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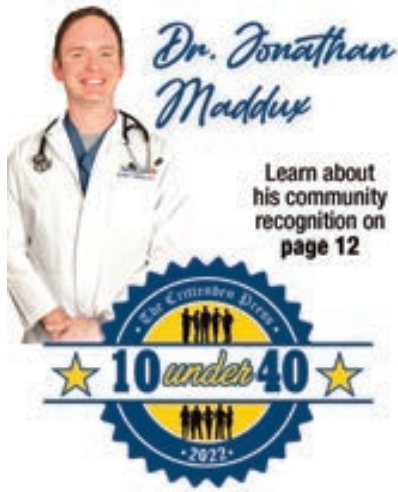
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COVID CASES LOW; VAX RATE GOING UP

Vaccination rate in Crittenden County continues to lurch forward at a slow pace. It has climbed to 44.18 percent for individuals with at least one dose. The local rate is 39.69 percent for those fully vaccinated, which is still low compared to most other counties in Kentucky where the overall statewide rate of inoculation is 66.41 percent for individuals with at least one dose. In the commonwealth, 58 percent are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The vax rate in Livingston County is over 55 percent. Last week, there were only two cases of COVID-19 reported in Crittenden County and none in Livingston.

TOWN HALL MEETING LIVE ON PRESS PAGE

The final event in a series of local candidate forums will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, April 28 at the Lions Club's Agriculture Building at the county fairgrounds. These Town Hall Meetings have been held in various communities across the county. This one you can view live in its entirety, on The Crittenden Press Facebook Page. A notice in last week's paper had the wrong date for forum at the fairgrounds.



ENDURO DERBY SATURDAY

Crittenden County Lions Club will host a Bloomsday 100 Enduro Derby this weekend at the fairgrounds. Racing begins at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 23. This is a full-contact racing event with 100-percent payback in the youth and stock divisions and \$1,200 to win the modified division.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, April 21 at the courthouse.
- CCHS SBDM will meet at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, April 21 at the school library.
- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 4 p.m., Monday, April 25 at Deer Lakes meeting room.



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County Clerk Race

Three Republicans campaigning for post in courthouse

STAFF REPORT

Three Republicans are vying for the job of Crittenden County clerk and there are no Democrats filed so the winner of the May 17 primary election will officially capture the job starting in January 2023.

Candidate Daryl Tabor is currently serving as interim clerk, having been appointed in the fall 2020 after longtime clerk Carolyn Byford retired. She had been county clerk for 21 years and her husband, Danny, was clerk prior to her tenure.

Tabor, a longtime newspaper editor, was appointed by Judge-Executive Perry Newcom and began work in October of 2020. He will serve the remainder of Byford's term whether or not he

wins the election next month.

Other candidates are Ashley Smith and Belinda Williams. Smith has experience in the clerk's office in Smithland and Williams touts her 20-plus years of business experience.

Tabor, 48, is a Marion native but worked outside of the community for a few years, mostly in the newspaper business. He graduated from Crittenden County High School in 1991 and has an associate's degree in business from Paducah Community College and a bachelor's degree in journalism from Murray State University.

"Newspapers took me around the world, literally, from covering local government at home to a Fort Campbell deployment in the

Iraq War in 2003, but the transition to public office has been very rewarding," Tabor said.

He spent 18 years writing articles for The Crittenden Press.

Tabor says 18 months direct experience in the Crittenden County clerk's office is something no other candidate can claim.

"My background in journalism has afforded me a lot of connections and friendships in our community and underscored the importance of transparency and communication with the public," he said. "I have also tried to give back to my hometown by serving on local boards and committees, including president of the library

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Smith

REPUBLICAN
Candidates
Crittenden
County
Clerk



Tabor



Williams



Crittenden County's Amish community is among the biggest tourist draws in the area.

Quilts, Spring Tour Unfold from Pandemic

Local businesses optimistic about tour

STAFF REPORT

Marion is expecting an influx of visitors later this month for the annual Backroads Tour - which has not been on its yearly schedule the past two springs because of COVID-19. The event, coordinated and promoted by the Marion Tourism, Recreation and Convention Bureau is a self-guided tour through the country roads of Crittenden County with a keen focus on the Amish community.

As customary, Backroads is held simultaneously with Paducah's American Quil-

ter's Society Convention and Show, set for April 27-30. Due to the pandemic, this also will be the first time in three years that the quilt show has been held. This week is the peak period for the Paducah Dogwood Trail celebration, which also tends to push day-trippers to the backroads of Crittenden County. However, local vendors and tourist observers say the cool, wet spring has created a slow start to the usual bustling tourist season, an unwelcome challenge for

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Spanish Soccer

Marion youth heads overseas to train with Barcelona athletes

STAFF REPORT

For sixth-grader Landon Lanham, finding a place to whet his appetite for soccer is difficult in a community that doesn't have much opportunity for boys, particularly at advanced ages like middle school or high school. So he's jumping the pond for a chance to play.

The 12-year-old will be

flying to Spain April 29 where he will spend about a week learning and competing in Barcelona with Spanish athletes and others from across the globe.

Lanham has been playing soccer since he was three years old and last year he attended a camp in

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Landon Lanham

Can't we get more sleep?

According to Barnsley College, 50 percent of self-made-millionaires get up before 6 a.m., and 90 percent of executives fall in the same category.

For all you folks who have never worked a 9-5, that's at least three hours before an average workday begins. So, it's no secret that successful people wake up early.

Dating way before my adulthood, 8 a.m., was a bit of a "stretch" in my eyes to make the steps of CCHS before the tardy-bell rang. As a matter of fact, I never really remember a time in my life when waking up before 10 was enjoyable.

Now, as a home-making wife and mother, being a late-riser paired with statistics like the one above have made me feel about as tall as the 13-year-old version of myself that my parents use to coax out of bed at the last minute with a piece of cinnamon toast.

Most any parent with a school-aged youngster can relate to a drive to the drop-off line with their child who stayed up "way too late," debating as to whether or not grade-school is truly a necessary stepping stone towards a successful life.

I too made no pleasant sounds on the way out the door to drive 20 minutes one-way to school from Mattoon back in my day. And though I never disagreed that my school years were an impactful time in my life, I couldn't quite grasp why eight hours just never seemed to be enough sleep.

As it turns out, for years many pediatric studies have concluded that school should start later in the mornings to allow children some much-needed sleep.

Sleep deprivation has been linked to anxiety, irritability, lack of motivation and other symptoms of depression. Studies show it does not only affect mental ability and mood changes, but can also cause a risk for diabetes, obesity and high blood pressure.

Many believe the fix is simply getting kids earlier to bed. Yet, studies have suggested that the body's natural sleep-wake cycle shifts during the pubescent period in a child's life.

Because of that, it's actually

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Deaths

Rigazzi

Gloria C. Rigazzi, 95, died Thursday, April 14, 2022 in Hampton.

She was born, Feb. 28, 1927 to Joe and Cecilia Moresco. She was a retired insurance underwriter and was a member of St. Pauls Catholic Church in Erie, PA.

Surviving are a son, Michael (Fleshia) Birk of Hampton; a daughter, Cynthia Lee of Naples, Fla.; a sister, Carol of Erie; nine grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Anthony Rigazzi; a son James Birk; three sisters Jeanie, Ellen and Nickie; and a brother, Patrick.

Funeral services were Tuesday, April 19 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Rev. Michael Birk officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Erie, PA.

Moody

Mary Helen Byford Moody, 76, of Princeton, died Thursday, April 14, 2022 at Princeton Nursing & Rehab.

She was born Dec. 16, 1945 in Marion to the late Leroy and Mary Marcella Hodge Byford. She was of the Pentecostal faith and was a caretaker.

Surviving are two daughters, Jamilin (Scott) Betz of Fredonia, Deanna Reed of Dixon; three sons, Bobby (Kim) Kuykendall of Bloomington, Ind., Brian (Rachel) Kuykendall of Dallas, Texas, Dean (Kathy) Kuykendall of Reidland; a brother, Ronald Byford of Columbia, Ill.; eight grandchildren, Melinda, Ashley, Haley, Austin, Preston, Allison, Jason,

Adeline; and nine great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her husband, John Moody; two sisters, Barbara Mercer and Pam Marlowe; and three brothers, Marshall, Charles and Gerald Byford.

A private graveside service will be held.

Morgan's Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Miles

Louis Geoffrey "Lou" Miles, 77, died April 3, 2022. He was born Oct. 1, 1944 in Media, PA. His parents were Louis Abram and Kathleen L u m b Miles, his younger brothers G e r a l d (2020) and Gary. The Media High School graduate of 1962 communicated often with his classmates who called him Melvin. Lou met his wife Sharon Clark of Marion while attending Bethel University in McKenzie, Tenn. He and Sharon stayed close to their college fraternity family throughout the years. After graduation in 1966, he and Sharon returned to Media to start their family. In 1975, Lou accepted a position in Nashville, choosing to move Sharon, daughter Alisa, and son Geoffrey to Hendersonville, where he enjoyed spending time trolling his bass boat on Old Hickory and other



lakes fishing with friends, family or alone with nature. He retired his real estate license on the 56th wedding anniversary to spend more time with his wife Sharon traveling through their bucket list quest to see all 50 states. He and Sharon experienced 38, including Hawaii, where they spent their 25th wedding anniversary.

Dad was happy when our Mother was happy. He was proud of their accomplishments and gave the best example for Alisa, Geoffrey and grandson Blake. He showed us how to be honest, compassionate and caring in the most humble way. In Dad's initial career as an insurance claims adjuster, he focused on helping the person(s). In 1995, Dad found a new career to help people when he joined Sharon to make the real estate team "We go the extra Miles for you."

He was honored to spend time helping his son just get through life after his disorder became disabling. There are no programs to help Geoff get to doctor appointments due to his inability to speak or help with his daily needs with the shortage in approved skilled caregivers. For Dad, please spread the word to broaden people's awareness of the disorder.

His final open house is from 2-4 p.m., Saturday, April 23 at Pavilion 2B in Rockland Park, 5 Power Plant Road, Hendersonville, TN 37075.

Please join the family-Sharon, wife; daughter and son-in-law Alisa and Bret McCulley; son Geoffrey and his son Blake Conyer, Blake's wife Courtney and their son Ryker. If you have a story or thought to share, please bring it.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation at dystonia-foundation.org/, donate by phone (800-377-3978) or by mail at 1 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1730, Chicago, IL 60601.

