



Louisville earns trip to Final Four

The University of Louisville Cardinals have reached the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament for the second year in a row. The Cardinals, overall No. 1 seed in the tournament, will face the No. 9 seed Wichita State Shockers at 5:05 p.m. Saturday. The game will be televised on CBS.

Should the Cardinals win, they will face either Michigan or Syracuse in Monday's championship game. The last time Louisville won the national title was in 1986 under then-coach Denny Crum.

Current UofL Coach Rick Pitino is the only men's coach in NCAA history to lead three different schools (Providence, Kentucky and Louisville) to a Final Four.

Graduation set for Class of 2013

Graduation is just more than a month away for Crittenden County High School Class of 2013. Last week, the board of education set the schedule for graduation ceremonies, with the following events starting at 6 p.m.:

- Baccalaureate: May 8
- Class Night: May 9
- Commencement: May 10

Public meetings

■ Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m. today (Thursday) in the judge-executive's courthouse office. This special meeting will serve as a budget work session.

■ Crittenden County Board of Education will host its Council of Councils meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Rocket Arena.

■ Dycusburg Preservation Society will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Masonic Lodge in Dycusburg.

■ Marion-Crittenden County Park Board will meet at 5 p.m. next Wednesday at Marion City Hall.

■ The first reading of the Crittenden County proposed budget ordinance for Fiscal Year 2013-14 is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. April 16 in the judge-executive's courthouse office.

What's your opinion? Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked, "Which is your favorite idea for a family night event at this year's Crittenden County Lions Club Fair?" The majority of voters would like to see something new on Wednesday evening at the fair.

- Greased pig contest, 48 (41%)
- Blindfolded driver with passenger directing, 34 (29%)
- Pedal tractor pull, 4 (3%)
- Remote-control car races, 5 (4%)
- Electric toddler car races, 1 (0%)
- Movie, 11 (9%)
- Other, 13 (11%)

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New forest ranger ready for role in Passion Play

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

Chad Brothers has some pretty big shoes to fill this weekend.

The Kentucky Division of Forestry ranger for Crittenden County will be playing the part of Jesus in Marion Baptist Church's upcoming Passion Play. While admittedly a role to not be taken lightly, the 38-year-old seems undaunted by the task. After all, he has played this role before, just not in front of the large crowds drawn by the church's annual depiction of Christ's last days.



Passion Play

Marion Baptist Church's annual Passion Play will be showing at 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday at the church on East Depot Street. Admission is free and doors open at 6 p.m. each night.

"I've never done a huge production, just skits," the Illinois native said.

Brothers moved to Marion after becoming the forest ranger for the county in August of last year. He lives on Conway Drive with his wife Crystal and two sons, Caeden, 5, and Logan, 3.

With 16 years under his belt with the Division of Forestry, he requested the transfer from his wife's native Estill County in eastern Kentucky so his children could be closer to their grandparents in Murphysboro, Ill.

"They didn't get to see the grandkids very much," Brothers said of his parents.

Despite the relocation to the other side of the state, Brothers and his wife, whom he met in 1996 as Estill County's forest ranger, are happy with the move.

"She loves it here," he said. "It's a great place to live."

The family attends and is heavily involved at Marion Baptist Church, where he

helped coach in its Upward basketball program. His participation with church activities led to his lead role in the Passion Play. No stranger to acting, he and his wife, who holds a master's degree in English, have performed in multiple dramas together over the course of their relationship.

He's also been known to pick up the drumsticks and perform with fellow musicians, traveling and regularly playing in churches before the



Brothers

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CHS officials guardedly optimistic about future



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Crittenden Health Systems registered nurses Denise Montalta (left) and Amy Jent review computerized patient records Tuesday outside the nurses station inside Crittenden Hospital. Last week, the CHS board of directors and administration shared both good and bad news in the non-profit health care facility's annual report.

Declining reimbursements from fed, in part, force hospital to make spending cuts, layoffs

STAFF REPORT

With its new operating room just weeks away from opening and black ink showing from its last fiscal year, Crittenden Health Systems' (CHS) leaders are upbeat and optimistic about the local hospital's future, despite some recognized tough times ahead.

CHS Chief Executive Officer Jim Christensen and Board Chairman Charlie Hunt painted a picture of guarded optimism during the organization's annual public meeting last week on the campus of the health care facility. They say times are growing more difficult for small, rural hospitals, but they believe CHS is well positioned to continue providing quality, affordable care close to home.

Reimbursements from federal entitlement programs have been declining for the last 15 years, and the slope is becoming steeper, according to hospital officials. Additionally, the 48-bed short-term, acute-care hospital in Marion is caught in between being big enough or small enough to thrive in the current environment.

Smaller hospitals with 25 beds or fewer—considered critical access hospitals like Livingston Hospital & Healthcare Services in Salem—have the advantage of cost-based reimbursement from Medicare that pays cost for services plus 1 percent. But CHS, with

its higher number of beds, does not qualify for that designation. The facility must accept what Medicare determines is reasonable payment for a particular service rendered regardless of the actual amount of care used.

Meantime, larger hospitals capture enough of the market share to project long-term sustainability.

CHS, a non-profit organization, had a \$41,194 gain, or carryover, at the end of its 2011-12 fiscal year, which ended last September. Bolstered by a \$1.5 million incentive payment from Medicare for its work to implement a modern medical records program, the hospital's chief financial officer, Tom Hales, said the black ink was much more palatable than the health care facility's \$556,461 loss the previous year. However, he said the incentive money had an obvious significant impact on the bottom line.

Hales said the hospital should get an additional \$800,000 in the current fiscal year for the same medical records improvement plan. Electronic Health Records (EHR) have received a great deal of attention since the Obama administration committed millions of federal dollars to encourage hospitals and other health care facilities to digitize patient data and make better use of information technology. Hospital leaders say the record-keeping improvement project must be completed by 2015, at which time federal funds will dry up.

Christensen said the hospital has been at the vanguard of embracing digital technology, therefore, it's earning rewards.

"We're facing many problems, as all hospitals are, and we're handling them the best we can. Our outlook is optimistic for your hospital."

—Charlie Hunt
CHS board chairman

Nationwide, he said, CHS is in the top 15 percent of small hospitals seeking EHR compliance.

The financial rewards for that program are helping keep the hospital on sound financial ground for the time being. Other factors, however, are working against it. Times are much leaner for the local hospital, illustrated by the stark contrast between recent annual meetings that included sit-down dinners and high-profile programs. This year's annual report to the public was staged with far less fanfare, something that didn't go unrecognized by hospital leaders or their guests.

"We've cut back drastically this year," Christensen said, pointing to hors d'oeuvres at the luncheon.

The cuts have gone beyond food. Recent layoffs have affected nine workers, and with new rules going into place with the Affordable Care Act, otherwise known as Obamacare, hospital officials say many more changes are coming.

One big change the facility has struggled with since 2011 is the implementation of Kentucky Medicaid Managed Care, which allows

School board plans for cuts of 10 percent

By JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

The effects of the federal sequestration—the across-the-board spending cuts that went into effect March 1 in order to reduce the national debt—were one of many topics discussed at last week's Crittenden County Board of Education meeting.

Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough told board members at the March 26 meeting that the district's Resource Efficiency Team had met and discussed a possible 10-percent cut in federal funds for the 2013-14 fiscal year. But that is the tip of the iceberg. She went on to say the Kentucky Department of Education told districts to plan for there to be a cut in for the next 10 years.

To cope with the local fallout from a nearly \$3 billion reduction in federal education spending as a result of the sequester, Dr. Yarbrough said the district is budgeting as conservatively as possible and will maximize all the resources that flow into the district.

"Our first year, we're going to maintain personnel as best we can with our federal funds," she said, "but there's definitely going to be some impact on programs and services that are provided to the school district."

"It's a challenging time for school districts to continue to be fiscally responsible and the best stewards of public dollars we can be while continuing to do some innovative initiatives connected to college and career readiness and student achievement overall. So it's a challenge."

In other business, the board:

■ Finalized plans for the first-ever Lacy Awards. The Lacy Awards will be presented to a certified and classified staff member on district closing day. The award was created to preserve the legacy of Dr. Dennis Lacy, who served as Superintendent of Crittenden County Schools from 1982 to 2000.

■ In an overhaul of its transportation fleet, approved the utilization of \$115,257 in capital funds toward the purchase of a propane bus and replacement of two district vehicles. The board also approved a bid of \$30,500 for the purchase and installation of Donaldson Diesel Oxidation Catalyst and closed crankcase ventilation system for retrofitting 14 diesel buses. Officials said this should cut particle pollutants by up to 50 percent. The retrofits will be funded through a grant.



Yarbrough

County fair slated for late July start

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Lions Club fair is scheduled to run from July 29 to Aug. 3 with much of the traditional lineup of events intact, as well as a carnival, reports club member Zac Greenwell. But family night, held on Wednesday, continues to be a question mark for fair organizers.

Family night customarily offers a free or reduced gate, but events in recent years have drawn but a fraction of the crowds found on other nights of the weeklong fair.

"I think the cornhole tournament is out," Greenwell said of the latest family night feature event. "We've had no interest the last two years."

Greenwell said the Lions Club is looking to replace the event with one of a number of options—electric toddler car races, pedal tractor pull, remote control car races, a greased pig

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Legislative session ends with pension reform

Just before the clock struck midnight on March 26, the 30th and final day of the 2013 Session of the Kentucky General Assembly came to a close. During this “short” session, more than 130 bills were approved and sent to the governor.

At the beginning of the session, the two most important economic problems facing the state, in my mind, were pension reform and tax reform. I was worried that if the legislature did not address one or both of these issues, the governor would call us back for a special session.

Fortunately, legislation related to reforming our public pension system passed in the final few hours before the gavel fell ending the session.

The House and Senate reached an agreement on Senate Bill (SB) 2, the bill restructuring the retirement system for state and local employees, judges and legislators. First and foremost, the bill that passed did not make any changes to the plan for current retirees, nor did it change the retirement plan for current employees.



In fact, the legislation requires the state to pay its full actuarially required contribution (ARC) to the pension system beginning in February 2015. The ARC totals around \$100 million per year and will keep the pension system properly funded.

