston (M.Sloma, Barnes,

Clinger, A.Sloma) 53.58; 8. Crittenden 1:00.86 (Moss, Shuecraft, Johnson, Dossett).

400 Meters 7. D.Barnes, Livingston, 1:15.33; 9. L.Scott, Crittenden 1:16.93; 11. L.Barnes, Livingston, 1:17.92; T.Layne, Livingston, 1:18.36. 300 Hurdles 2. A.Sloma, Livingston, 51.02; 7 T.Johnson, Crittenden, 1:13.92; E.McDonald, Crittenden, 1:15.74.

800 Meters 7. M.Sitar, Crittenden, 3:07.86; 14. D.Martin, Livingston, 3:49.74; 15. M.Mink, Crittenden, 3:56.52.

200 Meters 2. A.Sloma, Livingston, 28.86; 3. A.Clinger, Livingston, 29.02; 10. L.Barnes, Livingston, 32.12; 12. H.Wright, Livingston, 32.90. 3200 Meters 5. A.Schnittker, Crittenden 15.58; 6

J.McConnell, Crittenden, 16:00. 1600 Relay 4. Crittenden 5:30.9 (Sitar, McDonald, Scott, Shuecraft).

Long Jump 3. A.Sloma, Livingston, 15-0; 7. D.Barnes, Livingston, 13-5; K.Moss, Crittenden 12-11; 12. K.Crown, Livingston, 11-5; 18. T.Layne, Livingston, 10-5; 18. K.Gibson, Crittenden 10-5; 20. T.Johnson, Crittenden, 10-1.

Triple Jump 8. E.McDonald, Crittenden, 23-3; 11. K.Gibson, Crittenden 20-8.

Discus 13. N.Rizzo, 52-8; 20. A.Mifflin, Livingston, 24-3.

Shot Put 9. N.Rizzo, Crittenden, 18-11.5; 17. A.Mifflin, Livingston, 10-8.

High Jump 3. M.Sloma, Livingston, 4-7.

#### Girls win McLean meet

Crittenden County's girls' track and field team won the meet title at McLean County All Comers April 12. Sophomore Ashley Collyer won first place in both the triple jump and 110 hurdles to lead the Lady Rockets. Following are Crittenden's individual results:

BOYS

At McLean County April 12 Team Totals Union County 126, Crittenden County 1111, McLean County 44, Community Christian 30, Dawson Springs 8. 3200 Meters 1. Crittenden 10:04 (Graham, McK-

100 Meters 2. Z.Tinsley 12.2; 7. D.Roberts 13.6.

800 Relay 1. Crittenden 1:52.8 (Scott, Tinsley, As-

1600 Meters 4. J.Berry 6:06.8; 5. J.Graham

400 Meters 2. Crittenden 50.6 (Cooper, Tinsley

6:07.9; 6. D.Paris 6:51.5; 8. C.Hayes 7:54.1.

Haylee Young harvested this gobbler during the youth hunt. It weighed 22 pounds, had a 101/2inch beard and 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch spurs. Also pictured is her father Shane Young.



lan McKinzie, 13, bagged a big tom during the youth hunt.

Crittenden 11, Fort Campbell 7 152 201 0 - 11 2 6 150 001 0 - 7 11 10 Crittenden Co. Fort Campbell Belt, Evers (7) and Phillips; Jay, Strecker (3), Hernandez (7) and Swails. WP Belt. LP Jay. Tilghman 8, Crittenden 7 Crittenden Co. 100 032 1 - 7 9 7

201 031 1 - 8 11 4 Tilghman Ĕvers, Gilbert (6), Willis (7) and Phillips; Butler, Lasting (6), Armstrong (7) and Ketter. WP Armstrong. LP Willis. 3B C-Knight.

thanks in part to an RBI single by Oliver. In the fifth with bases loaded and the Lyon infield drawn in, Owen ripped a grounder past the first baseman which then rolled between the right fielder's legs to the fence for three more runs.

Crittenden had lost 3-1 to Lyon (2-5) at the end of last month.

The Rocket girls lost 10-0 in the Class A semifinal round Tuesday night at Livingston Central. Details will be published next week.

Discus 8. E.Day, 92-3; K.Mayes, Crittenden, 77-4; 16. E.Parks, Livingston, 68-06. Shot Put 12. E.Day, Crittenden, 34-3.5; K.Mayes, Crittenden, 30-6; 24. E.Parks, Livingston, 27-4.

#### BOYS

At Ballard Memorial April 10 Team Totals Tilghman 1, Marshall County 71.5, Livingston 64, Fulton County 61, Lone Oak 37.5 Crittenden 33, St. Mary 20, Christian Fellowship 10.5, Heath 10.

3200 Meters 6. Crittenden 12:54.74 (Shuecraft, Sitar, McConnell, Scott). 100 Hurdles 1. A.Sloma, Livingston, 17.92. 100 Meters 9. K.Moss, Crittenden, 14.47; 14.