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Kentucky State Police is selling chances on a 2022 Sierra 1500 Limited Denali to benefit Trooper Island youth camp. The \$10 tickets are available locally at The Crittenden Press. Trooper Island is a free camp for kids from financially challenged families established in 1965 by KSP at Dale Hollow Lake.

The Davis family
will be singing
Sunday, May 1, 1:30 p.m.
at Marion Second Baptist Church

Musicians include Randy Belt on the piano and Brennan Cruce on the Bass guitar. The group will be singing some of the classic Southern gospel songs that were made popular from the 1960s into the 1980s.

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Spring Dirt: Just a great time of year

What is your favorite month of the year? If you ask 10 people that question, you may get 10 different answers. Some will say October... which is obviously a very beautiful time of the year with all of the changing fall colors. Our Heavenly Father displays many breathtaking scenes during the month of October... what a blessing!

Some will say December, citing their adoration of all things Christmas-related; granted, December is a very exciting time of the year. While you're thinking of your favorite month, let me share with you my favorite. It's April.

Now that April is upon us, I'm reminded why I like it so much. April is the time for rebirth.

The main reason I like April so much is because that is when everything in nature comes back to life after being dormant all winter. I love everything about new birth and new life. April is also when I get to play in the dirt again. As a kid, two of my favorite things were playing in my sandbox and helping my grandmother, Lillian Boswell from Salem Telephone Company, plant the garden. I just love playing in the dirt even now as a 64-year-old kid. My dad, J.W. Clarke, ran a backhoe for 30 years. I loved going with him as a kid. There were piles of dirt everywhere at his job sites. I especially loved it when he dug a basement. Those dirt piles were huge. My mother always asked me how I got so dirty. What can I say? It must be a special gift.

Have you ever wondered why we typically plant our gardens in April? Why not plant during the short span of pretty weather we normally have in mid-late March? Why not plant them later in the year? Obviously, there is a planting season. Your seed packets typically tell you number of days until harvest. You want to harvest your veggies before the hot, dry weather sets in. Your garden, other than your tomatoes, is pretty well done by the end of July due to the combined effects of the searing heat and dry weather of August.

Did you ever wonder why the Hurricane Camp Meeting used to always be in August? It's too hot to do anything else!

You want to plant as soon as the soil warms up adequately. In my far-from-expert opinion, most folks plant seeds too early and too deep. Believe it or not, your seeds will not sprout until the soil warms up sufficiently. Notice that I have now switched from talking about dirt to talking about soil. In my Livingston Central High School ag class, you lost a letter grade on your report card every time you said dirt rather than soil. As I like to say, live and learn.

When has the soil warmed up enough to plant the garden? The only way you can really tell the soil temp is with a probe thermometer. You can use your wife's meat thermometer, but don't let her see you do it. For example, for corn, the soil needs to be 50 F or above for proper germination and sprouting, according to info I have just read from the UK College of Agriculture. One important note on this info – it is for field corn rather than sweet corn.

Have you ever wondered why you sometimes get poor stands after meticulously planting your garden seeds? There are actually several reasons: 1) Seeds planted before the soil warms up

adequately; 2) Seeds planted when there is too much moisture in the soil; 3) Seeds planted too deep; and 4) Poor germination quality of seeds.

We've already discussed #1 – soil temp, but let me add that most of the stuff I've just looked at online says to plant sweet corn when the soil is at least 60 degrees. Some sweet corn seed is coated, which protects the seed when the soil is not quite warm enough to germinate immediately. The longer seed sits in the ground without germinating, the more prone it is to rot.

Let's look at #2 – moisture in the soil. If there is too much moisture in the soil, it makes the seed more prone to rot before it can germinate and sprout. What about #3 – planting depth?

Most folks plant their garden seed way too deep. I mentioned earlier that as a child, I helped my grandmother with the garden. She would take her hoe and dig out a huge furrow. It seemed to my young eyes to be a foot deep, but it was probably 3-4 inches deep, which is still way too deep for most seeds. She also tended to plant too early, which is why she spent so much time replanting. The seed only contains enough energy to get the young plant through the soil and above ground; after the initial leaves appear.

Corn should be planted about one inch deep. When you're planting your late-corn patch later in the season – when soil temp is not an issue and the moisture content in the soil will likely be much less – you'll probably want to be closer to the two-inch mark. Corn can manage planting depths greater than beans can. The small corn seedling shoots through the ground like a spear. Beans and other legumes come through the soil neck first. If they're planted too deep, or if the ground gets compacted due to a heavy rain, the tiny bean plant literally breaks its neck trying to get the seed out of the ground. The seed of a legume plant actually comes through the ground and makes the first two leaves.

And what is this thing about germination quality? You may find it hard to believe, but some of your seed is not going to germinate I know... it's a bummer, especially when it's so expensive. To

counter this less than perfect germination, I always like to plant my seeds a little thicker than recommended, then go back and thin it out to my personal specifications – six to eight inch spacing in the row for corn; beans 4-6; squash, okra, cabbage, tomatoes 24 inches; cucumbers 36. While this approach is a bit more expensive, having gaps in my rows is very frustrating.

Perhaps at this point we should consider some wise Biblical advice: If you sow sparingly (plant few seeds), you will reap sparingly (not harvest many veggies). But if you sow abundantly (plant lots of seed), then you reap abundantly (harvest lots of veggies!). Obviously, this Bible verse is referring to sowing seeds into the Kingdom of God, which we all should do, but the very same principle applies to planting your garden seeds. Unlike sowing seeds into the Kingdom, you can easily sow too much in the garden. Your seed packet will typically advise you regarding the proper spacing for that particular crop.

This brings us to #5, and you thought there were only 4. My grandmother always planted whenever she got time. My dad, on the other hand, didn't do much in the garden until he retired, which meant that he had plenty of time. Some of his old-timer buddies were adamant about planting their gardens only when the sign was right. I don't know enough about the signs to tell you much about it, but the calendars that I get from the fine folks over at Marion Feed Mill include sign info and when the sign is right to plant, harvest, set the hens, wean the calves or go fishing. My calendar also includes barren days when you don't want to plant anything. I'm like my father in many ways, but I'll admit to being more like my grandmother when it comes to planting the garden. I tend to plant simply when I have the time, but it's still fun to check out the signs. And for the record, I do not believe in horoscopes.

It was back on April 21, 2008, the day before Daddy's 87th birthday. According to my dad (and after all, it was his garden), the sign was right for planting above-ground crops April 21-22, 2008. Several years earlier, I had taken our

garden seeder, the kind you pour seeds in the seed hopper and simply push down the row, and made a few improvements. I took the large wooden handles from an old push plow and attached them to the seeder, a tremendous improvement over the original short metal handles. Then I made a row marker using a piece of half-inch steel conduit with adjustable chains on both ends, another wonderful enhancement over the original planter! Those two improvements, however, led to disaster on the fateful day of April 21, 2008. "Pop" (that enduring name he received when our first child was born) was attempting to get the planter out of our little outbuilding. He didn't get everything just right in order to get the big handles and long metal marker out the door of the building. So he took a tumble. When he fell, he broke his right

hip. We got him to the hospital where X-rays confirmed our suspicions. He was soon transported to Western Baptist Hospital where he was scheduled to undergo hip replacement surgery the following day. As we were discussing the events of the upcoming day, and how his surgery had totally messed up our plans to get his corn planted (Pop always planted about a half acre of sweet corn so he could share with his friends and neighbors) he looked straight at me with his serious face and proceeded to instruct me to "plant the corn" while he was having surgery. The sign was right, and would not be right again until the following month, which was totally unacceptable.

One of the things we're instructed in God's Word is to "Honor our parents." I've always tried to do that. This was one of those times, however,

that I seriously considered disobeying him. I was 50 years old at the time. Are you ever old enough to disobey your parents? Not me. Although I desperately wanted to be present for Pop's surgery, I honored his wishes and planted the corn on his 87th birthday. You'll be pleased to know that his surgery went well; we celebrated his birthday in the hospital room that night, complete with birthday cake and presents! Best of all, he was so happy that the corn was planted.

Incidentally, we had a bumper corn crop that year.

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Chris CLARKE
Press Columnist
Happy Trails



Sandy Gilbert and Sandra Belt, members of the local women's sorority, put new flowers in front of the courthouse and spruce things up around the gazebo in preparation for spring's Backroads Tour.

SPRING

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those optimistic as America emerges from the pandemic.

Reuben Detweiler who operates a greenhouse in the Amish community, had extremely robust sales in spring 2020, the first year of the pandemic. In fact, the greenhouses were nearly empty by Mother's Day.

Detweiler said it was different in the spring of 2021. The fear of COVID-19 appears to have kept some of his usual pa-

trons away a year ago. He usually has extra hands in the greenhouses during the Backroads Tour in anticipation of heavy traffic, but so far it's been another slow April and he doesn't know what to expect.

Inflation pressures and poor weather has been the stumbling block so far, says Stella Guess, who owns Keeping it Rural, a shop between Marion and Sturgis near Amish country.

"If the weather is good everyone likes to get out, but with these gas prices

I don't know what to expect," she said.

Her shop opened just days before the COVID shutdown in 2020, but her traffic was good.

"People were looking for a place to get out and avoid crowds so they were coming to the country," she said. "Last year wasn't too bad either."

Detweiler and Guess both say they hope the return of Backroads Tour and Paducah quilt show will mean a bump in business for them and others in Crittenden County.

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CLERK

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board of trustees, secretary of Fohs Hall Inc. and council on aging, treasurer on the chamber of commerce and two terms on the historical society.

He was recently elected by fellow clerks to represent the state's 12 westernmost counties on the Kentucky County Clerks Association decision-making body.

If elected, Tabor vows to continue modernization of the clerk's office to keep things as convenient, efficient and accessible.

"We have taken vehicle registration renewals, access to public records and recording of documents online while maintaining traditional methods of each," Tabor said about his term thus far in the clerk's office.

He also pledges to keep the community informed on news and information from the office and to preserve and protect historical and critical records through digitization and other means.

Smith, a 37-year-old 2003 graduate of Crittenden County High School, has a degree in applied science with a legal administration from Western Kentucky Community College and Technical School. She also studied at Murray State.

Her working career began in the legal field with Greenwell, Frazer & Peek. In 2010, Smith began working as a deputy clerk and recorder for the Livingston County Clerk's office.

"I have extensive knowledge and experience with almost 12 years in all areas of the county clerk's office from great customer service skills, to filing monthly accounting reports and working over 23 elections," Smith said.

On the campaign trail, she is describing herself as a "trustworthy, patient, highly motivated individual with 16-plus years of secretarial, clerk, records recording, real estate, team building" and more.