The bill did change the pension system for employees to be hired on or after Jan. 1, 2014, by providing those employees with a hybrid cash-balance retirement plan. This plan guarantees a minimum 4-percent return that can go higher if the investment returns of the plan exceed 4 percent. The cost of living adjustment (COLA) remains, but requires that the plan have the money to pre-fund the COLA. The new plan also keeps legislators

from padding their retirement should they take a higher-paying state job. I voted for SB 2.

Legislation, House Bill (HB) 440, that was supposed to fund the pension plan, also passed shortly before midnight on March 26.

The bill reduced the allowable income tax credit from \$20 per person to \$10 per person; requires out-of-state retailers that sell via methods such as catalog or Internet to notify Kentucky purchasers that they are required to report and pay Kentucky sales tax on their purchases and allows the trade-in credit given on a used vehicle when trading for a new vehicle purchase to be deducted from the sale price of the new vehicle for the purpose of computing sales tax. The credit when trading for a used vehicle is already allowed. The bill also requires out-of-state companies to more accurately reflect the management fees that are deducted from their Kentucky tax filings and allows licenses (drivers, attorneys, etc.) to be suspended if a person is

delinquent on income tax payment and all appeals have been exhausted.

The money derived under this bill goes to the General Fund and is understood to pay for the pensions, however this is not required in the bill. Additionally, the bill does not change the Kentucky tax code to reflect changes in the federal government internal tax code that would benefit Kentucky taxpayers, nor does it have anything that requires reining in spending. For these reasons, I voted against HB 440.

Both the House and the Senate voted to override the governor's veto of HB 279, the Religious Freedom Act. I was one of 79 representatives voting to override the veto.

Legislation that would provide state regulatory exemption for religious organizations that allow voluntary sharing of medical costs among participants also passed both chambers. SB 3 allows the Medi-Share ministry, a Christian medical cost-sharing organization that was shuttered by the

state courts last year, to restart its operations. Under this bill, participants would simply receive a notice stating the organization is not recognized as an insurance company in the state and that its plans are not considered insurance policies. I voted for SB 3.

A bill that appeared to be dead but got a last-minute reprieve was legislation to put regulations in place for the growing of industrial hemp should the federal government eventually legalize hemp production. SB 50, which enjoyed support from Democrats and Republicans and was championed by Agriculture Commissioner James Comer, sets up a regulation system for farmers seeking to grow hemp once the federal law is changed or a waiver is granted. Kentucky State Police will handle background checks on potential growers, and research on industrial hemp will take place at the University of Kentucky and other regional universities. I voted for SB 50.

Other significant issues

were addressed this year, and I plan to cover them in a future article.

I hope everyone had a blessed and Happy Easter.

As always, I look forward to hearing from you; your input is most welcome. I can be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at (800) 372-7181, directly at (502) 564-8100, extension 665, or by visiting the Kentucky Legislature's website at www.lrc.ky.gov and clicking on the “E-mail Your Legislator” link. You can also keep track of legislation for the 2013 session through the same website and clicking on the “2013RS Record” link.

Be sure to visit my website at LynnBechler.com and “Like” my Facebook page to receive my updates.

(Rep. Bechler is a first-term Republican representative from Marion. He represents the 4th House District—Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of McCracken County—in Frankfort. He can be reached there by e-mail at lynn.bechler@lrc.ky.gov.)

Work of legislators does not end with drop of closing gavel

With the fall of the chair's gavel just before midnight March 26, the 2013 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly entered the history books. Every session goes out with such a gavel's bang. But few echo across the Commonwealth so resonantly after such a long and lingering winter's hard work as this one.

We were charged with a formidable task when we convened in January: Fix the public pension system. No small job, and not an easy one in any circumstance, let alone in a compressed short session with a supermajority requirement for any revenue measure.

We heard testimony that the state's pension system could be bankrupt in as little as four years. Hit hard by the economic recession and a dip in investment returns and contributions, the various Kentucky Retirement Systems, all told, faced an unfunded liability of \$30 billion or more.

During the 2012 Legislative Session, the Kentucky Public Pensions Task Force was created to study issues and develop recommendations for pension funding



and reform. I was pleased to serve on this task force whose mission was to find a solution to make our retirement system solvent.

Armed with an eight-point proposal vetted by the legislative task force that worked with state and national experts through the interim and an intense determination to complete substantive reform before things got worse, we rolled up our sleeves and went to work. It took every last one of the 30 workin days allotted to us—down to the last hours—but we approved a plan that most agree will put—and keep—public pensions on sound financial footing for years to come.

Senate Bill (SB) 2, which passed the Senate 32-6, will reset the amortization period for the pension debt from 26 to 30 years and require pre-

funding of any future cost-of-living adjustments for retirees. It will also establish a new-style retirement plan for those entering the system next year.

Under the bill, pension benefits for new hires would be calculated in a hybrid cash-balance plan that will guarantee a 4-percent annual return on investment. Supporters say this new cash-balance plan is more predictable and sustainable than the current defined benefit plan without carrying as much risk for employees as a traditional 401(k) in the private sector.

The bill will have no effect on teachers' retirement; nor will it apply to current employees and retirees.

According to the KRS actuary, Cavanaugh Macdonald, it will save the state \$10 billion over the next 30 years. It will require the full actuarially required contribution (ARC) be paid to the pension system starting in Fiscal Year 2015. That money will come from funds raised in a separate bill.

The companion funding bill, House Bill 440, approved 35-3, is a revenue-neutral measure expected to

generate nearly \$100 million annually for the ARC through a handful of small tweaks to our tax code. It will reduce the personal income tax credit by \$10, lower the cap on vendor compensation for sales tax collection and increase tax code compliance by enhancing some collection efforts of the Department of Revenue. To help ease the minor tax enhancements and also boost the economy, the bill will also allow a trade-in credit for taxes owed on the purchase of new cars.

Finding a solution to our unfunded pension system is plenty of work for a successful short session—promises made, promises kept. But it is only a start to what we accomplished.

The Uniform Military and Overseas Voter Act also received final passage late on March 26. Military men and women sacrificing so much to defend our freedoms must be given every opportunity to exercise their own precious right to vote. One soldier's ballot lost would be one too many. Unfortunately, according to our secretary of state, hundreds come up missing or invalid each year.

SB 1 modernizes and

streamlines the absentee-voting process by allowing members of the armed forces, their spouses and others serving overseas to register to vote and request and receive a ballot electronically. To ensure vote security and anonymity, completed ballots would still be returned via traditional postal mail.

In an effort to boost the state economy and support Kentucky farmers looking for an alternate cash crop, SB 50, approved 35-1, was sent to the governor's desk late on March 26. The measure will regulate the growing of industrial hemp in the state, giving us a head start in cultivating the crop if and when the federal ban on it is lifted or Kentucky gets a waiver.

These bills join more than a hundred others passed this session, soon to be entered into new and amended state statutes—bills aimed at enhancing school safety, supporting at-risk students and rewarding top learners in the state; bills that will protect vulnerable infants and children, crack down on criminals and violent offenders and improve the judicial process; bills that will im-

prove government, increase transparency on taxing districts and aid our economy; aills that will, we hope, enrich the quality of life for every Kentuckian.

The work of the Regular Session may be complete, but the work of the Commonwealth and of the legislature continues. I will be hard at it through the interim, studying issues, meeting with constituents and monitoring the progress of our newly-enacted laws.

To review the work of the 2013 Regular Session, you may visit the legislature's website at www.lrc.ky.gov. Archived meetings and proceedings, as well as interim coverage, can be viewed at www.ket.org. To leave a message for me, or any legislator, call the General Assembly's toll-free Message Line at (800) 372-7181. You can also e-mail me at dorsey.ridley@lrc.ky.gov.

(Sen. Dorsey Ridley, a Henderson Democrat, has served in the the 4th Senate District since 2004 after an eight-year tenure in the House. He represents Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Henderson, Webster and Union counties in Frankfort.)

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managed-care organizations contracted with the state to run its Medicaid system.

“When they go to managed care, it is a nightmare,” Hales said.

Kentucky's new Medicaid system left CHS awaiting payment for more than \$800,000 in outstanding charges as of December 2012.

From Medicaid managed care to the new federal health care law, Hunt says the changing climate of health care is forcing the local hospital and others to have what he and Hales called a “rolling forecast.” This helps the organization meet unforeseen financial issues that may arise throughout the budgetary year.

Hales, who started as hospital CFO in 1970, calls this the most challenging times he's ever seen. Last year, the hospital's net patient revenue was \$16.72 million, and its expenses were \$16.67 million, including a payroll of \$10.6 million for 154 full-time and 86 part-time employees. With costs outpacing revenue, hospital officials make no bones about looking for more efficiencies in the future just as

New CHS operating room to see first patient in July

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden Hospital's new operating room is scheduled to see its first patient on July 11, according to Crittenden Health Systems (CHS) Chief Executive Officer Jim Christensen.

The hospital administrator was speaking at last week's annual corporate meeting when he described the expansion project's progress.

Ground was officially broken for the new operating room in December 2010 with a projected price tag of \$2.6 million. Twenty-seven months later, the project is within about three months of completion and the cost has grown to about \$4.2 million due to litigation and delays because of a dispute between the original contractor

and CHS.

The hospital filed a lawsuit against S&A Contractors of Nashville, Tenn., in December 2011, citing breach of contract due to the contractor's unsatisfactory performance in building the operating room. The lawsuit was moved to federal court in March 2011 where it remains without a resolution in sight.

The hospital's troubles mounted when S&A's performance bond company, First Sealord Surety Inc., failed and was ordered liquidated by state officials in Pennsylvania, where the company was headquartered.

So far, CHS has used about \$3.2 million of its \$4.2 million loan to complete the operating room project.

new federal laws are requiring more accountability to patients and third-party payers.

Still, the outlook is bright, hospital management says.

“We're facing many problems, as all hospitals are, and we're handling them the best

we can,” said Hunt, the volunteer board's chairman. “Our outlook is optimistic for your hospital.”

The hospital's financial report shows that it has assets of \$11.2 million and liabilities of \$4.2 million.

also deals with a lot of logging inspections and water quality issues and helps land owners with timber management and, to a degree, soil conservation.