Erin McDonald harvested her first turkey during the youth hunt. The gobbler had a 20-inch beard, a 91/2inch beard and 9½-inch spurs.



Anthony Federico harvested his first turkey during the youth season. The gobbler weighed 23 pounds, had two-inch spurs and three beards measuring a total of more than 19 inches. He was hunting with Jerry Croft.



Dave Belt and his son Scott Belt doubled up on turkeys Saturday. Scott got a 22-pound longbeard with an 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>6</sub>-inch beard and 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>6</sub>-inch spurs. Dave harvested a hen with a 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch beard. Also pictured is Scott's son Landon.



Cheyanne Johnson, 12, of Livingston County took a turkey each day of youth season while hunting with her dad, Scotty Johnson (pictured). Saturday's bird was 20 pounds with a 9½-inch beard and one-inch spurs. Sunday's turkey was 25 pounds, had an 11-inch beard and 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-inch spurs.



David Maness, 11, took this gobbler April 7 during the youth hunt. It weighed 22 pounds, had a 10-inch beard and one-inch spurs.

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Discus 3. E.Day 90-8; 4. K.Mayes 89-7. GIRLS

At McLean County April 12 Team Totals Crittenden 102, McLean County 83, Union County 82, Dawson Springs 9 3200 Meters 2. Crittenden 14:19 (Sitar, Mcconnell, Shuecraft, Scott). 100 Hurdles 1. A.Collyer 20.9 100 Meters 2. K.Moss 14.7 800 Relay 2. Crittenden 2:18.2 (Moss, Shuecraft, Collver, McDonald) 1600 Meters 2. M.Sitar, 6:54; 3. J.McConnell 8:14.7; 4. A.Schnittker 8:20.7. 400 Relay 2. Crittenden 1:07.9 (Johnson, Moss, Collyer, Shuecraft). 400 Meters 2. L.Scott 1:22.7. 300 Hurdles 2. T.Johnson 1:16.4. 800 Meters 2. M.Sitar 3:19.3; 4. M.Mink 4:05.7. 3200 Meters 2. A.Schnittker 19:35.7, 3. J.Mc-Connell 19:36.9 1600 Relay 2. Crittenden 5:49 (McDonald, Shuecraft, Sitar, Scott). Long Jump 2. K.Moss 14-2; 5. K.Gibson 8-9.

Triple Jump 1. A.Collyer 28-1.75; 2. K.Gibson 20-8



Chris McDonald took this 22-pound gobbler during opening weekend. The bird had a 10-inch beard and spurs measuring five-eighths and three-quarters of an inch.





Greg Tabor bagged this gobbler opening weekend. The tom weighed 20 pounds, had an 11-inch beard and seven-eighth-inch spurs.

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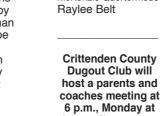
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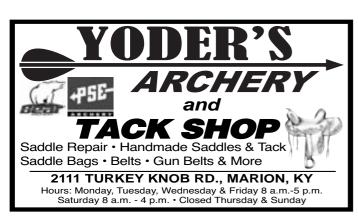
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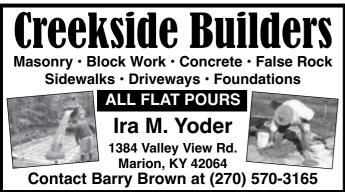
Lady Rocket softball shortstop Chelsea Oliver gets a throw from catcher McKenzie Hewitt just in time to get this wouldbe Lyon County base stealer out in Monday's Class A Tourna-



High school hitter Wes Evers peers into the Rocket dugout for instructions while at bat Monday against Dawson Springs. Evers has been hot at the plate. Batting around .500, he hit his second homer of the season last week.



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MAP AMENDMENT

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at its regular meeting held on April 16, 2012 at 6:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on March 19, 2012, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 01-23 such that the property located at 400 East Depot Street is amended from R-2 Single Family Through Multi-Family Residential District to C-2 General Business District. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.

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# Oklahoma woman ordered to appear in Crittenden court

An Oklahoma woman has been summoned to Crittenden District Court on April 25 to answer a misdemeanor charge of Theft of Property Lost/Mislaid/Delivered by Mistake.

According to the court summons, Victoria Lynn Maloney, 62, of Weatherford, Okla., is alleged to have picked up a woman's wallet April 4 at the Crittenden County Community Services Center on North Walker Street. The wallet had apparently been left by mistake on a counter at the center by its owner, Charity Anderson.

The owner called the center a short time later looking for the wallet. Kathy Penn-

Belt, director of the center, received the call and had allegedly observed the suspect leave the building with the wallet. The court summons says Penn-Belt followed the suspect to the Marion Baptist Church parking lot where she confronted Maloney about the wallet. Maloney denied having the wallet, but when she opened the door of her van to get out, the wallet fell out on the ground.