"My main points to my platform are getting to do the work I love for a community I love, to provide an office that is convenient, pleasurable and helpful, being balanced to everyone" she said.

"Having experience is the most important attribute for this position. This office is responsible for many things and it is very important that everything is performed accurately due to the substantial tax revenue that is collected for the county."

Smith says she has more experience and connections with other Kentucky county clerks than any other candidate for this position.

Williams, 56, has lived in Marion for 44 years and has raised a family here. She studied at Western Kentucky Technical College and has certifications for medical office technology and medical billing specialist.

Her campaign is based on three primary elements. Those are honestly, integrity and treating others how you

would want to be treated yourself.

"If we want to make a change, we have to get involved at the local level," she said about her aspirations in seeking public office. "I can provide excellent customer service and I will treat everyone fairly, and treat everyone the same."

A strong work ethic, Williams says, is among the attributes that make her the most qualified candidate.

She and husband, Eugene, operate a construction and rental business in Marion. From that experience and others in the medical field in Paducah and at Crittenden Hospital, Williams says she's gained valuable knowledge and understanding of government, finance and compliance issues.

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county clerk

Experience **does** matter

Voting is already underway in Crittenden County, and I would like to ask for your vote. Hopefully, over the last 19 months, I have earned the public's trust and confidence to keep serving as your county clerk. **Qualified and tested**, no other candidate offers on-the-job experience running the office or a history of leadership through community service.

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- ★ Appointed county clerk Oct. 1, 2020
- ★ Earned degree in journalism from Murray State University
- ★ Added safe, convenient transactions during pandemic through online registration renewals, e-recording, office drop box, online access to records through subscription
- ★ Advocated for more secure, efficient voting with new election equipment, precinct consolidation
- ★ Turned over \$125,000 in excess fees to fiscal court, enough to pay for new voting equipment
- ★ Won \$30,000 grant for preserving deteriorating documents, digitizing marriage records, deeds
- ★ Have digitized hundreds more pages of mortgages, fiscal court records through statutory storage fees
- ★ Active in county clerks association, utilizing training, relationships with long-time clerks to strengthen the office
- ★ Moving plans ahead for relocation to new county offices
- ★ Giving back through history of service on several local boards, including library board president
- ★ Keeping public informed through social media, website, news releases

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The purpose of these meetings is to give citizens an opportunity to meet the candidates, listen to their plans to serve us in the respective office if elected, and ask questions. Therefore, everyone is encouraged to attend any or all these meetings designed to ensure we all cast an informed vote.

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VOTERS MARK YOUR CALENDARS & PLAN TO ATTEND

THURSDAY, APRIL 28,

CRITTENDEN COUNTY LIONS CLUB

PARTICIPATING CANDIDATES:

Jason Howell for Senator 1st Dist.; Lynn Bechler for Representative 12th Dist.; Jim Gooch for Representative 12th Dist.; Judge Daniel Heady for Circuit Judge; Judge Brandi Rogers for Family Court Judge; Esq. Ben Leonard for District Judge; Perry Newcom for County Judge Executive; Bart Frazer for County Attorney; Daryl Tabor, Ashley Smith and Belinda Williams for County Clerk; Chuck Hoover, Heath Martin, Evan Head, Ray Agent and George Foster for County Sheriff; Athena Perry-Hayes, Michael Puckett and Anthony Harper for County Jailer; Todd Perryman, Misty Dalton Hicks and Jason Champion for PVA; Dave Belt for Magistrate 1st Dist.; Matt Watson, Daniel Kemper and Matt Grimes for Magistrate 2nd Dist.; Willard Guill and Robert Kirby for Magistrate 3rd Dist.; Chad Thomas for Magistrate 4th Dist.; Greg Rushing, Dale Willingham and Travis Perryman for Magistrate 5th Dist.; Jason Martin, Van Hunt, Jeff James, Scott Belt and Bob Rowley for Magistrate 6th Dist.; Barry Brown for Constable 1st Dist.; Jimbo Dalton and Jamie Davis for Constable 2nd Dist.; Paul Beard for Constable 3rd Dist.; Lynn Goodrich for Constable 4th Dist.; Don Herrin for Constable 6th Dist.

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Look what isn't there

Our part of the plan-et is coming to life again. The yellows, purples, and whites of early flowers have announced the arrival of spring. Evidence of life where there was none just a few weeks ago reminds us of the beauty of the rhythms of nature. Resurrection is on our minds whether we realize it or not.

There is another side to resurrection: those things that are not there. There is a way for believers to view life as a series of opportunities for rebirth as we await the ultimate transition from this life to the next. Those transitions nearly always involve some sort of loss or leaving behind something that was either necessary or important.

Each step forward in life requires letting go of something, either voluntarily or by events that occur in the passing of time. The movement from childhood to being married and then a parent is a wonderful progression that involves letting go of some things in order to gain others. We move from being provided for to being the provider for another. We may not think it rises to the level of rebirth because it is normally a transition we must grow into. It does require us to view life differently and change our priorities.

Most of us will eventually hit some sort of challenge in our lives that demand we change. If we don't the consequences can be catastrophic. The event may be our fault or someone else's. It may just be something that happens for which there is no blame to be cast. Whatever it is, we are certain that we will not be the same ever again. The world we thought we lived

in has let us down and done some damage. Time to reevaluate.

This often happens because we had something (or thought we did) that turned out to be missing. It might be trust. It might be control. It might be security. It might be a community. What is not there sends us into the abyss and we must find life again. Catastrophes are not blessings, but they can be opportunities to rethink and re-set. And unlike the resurrection of Christ that we celebrate each Easter, they can take time.

In a 1928 biography of Saint Francis of Assisi, Luigi Salvatorelli describes a pivotal moment for Francis after he recovered from an illness. Francis looked at his surroundings and, "sought anxiously for his usual sensations [but they] had nothing more to say to him. Everything that until then served to enliven his existence had become a blurred, insipid dream. The world had suddenly become a barren desert. It is in such moments of desolation and vacancy that... great vocations are born."

He continues that for some, "The old life no longer brings satisfaction; but they are not yet sure what the new one ought to be, and they are doubtful whether any such exists. They are moved to cast from their existence the old contentment, as insipid and colorless; but yet uncertain what to put in its place." (The Life of St. Francis of Assisi, p. 58).

I do not know anyone well who has not had a moment or two like this in life. Moments brought on us by the knowledge that something is missing. What is not there overwhelms the

things that are. What is missing pulls us toward an opportunity for rebirth.

There is another powerful example of something missing in the Gospel account of John. It is from a different perspective than the examples here, but it does show us the possibilities. We read this in John 20:3-9, "Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead."

He believed because the body was not there. He believed because of what was missing. He had no idea what life in a world where death did not have the last word would be like. But... faith. Because of rebirth disaster does not have the last word in our lives. Faith does because the tomb is empty.

Dr. Sean Niestrath is a minister in Madisonville, Ky. He holds a doctoral degree in ministry. You may contact him at sean.niestrath@outlook.com.

Community Events & News

■ The West Kentucky Association of General Baptists will be holding its 2022 annual session April 21-23 located at 134 S.R. 1668, Marion. The theme is 'Looking unto Jesus.' Morning services are at 10 a.m., afternoon services at 1:30 p.m., Thursday and Friday night services 7:30 p.m. Services will conclude Saturday afternoon. Everyone is invited to attend.

■ Former employees of Moore Business Forms and their guest will meet at noon, April 22 at LaDelicia Mexican Restaurant. For information call (270) 965-3483 or (270) 969-0095.

■ CCHS SBDM will meet at 3:30 in the high school library, Thursday, April 21.

■ There will be an Extension District Board meeting at noon, Wednesday,

April 27 at the Extension Annex..

■ Virgil Jones VFW will host a Craft Bazaar from 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, April 20 at 412 N. College St. The public is invited.

Does your group have something planned? Let us know. We post notes here at no charge. Email to thepress@the-press.com or call (270) 965-3191

Jesus came to be the light of the world

Question: I've never liked darkness and I feel insecure in the dark world we live in. I'm fearful of the motives of the evil people around me. How can I better navigate my course through the darkness of this world?

Answer: From the gun violence associated with drug related theft, to the hate crimes against other racial and ethnic groups, to the animosity within family groups, we are reminded darkness truly does define the world we live in.

Where there seems to be little light, we must remember Jesus declared, "I am the

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By Bob Hardison

light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (Jn. 8:12). He is the Light we need in our dark world. His light shines brightly in the darkness.

We must decide whether we will trust in the light of Jesus as Savior and walk with Him, or decide to walk away from Him and stumble in the darkness of our sin-filled

world. If we trust in the work of Christ—His death and resurrection—we are freed from our sin and are resurrected to a new life. Don't surrender to the darkness in the world around you; walk in the light of Jesus' security (1 Jn. 1:7).

Responding to the Light that has come into the world is a watershed moment in people's lives. I invite everyone to turn from their sins and put their faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord. As you do, God's true light and glory will come live in your life.

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

DELINQUENT 2021 COUNTY
PROPERTY TAXES

Delinquent 2021 Crittenden County property taxes are now payable in the county clerk's office. No personal or business checks will be accepted as payment for delinquent taxes, but cash, card or cashier's check are acceptable. The office is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in Suite 203 of the courthouse. You can find amounts owed online at crittenden.clerkinfo.net. Call (270) 965-3403 for more information.

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Father John Okoro
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Marion, Ky.
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(270) 965-4059
MexicoBaptist.org
Minister of Music Mike Crabtree
Pastor: Tim Burdon
Sunday Worship Services: 10 a.m., 7 p.m.
Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.

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Emmanuel Baptist Church

108 Hillcrest Dr., Marion | (270) 965-4623
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Children and Youth Activities: 6 p.m.
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Bro. Alex Kirby, Pastor
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The People of The United Methodist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Youth 6:30 p.m.

Barnett Chapel General Baptist

Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Sunday Night Service: 6 p.m.
Bro. Ken Suits, pastor
Barnett Chapel Rd., Marion, Ky.
Barnett Chapel... where everyone is welcome.

Freedom General Baptist Church

Pastor: Ross Athwell
87 Freedom Church Rd., Marion
(about 1 mi. from Marion off Ky. 91)
CHURCH TIMES:
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study 6 p.m.

Marion Baptist Church

College & Depot streets, Marion • (270) 965-5232
Pastor: Bro. Aaron Brown • Children's & Youth Pastor: Bro. Shawn Holman
SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m., ONLINE 11 a.m., SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:05 a.m.
WEDNESDAY: BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER 6 p.m., ARIANA FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH GROUPS 6 p.m.
CHOIR PRACTICE: 6:45 p.m., PRAISE TEAM: 7:30 p.m.