Also responsible for Livingston County, Brothers said a restructuring of the Division of Forestry will see the territory he is responsible for grow a bit. He will soon be giving up Livingston County and taking on Union and Caldwell counties in addition to his new county of residence.

open. So after high school, he enrolled at Southeastern Illinois College in Harrisburg where he earned a two-year degree in forestry technology.

“I like to garden and be outside,” he said.

Country at heart, Brothers hopes in the future to move the family from the home they rent in Marion to their own place out in the county.

At work, part of his role as a ranger is fire protection of Kentucky's woodlands. He

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move to Crittenden County.

But don't expect Brothers to pack up the family for a move to Hollywood or Music City. He plans to stay in forestry for quite some time.

“Until I retire,” he said.

With a love for the outdoors, Brothers always knew he wanted a career that would keep him in the great wide

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Alcohol referendum a community choice

To the editor

Our rights and personal freedoms are under attack more and more each day from frivolous laws to smiting and powerful church leaders. What happened to live and let live or just plain ol' free will?

I recall a few weeks ago, an area church leader expressing her opposition to the wet/dry vote, saying that alcohol is against the Bible. In that article, she talks about her Second Amendment rights being under attack, but disrespects (alcohol referendum petition organizer) Jerritt Brown's First Amendment right, freedom of speech, insulting her views.

How can you gain respect from someone without passing the same courtesy? Some people fail to remember that this country is a free republic. People can live any way of life they choose and should be able to do so without shame or disgrace.

As for my thoughts on alcohol, it seems odd to me how something can be legal and accepted in one town, but illegal in the next. Aren't we all equal in this great nation? Why must we be punished and scrutinized simply because we want to enjoy something that church leaders speak against?

We are each responsible for our actions, either by law or by God. In my personal opinion, the Word of God has been altered by mankind to accommodate lifestyles.

As much as I believe in my religion, I realize that I could be wrong, and so could any other person. Alcohol is here to stay, whether we buy it here or 15 miles down the road. Our community should be allowed to

choose whether to use it or not, just like cigarettes.

I'm sure the Bible speaks against smoking somewhere, but it's overlooked.

The country tends to have an outrage over the government taking our rights away, but religion has been doing it forever.

Robert (Bubba) Hodge
Marion, Ky.

(Editor's note. As of Sunday, the petition for a referendum on alcohol sales in Crittenden County had gathered 436 of the 971 required signatures to send the measure to the ballot box. Three months remain to collect additional signatures before the petition must be finalized and turned over to the county clerk for verification.)

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Jackie Cook Dismore

Jackie Cook Dismore has a keen eye for antiques. She helped salvage an 1895 wringer washer from being lost forever at a landfill. "It still worked. It had a patent date on it," she said. "We sold it to one of our vendors who we knew was going to take care of it and give it a good home."

While the humor is evident in her voice, Dismore is serious about collecting, and when necessary, restoring valuable antique pieces to their original condition. Her current project involves refinishing a wooden dresser. She also enjoys making folk art from discarded metal and scrap pieces of barn wood.

Dismore works at The Picket Fence, an antique and furniture store owned by Chelsea Goodwin. It's located in Mott City in the former Cole Lumber building. Dismore painted the sign that welcomes customers to the

store.

Dismore's family moved to Marion when she was five years old. Her father worked in coal mines in Virginia, West Virginia and Alabama.

"When I was old enough to be in school, we settled in Marion," she said. "My dad's from North Carolina, and my mom is originally from Illinois."

Dismore now has her own family: husband Josh, son Quaid and daughter April.

A member of both the Marion Woman's Club and Crittenden County Homemakers Association, Dismore also grows a garden each year and raises chickens.

"I have Jersey Giants and Red Stars. I have about two of everything. I also incubate chicken eggs and sell chicks," she said.

She has both directed and starred in several plays and acted in 10 performances at Fohs Hall.



SUBMITTED PHOTOS

CCHS March Students of the Month

Crittenden County High School March Students of the Month are (front, from left) Monica Hodge, Tabitha Scott, Summer Phillips, (middle) Brenden Phillips, Alex Maynard, Brynna McDowell, Paige Winterheimer, Emily Roman, Katie Travis, Kristen Perryman, (back) Devin Clark, Travis Gilbert, Dustin Roberts, Brayden McKinney, Dylan Hollis and Nick Castiller.

CCES 3RD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

3rd Grade

Heather Bloodworth
All-A Honor Roll: Aliyah Frutiger, Ethan Wallace, Dane West and Emma Williams.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Keilee Baker, Maggie Blazina, Travis Boone, Chris Clark, Erica Darnell, Daley Deboe, Hayden Jones, Jaden Long, Jordan Long, Hannah Riley, Ethan Shewmaker, Jordan Watts, Coby West and Raina West.

Mandy Perez
All-A Honor Roll: Tanner Beverly, Luke Crider, Gracie Driskill and Samantha Tinsley.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Colyn Caraway, Dalton Collins, Faith Conner, Brianna Fletcher, Storm Franklin, Grace Roberts, Ryleigh Tabor and Logan Young.

Sarah Riley
All-A Honor Roll: Luke Mundy.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Callie Brown, Trace Derrington, Jake Drawdy, Benjamin Evans, Kaitlyn Guess, Braydon Hill, Chloe James, Addy Kirby, Blake Martin, Cole McKinney, Hadlee Rich and Tucker Sharp.

Jennifer Bell
All-A Honor Roll: Alyssa Bozeman, Mallory Lynn, McKenzie Quertermous and Dylan Yates.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Kobe Adams, Raylee Belt, Laurel Brown, Addyson Faughn, Emma Harness, Jordan Hutchison, Peyton Purvis, Gage Russell, Dennon Wilson and Dalton Wood.

4th Grade

Rita Binkley
All-A Honor Roll: Leah Fritts, Lily Gardner and Xander Tabor.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Donovan Clark, Anthony Forbes, Isabella Holliman, Gabe Mott, Dominic Rorer and Cole Swinford.
Rebecca Bryant
All-A Honor Roll: Kacie Easley, Jessie Potter and Eli Moss.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Landen Crider, Hannah Faughn, Allie Geary, Sammy Greenwell, Quinn Templeton, Sara Jones, Belle Minton and Caleb McDonald.

Tiffany DeBoe
All-A Honor Roll: Caden, McCalister, Kaiden Hollis and Charity Conyer.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Jasper Morrison, Kalli Champion, Tyler Boone and Taylor Stoner.
Julie Millikan
All-A Honor Roll: James Crider and Tate Roberts.

A-and-B Honor Roll: Ben Dobyns, Amanda Estes, Jada Hayes, Cameron Howard, Hailey Mathieu, Chase Stevens and Seth Taylor.

Johnna Fitch
All-A Honor Roll: Trace Adams, Ian Ellington, Kenlee McDaniel, Ally Newman and Kate Keller.
A-and-B Honor Roll: Braxton Winders, Gage Campbell, Lilly Perryman, Emily West and Matthia Long.

5th Grade

Tammy Brantley
All-A Honor Roll: Morgan Barnes, Natalie Hutchings, Hunter Jones, Ellie McGowan and Jordan Urbanowski.
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FAIR

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contests, a movie or back seat driver races, where a passenger directs a blindfolded driver. The club is open to other options and seeks input from the public. Anyone with other ideas is encouraged to call Greenwell's office at 965-1585.

Aside from Wednesday, the nightly event lineup for the fair is scheduled as follows:

- Monday: Miss Teen Crittenden County at Fohs Hall.
- Tuesday: Miss Crittenden County at Fohs Hall.
- Thursday: Dirt track drag racing at the fairgrounds.
- Friday: Truck and tractor pulls at the fairgrounds.
- Saturday: Demolition derby at the fairgrounds.



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LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS

April 2, 2013
KDA-USDA Market News, Louisville, Ky.
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Compared to last week: Feeder steers under 400 lbs 3.00-8.00 higher, over 400 lbs steady to 2.00 lower. Feeder heifers 3.00-5.00 higher. Supply included 47% feeder heifers and 27% of feeders over 600 lbs. Slaughter cows 1.00-4.00 higher. Slaughter bulls traded steady.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	100-200	195	200.00	200.00
7	200-300	259	184.00-193.00	187.71
14	300-400	364	177.00-187.00	178.72
40	400-500	473	150.00-163.00	158.29
2	400-500	432	170.00	170.00 Fancy
28	500-600	522	142.00-150.00	145.49
15	600-700	626	128.00-137.00	133.62
5	700-800	750	121.00-126.00	123.24
5	800-900	811	118.00-121.00	120.39
4	1000-1100	1036	90.00-100.00	97.57

Groups: 21 head 484 lbs 160.00 milb

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	200-300	255	157.00	157.00
4	300-400	364	165.00-174.00	168.67
3	400-500	443	130.00-140.00	136.54
17	500-600	563	125.00-137.00	131.42
3	600-700	655	120.00-128.00	124.50
1	800-900	865	110.00	110.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	200-300	295	159.00-168.00	164.00
25	300-400	360	155.00-168.00	158.46
54	400-500	457	143.00-155.00	147.70
26	500-600	542	130.00-144.00	134.94
1	500-600	505	149.00	149.00 Ind
22	600-700	636	117.00-129.00	123.23
34	700-800	745	108.00-121.00	113.18
3	800-900	810	94.00-95.00	94.67

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	200-300	252	148.00-155.00	151.47
8	300-400	380	135.00-150.00	143.71
23	400-500	446	130.00-141.00	135.99
18	500-600	560	115.00-129.00	125.54
13	600-700	647	108.00-115.00	112.04
2	700-800	715	107.00	107.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
18	300-400	352	158.00-174.00	164.90
26	400-500	448	154.00-169.00	159.92
24	500-600	541	134.00-145.00	139.01
14	600-700	644	121.00-130.00	125.03
3	700-800	733	108.00-113.00	110.38
2	800-900	842	84.00-95.00	89.26

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	300-400	371	140.00-160.00	143.29
11	400-500	455	140.00-152.00	145.41
6	500-600	549	125.00-132.00	127.90
1	600-700	670	115.00	115.00

Slaughter Cows:

	%Lean	Weight	AD	HD	LD
Breaker	75-80	1210-1885	72-76	77	63-68
Boner	80-85	1110-1705	70-76	77-82	66-68
Lean	85-90	1150-1300	65-72		59-64
Lite	85-90				

Slaughter Bulls:

YG:	Weight	Avg-Dress	High-Dress	Lo-Dress
#1-2	425-2140	98.00-103.00	107.00	93.00-95.00

Stock Cows: Cows 3 to 9 years old and 3 to 6 months bred 660.00-1050.00 per head.