Police were notified and a criminal summons was issued for Maloney. The owner of the wallet told police that \$5 was missing from the wallet.

In an unrelated but similar case, a Marion man

pleaded guilty last week in Crittenden Circuit Court to taking a wallet that had been left at Carousel Coin Laundry in Marion. Kenneth L. Volkert told investigators that he was going to take the wallet to the police station, but in the meantime, the owner reported it stolen. Police found Volkert in possession of the wallet at his home several hours later. A surveillance videotape at the laundry helped police determine what had happened to the woman's wallet.

Volkert was sentenced to 365 days in jail. All of the jail time was probated, but he was ordered to pay a \$500 fine and to 550 hours of community service.



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## Local manufacturers recognized

Todd Riley (right), of Riley Tool and Machine, on Monday afternoon greeted (from left) Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce President Vanda Hunt Adamson; Terry Bunnell, chairman of Crittenden County Economic Development Corp.; and Chamber Executive Director Susan Alexander (not pictured) as the trio paid a visit in recognition of Industry Appreciation Week for Crittenden County. The event is the first of its kind in Crittenden County and will be highlighted at noon today (Thursday) with a dinner honoring local manufacturers and naming an "Industry of the Year." As they paid visits to local industry, the two organizations delivered bags of sugary treats to local businesses to demonstrate their "Sweet on Industry" theme for the week.

# **Bids due on installation** of TDS high-speed Internet

#### STAFF REPORT

Bids are due today (Thursday) from construction companies on a broadband expansion project that will make high-speed Internet access available to areas of Crittenden and Livingston counties not previously served with the utility. Dycusburg, Frances, Salem, Carrsville and other rural areas of both counties will be incorporated into the service area.

Ten companies met with TDS during a March pre-bid meeting that outlined project timelines and goals.

Once complete, nearly 550 customers of TDS' Salem Telephone Company

in Kentucky will have access to a high-speed Internet connection. The project is one of 44 TDS has received funding for from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act via the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Rural Utilities Service (RUS). Nearly \$136 million has been awarded to TDS to expand high-speed Internet services in 20 states.

More than 93 percent of TDS customers nationwide currently have Internet access. The remaining seven percent are harder to reach and in areas more difficult to provide high-speed Internet services. There are many

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reasons for this, including sparse population and topography. These rural geographies push the limits of technology and make it difficult, albeit nearly impossible, to develop a solid business case for deploying broadband. The American **Recovery and Reinvestment** Act provides companies like TDS a window of opportunity to expand broadband services to residents in areas that are currently without access to a reliable highspeed Internet connection.

Construction on many new sites will begin this spring. Most networks will be completed in 2012 and the remaining in 2013.

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roads Festival held April 27 and 28. As usual, the event is scheduled to coincide with Paducah's world-recognized American Quilter's Society Show and Contest, reports Marion Tourism Director Michele Edwards. This year's event will include several quilt shows, as well as craft booths, Amish tours and specialty shops.

Fuller's love for the popular art form really took off from that experience 16 years ago, but soon afterward she took a fall and developed fibromyalgia, a common syndrome in which a person has body-wide pain and tenderness in the joints, muscles, tendons and other soft tissues. Because of her chronic pain, Fuller was unable to sleep at night and would find herself in her quilting room stitching away at all hours of the night.

"The more I quilted, the more I forgot about my pain," she said. "If it wasn't for quilting, I don't know what I would have done."

Fuller estimates she has pieced together around 40 quilts, all of which she has kept with the exception of giving a few away for a special occasion like a granddaughter's graduation or the birth of a new baby. Each quilt bears its own characteristics, its personality developing with each snip of the scissors, each stitch forming what Fuller says is her art. Although most of her quilts have been based on an established pattern, she sometimes likes to make her own, oftentimes inspired by life events or by quilt fabric she discovers when out shopping. "It all depends on what's going on at the time," Fuller said. "When I go shopping with Debbie, and I see fabric that I have to have, I'll think of a quilt to make based on that. It's not hard to spend \$200 to \$300 on fabric just to make a quilt." Since learning to quilt, Fuller was never interested in showing her final pieces in quilt shows for fear of the critiques she might receive. She was talked into it, though, by friends, and is now a staple in several local quilt shows including the quilt show coordinated by the Crittenden County Extension Homemakers held annually during April's Crittenden County Backroads Festival. During last year's



working on guilts. Fuller is preparing for next week's annual Backroads Festival in Crittenden County held in conjunction with the Paducah quilt show and contest.

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event, Fuller was the featured quilter, displaying her quilt that won People's Choice for the past three vears

Despite having several people interested in buying her quilts, Fuller has never sold one, unable to let any go despite the high price they could attract. Having one quilt appraised, Fuller was pleased to learn that it

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was worth \$3,500. But even when an interested buyer propositioned her for a sale, she couldn't part with it.

"They all have an emotional attachment for me," Fuller said. "They were made because of something going on in my life and I just can't sell them. They're like their own individual memories."

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