SEVEN SPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sun. School for all ages: 10 a.m.
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Crayne Community Church

Crayne Cemetery Road, Crayne, Ky.
Bro. James Driver, Interim Pastor
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.

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2 Peter 3:18
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Sun. Evening 6 p.m. • Wed. Evening 6 p.m.
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Pastor Jesse Thornton (618) 200-0884
Sun. School: 10 a.m. | Sun. Worship: 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Marion United Methodist Church

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.
The People of the United Methodist Church
WED: Bible Study 5:30 p.m.
SUN: Sun. School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 p.m.
Bro. David COMBS
South College St.

Frances Community Church

Bro. Butch Gray
Wed. night prayer meeting
& youth service: 6:30 p.m.
Sunday school: 10 a.m.
Worship service: 11 a.m.

Hurricane Church

Hurricane Church Rd. off Ky. 135 West
Pastor: Bro. Danny Hincbee
Sun. School, 10 a.m. • Worship, 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening services, 6 p.m.
Wed. Evening services, 7 p.m.

Unity General Baptist Church

4691 Mott City Rd. • Marion, Ky.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.

Marion Church of Christ

546 West Elm Street • (270) 965-9450
Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
- The end of your search for a friendly church -

Tidbits of history entertaining

As I go through the archives of The Crittenden Press I find interesting tidbits that are too small for a single article on that one subject, but still interesting and fun to look back on and remember what an impact it had in its day. This article is a collection of some of those interesting things I have saved.



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

August 8, 1941 – Centennial Window Exhibits

Crittenden County will be 100 years old next year and appropriate window exhibits have been planned during the present county fair. Braxton McDonald has secured display windows of merchants for placing of relics, antiques and articles commemorating the centennial. This is done in order to revive interest of early days and history of the county.

Dry Goods – All articles of dry goods, including side button shoes, stiff hats (cadys), celluloid collars, women’s old fashioned hats, dresses, coats, mens cravats, brogan shoes, hair rats, hair braids, hobble shirts, bustle dresses, ear muffs, bedspreads and table covers are to be displayed in windows of Williams & Taylor.

Furniture – Trundle beds, flax wheels, walking canes, clocks, picture frames, whatnots, book racks, mirrors are to be displayed in windows of Tucker & Franklin.

Hardware – Guns, pistols, coins, candle molds, cotton gins, wooden sausage mills, bed warmers, pewter ware, grease lamps, coffee mills, saddle bags and side saddles will be displayed at Cochrans Hardware Co.

Miscellaneous – Old watches, shot pouches, bullet molds, old books and newspapers, catalogues, school books, slates, pictures, stuffed birds and animals, Indian relics, sea shells, old necklaces, spectacles, hat pins and buttons, goose quill pens, clay pipes, kitchen ware, will be on display at City Drug Co.

Fluorspar Exhibit – Marion Kiwanis is to sponsor a large fluorspar exhibit at Farmers Bank & Trust Co.

(As a child growing up in the late 40s and early 50s, these large wonderful store front windows all along Main Street were always a fascinating sight for a young child, especially during the holiday seasons. I wish everyone could have had a chance

to see Marion as is was in those days and enjoyed the displays that were shown in these windows.)

August 1947 – Crane Field and Harness Races at County Fair

Ross Crane built the big horse barn and race track located one and one-half miles north of Marion, on Highway 60, and it was one of the best in western Kentucky. (where the empty livestock barn is today). The barn was large enough to have two rows of stalls built, about 10 feet from the wall, so that when the weather was bad outside they could still give the stabled horses exercise on the inside.

For the big three-day fair for Sept. 17-19, 1947 a horse show will be featured each of the three nights, and trotting races will be held during the fair under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Trotting Association. Harness races will be a new feature in Crittenden County, since there have never been such in this county and will be worth seeing as 75 to 100 horses of first quality are expected to participate in the races. Six harness races are scheduled each day with races beginning at 1:30 in the afternoon.

The music for the fair will be provided by Mrs. Peebles from Paducah on her Hammond organ.

July 16, 1948 – Community Cannery Has Auspicious Opening

The Marion cannery opened the season Tuesday, July 13 with 20 families preserving food. Green beans, squash and beets were the principal commodities on the opening day.

A shipment of cans was received recently and a supply of the different sizes and lining are on hand now for canning any commodities that anyone may have.

The local cannery has persistently held to the same precessing fee of two cents per can of number two or number three cans and two cents per quart for larger sizes as when glass half gallons are used. New tin cans are available at five and six cents each for numbers two and three.

The facilities for derimming and reflanging the used cans are still maintained for those desiring to use their tin cans twice



The owners thought harness racing at Crane field would be a winning project, but when parimutuel gambling didn't become a reality it didn't last very long.

or even three times when in good condition. This is an economy worth considering for very little extra trouble for any who desire to take advantage of it. It has been practiced very successfully in this cannery for several years. The cost of processing the used cans is three cents each which includes the cost of a new lid, the use of the machine in reconditioning the can, and the processing fee.

The days of operation are Tuesday and Fridays and with the increased cost of fuel and facilities, everyone is urged to bring the commodities in the morning so that as many cans may be processed at the same time as possible. The cannery program is maintained in the interest of better nutrition and general welfare of the patrons of our community.

Nov. 4, 1954 – New Mineral Case

Offering a new interest to local folks as well as visitors, a new mineral display case has recently been erected on the outside wall of the County Clerk’s office on the Courthouse Square.

Attractive and unusual specimens of fluorspar and other minerals from this area will soon be placed in the exhibit case.

Its easy visibility from Main Street, plus display lights to show off the specimens at night, is expected to attract many out-of-town visitors and call attention to our resources in this area. Mr. Ben E. Clement is pictured standing in front of the new display.

Citizens are invited to submit unusual or interesting specimens for the exhibit which may include fluorspar samples, “coal plant fossils” and other unusual specimens. Contribution will be acknowledged on an identification card placed on each specimen displayed.

The new mineral display case has been made possible by the Crittenden County Development Association and by a committee formed for this purpose, consisting of Mr. Ben E. Clement and Mayor

Sylvan Clark. (This piece of past Crittenden County History was located on the side of the old clerk’s office that was located next to the courthouse. It was torn down in 1961 with the old court ouse to make room for the new Courthouse that was built in 1961.)

Nov. 4, 1954 -West Kentucky Pony Sales

West Kentucky Pony Sales barn just north of the Marion city limits hummed with activity yesterday as final preparations were underway for the first day of the spring sale. J. W. Lingang, owner estimated some 200 ponies were already on hand early Wednesday afternoon. Lingang’s sale is the first to be held in Marion. It is housed in a spacious, attractive barn near the city limits.

The building, formerly a racetrack barn, has undergone a complete face-lifting and more buildings, including a snack bar, lounges and the sale ring, have been added to it. The sale area itself contains 300 theatre-type seats from which buyers can view ponies as they are led in.

An open house for residents of the Marion area was held at the barn Sunday and several hundred people took advantage of the occasion to view the facilities.

They saw miniature stalls, identical in every way with an ordinary horse’s stall except they were scaled down to a Shetland’s size. Several ponies were already on hand, and visitors unfamiliar with the breed examined them to see just what size they were and how they differed from other equines. (The Lingang Pony Sales was located where the empty cattle barn is today on U.S. 60 East.)

(Brenda Underdown is chair of Crittenden County Historical Society and a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. Much more local history can be found at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com).

ELECTION NOTICE

INSPECTION AND TESTING OF VOTING EQUIPMENT



Crittenden County Clerk's Office
107 S. Main St., Ste. 203, Marion, Kentucky
in the basement of the county clerk's office

Crittenden County's automatic tabulating equipment for use in the May Primary will be inspected and tested beginning at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 26 in the basement of Crittenden County Clerk's Office. This is done each year to inspect machines and set them prior to votes being tabulated by the scanning of marked ballots.

This notice is given pursuant to Kentucky statutes

NOTICE

3 people in a blue SUV will be traveling in Northeast Crittenden Co. videoing the Newcom History places during April 17-23.

Please excuse any minor trespasses.

THANK YOU

The family of Charles Orr would like to say thank you for every act of kindness shown to us during his death.

Thanks for the flowers, food, Bibles, cards, phone calls and most of all your prayers.

A special thanks to Bro. Tim Burdon, Bill Orr, Richard and Jeanie Orr for their part in his service. Also, we want to thank the ones that sang in the choir and Mike Crabtree. Also, thank you to Mexico Baptist Church for the wonderful meal. Thanks also to the staff at Salem Springlake and Rehabilitation Center and the staff of Gilbert Funeral Home.

Each and every act of kindness was deeply appreciated and will never be forgotten.

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Brenda Maddox,
Kim Orr and family

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Crittenden County Fiscal Court

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Sunday, May 1

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General Baptist Church

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ELECT EVAN HEAD FOR SHERIFF

- Christian father and husband who does not support abortion.
- Born and raised in Crittenden County.
- Served as Chief of Sheridan VFD for the past 11 years.
- Secured \$370,000 in Federal Grant funding for fire dept.
- Currently employed as a deputy at Caldwell County Sheriff's Office.



- Will be proactive and work for ALL the residents of Crittenden County, no one is above the law and no one is below the law.
- We do have a problem with drugs in our county, I will do everything in my power and use every means I have to combat these issues and the ones who bring drugs into our community.
- 2018, 2019, 2020 Governor's traffic safety award recipient for DUI enforcement.
- Graduate of KY DOCJT training academy.
- Very pro gun and 2nd Amendment supporter, member of the NRA.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR VOTE!

Questions or concerns, feel free to contact me on my facebook page.