Stock Cow/Calf Pairs: Cows 7 to 8 years old with calves at side 1150.00-1270.00 per pair.

Baby Calves: 220.00 per pair.

Chip Stewart, market specialist
www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sv_ls150.txt

Soil Stewardship Week observed

Spring time is finally upon us. Maybe someone should tell Mother Nature.

The office is excited to be helping the Livingston County Conservation District in celebrating Soil Stewardship Week the first week in April by participating in the tree give-away. Today (Thursday) Livingston Conservation District will be giving away free trees in the office parking lot 8 a.m.-2 p.m. or until the trees are gone.

Stewardship Week helps to remind us all of the power each person has to conserve natural resources and improve the world. When everyone works together with their local conservation district, that power continuously grows.

We hope by observing and participating in activities such as Soil Stewardship Week, Earth Day and other conservation activities, it will help remind everyone we were only given one Earth and that we should do our best to respect and preserve it.

This is a great time to re-



member that there are many programs offered through the Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) and the Crittenden and Livingston County conservation districts (CD). Most of the programs that are offered through all of our agencies are specifically devoted toward conservation of one resource or another.

Whether it be conserving soil, conserving water or improving the quality of soil, water or wildlife habitat, our agencies work hard together to provide the producers of Crittenden and Livingston counties with options to help improve their farms. We also encourage individuals who want to improve the quality of their wildlife habitat to

contact the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife, as they have many excellent programs available as well.

A few items that we commonly see application on are buffers along streams or fields (CD/FSA/NRCS), tree plantings (FSA/NRCS), native grass plantings (FSA/NRCS), waterway development (CD/FSA/NRCS), rotational grazing systems (CD/NRCS), patch clear-cutting (NRCS), pasture and hay land erosion control or re-seeding pastures (CD) and sinkhole protection and buffers (CD/FSA). There are many other programs offered, however, we just want to share some of the most commonly requested programs.

Sign-ups are conducted differently for the various programs. Most of the conservation districts and NRCS program sign-ups are continuous throughout the year, and then they have ranking periods. Most of FSA programs have actually specific sign-up windows except for continuous Conservation Re-

serve Program (CRP) that can be applied for at any time.

We encourage anyone who has a resource concern to contact our office and we can try to help guide you in the best direction we can to try to provide you with the services you need.

Days to remember

■ Through June 3: Average Crop Revenue Election (ACRE) sign-up continues.

■ Through Aug. 2: Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment Program (DCP) sign-up.

■ Through mid-April: Locked out of applications that require changes.

■ April 9-25: Office will be short-staffed.

■ Through May 1: Last Day for voluntary claims process for Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers.

■ May 20 to June 14: General CRP sign-up.

(Laura Kessler is the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency county executive director at the Salem service center, which serves both Crittenden and Livingston counties.)

2nd Big Rivers distributor seeks rate hike

FROM AP AND STAFF REPORTS

It appears no one in Crittenden or Livingston County will be spared higher electric rates this year.

Jackson Purchase Energy Corp., which supplies power to Livingston County, will ask the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) for a rate increase for the same reasons Kenergy Corp. has already done so.

According to reports, the power company's proposed hike will increase average residential bills by \$21.30 per month. The company said commercial and industrial rates would rise 21 per-

cent.

Jackson Purchase officials said an expected increase of nearly \$11 million in the wholesale price of electricity is behind the request. The wholesale increase would come from Big Rivers Energy Corp., which also supplies power to Kenergy. The producer has filed a \$75.5 million rate increase request with the PSC, citing the loss of its largest customer, Century Aluminum in Hawesville.

Kenergy customers in rural Crittenden County will also see a rate increase. Kenergy is not filing for an additional rate hike beyond the proposed increase

from Big Rivers' wholesale costs, but to maintain financial stability, Kenergy must apply to the PSC to recover the increased costs to purchase electricity. The request should see the typical residential bill increase by \$23.06 per month.

The anticipated hikes for both Jackson Purchase and Kenergy customers would take effect in August.

Kentucky Utilities Co. (KU) customers in Marion and southern Crittenden County saw their rates increase Jan. 1. The average residential KU customer is paying \$5.16 more on their monthly bill.

Magistrates vote to give regional drug task force \$2,400 in funding

STAFF REPORT

Last week, Crittenden County magistrates approved spending \$2,400 as its share of funding for the Pennyryle Area Narcotics Task Force for 2013.

The task force, based in Hopkinsville, serves 20 counties. Most of the larger counties in the served area pay the

bulk of the funding.

The task force operates in all counties with a mission of reducing drug use in the state. It is responsible for a large percentage of the drug arrests in Crittenden County.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said law enforcement and prosecutors support funding the task force.

Farmers intend to plant more soybeans, wheat in Kentucky

STAFF REPORTS

Planting intentions by Kentucky farmers show more soybeans and wheat will be planted for the 2013 crop season, according to the Kentucky Field Office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Meantime, corn and hay acres for harvest are expected be below last year.

The Intentions Survey represents acreage farmers intend to plant and/or harvest as of March 1. Winter wheat was seeded in the fall of 2012.

Farmers in Kentucky intend to plant 1.60 million acres of corn, down 50,000 acres from 2012. Last year, Union County led the state in corn production

with 93,200 acres planted.

Nationwide, corn growers intend to plant 97.3 million acres of corn for all purposes in 2013, up slightly from 2012. If realized, this will represent the highest planted acreage in the United States since 1936.

Soybean acreage in Kentucky is expected to total 1.50 million acres, up 20,000 acres from the previous year.

Winter wheat seeded by Kentucky farmers in the fall of 2012 totaled 680,000 acres, up 100,000 acres from previous year. It is the largest seedings since 1998.

Farmers in the Commonwealth intend to harvest 2.25 million acres of all hay, down 130,000 acres from 2012.

March unseasonably cool

STAFF REPORT

In like a lion. Out like a lamb. The age-old maxim for March held true this year...sort of.

The month started with sub-freezing temperatures and wintry precipitation, but ended with a sunny, 63-degree day. However, March closed out with the sixth straight week of below-normal temperatures, according to the University of Kentucky Agricultural Weather Center.

For farmers, the unseasonably cool temperatures have limited pasture and grain growth and soil remains too cool and wet for most field work. Last week, temperatures averaged only 41 degrees.

Spring hardly seems to have arrived. In fact, according to the Kentucky Mesonet climate data station in Crittenden County, the first day

of spring, March 20, and four subsequent days averaged cooler (36.8 degrees) than the five days prior (46.3 degrees). Furthermore, the coldest temperature of the month was measured at 20.4 degrees the first full day of spring. Conversely, the mercury peaked at 72.2 degrees on March 15.

A total of 4.37 inches of precipitation fell in the county in March, according to Kentucky Mesonet. March 17 was the wettest day when 1.36 inches fell.

A total of 16.55 inches of precipitation has fallen on the year, the county data station reflects. That is significantly more than the 13.74 inches recorded at Princeton's UK Agricultural Weather Center station. That amount is 0.57 inches above normal precipitaion for the year.

Whitfield questions barricade rationale

STAFF REPORT

Congressman Ed Whitfield, (R-Hopkinsville) on Monday continued his push for answers from the Nashville District of U.S. Army Corps of Engineers regarding the rationale behind prohibiting boating and fishing on Cumberland River dam tailwaters.

"Recreation and fishing are vital to the economic viability of the Land Between the Lakes region in Kentucky and Tennessee," he said in a letter to the Corps. "This economic activity, while small in the grand scope of our entire economy, ensures that people in this region have a job and are able to provide for their family."

Whitfield has been critical of the Corps' \$2.6 million plan to install barricades to restrict access to tailwaters along Cumberland River dams.

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1920s a busy time for road-building in county

As we travel along our local highways and county roads today, we hardly stop to think how it must have been in the very early days when they were nothing but dirt.

These roads would turn to mud after every rain and stay that way during the winter months of freezing and thawing.

Even I remember living on Aunt Jane Tabernacle Road (then Ball Alvis Road) in the late 1960s and 1970s when it was a gravel road.

It was always full of holes, dusty in the summer, muddy when it rained and during the winter, with the freezing and thawing, there were areas that would actually break through and there would be muddy ruts several inches deep. If you didn't hold the car wheels in a solid area, you would sink and get hung up in the mud. It was wonderful when several years later it was chip sealed.

Today, our county roads are in a much better condition for traveling, winter and summer. That is something to be thankful for.

Here is some interesting history of our very early highways and roads gathered from the archives of The Crittenden Press during the period of the 1920s.

Former citizens of Crittenden County returned to their old home communities for brief visits from year to year to renew old acquaintances and partake of the hospitality of their friends.

The chief topic of discussion on the part of our visitors was, it seemed to us who had stayed at home, the subject of roads—good roads where they lived and bad roads in Crittenden County.

How sick and tired we got of the incessant talk from these folks who had moved to Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Washington, Florida, California, Michigan and other states about how rough, rocky, hilly and steep our roads back home were.

We didn't get any humor out of it—at least we didn't show our ill humor. We were too well trained for



that. Crittenden County people can, when they want to, be as polite as anybody, so we just grinned—maybe we didn't grin, but we endured it. Frankly, we were ashamed of our roads, but there was apparently nothing we could do about it. We just stayed at home, bought new tires for our buggies, new fellos and spokes for our road wagons, new shoes for our horses and mules and listened to our visitors tell us how far behind the times we were with our mud roads.

In 1913, some of the people of our county got "itchy feet." They heard of a place called Detroit and to Detroit they went. They found out when they got there that automobiles were made there.

They tried their hand behind the wheel of those contraptions and found that they—people who had eyes trained to keep buggy tires from hitting the biggest rocks in the roads—could guide these same contraptions.