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Mossburg 835 .12 gauge limited edition turkey special shotgun. Call for more information (270) 988-3397. (2t-17-p)

MXT by KZ camper, 2013 model bought new in 2014; 20" box, 3 sets tie downs, 53" door. Back sleeps 6, Vinyl floor, air, heat, refrigerator and freezer, \$1,500 worth of extras go with camper. \$17,500, 229 W. Depot St., Marion. (270) 704-1453 or (270) 704-2176. (3t-17-p)

2004 Club Car golf cart, street ready, gas motor, aluminum frame, 229 W. Depot St., Marion, (270) 704-1453 or (270) 704-2176. (3t-17-p)

yard sale

Multiple family yard sale Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., 105 Harmon Dr., Marion (Greenwood Heights). (1t-17-p)

wanted

Will buy gold and silver coins and jewelry. Free estimates. (270) 969-0035. (17-tfc) jn

Wanted: Someone to clean house, kitchen, living room, 1 bedroom and 1 bathroom. (270) 704-0022. (1t-17-p)

real estate

1.21 acres for sale, Hillcrest Estates, Ron Latham, (270) 635-3645. \$25,000. (8t-22-p)

agriculture

New Holland 489 hay bine, 9 ft. cut, kept inside, good paint, good shape, \$2,000. (270) 965-2079. (2t-18-p)

Retired police officer living in Eddyville looking to lease hunting ground, willing to hunt nuisance animals in season (270) 388-4992. (4t-17-p)

employment

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NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-04 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PAY PLAN FOR CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES AND NON-ELECTED OFFICIALS

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a regular meeting held on April 18, 2022, at 5:00 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 it's regular called meeting of the City Council held on March 21, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance amends the City of Marion Employee Pay plan to create the position of Assistant Alcohol Beverage Control Officer at the rate of pay of \$12,000.00 per fiscal year and increase the 911 Coordinator \$1,048.00 per fiscal year. 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.

PREPARED BY:
/s/ Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY FRAZER LAW OFFICE ATTORNEYS –AT-LAW P.O. BOX 361 MARION, KY 42064 270/965-2261 April 18, 2022 (1t-17-c)

Notice is hereby given that on April 13, 2022, LeShea Schmitt of 5899 Cliftmere Dr., Newburgh, IN 47630 was appointed executrix with will annexed of Larry Don Loveless, deceased, whose address was 161 Long Branch Rd., Sturgis, Ky. 42459. Tricia Boyd, 307 2nd St., Marion, Ky. 42064, agent for service of process. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the agent for process with will annexed on or before the 13th day of October, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-17-c)

Notice is hereby given that on April 13, 2022 Kalysta Jones of 121 West Central Ave., Marion, Ky. 42064 was appointed executrix with will annexed of Janet S. Brower, deceased, whose address was 121 West Central Ave., Marion, Ky. 42064. Hon. Rebecc Johnson, P.O. Box 415, Marion, Ky. 42064, attorney.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executrix with will annexed on or

before the 13th day of October, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

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Notice is hereby given that on April 13, 2022 Larry D. Weldon of 122 Kempton Court, Bowling Green, Ky. 42104 and Dennis L. Winn of 2152 S.R. 70, Fredonia, Ky. 42411 was appointed co-executors with will annexed of Anna Grace Blackburn, deceased, whose address was 3777 S.R. 120, Marion, Ky. 42064.

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From Walk the Earth:
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My feelings are in each family there is one who seems called to find the ancestors. To put flesh on their bones and make them live again, to tell the family story and to feel that somehow they know and approve. To me, doing genealogy is not a cold gathering of facts but, instead, breathing life into all who have gone before. We are the story tellers of the tribe. All tribes have one. We have been called, as it were, by our genes.

Those who have gone before cry out to us: Tell our story. So, we do.

In finding them, we somehow find ourselves. How many graves have I stood before now and cried? I have lost count. How many times have I told the ancestors you have a wonderful family - you would be proud of us?

How many times have I walked up to a grave and felt somehow there was love there for me? I cannot say.

It goes beyond just documenting facts. It goes to who am I and why do I do the things I do. It goes to seeing a cemetery about to be lost forever to weeds and indifference and saying I can't let this happen. The bones here are bones of my bone and flesh of my flesh. It goes to doing something about it. It goes to pride in what our ancestors were able to accomplish. How they contributed to what we are today. It goes to respecting their hardships and losses, their never giving in or giving up, their resoluteness to go on and build a life for their family.

It goes to deep pride that they fought to make and keep us a Nation. It goes to a deep and immense understanding that they were doing it for us. That we might be born who we are. That we might remember them. So we do. With love and caring and scribing each fact of their existence, because we are them and they are us."

Kaye Easley Burgess

Crittenden County Cemeteries Need Donations

Crittenden County owes a lot to the early citizens who settled the area, created Marion, organized local government and established churches. The people of today are doing a good job in maintaining the procedures of their ancestors. One way to honor those who have come before us is to maintain the cemeteries where they are buried. All burial grounds in the county need to be kept mowed and cleaned. This list of cemeteries includes those for which maintenance and management information is available. Please send a donation of any amount to the ones where you have loved ones or ancestors buried. It's a matter of respect.

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- Tyner Chapel Cemetery**
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Salem KY 42078
- Union Cemetery Fund**
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Marion KY 42064
- Mt. Zion Cemetery**
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Marion, KY 42064

There are many other cemeteries in Crittenden County not shown above. Contact information for them is unavailable. Some may be maintained by adjacent churches. If you have loved ones or ancestors buried in any cemetery, please find the contact person and make a donation for upkeep. A partial list of other cemeteries includes: Asbridge, Babb, Baker Church, Bells Mines, Caldwell Springs, Chapel Hill, Crowell, Deer Creek, Dycusburg, Hurricane, Lewis, McMican, Mt. Zion, Piney Creek, Pleasant Grove, Rosebud, Shady Grove, Wheeler and Whites Chapel. There are many lost and abandoned cemeteries in the county, two of them in recent years. Unless care and upkeep are maintained, others will be lost. Please don't let that happen. Make a donation today. Thank you.

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SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH DOWN TO FINALIST LIST

Crittenden County Board of Education’s Superintendent Search Committee has reviewed 11 applications for the superintendent’s post which will be vacant at the end of June. The committee has defined a list of four finalists. They are Tonya Driver, who is assistant superintendent of curriculum, instruction and assessment at Crittenden County; Stephen Ely, who currently lives in Montana but has experience in Kentucky education; John Gunn, currently principal at Hopkinsville High School; and Karen Solise, assistant superintendent and director of curriculum and instruction at Trigg County. Beginning today and over the next week, each candidate will have a tour of the district’s campuses and facilities, a public reception, dinner with board of education members and an interview with the board.

Current Superintendent Vince Clark a few months ago announced his retirement effective June 30. Clark, who began as a teacher in 1991, has spent his entire career with the local school district, serving in a variety of capacities from coach to principal. He’s been superintendent for eight years.

MASTER NATURALIST TRAINING STARTS IN MAY

A Master Naturalist Training will be offered for the first time in western Kentucky. This is a volunteer training program. Participants receive 40 hours of natural resources training and are required to volunteer 40 hours with hours reported to the Kentucky Master Naturalist program. When both class hours and volunteer hours are complete, participants receive the title of Master Naturalist. Volunteer hours can be with organizations signed up with the University of Kentucky Master Naturalist Program. These organizations can include state parks, forestry service, The Kentucky Nature Preserve, University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension and other natural resources organizations with volunteer programs.

The program will be conducted over three weekends with class presentations and field trips. These will be on Friday evenings (3–9 p.m.) and all day on Saturdays (8 a.m., to 5:30 p.m.) for the weekends of May 13 and 14, Aug. 12 and 13 and Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Classes will be held at Kentucky Dam Village and there are quizzes over material covered. Class topics will include Ecoregions of Kentucky, Ecological Concepts, Citizen Science, Botany, Wildlife, Entomology, Water Resources, Geology, Archeology, Soils, Safety and Health, Environmental Ethics and Climate and Weather.

Field trips will include Land Between the Lakes Woodland Nature Station, Elk and Bison Prairie, Honker Lake (kayak/canoe), Mantle Rock, Ballard Wildlife Management Area and Wickliffe Mounds. There will be physical activity including hiking and an evening kayak. The Mantle Rock trail is considered moderate in difficulty with some steep terrain.

Applicants must complete a volunteer application form which includes references, a background check and driver’s license check. Cost of the program is \$200 due with the application. For additional information call the Lyon County Extension Office at 270–388–2341.

NATIVE PLANTS AVAILABLE AT EDDYVILLE SALES EVENT

The Lyon County Master Gardeners will hold a Native Plant Sale from 8 a.m., to 1 p.m., Saturday, April 30 at the Lee S. Jones Convention Center in Eddyville.

There will be a variety of perennial plants of various colors, heights and for different light and soil requirements which generally cannot be found in local nurseries. Most plants for sale are 2–3 year old plants from Kentucky sourced seed or



propagated from regional plants. There will also be plants available that have been propagated from personal gardens of local Master Gardeners.

New this year will be a number of informational booths. Displays include birdhouses by LBL naturalists, raising monarchs by Bena Travis, garden tools by Akridge Farm Supply, honey bees and others.

Native plants are those that originate or occur in our particular area naturally. They support biodiversity. The declining bee, butterfly and hummingbird population are in part due to loss of their natural habitats and insecticide use.

Planting native plants are good for the environment because they support the health and growth of pollinators and provide a food source for beneficial insects and birds. There are many fruits, vegetables and nuts that are dependent on pollinators to yield their fruit, which in turn provides us with a healthy diet.

For the gardener, they are naturally hardier and more disease resistant than their hybrid cousins and provide opportunities to see beautiful butterflies and birds. Native plants thrive in Kentucky’s climate and are accustomed to our soil conditions which allows for less watering and chemical fertilization than non-native plants. As a bonus, many are naturally rabbit and deer resistant.

A listing of plants available for purchase may be reviewed on the Master Gardener website at lcmga.yolasite.com, or at the Lyon County Extension office. Pre-orders will be taken at the Extension Office or by phone at 270–388–2341. Not all plants on the pre-order list will be available the day of the sale.

STATE CORN ACRES SAME; MORE SOYBEANS PLANNED

Farmers in Kentucky intend to plant 1.55 million acres of corn, unchanged from 2021. U.S. corn growers intend to plant 89.5 million acres for all purposes in 2022, down 4 percent from last year and 1 percent lower than 2020.

Soybean acreage in Kentucky was expected to total 2.00 million acres, up 150,000 acres from the previous year. U.S. soybean planted area for 2022 is estimated at 91.0 million acres, up 4 percent from last year.

Burley tobacco growers in Kentucky intend to set 36,000 acres for harvest, up 1,000 acres from 2021. For the burley producing states, growers intend to set 41,500 acres, 1 percent above last year.

Producers intend to set 10,000 acres of dark-fired tobacco in Kentucky, up 1,300 acres from the previous year. Acreage set to dark-air tobacco was estimated at 7,200 acres, up 1,100 acres from 2021.

Winter wheat seeded by Kentucky farmers in the fall of 2021 totaled 540,000 acres, up 30,000 acres from the previous year.

Farmers in the state intend to harvest 2.05 million acres of all hay, down 70,000 from 2021. U.S. farmers intend on harvesting 50.3 million acres of hay in 2022, down 1 percent from last year. The acreage of all hay harvested during a summer depends to a great moisture during the growing season.

CORN PLANTING STYMIED BY PERSISTENT RAINFALL

Rain has been a big problem for farmers over the past couple of weeks. Only six percent of the state’s corn crop has been planted.

Fieldwork continues to be stymied by persistent rain and occasional severe weather. Although there were a few dry days, fields remain very wet and unworkable in most areas.

Spraying of burndown is be–

hind schedule due to the adverse weather conditions. Corn planting is well behind the past two years as farmers were able to make very little progress over the past week. Soybean planting has just begun, but is also being deterred by relentlessly wet conditions.

The average height of winter wheat is 15 inches with 4 percent of the crop headed. The wheat crop remains in mostly good condition as the crop has been assessed for freeze damage. Winter wheat freeze damage is rated as 16 percent moderate, 8 percent light, and 76 percent with no damage.

Pasture condition remains mostly good, however the excessive rain will generate a great deal of mud from livestock traffic. Pastures would be well served by some dry weather and sun.

BIKING FOR STROKE EVENT

Baptist Health Paducah will host its 11th Spokes for Strokes bike tour on Saturday, June 4 to raise stroke awareness, along with funds for life-saving technologies and expanded stroke care services.

Spokes for Strokes will begin at 7 a.m. with registration at Baptist Health Imaging Center on the west end of campus at 2705 Kentucky Ave., and the tour will begin at 8 a.m. Online registration is available at Bike-Signup.com/Race/KY/Paducah/SpokesforStrokes2022. Individuals may register for \$25, \$40 for couples and \$50 for a family of four. The bike tour offers 10–, 20–, 35– or 65–mile rides.

INTERAGENCY COUNCIL TO BEGINS CHRISTMAS PLANS

Anyone interested in being involved in the Community Christmas program should make plans to attend the Interagency Council meeting on at 9:30 a.m., Thursday, April 21 in Marion Baptist Church’s Family Life Center Conference room at Marion Baptist Church.

The council organizes and orchestrates the annual Community Christmas program for families in need. The group plans mandatory educational programs for Community Christmas participants and it will set the dates for this year’s project.

For more information, contact Julie Herrin at Marion Baptist Church 270–965–5232 or at jherrin@marionbaptist.church.

GOP PLANNING DEBATE

Crittenden County’s Republican Party is planning to host a debate for GOP candidates participating in countywide elections in the May primary. That will include candidates running for PVA, county clerk, sheriff and jailer.

The event, dubbed Face Off at Fohs: Bluegrass and Barbecue, will be on Tuesday, May 10.

GOP candidates for magistrate and constable will be able to have a booth at the event, but will not be on stage.

Pre-arranged questions will be provided to debating candidates ahead of time so they can prepare responses. There will be three questions for each candidate, one of them will not be provided in advance and will require an extemporaneous response.

Admission will be charged. A barbecue meal will be available and live music by Kings Highway will be included in the price for those who want the entire package. Admission to the debate only will also be available. Fohs Hall doors will open at 4:30 p.m., and the debate will begin at 6 p.m., following the meal and music.

JOIN FRIENDS OF LIBRARY FOR 1ST DIBS ON BOOKS

Friends of the Library will be hosting a book sale on Friday, April 29 at the Crittenden County Public Library. Members of the Friends group will have an early-bird opportunity to shop for books from 5–7 p.m., on Thursday, April 28. Anyone who is not currently a member of the Friends of the Library may join before shopping.



50 YEARS AGO

April 20, 1972

■ An estimated 4,000 people from Crittenden and the surrounding counties toured the new Crittenden County Hospital during the three-hour open house event.

■ Steve McDonald, a junior mass communication major from Marion, was named advertising manager for the coming year’s “College Heights Herald,” Western Kentucky University’s student newspaper.

■ Jayne Clark and Shanan Travis, juniors at Crittenden County High School, were among 130 Kentucky students that participated in the University of Kentucky’s annual High School Juniors conference held on the Lexington campus.

25 YEARS AGO

April 24, 1997

■ Both Shanna Moore and Ginger Orr of Marion competed for the title of Miss Kentucky.

■ Kathleen Gland, a junior at Crittenden County High School, received a \$200 cash prize for her essay in the TDS Telecom National Essay Contest from the company’s Salem manager, Brian McDaniel.

■ Eleven tumblers from Marion Gymnastics Tumble Cats qualified to compete at the national competition in Orlando, Fla. In the tumbling individual competition, Gavin Heady won in the sub-beginner boy category. Taylor Babbs placed second in the sub-beginner girl group. As a team, Heady and Babbs placed

second overall. Kristin Babbs and Kyle Jones each won their individual competitions and placed first overall as a team. In the sub-novice individual category, Sheena Clark won second and Darci Holeman placed third. Sam Montgomery placed fourth as a novice tumbler. Jodi Martin, Audrey Spillman and Chrystal Campbell tumbled into third place as a team. Martin also placed first in the individual intermediate group. Terri Travis placed first as a sub-advanced tumbler. On the double mini trampoline, Kyle Jones jumped into second place. On the trampoline, Clark, Holeman and Spillman won fourth place. Jones placed first, Montgomery, Campbell, and Travis placed third.

10 YEARS AGO


April 19, 2012

■ A new one-percent payroll and net profits tax was proposed in the county’s new budget.

■ CCHS’s Horizons club traveled to Germany, Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia, and Hungary on Spring Break.

■ Two new members officially joined the Woman’s Club of Marion. Kathy Bechler and Ginger Boone were welcomed by Judy Winn.

■ The Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community allocated money to fund the Crittenden County School District’s new contract with K9 resource for the first years, delivering a check to the district.



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Second judge denies bond relief for murder supsect

STAFF REPORT

For the second time and in front of a different judge, a request to reduce the bond for accused murderer Timothy Paris was denied last week.

Circuit Judge Rene Williams said that based on the seriousness of the alleged crime and circumstances around the shooting death of 80-year-old Jerry Paris on Feb. 28, she would not lower the younger Paris's bond. He remains held in Crittenden County Detention Center on a \$1 million bond.

District Judge Daniel Heady had denied a lower bond a few



Hurley

weeks ago following a preliminary hearing in the case. Timothy Paris, who is accused of shooting and killing his father at a home they shared on Blackburn Church Road in rural Crittenden County, appeared before Judge Williams last week after the Crittenden County Grand Jury returned a murder indictment. Following are dispositions of other cases heard last week by Judge Williams in circuit court: •Tanya Hodge, 36, of Marion pleaded guilty to an amended charge of second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument. She was charged in February. Hodge was given a one-year sentence that was diverted for five years as part of a pre-trail diversion.

•A warrant was issued for Thaddeous Thomas Fetterolf, 39, of Marion, who is charged with second-degree strangulation and second-degree assault domestic violence. Fetterolf failed to appear in court and his attorney, Don Thomas of Benton, said he did not know anything about the defendant's whereabouts. The charges, a Class C felony and a Class D felony stem from a Crittenden County Sheriff's Department investigation in April of 2020. Fetterolf was indicted in August of 2020 for grabbing a female by the throat and slamming her against a wall and punching her in the face. The victim told investigators that she was knocked unconscious for a time. •Robert Aaron Michael

Seats, 27, of Morganfield had his pre-trial diversion set aside for violating terms of his probation by being arrested on a drug possession charge in another county. Seats was ordered to serve his original three-year sentence for felony first-degree possession of a controlled substance and other drug and traffic violations. The commonwealth will not oppose shock probation at some point to a longterm substance abuse treatment program. •Mary E. Stone, 52, of Marion had her probation revoked. She admitted to violating terms of her early release from felony forgery charges in 2018. Judge Williams ordered her to complete the balance of a five-year prison term. •Terry Samuel Jewell, 27, of

Salem pleaded guilty to failure to comply with Kentucky's sex offender registration law. Convicted of second-degree sexual abuse in 2016 in Caldwell County, Jewell had been living in Marion until about two years ago. When officers went to his Marion address on Red-bird Court in January, they learned that he had left that home in January 2020 without notifying probation officers. He also had other warrants for his arrest from Crittenden and Caldwell counties. He was sentenced to one year in prison. Probation was denied. He is currently serving a five-year sentence on an unrelated conviction in another county. This term will run consecutive to the one he was already serving.

Grand jury indicts one dozen on various charges

STAFF REPORT

One dozen individuals were indicted last week following a lengthy session by the Crittenden County Grand Jury.

A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely decides whether a case should continue to be prosecuted in circuit court. In Crittenden County, a grand jury meets the second Thursday of each month.

The following individuals were indicted on felony, and in some cases, misdemeanor charges.

•Mary Ann Jackson, 49, of Marion, was indicted on a felony count of trafficking in a controlled substance less than or equal to 2 grams of methamphetamine; and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and third-degree possession of a controlled substance (Ultram). Marion Police Department filed the charges on Feb. 27 after being dispatched to a vacant home on North College Street where two suspicious individuals were seen going into the home. After confronting Jackson, investigators found 9 grams of alleged meth and other suspected drugs and paraphernalia.

•Lacey J. Gentry, 32, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. Marion Police Department filed the charges March 17 after going to a residence in Marion looking for Gentry to serve a warrant. They found her hiding in a closet with allied drugs and paraphernalia.

•Jared Asbridge, 36, of Marion was indicted on a

felony offense of fourth-offense DUI, driving on a DUI suspended license with an aggravator, no or expired registration plates, failure to maintain vehicle insurance and for being a first-degree persistent felony offender. Marion Police Department made the arrest. Asbridge was arrested about 7:30 a.m., on Sunday, March 13 when his vehicle ran off of Old Salem Road and became stuck on the shoulder. Police were already dispatched to the location because a motorist had reported a reckless driver on U.S. 60 heading east toward Marion.

•Michael Adams, 21, of Marion was indicted for felony first-degree sexual abuse and distribution of obscene material to minors, a Class A misdemeanor. He was charged following an investigation by the Kentucky State Police. Adams is alleged to have in October of 2021 engaged in masturbation in front of a female under the age of 16 and allegedly displayed obscene matter in her presence.

•Timothy W. Paris, 37, of Marion was indicted on a charge of murder for the alleged killing of his father at a home they shared in eastern Crittenden County.

•Misty D. Miniard, 43, of Marion was indicted on a single felony charge of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine). Marion Police Department filed the charge after they allegedly observed suspicious activity in the parking lot of Five Star Convenience Center on Feb. 12. After an officer confronted Miniard and received consent to search her vehicle, they found methamphetamine. The citation says Miniard ad-

mitted to buying it from Teri King, who was still on the convenience store property and was also arrested.