When they came back visiting, they came home in these vehicles manufactured in Detroit. The roads looked worse than ever. The rocks were bigger, the creeks wider and the ruts deeper.

Into our ears, again, were poured that old story about how bad the roads were in Crittenden County. Then we became afflicted with a very contagious malady known as "road consciousness."

We, in Crittenden County, had grown tired of listening through the years to the disparaging remarks made about our creek bed roads. We set about to join the good roads bandwagon.

The following stories highlight just a few of the

roads being improved at the time.

Nov. 25, 1921 Crittenden's First Pike, Marion-Princeton Road

"A section of the pike teams passed through Marion headed for Crayne, where the gang will be located and work will proceed each way from that point. The men, teams and tools are located at Crayne and actual work on Crittenden's first pike began Monday. Mr. W.R. Cruce, who worked persistently a n d valiantly for this road, and to whom the whole citizenship is d e b t o r , placed the first shovel of dirt on the road.

"This promises to transform travel and traffic in the county when sooner or later these arteries will course through the entire county in every direction. A metal road via Fredonia to Princeton, another to Morgantown, Sturgis and Henderson and on to Louisville. A highway to Paducah through Salem and Smithland, pikes to Fords Ferry and Tolu, then east to Shady Grove through Deanwood. This is not too much to hope for. Here's hoping it may all be realized in the near future."

April 18, 1924 Sheridan Road Improved

"Progressive communities and good roads go hand in hand. Crittenden is fast taking her place amid counties with superior roads. Get in a car and drive out one of her highways toward Princeton or Salem and Paducah. Then tell the truth about your feeling.

"During the past week we have witnessed some splendid work on the Sheridan-Tolu road—one of the most desperate roads of history. The work has only started, yet the improvement will measure 100 percent. A moderate amount of continual work will make it possible for the teamster to pull 4,000 pounds with greater ease



Men and teams ready to work on Crittenden County's first "pike," the Marion-Princeton Road.

than he has for months pulled 2,000 pounds. Then, if one drives out this way in a car, he can do so with comfort and cease criticism of his county and grandfather.

"A word of commendation is due Mr. Jesse Perryman and his men, as well as Mr. Fred Brown and Ray Williams, hauling contractors at the Holly Mines. Both haulers and hands have given work on this project."

July 29, 1927 Work Starts on Federal Road 60

"Work was started this week on the surfacing of the Marion-Salem portion of United States Highway Number 60. Ben E. Clement, of the Holly Fluorspar Company, holds the contract for the graveling of the slightly more than eight mile section of road. During the first few days of the week, workmen, under the supervision of Mr. Clement, prepared a portion of the road just outside the city limits for the surface which will be put in place as fast as developments can be pushed. The first loads of crushed rock were laid this week."

Dec. 9, 1927 Funds for Road to Dycusburg

"The dream of a hard surfaced road to Dycusburg will soon be a reality, according to County Judge L.E. Waddell, who has made public a list of the donors to the fund to be used in the construction of this road. A partial list of those contributing: J.A. Graves, M.E. Stephenson, T.W. Brown, W.W. Bennett, Claude Fletcher, J.C. Brasher, J.E. Shadowen, L.C. Brasher, James Riley, Elmer Parish, M.F. Pogue, W.I. Tabor, J.H. Beavers, A.H. Shadowen, J.M. Polk, C.L. Lindsey, Harlan Peek, J.L. Patton, G.C. Oliver, just to name a few interested citizens that contributed."

Dec. 16, 1927 Plans Laid for New State Road to Shady Grove

"A proposed bill—which was drawn up by Edward D. Stone, Crittenden attorney and a former member of the state legislature, is to be presented at the next legislature meeting establishing a primary road project—a road leading from Marion to Shady Grove on state primary road project No. 10 to be

established as a part of the primary system of state highways of the Commonwealth of Kentucky."

This highway would be completed in 1933 and known as the Laffoon Trail, after the Kentucky governor of the day, Ruby Laffoon. The eastern section of the Laffoon Trail would extend from Marion to Shady Grove. It started at the Masonic corner in Marion, went east to the end of Belleville Street and followed the general direction of the old Shady Grove Road by way of Tribune and Deanwood into Shady Grove, where it connects with other state highways to Princeton, Providence and Madisonville.

Sludgefoot closely watches movements in woods

(Editor's note: This is the sixth in a series of seven stories by Crittenden County native David Drennan about the tracking of a trophy deer in the northeast portion of the county dubbed "Sludgefoot." The semi-fictional series, "Sludgefoot: King of the White-tails," is his light-hearted account of the adventure with actual journal entries describing the scene.)

Battered after their intense struggle, Coileus and Odo found themselves pitted against hungry coyotes. They found it necessary at that time to work together to escape alive.

Nov. 7
"6:39 a.m. Four bucks standing in middle of clover field in front of the

house as I came back from the barn. Crawled to car for camera. Did not get a decent reading until shutter speed was on 8. Oh, yes, the bucks were No. 1, No. 2, the big eight and a little six."

Odo and Sludgefoot prepared the young deer to find safe places to hide. Newly reinstated by the Council, Sludgefoot insisted that his brother stay and help in getting the herd ready for this year's archery season.

It was a time that the king could never have prepared for. Humans would come in and hunt him and his herd and be protected by the law of the land. They were different than the ones that shot at him near the river in the Forbidden Land.

Hunting season was a time where everyone had to watch and be aware. In one instant, their lives could change forever. They could be killed or injured, only to later be killed by a predator. It was a time of fear in the kingdom.

This year, Sludgefoot went up in the high country. He found himself being very particular this time of year, watching his movements.

He often bedded down and stayed there most of the day, not wanting the hunters to see his hiding places. Being sure not to be spotted in the same place twice was his goal.

He wondered where those humans were who watched him so reverently. Would they be among the ones who came after the

crown upon his head?

Sludgefoot walked through the newly-fallen snow on top of the bluff. He was alone. His brother and the others had all spread out in their own hiding places.

All of a sudden, Sludgefoot felt really alone. Alone like he did in the Forbidden Land. He sniffed, noting a strange and alarming new smell in the air. The air became chilled around the great deer. In an instant, he realized he was being hunted.

But where? And from what direction?

The hair on his back stood up. Should he run? Should he stay still? He smelled again.

It was deathly still on the hillside. Not even a crow cawed. The occasional

sway of the trees was all that moved.

Sludgefoot cocked his ear back to hear the zing of a released arrow.

(David Drennan, 23, is a native of Crittenden County. He is a student teacher at Caldwell County Elementary School and works as a volunteer with local children's organizations.)

WKCTC opens enrollment

STAFF REPORT

Students can now enroll for the summer and fall semesters at West Kentucky Community and Technical College (WKCTC). Fall classes begin Aug. 19.

To better accommodate busy schedules, students can now enroll in summer classes at four different times. The

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Students lend Helping Hands at area food pantry

BY JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

It was a day spent serving others while lending a hand to a local food pantry.

Students from Christian Fellowship School, a private school in Marshall County, volunteered their time at the Livingston County Helping Hands food bank in Smithland on March 22. The day was organized as part of a Serve-a-Thon, an annual event where students experience first-hand the opportunity to give and assist other individuals they may not have known before.

Christian Fellowship teacher Paulette Buckingham and three parent volunteers joined 13 sophomore students as they sorted clothes, organized shelves, labeled items and helped with a variety of other tasks.

Darlene Timmons, the director of Livingston County Helping Hands, said the extra help was greatly appreciated because the organization usually has only two volunteers to organize the food, clothing and other

items the organization distributes to help underprivileged families.

"They helped sort things in the garage like the men's and women's clothes," Timmons said. "It takes hours to do that. They got a lot of that done. Then our food truck also came that day. They helped unload that and put a lot of things on the shelf and also into our large freezer."

"It was just a wonderful day, and when their project was done, they just kept stepping up and asking what else they could do. It was just awesome."

Christian Fellowship School, which will celebrate its 30th anniversary next year, is for kindergarteners through seniors and is located near Benton. Timmons said some of the parents of students live in Livingston County and use the volunteer time as an opportunity to serve their community.

Currently, the Helping Hands food bank is in the middle of the Feinstein Chal-

lenge. Alan Feinstein is a nationally known philanthropist and humanitarian. Each year, the Alan Feinstein Foundation issues its annual \$1 million challenge to participating food pantries. The goal is for hunger-fighting agencies to make every effort to contact the surrounding communities and encourage individuals to take up the challenge of helping others.

Whatever donations are received through April 30, Feinstein will match. Ultimately, the benefactor will divide the \$1 million proportionately among the participating agencies.

Donations may include canned goods, which are counted at \$1 per can; cash; checks; and pledges. Checks can be made out to Livingston County Helping Hands. Contributions can be mailed to Livingston County Helping Hands, P.O. Box 296 Smithland, KY 42081 or dropped off at the food pantry located at 509 Mill St. in Smithland.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Students from Christian Fellowship School in Marshall County recently spent a day lending a hand to an area food pantry in Smithland. Pictured helping sort items in the kitchen at Livingston County Helping Hands are (foreground, from left) Julie Revell, Hyewon Cho, Faith Haley and Lydia Powell. Darlene Timmons, the director of Livingston County Helping Hands, said the extra help from the students was greatly appreciated.

High school students record music CD

BY JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Two Crittenden County High School students have written and recorded a Christian single to be unveiled later this week.

"Forever Changed," was written by Aaron Owen and Erin McDonald. Owen said he was inspired to write the song as a testimony to receiving Christ as his Savior. "I just wanted to tell my story of how I had been changed and tell people you can be saved,"

Owen said. "God can tell messages through anybody."

Owen is the son of Brett and Tammy Owen of Marion. McDonald is the daughter of Chris and Sue McDonald of the Frances community.

Owen said he and McDon-

ald had discussed writing a song before. When the inspiration came for this project, he enlisted McDonald's help to write the chorus.

"We had talked before about writing a song together. She can sing and I can rap," he said.

"Whenever I wrote it, I didn't have a chorus for it."

After the song was complete, Owen said he and McDonald put their initial performance of the song online for individuals to hear.