•Thomas Millikan, 41, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree wanton endangerment and a misdemeanor charge of fourth-degree assault domestic violence. The charges stem from a confrontation involving his son and discharging of a firearm. Crittenden County Sheriff's Department filed the charges on March 9.

•Gregory S. Lofton, 36, of Henderson, was indicted on charges of felony receiving stolen property under \$10,000, felony receiving stolen property, felony first-degree possession of a controlled substance, felony second-degree arson, felony second-degree burglary, felony theft of an automobile and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. Charges were filed by the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department and stem from an alleged fire he was involved in setting at home on Mott City Road on Feb. 25. A Dodge truck was also allegedly stolen from the home after the fire was set.

•Teri King, 49, of Salem was indicted on a single felony charge of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), less than 2 grams. The charge was lodged on Feb. 12 by Marion Police Department after she allegedly sold a small amount of meth to an individual in the parking lot of Five Star Convenience Center.

•Jackie Lee Jones, 58, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine) greater or equal

to 2 grams and felony possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, plus misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, no motorcycle license, failure to register a transfer of a motor vehicle, failure of non-owner operator to maintain required insurance and having no or expired registration plates. The charges were filed by Crittenden County Sheriff's Department on July 22, 2021 after Jones was involved in a motorcycle accident on Crittenden Springs Road. While investigating the crash, deputies found 24 grams of methamphetamine and a .22-caliber revolver.

•Darrick R. Williams, 35, of Marion was indicted on a charge of felony first-degree strangulation and misdemeanor fourth-degree assault domestic violence with minor injury. The charges were lodged by Marion Police Department on Feb. 24 after officers were summoned to a home on Carr Street for

an alleged domestic dispute in progress. There, they found the alleged victim with signs of a struggle visible on her neck. Williams was arrested at the scene.

•Stephen D. Smith Jr., 35, of Madisonville was indicted on a Class C felony charge of first-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument

and theft by unlawful taking. The charges were filed March 5 by Marion Police Department and stem from suspected counterfeit \$20 bills Smith is alleged to have used to make a purchase at Marion businesses, where he received currency as change in the transactions.

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SPRING SPORTS Upcoming Games

THURSDAY
Rocket baseball hosts Ballard Mem.
Lady Rocket softball at UHA

FRIDAY
CCHS softball hosts Tilghman
CCHS track at Marshall Co. Relays

SATURDAY
Rocket baseball at Graves County
Dinger Wooden Bat Tournament
CCMS track at Marshall Co. Inv.

MONDAY
Lady Rocket softball hosts Dawson

TUESDAY
Rocket baseball hosts Union County
CCHS softball at Marshall County

SOCCER Conditioning underway

Crittenden County High School's Lady Rocket soccer team has begun non-mandatory conditioning this week. Workouts are on the lower practice field behind Rocket Arena. Conditioning is 3:45 to 4:45 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Anyone in grades 7-12 for the 2022-23 school year should contact Coach Jessica DeBurgo at jessica.deburgo@critten-den.kyschools.us.

GOLF Tournament in Marion

Marion Golf and Pool at The Heritage will host an 18-hole 4-person scramble Saturday, April 23. Cost is \$200 per team and there will be a 1 p.m., shotgun start. Call or text 270-969-4376 to enter.

The Heritage Golf Schedule	
April 23	4-Person Scramble
May 4	Women's League starts
May 21	2-Person Scramble
June 2	Men's League starts
June 25-26	Buck and Doe Couples
July 16	Par 3 18-hole Invitational
July 27	QB Club 4-Person
July 31	Junior Tournament
Aug. 6	Club Championship
Aug. 13	4-Person Friends of Library
Aug. 20	1-Person Scramble
Sept. 10	2-Person Glow Ball
Sept. 24	2-Person First United Bank
Oct. 15	Trail of Tears Cup, Deer Lakes
Oct. 16	Trail of Tears Cup, Marion

OUTDOORS Hunting Seasons

Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up:

Spring Wild Turkey	April 16 - May 8
LBL Turkey Hunt	April 16 - May 8
Coyote	Year Round
Turtles	Year Round

Turkey season slow

The wild turkey season got off to a fairly slow start in Crittenden County last weekend with just over 80 gobblers taken during the first two days of hunting. Rain and cold weather hampered hunters to a great degree. Gunners took about the same number in Livingston County. The statewide spring turkey season runs through May 8. Hunters may take two bearded turkeys during the season.

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Rocket baseball coach Devin Belt is pictured above with Attorney Don Thomas of Benton, who made a substantial donation to the CCHS baseball program which will help the team buy three new aluminum bats. High school bats cost almost \$400 apiece. Thomas is a Crittenden County High School graduate and represents clients in Crittenden and other jurisdictions across western Kentucky.

CCHS falls to UHA in All A

3-run lead disappears in 6th inning

STAFF REPORT
University Heights has earned a reputation as spoiler in the All A Classic Second Region Baseball Tournament. Last year, the Blazers surprised Lyon County, paving the way for Crittenden County to win the crown and on Tuesday, UHA upset the Rockets 6-5, eliminating any chance of back-to-back titles in the small-school tournament.



Carlson
CCHS RBI King

UHA lost in the championship to Lyon in Tuesday's night cap. The tournament was set to be played at Fort Campbell, but a wet field moved the venue to UHA's park in Hopkinsville. The Rockets led almost the whole way, but a disastrous sixth inning spelled their demise. UHA scored four in the home half of the sixth, erasing a 5-2 Rocket lead. CCHS senior Maddox Carlson went five innings on the mound and left with a three-run advantage that the bullpen couldn't hold as two relievers had trouble finding the strike zone.



Rocket senior Tanner Beverly delivers a pitch in the opening round of the All A Classic, part one of which began Friday at Princeton. The second half of the game was played Saturday at Marion due to a rain suspension.

Carlson hit a two-run homer in the game and Logan Bailey had two of CCHS's six hits. Ben Evans, Chase Conyer and Evan Belt had the only other hits as CCHS fell to 7-6 on the season. UHA improved to 8-7. Crittenden had beaten the Blazers 15-2 on March 31. **Rockets sweep DH from DS** It took a couple of days, but the Rockets won their opening round matchup in the All A Classic on Saturday. Rain suspended the game late Friday night at Princeton, so it was moved to Marion the next evening where Crittenden County continued to hack Dawson Springs with good

hitting and strong pitching. CCHS won the game 18-1 in five innings and three pitchers combined for a three-hitter, including freshman Asa McCord, who got his first opportunity in a varsity game. Senior Tanner Beverly started it on Friday then senior Ben Evans took the hill to begin Saturday's action. Neither Beverly nor Evans allowed a hit in four innings. McCord closed it out in the fifth, and although Dawson broke up the shutout, the run posted was unearned against McCord. Senior Maddox Carlson drove in five runs on a single and double, and Beverly and

TOP5 BATTING LEADERS

Rocket Baseball	
Maddox Carlson	.564
Logan Bailey	.523
Tanner Beverly	.382
Evan Belt	.357
Chase Conyer	.279
Through 13 games	

junior Evan Belt had two hits apiece. Freshman Chase Conyer drove in three runs and scored two. The Rockets stole eight bases in the game.

All Time RBI leader
Carlson became the school's all-time RBI leader in the nightcap Saturday against Dawson Springs. With the Panthers in town to finish the rain-shortened All A matchup, coaches decided to go ahead and play a second time. It will erase a game originally scheduled for later this month. CCHS swept the doubleheader with a 9-2 victory in the late one.

Carlson drove in three runs on a triple and a single, giving him 28 RBIs for the season and 92 in his career to eclipse the former school standard set by Joey Pluskota 12 years ago.

Logan Bailey, Tanner Beverly and Cases Gobin also had hits in the game. Gobin lashed a double and started the game on the rubber. He pitched three innings, striking out six and walking four. Sophomore Travis Champion pitched part of the fourth before yielding to classmate Jeremiah Foster who closed it out, fanning five and walking one in three innings.

Lady Rockets are winless in district

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County finally got back on the field Tuesday after a week's worth of rain, but lost 9-1 at Livingston Central and fell to 0-2 in the district and 5-10. Livingston scored six runs in the second inning and never looked back. Crittenden's only run came in the third frame when Elliot Evans was hit a by a pitch and scored on a Hadlee Rich sacrifice fly. Anna Boone had two hits in the contest. She and Andrea Federico each doubled and Evans, Rich and Jaycee Champion had the team's other hits. Boone pitched the whole game with two strikeouts and allowed 4 earned runs.

CCHS falls in All A Classic
After receiving a first-round bye, Crittenden County bowed out of the All A Classic in a semifinal match against Caldwell County Saturday at Smithland. The Lady Rockets

TOP5 BATTING LEADERS

Lady Rocket Softball	
Hadlee Rich	.477
Anna Boone	.375
Elliot Evans	.356
Hannah Jent	.344
Aubre Conyer	.333
Through 15 games	

scored three in the last inning to close the gap before losing 10-7. Six CCHS errors were troubling as the Rocket girls matched Caldwell's nine hits in the contest. Brylee Conyer and Callie Brown had two hits apiece to lead CCHS. Brown knocked in two runs. Anna Boone, Hadlee Rich, Aubre Conyer, Hannah Jent and Elle McDaniel also had hits. Aubre Conyer had a double. Boone went the distance in the circle, striking out five and walking two while allowing just three earned runs.

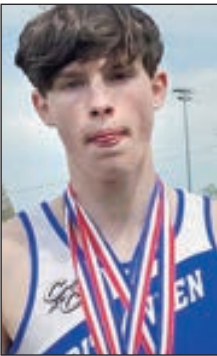


Lady Rocket hurler Anna Boone locks in on her target before delivering a pitch during a recent high school softball game.