"After the second day we had over 1,000 views online. I went to Erin and said, 'we have to get this produced,'" he said.

The two teens recorded the song in the Nashville studio of Joshua Payne, who was

the single's producer. The track was produced during a day-long recording session in Music City.

"That was cool," McDonald said about the recording process. "It was a whole day

through. It took about five or six hours to record."

An official release of the single and CD signing will take place after Sunday services at 1 p.m., at Life in Christ Church.

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Church notes

■ Barnett Chapel Church will have revival at 7, nightly beginning Monday. Bro. Keith Wilcox will be the evangelist. Bro. Steve Tinsley and the congregation welcome everyone. For more information contact Donna Herron at 965-5988.

■ Spring Church Revival at Bethel Methodist Church close to Lola will be held at 7 nightly April 11, 12 and 13. Bro. Jr. Deason, Bro. Mike Grimes and Bro. Chuck Ladd will be speaking. Music will be provided nightly by local churches.

■ Revival services will be held

April 12 - 14 at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Marion. Speaking at 7 p.m., April 12, Van Yandell; 7 p.m., April 13, Nick Forsythe; 9:30 a.m., April 14 Bible study and at 10:45 a.m., Van Yandell; 6 p.m., April 14, Clay Cambell.

■ Worship with Miracle Word Church in Salem at 11 a.m., Sunday. Come and expect God to move.

■ Repton Baptist Church in Mattoon hosts Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills 6 p.m., on Sundays in the fellowship hall. The program uses a fun format to teach children in grades first through sixth Bible skills.

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OBITUARIES

Cole

Joseph Wayne Cole, 67, of Marion died March 28, 2013, at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem. He is survived by one son, Jimmy Edwards of Marion; three daughters, Lisa Cole, Dena Sunderland and Liz Travis, all of Marion; two brothers, Carl Cole of Arizona and James Cole of Marion; and several grandchildren; and great-grandchildren. Cole was preceded in death by his wife, Milly Wood Cole; his parents, Bill and Lilly Chetwood Cole; two brothers; and two sisters. Following Cole's request, cremation was chosen. Myers Funeral Home in Marion was in charge of arrangements.

Clark

Dora E. Clark 80, of Paducah, formerly of Marion, died March 28, 2013, at Baptist Health in Paducah. She was a member of the Paducah Lions Club, Telephone Pioneers of America and Professional Secretaries. Clark is survived by Clayton Brantley of Marion, cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert, and her parents, Sylvia and Samuel Parish. Funeral services were Saturday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was in Crowell Cemetery.



Dunkerson

Emma Katherine (Kemper) Smith Dunkerson, 97, of Burna, died March 26, 2013, at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem. Dunkerson had attended Central Baptist Church. She is survived by five children, Velda Phillips of Paducah, Doris Simpkins of Burna, Jimmy Smith of Memphis, Tenn., Jearldine "Jeri" McClure of Marion and Willa Mae Sigler of Ledbetter; several grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by one son, Bennie Smith; two husbands, Raymond Smith and Truman Dunkerson; two brothers; three sisters; and her parents, James and Zula Slayden Kemper. Graveside services were Friday at Lola Cemetery with Rev. Kenny Odom officiating. Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem was in charge of arrangements.

Thank You

I would like to thank the following people that helped us during the illness and passing of my husband, Raymond Lee Duffy. Thank you to Dr. Greg Maddux, the staff of Lourdes Hospice, members of Walnut Grove Church, Bro. and Mrs. Richard Gardner, those that brought food or helped in any way, and all the friends and neighbors that came and for all the prayers for God's Will to be done. May God bless you all.

Jewell B. Duffy, Wife
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Nephews & Cousins

Curnel

Shelly Marie (Mullins) Curnel, 39, of Salem, died March 27, 2013, in Gallatin County, Ill. She is survived by Jay Curnel; four children, Jennifer and husband Brad Tinsley of Carrsville, Kayla Curnel of Pensacola, Fla., Ashley Atwell of Salem and Skylar Smith of Madison, Ind.; her parents, Solomon and Delores Mullins of Salem; one sister, Norma and husband Jim Ramage of Salem; one brother, Tommy and wife Loveta Mullins of Cypress, Ill.; one grandchild, Bentley Tinsley; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one brother, Christopher Mullins. Funeral services were Monday at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem, with Revs. Leroy Driver, Danny Shuecraft and Junior Deason officiating. Burial was in Ditney Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Boyd Funeral Directors, P.O. Box 26, Salem, KY 42078. Memorial condolences may be left online at boydfuneraldirectors.com.

Caraway

Deeanna J. Caraway, of Clay, died March 31, 2013, in Wheatcroft. She had worked as a licensed practical nurse and was of the Baptist faith. Caraway is survived by her husband of 30 years, Ricky Caraway of Clay; two daughters, Jessica and husband Andrew Pemberton of Wheatcroft; Cameron Caraway of Clay; her mother and step-father, Martha and D.H. Kelley of Clay; two brothers, Joey Phillips and Henry Carroll Phillips, both of Wheatcroft; nieces; and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Joe Phillips, and a sister, Kelly Phillips. Funeral services were Wednesday at Townsend Funeral Home in Dixon, with Rev. Laddie Pride officiating. Burial was in Rock Springs Cemetery in Wheatcroft. Memorial contributions can be made to: Rock Springs Cemetery Fund, c/o Calvin Martin, 9271 S.R. W., Clay, KY 42404.



Brantley

Gwendolyn Brantley, 63, of Marion, died April 2, 2013, at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah. She is survived by her husband, Richard Brantley of Marion; three sisters, Margaret Wood of Wine Grove, Ky., Patricia Soards of Louisville and Nancy Ward of Glasgow; three sons, Harlin Ray Brantley, Schuyler and wife Cathy Brantley and Jeff and wife Jammie Brantley; and six grandchildren. Brantley was preceded in death by her parents, Benton and Annie Wood. Graveside services were Wednesday at Rosebud Cemetery in Marion with Gilbert Funeral Home in charge of services.

Unemployment up in Crittenden

STAFF REPORT
Unemployment rates fell in 91 Kentucky counties between February 2012 and February 2013, while rates in 26 counties, including Crittenden and Livingston, increased. Rates in three counties were static, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training. The jobless rate in Crittenden County for February 2013 was 8.5 percent, up from 8.4 percent recoded 12 months earlier, but down 0.1 percent from January 2013. In Livingston County, more than one of every 10 workers re-

mained unemployed for the second consecutive month. The February 2013 jobless rate was 10.5 percent, up from 10.5 percent in January and 10.4 percent from the previous February. Statewide unemployment fell sharply from February 2012 to February 2013, dropping from 9.3 to 8.6 percent. Meantime, Woodford County once again recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 5.9 percent, while Magoffin County repeated with the state's highest jobless rate at 18.9 percent.

Jobless rate in Crittenden rises

Listed below are the jobless rates for select counties listed from the state's lowest in February 2013 to the highest with area counties of interest listed between. Union County had the lowest February 2013 rate in far western Kentucky while Fulton County had the highest.

AREA	FEB. 2013	JAN. 2013	FEB. 2012
Kentucky.....	8.6.....	8.7.....	9.3
Pennyryle.....	9.4.....	9.6.....	9.5
COUNTIES			
Woodford.....	5.9.....	5.9.....	6.7
Union.....	7.2.....	7.4.....	8.0
Caldwell.....	7.6.....	7.9.....	7.9
Webster.....	7.3.....	7.9.....	7.5
Crittenden.....	8.5.....	8.6.....	8.4
Livingston.....	10.5.....	10.1.....	10.4
Lyon.....	9.4.....	9.9.....	10.4
Fulton.....	15.9.....	15.3.....	18.0
Magoffin.....	18.9.....	18.8.....	15.9

Rates are not seasonally adjusted

NEWS BRIEFS

2 state highways to be resurfaced

Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will be spending about \$640,000 to improve two state highways in Crittenden County this summer. Work will be done on a 3.9-mile section of Ky. 654 North from U.S. 60 to the end of state maintenance. This will include resurfacing the entire stretch of the two-lane highway. Also, a 4.1-mile section of Ky. 506 will be resurfaced between the Caldwell County line and the intersection with Weldon Road.

City projects would change landscape

Two municipal projects likely to take place in the coming months inside the City of Marion will change the landscape—literally. Discussed at last month's city council meeting and tentatively set for a decision at the April 15 meeting are demolition of the old city hall on East Bellville Street and reworking the Chapel Hill Road intersection at South Main Street (U.S. 641). Razing the city's old headquarters and adjoining former fire station and clearing the site will leave several options for uses of the site. From discussions last month, it will most likely end up as additional city parking. Officials hope to retain the east-facing wall with the American flag painted on it.

Meantime, City Administrator Mark Bryant would like to see a more standard T-junction where Chapel Hill Road connects with South Main Street. The road currently takes a sharp turn, almost running parallel to Main Street, before the intersection. The oddly-arranged three-way intersection was forced long ago because of the railroad that once crossed South Main Street in that area. With the railroad now gone, the opportunity to straighten the Chapel Hill Road approach to the South Main Street junction exists. Though the intersection lies within Marion, Bryant would like to see a joint city-county effort to make the improvements, as Chapel Hill Road is one of only a couple of roads not maintained by the state that begin inside the city and extend beyond its limits into the county.

Superintendents' info made public

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The public will soon be able to view the full compensation packages of Kentucky's school superintendents as well as their performance evaluations on the education department's website, state officials have announced. The future database stems from last month's allegations that a former superintendent pocketed nearly \$224,000 in

unauthorized benefits and payments from a district in northern Kentucky. Kentucky Auditor Adam Edelen, who investigated the alleged thefts, said the information will help the public—and school boards—hold accountable their districts' leadership. The Kentucky Department of Education will display compensation information after July 1 and evaluations after Dec. 1. Education Department Associate Commissioner Hiren Desai said the state also will start to require districts to evaluate superintendents' handling of fiscal matters.

Stranger wills gift to animal shelters

FROM AP AND STAFF REPORTS
A mild-mannered western Kentucky farmer who never turned away a stray cat left a portion of his estate to every county-run animal shelter in the Commonwealth. County officials across Kentucky, including in Crittenden County, received checks last month for \$1,432 from a man they never met, a Muhlenberg County dairy farmer named Bland Hardison. Hardison died in 2008 at age 86 and had set up in his will a gift for the state's animal shelters, said his widow,

Jonell Hardison. In total, Hardison set aside nearly \$1 million in donations to various charities upon his death, and the estate took years to settle. The donation was a much-needed windfall for Crittenden County Animal Shelter, said Judge-Executive Perry Newcom.

Extended jobless benefits reduced

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS
The federal budget cuts that kicked in earlier this month are taking a bite out of extended unemployment benefits for thousands of jobless Kentucky residents. The Kentucky Office of Employment and Training reports that the reductions that went into effect March 1 are forcing a 10.7 percent cut in payments. The decrease in the weekly checks began Sunday and will likely extend through the week of Sept. 22. The regular state benefits of 10 to 26 weeks will not be affected by the cuts. Last week, President Barack Obama signed a stopgap spending bill to keep the government running through the end of September. But it left in place the \$85 billion in automatic budget cuts known as the sequester.

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We all want beautiful and healthy skin, but some of us tend to equate beautiful, vibrant skin with tanned skin. Tanning is actually your body's reaction to skin damage from ultraviolet rays.

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your body is unprotected against UVA rays, it releases melanin, a pigment that darkens the skin. Many people have the



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misconception that indoor tanning equipment is safer than sunbathing, but tanning beds use mainly UVA rays at a higher concentration than sunlight, so they can cause just as much, if not more, damage to your skin.

In addition, indoor tanning facilities are open most days of the year, making them more accessible than sunlight.

Indoor tanning equipment has been linked to two

types of skin cancers: melanoma, the deadliest form, and squamous cell carcinoma, as well as eye cancer.

A 2009 study conducted by the International Agency for Research on Cancer, found people's risk of developing melanoma increases by 75 percent if they begin visiting tanning beds before the age of 35.

The American Cancer Society reported that melanoma is one of the

most common types of cancers in those younger than 30 years old, especially women.

Exposure to UV rays from sunlight and tanning equipment also can cause premature aging, immune system suppression, eye damage and allergic reaction.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists the following tips to help you protect yourself from UV exposure:

- Wear sunscreen with a

- sun protective factor (SPF) of at least 15 and UVA and UVB protection.
- Stay in the shade, especially during the middle of the day.
- Cover as much skin as possible with clothing.
- Wear a hat with a wide brim to protect your face, ears, neck and head.
- Wear sunglasses with as close to 100 percent protection from UVA and UVB rays as possible.
- Avoid indoor tanning.



Sample-Hart

Madison and Stacey Sample of Madisonville announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Michele Sample, to Samuel Aaron Hart, son of Tammie and Jimmy Brown of Providence and Alan and Christie Hart of Madisonville.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of June Kuthe and Samuel Elkins of Madisonville and Bobbie and Ruth Sample of Madisonville.

She is a 2010 graduate of Webster County High School and attends Murray State University.

She is a member of Providence General Baptist

Church and is employed by Wal-Mart Pharmacy of Murray.

Samuel Aaron Hart is the grandson of Mary Lou and Paul Winebarger of Providence and Barbara and Gordon Foster of Madisonville. He is a 2008 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a 2011 graduate of Madisonville Community College.

He is a member of Pleasant Valley Church and is employed by the United States Postal Service.

The wedding will take place at 5 p.m., May 18, at First Baptist Church in Madisonville.

Author shares outdoor experiences

BY JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Tom White firmly believes reading is the basis of all education. A Princeton resident, White recently wrote "Adventures Past," a compilation of hunting and fishing stories and a life spent in the woods.

An event introducing White to the community was held in March at the Crittenden County High School library where the author autographed copies of his book for students. The event was registered with the Kentucky Literacy Celebration, a program that is sponsored by the Kentucky Reading Association to encourage and develop literacy across the Commonwealth.

During his conversation with students, White stressed the importance of a good education and taking opportunities to dream big and accomplish goals.

White's own dream of becoming an author was realized just within the last few years.

Originally from southwest Indiana, White worked at the General Electric plant in Mount Vernon, Ind., for 30 years.

In 1995, he and his wife Phyllis moved to Kentucky. An outdoor enthusiast, White has enjoyed many years of hunting and fishing.

He particularly enjoys fishing on Lake Barkley and the St. John's River in Florida.

A few years ago he decided to take a community college course which inspired him to write about his love of the outdoors.

"God gave us the outdoors. As far as I'm concerned there's nothing greater than watching the sun come up or watching it set on a beautiful day. Whether you're on the lake or sitting in the woods, it's wonderful," he said. "We should make use of it and protect it. Not abuse it, but enjoy it. I love the outdoors."

Included in the book are stories from his childhood. He also writes about safety in the woods and recounts



PHOTO BY JASON TRAVIS, THE PRESS
Author Tom White signs a copy of his book "Adventures Past" for Crittenden County High School junior Jacob Tinsley (right). White's friend and former classmate in community college, David Drennan, is also pictured.

an incident when he was 23 years old. White was accidentally shot in the face with buckshot from a shotgun while rabbit hunting.

"It was vicious," White said about the experience. "I had holes in my face and ears."

That incident didn't deter him from enjoying hunting and fishing and the experience of being outdoors.

White took his experiences of preparing wild game for dinner and has co-authored a wild game recipe book with his wife. It's titled "You Killed It: Now You Eat It."

"I wrote 80 narratives and put them in the cookbook. There are 100 recipes. It's a book to enjoy reading while you're cooking," he said.

Both books are published by McClanahan Publishing House in Kuttawa.

To obtain copies, contact

at adventurespast@gmail.com

White enjoys writing and has a few more books planned in the coming months. He believes everyone should write about their lives and document their experiences.

"If you don't write about your life—all the simple things, what you did, where you went to school, what you did in school, when you fell in love—it will be gone when you're gone," he said. "All that the history books will tell is that Marion was founded by such and such. It won't mention you at all. We all make a community. We should write our story. Somebody will want to read it," he said. "I'm not saying you will make a lot of money at that, but it's a great thing. If you do write a story about your life and get it published, donate it to

the library. It will be there for everybody to read."

White has encouraged others to write. He became acquainted with Crittenden County native David Drennan while attending community college. White inspired Drennan to write Sludgefoot, a series of seven stories currently published in The Crittenden Press.

White said individuals who wish to write and become published should pursue their dream by first getting an education and proper training.

"I'm having a good time. I'll be 75 the Fourth of July, and I hope I have a few more years to write," he said. "If you're interested in writing and telling your stories or telling other people's stories, go for it, because it's fun. I'm having more fun than I've ever had in my life."

Community CALENDAR

Thursday, April 4
■ Bro. Tim Burdon of Mexico Baptist Church will be at the Senior Center at 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 6
■ The annual Crayne Cemetery Association meeting will be held at 9 a.m., at the Crayne Community Church. All interested in the cemetery are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, April 10
■ AARP Tax Prep will be available at the senior center from 10 a.m., to 2 p.m. Call the center at 965-5229 for an appointment.
■ The Crittenden County Extension District Board will meet at 1:15 p.m., at the Extension Office.

Thursday, April 11
■ Crittenden County Extension Council will meet at 7:30 a.m., at the County Extension Office. Pre-register by Monday at 965-5236.
■ The VFW will meet at 6:30 p.m., at their headquarters in Marion.

Saturday, April 13
■ Shady Grove Cemetery Association will have its annual meeting at 10 a.m., at the Shady Grove Fire Department. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Monday, April 15
■ Crittenden County Extension Homemaker Advisory Council will meet at 11:30 a.m., at the Ed-Tech Center.

Tuesday, April 16
■ Livingston County Democratic Executive Committee and Friends will be honoring former state Rep. Mike Cherry at 6 p.m., at Miss Scarlett's Restaurant in Grand Rivers. Dinner will be Dutch treat.

Thursday, April 18
■ Crittenden County Inter-Agency Council will meet at 9 a.m., at the County Extension Office. Program will be provided by Robbie Kirk on the Victory Garden. For further information call 965-5236.
■ Crittenden County Public Library will hold computer classes from 2-3 p.m., with a demonstration of Career Transitions database available through the library's website. Learn about resume building, career inventories and interview skills. Classes are free. Sign up at the library. Only eight slots available. The classes will be repeated if there is interest.

Friday, April 19
■ Diabetes Support Group will meet from 10-11 a.m., at the County Extension Office. Kelly Dawes, Diabetes Educator for the District Health Department, will present tips on staying on your food plan. The group is open to the public. Pre-registration is not required.

Friday April 26-27
■ A Dog Gone Good Lunch will be held at the Marion Welcome Center during the Backroad's Festival. Lunch includes BBQ sandwich, chips, fruit and cookies for \$5. To pre-order call 545-7089 or 965-2006. Proceeds benefit the Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter

On-going
■ Crittenden County Project Graduation is selling Rocket tumblers, cookbooks and jersey knit throws as fundraisers. See any senior class member to purchase.



Easter egg hunts bring smiles to children

PHOTOS SUBMITTED
Seventh grader Bailey Barnes helps Cheyenne Camp (at left) with an Easter egg hunt at Crittenden County Elementary. The Peoples Bank's Community Easter Egg Hunt winners (at right) include Tristan Stallins, infant to three years; Kailey Duncan, four to six years; and Jacob Fritts, seven to 10 years.

Garden Club celebrates spring’s arrival

STAFF REPORT

The Salem Garden Club has been anticipating the arrival of spring. Hoping to jump start the season, the club celebrated their sixth annual Salem Spring Banquet. This event is co-sponsored by the City of Salem.

The new pastor of Salem Baptist Church, Chuck Ellis, opened the banquet with prayer. Bro. Ellis is an avid gardener and has recently joined the garden club.

The youngest member, 10-year-old Drake Huffine, was on hand to present educational garden bingo games to teachers of area schools. Janet Quettermous of South Livingston Elementary School and Roberta Harris of North Livingston Elementary School received the games. Crittenden County Elementary School will also receive the game. Huffine tested the game out last month and thought it would help the students in his fourth-grade class understand the basics of gardening.