Davidson leaps 6-4 to set new school record in high jump

STAFF REPORT
For the second time this season, Crittenden County High School senior Tristan Davidson has set a new school record in the high jump. On Saturday in the Fast Times Meet at Mayfield, Davidson cleared the bar at 6-foot-4 inches, eclipsing his previous mark of 6-2. Davidson had last year tied a school record set in 1970 by eventual state champion jumper and CCHS Athletics Hall of Famer Clark Wheeler. With his jump last weekend, Davidson won first place and also set a meet record. Davidson also won the 200 meters and set a new meet record of 23.15 and he was fifth in the 100 meters. The rest of the CCHS boys' team had a

productive day at the track with several personal bests including Jaxon Cartwright with a time of 5:54 in the 1600 meters. The 4x400 relay team of Nate Faith, Rowen Perkins, Davidson and Kaleb Nesbitt finished first and set a new meet record. Faith placed second in the high jump with a leap of 6-2. Nesbitt won the 400 and barely missed setting a meet record. He was also fourth



Davidson
New School Record

in the 800 meters. Rowen Perkins was seventh in the triple jump and sixth in high jump. Both were personal bests. He also placed eighth in the 800-meter race. The CCHS girls' team had just five athletes at the meet. Emily Mattingly had a personal best in the shot put. It was a big meet, so the top eight finishes in each event scored points for the team. Payton Maness finished third in the high jump, Lizzie Campbell finished third in the 200 meters and fourth in the 100 and 300 hurdles. Mary Martinez was eighth in the 1600 and 800 runs and sixth in the 3200 meters. Karsyn Potter was seventh in the shot put.

SOCCER

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Indianapolis where he received an official invitation to play abroad this spring. He is a central attacking midfielder on his travel soccer team, the Pennyryle Valley Strikers out of Princeton, and he competes with various other select teams around the region and has played in recreational leagues in Marion and Morganfield. "We do have to get creative to play the sport he loves," said his mother, Lindsey Lanham. "We have to do camps off from here and travel to surrounding counties to play the game. So we don't get as much playing time as he

could or should." Crittenden County has a youth soccer league at Marion-Crittenden County Park, which gave Lanham opportunities early in his career. Crittenden County girls play varsity and junior varsity in the Kentucky High School Athletic Association, but CCHS does not have a boys' soccer team. "Landon has never been more excited in his life," his mother said. He's never been out of the country and is thrilled to have this opportunity. Landon's mother, brother and grandparents will be accompanying him overseas. He tried football, basketball and baseball, but soccer was

the best fit. "I just eliminated everything else because it didn't feel natural and wasn't as fun," he said. Crittenden County School District has given Lanham an educational waiver and excused absence for missing several days of school. He believes the trip will have a lasting impact on his life. "I am looking forward to meeting the professionals on the Barcelona team and watching them play," he said. Lanham and others from America who will be attending the camp will learn skills during workouts with professional athletes and will then compete against other teams in the camp's network.

The opportunity to play in Europe where soccer is known as fútbol came almost by accident. His father, Michael, who owns Marion Feed Mill, was taking off a week from work to shepherd kids at a church youth camp. The rest of the family decided to take a vacation. Landon and his brother love soccer, so they ended up in Indiana at a camp sponsored by FC Barcelona Barca Academy. "I was hoping for the beach somewhere, but they both wanted to go play soccer," said the boys' mom. Landon's nine-year-old brother Peyton also plays travel soccer. He's a goal keeper.

UK's Goodwin ranks among nation's best offensive tackles

He's the highest ranked player that coach Mark Stoops has brought to Kentucky and picked the Wildcats over Alabama, Clemson and Ohio State from the 60 scholarship offers he had.

Offensive line man Kiyunta Goodwin was ranked as the No. 5 offensive tackle and No. 30 player based on ratings of multiple recruiting services. The 6-8, 355-pound Goodwin enrolled at UK in January and made a "big" impression on coaches and teammates during spring practice.

"He is going to be a really good football player and is a really nice guy who is eager to learn,"



Larry Vaught
UK Sports Columnist
Vaught's Views

said center Eli Cox. "We are trying to make that transition easy for him. He has had to learn how to grind with (academic) tutors, practice and just being on campus."

"He just loves to sit up in the film room all the time, just kind of learning the game as best he can. He's going to turn out really well."

New offensive line coach Zach Yenser calls him a "big son of a gun" who has done well in his short time at UK.

"When he knows what he's doing, and he's right about 95 percent of the time now, he's very, very talented," Yenser said. "Every day he's on the field, he picks up a bit more and that's really encouraging from a young guy."

Goodwin more than held his own during spring practice to im-

press coaches and teammates. He was a solid second team tackle who has a chance to be in the playing rotation next season. The freshman even said during his first media interview near the end of spring practice that he wanted to see JJ Weaver, one of UK's best pass rushers, lined up against him as often as possible.

"I love to compete. I feel like it brings the best out of me," Goodwin said. "When I'm being challenged, that's when I'm at my best."

Weaver said Goodwin is with strength coach Corey Edmond daily and is always one of the first players in the weight room.

"He's a dog. He's working on losing the weight he needs to. I'm proud of him," Weaver said.

Goodwin knows Yenser

worked with nine-time Pro Bowl tackle Trent Williams of the San Francisco 49ers before coming to Kentucky. Offensive coordinator Rich Scangarello was also with the 49ers last season. Goodwin understands the opportunity he has being coached by those who worked with Williams, a former All-American at Oklahoma.

"Trent Williams is my favorite offensive tackle in the league, so having two guys that worked with him, I'm able to ask a lot of questions about the stuff that makes him as great as he is," Goodwin said. "I've obviously watched a lot of his film and stuff, trying to bring his game into mine. Having two guys that worked with him over the last couple of years is amazing."

Goodwin has talked to

Williams several times trying to learn all he can from him.

"His independent

hands and his down block are some of the things I've brought into my game," Goodwin said.

SLEEP

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hard for teenagers to fall asleep earlier than 11 p.m. Chalk up one more "growing pain" to the list.

A number of sleep specialists state that many children with problems in school could simply be struggling due to sleep deprivation. A problem they believe will be solved by starting studies closer to 9 a.m.

I cannot begin to tell you the arguments a later start to the day would have saved us from in my household growing up.

The guilt I've carried for close to 10 years is enormous. I was just too tired in Dr. Quertermous' homeroom to be able to show my full potential writing that end-of-the-year essay. It was not my fault after all – blame it on my biologic transition to adulthood.

Even better news, according to Barnsley College, I've still got a

50-percent chance at becoming a self-made millionaire. And clearly, for my current gig here at The Press, they do not care about how bad of a

writer I was in high school... due to sleep deprivation, of course.

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Dr. Jonathan Maddux



It's a paradox. Work days are the same for Dr. Jonathan Maddux, but every day is quite different.

That is the expectation Maddux has when he dons his lab coat and drapes a stethoscope around his neck. His routine is the same. He sees about 30 patients four days a week at Family Practice Clinic and makes rounds at Crittenden Community Hospital. His weekends are somewhat unpredictable because he is on call. He also makes routine rounds at the hospital a couple of weekends a month.

Maddux is the only full-time practicing physician employed by Crittenden Community Hospital, but he is surrounded by four well-respected nurse practitioners at the clinic. There are also a roster of visiting specialists who serve the hospital.

The 39-year-old Salem native says an unpredictable daily routine is enticing.

"I am always here doing the same sort of thing, but everything that comes up is a little bit different," Maddux said in his office at Marion's Family Practice Clinic during a recent lunch break.

His desire to return to rural western Kentucky to provide medical care just a few miles from where he grew up in Salem led to his selection among others in The Crittenden Press' 10 Under 40 community recognition program.

Maddux is the son of Phil and Janet Patmor Maddux. He is married to his Livingston Central sweetheart, the former Crista Watkins, and they have two daughters, Catelynn, 8, and Caleigh, 5.

Maddux is a 2000 graduate of Livingston Central High School, a 2004 graduate of Murray State University, a 2008 graduate of the University of Louisville School of Medicine and completed his residency at the University of Alabama from 2008-2011. He began at Family Practice Clinic in Marion in July 2011.

After 11 years of college and medical school, Maddux isn't tired of learning. In fact, he loves it. Making medical diagnoses and applying modern medicine to affect improvement in human health are what lured him into the profession.

He loved science as a youngster and was intrigued by the human body. He was interested in cause and effect of medical conditions and treatments.

"I like the differences each day brings," he said. "It's the same sort of work day, but each scenario is different. I like having to think through things.

"The interesting part is the investigation, to delve into symptoms, order tests to find the right answer."

His uncle, Dr. Greg Maddux, was co-founder of Family Practice Clinic along with his former colleague Dr. Gary James. The younger Dr. Maddux,



"Dr. Jonathan," as many of his patients call him, counts the elder Dr. Maddux as an influential mentor who helped shape his path into the medical profession.

Despite exposure to a world of medical specialties, Maddux always knew he wanted to return to the Marion/Salem area to work.

He chose family practice as opposed to a speciality field because he craves the variety it offers.

"The idea of a small town where you see a little bit of everything in medicine appealed to me as opposed to being hyper-focused," he said. "I see adults and kids, and to have that general base for everything. It is appealing to me."

The role of a rural physician offers opportunities to see more varied conditions; however, it is also important to have a database of specialists should his patient require a referral. There are a number of specialists who see them at Crittenden Community Hospital – from oncology to orthopedics – but when they aren't available, Maddux responds to patient choice and coordinates their transfer to regional hospitals.

"There is something to be said about taking care of people you live with, it is more personal when you are taking care of someone you know, but it is a double edged sword. It is a different feeling when you are on both sides of it."

He hesitates to use the cliché, but says it's fitting: He likes helping people.

"That is the rewarding part of it," he

said. "People are grateful and when you know you made a difference, it's nice."

The other rewarding part of his job is the continual learning. Today, just as when he was a young boy packing textbooks home from school, Maddux studies biology. He enjoys the learning process.

"I've always liked science and the human body and physiology," he said. "It's interesting to figure out how it works and help people through tough times."

Speaking of tough times and thankful to talk about COVID-19 in the past-tense, Maddux reflects on being on the front lines of the first pandemic in a century.

Though there was little time to think about it at the time, Maddux and his staff were in the bullseye of a living history lesson, at the heart of a fluid situation in which providers worked to treat people in some of the most unusual circumstances.

In the early days of the pandemic in 2020, Family Practice Clinic closed its doors and met patients in the parking lot. Curbside service took on a new meaning as assistants with blood pressure cuffs made initial visits to patient vehicles and Dr. Maddux followed behind to offer care in mobile exam rooms of various makes and models.

Nothing in medical school prepared Maddux for the pandemic.

"I never dreamed of it, that kind of stuff is not on your radar – we haven't experienced that in 100 years, and there is nothing to compare it to. The magnitude it had world wide," he said.

COVID taught providers a thing or two about infectious disease control and made telehealth commonplace. The addition of video chats to diagnose and plan treatment for common medical conditions is one positive development from COVID-19, he believes.

"(This job) is rewarding, to do something for somebody and see that it makes a difference," he said "Those kinds of situations are most rewarding, doing good for somebody and knowing it made a difference."

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