He made the motion to purchase these games and promote the continued education of gardening. Members said it is exciting to



PHOTOS SUBMITTED

Above (from left) Stan Wallace, Pauline Lawless and Janet Hughes and, at right (from left) Janet Quettermous, Roberta Harris, Drake Huffine and Janet Hughes attend the sixth annual Spring Banquet of the Salem Garden Club.

have a 10-year-old at the meetings, as he is eager to share his experiences in the garden.

The garden club also announced that a committee has been formed to set the guidelines for a future scholarship. Graduating seniors of 2014 who are pursuing an agriculture or horticulture degree will be the recipients of the award.

Pauline Lawless, of Salem, received the 2013 Civic Beautification Award. After purchasing her home on Main Street three years ago, Lawless began to improve the landscape. Although there was a drought last year, Lawless said her front flowerbed thrived. She said she hadn't felt this good in



years and gardening is great therapy. She is recovering from multiple surgeries on her ankle and foot.

Salem Mayor Stan Wallace recognized former Mayor Rell Peck for his years of service to the community. Peck was a founding member of Salem Lions Club, a past commissioner and avid supporter of the Salem Garden Club.

Door prizes provided by Farmers Bank, Community Farm Store, Salem Food Market and Harris/Miles LP Gas were received at the end of the banquet.

Members said the club will be busy the next few months. They will plant new trees at the city's welcome rocks and will have a plant exchange at the next meeting.

New members are urged to join the garden club. The club meets on the second Tuesday of each month.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Whitfield meets representatives

Congressman Ed Whitfield (R-Hopkinsville), Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Energy and Power, met in his Washington office last month with representatives from the Pennyriple Area Development District. Pictured are (from left) Bart Frazer of Crittenden County, Tim McCollum of Kuttawa, Kuttawa Mayor Lee McCollum, Rep. Whitfield, Princeton Mayor Gale Cherry, Glenda Harper of Caldwell County and Jason Vincent of Hopkinsville.



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Reading contest held at CCES

On March 1, Crittenden County Elementary School joined the world wide competition "Read the Most from Coast to Coast" sponsored by Renaissance Learning. The contest at the school was to see who could read the most books and take, and pass, its Accelerated Reader test. These students were the top book readers in their homerooms: (Front, from left) Cole McKinney, Caden DeBoe, Nathan Bozeman, Raven Hayes, Macie Hunt, Genesis Calderon, Nate Faith, Tristan Yates, Leauna West, Lizzie Campbell, Kailey Duncan, (middle) Jimmy Newland, Leah Fritts, Brady Smith, Brian Nelson, James Crider, Jalaine Noel, Emma Williams, Kobe Adams, Tanner Beverly, Landen Crider, Trace Adams, (back) Nahla Callaway, Belle Minton, Sara Jones, Chandler Moss, Taylor Stoner, Kacie Easley, Kalli Champion, Caden McCalister, Ellie McGowan, Kyrion Hicks, Ellie Smith and Dougie Conger. Not pictured are Hannah Riley and Bennett McDaniel.

Turner named employee of the month

STAFF REPORT

Kathryn Turner has been selected as Crittenden County School District's employee of the month.

Turner has been in education since 1982. She began her career as an instructor in dental hygiene. She then worked as an instructor for ABE/GED in Harlan, Ky.

In 1996, she began working in Crittenden County as assistant principal at the



Turner

served in that role for eight years.

high school and was the athletic director. In the summer of 2002, she became the Family Resource Youth Service Center coordinator. She currently she serves as the Alternative Learning Center director.

She is a member of many civic organizations.

Turner lives in Webster County with her husband of more than 30 years. They have two daughters and two grandchildren. She enjoys cooking, canning, crocheting and spending time with her grandchildren.

Mediacom launches video OnDemand services in western Kentucky counties

STAFF REPORT

Mediacom Communications last week announced an expansion of its digital video services in western Kentucky to make available the OnDemand channel that lets viewers choose any time of day or night to watch primetime television programs, movies, children's programs and special events.

Customers of the nation's eighth largest cable television company in Crittenden County, Salem and Fredonia will be among those who will now find OnDemand at Mediacom Channel 1.

It is automatically available to digital cable subscribers and includes more than 10,000 hours of content stored in Mediacom's network.

The core of this digital service is "Free OnDemand," which is an extensive video menu where viewers can choose to watch primetime television shows from FOX, NBC and ABC.

They also can see current and recent episodes of programs from cable networks such as "Duck Dynasty" (A&E), "Walking Dead" (AMC), "Big Bang Theory" (TBS), and hundreds of others. "Kids on Demand" provides access to popular programs like "Mickey's Clubhouse" from Disney and others from Nickelodeon and Cartoon Network that families can watch at any time.

"This kind of digital tool puts the consumer in total control," said Dale Haney, Mediacom's area operations director. "Besides choosing what and when to watch, the viewer can pause, rewind or fast-forward the program. There are almost endless options, and it's all at the touch of a cable remote button."

When premium channels are included in customers' subscriptions, those channels are automatically available for viewing in OnDemand.

The service also is known for its extensive selection of movies and special event entertainment.

Increasingly, Hollywood studios release new movies to cable's OnDemand channel earlier than the availability from RedBox and Netflix, or on the same day as DVD and BlueRay releases.

OnDemand service is activated by a digital receiver (set-top cable box).

Area consumers can see how OnDemand works by visiting Mediacom offices in Benton and Princeton where they will see demonstrations and can use a remote control to explore the range of programming available to request for viewing at any time.



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Sculpture awards presented

Winners were announced in the Trash Sculpture contest sponsored by West Kentucky Regional Recycling. Students created sculptures that included depictions of farms and windmills. Winners received checks presented by Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom on behalf of West Kentucky Regional Recycling. Newcom (top photo) with middle school winners Amanda Lynch, who received \$40; McKenzie Zahrt, who received \$25; high schooler Cole Foster, who received \$110; former 4-H Extension Agent Bonnie Baker; and Dena Duncan, who received \$50 as the teacher with the most entries in the school system. Charles Johnson (not pictured) received \$60. Newcom and Baker (at bottom left) with elementary school winners Aubrey Hollis, who received \$60; Kaiden Hollis, who received \$60; and James Yates, who received \$25. Ellie McGowan (not pictured) received \$40. Newcom and Baker (at bottom right) with Tessa Potter, who placed in the home school division and received \$40.

SCHEDULE

Crittenden prep sports

Thursday

Baseball hosts Murray

Friday

Baseball at Trigg County

Saturday

Baseball hosts Mayfield

Monday

Baseball hosts Marshall County

Softball hosts Dawson Springs

Tuesday

Baseball hosts Hopkinsville

Softball at Carlisle County

Track & Field hosts quad meet

RUNNING

5K benefit run April 13

There will be a benefit 5K run and walk and silent auction Saturday, April 13 at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Proceeds benefit Karlee Qualls, premature baby of Bryan and Madison Qualls of Marion. The child remains at Kosair's Children's Hospital in Louisville. The race starts at 1 p.m. Cost is \$20.

BASEBALL

Fredonia leagues

Fredonia Legion Park will be registering players for the summer youth baseball league at the Fredonia American Legion building from 9 a.m., to 1 p.m., Saturday and April 13. Teams will be selected by April 15 and play begins one month later. Cost is \$25 per player. For information, call 619-0654 or 969-8325.

SOFTBALL

Chops, ribs and more

Crittenden County High School softball team is selling pork chop sandwiches and meals on Friday at Conrad's parking lot. Sandwiches are \$3 and meals are \$5 (includes sandwich, drink and chips). Call 969-0405.

Late league registration

Late registration for summer youth baseball and softball leagues at Marion-Crittenden County Park is available by paying a \$25 penalty through April 13.

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Youth Turkey	Apr. 6-7
Spring Turkey	Apr. 13 - May 5
LBL Non-Quota hunting	April 15-28
Snow Goose	Feb. 1 - March 31
Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote	Year Round

Youth turkey this weekend

This weekend is the annual youth turkey season for hunters 15-under. Anyone 12-under is license exempt. All youth hunters must be accompanied by an adult while hunting. The adult must remain in position to take immediate control of the youth's shotgun at all times. Adults who accompany youth hunters during the youth-only season are not required to have a hunting license or turkey permit. All youth hunters must use their social security number when telechecking a turkey. The limit is one bearded turkey per hunter, per day and no more than two during the spring seasons.

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FOOTBALL

Sivils signs with Pikeville

Caldwell County receiver and defensive back Tez Sivils will play at Pikeville University next fall. He is the second Tiger player to sign to play collegiate football. Line-man Cole Webster is headed to Campbellsville.

MISCELLANEOUS

Public recreation meeting

Crittenden County residents will be given opportunity to express their views concerning the recreational needs of the community at a public meeting next week. To provide a forum for discussion, an open meeting is being held at 6 p.m. next Thursday in the judge-executive's chamber at Crittenden County Courthouse. The specific purpose of this meeting is to discuss the development of a recreational project application for Crittenden County under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program.



Crittenden County first baseman Brittney Buell stretches for a throw from catcher Jessi Brewer during the seventh inning of last week's game at Lyon.

Baseball, softball off to slow starts

BASEBALL

Union nips CCHS

Union County sophomore pitcher Heath O'Nan threw a two-hitter to beat the Rockets 5-1 last Thursday at Gordon Blue Guess Field in Marion.

O'Nan struck out nine and walked four in six innings. Union brought in relief for the last inning.

The Rockets continued to struggle at the plate as Travis Gilbert and Devin Belt had the only hits for Crittenden. Both were singles. Dylan Hollis drove in the Rockets' only run, plating Zack Knight in the second inning.

Crittenden (2-3) threw a sophomore, too, and he pitched very well. Adam Driver struck out five batters and he allowed no earned runs, six hits and one walk over six innings. Taylor Champion worked the seventh for Crittenden.

Union County's offense was led by Homer O'Nan and Jacob Main, who teamed up for five hits and two RBIs.

Union County (2-3) went up for good in the first, scoring three runs on an RBI double by Main, an error, and an RBI single by Homer Onan.

Spring rains and cold weather have taken a toll on the Rockets' schedule so far this season. The team had three games rained out over the past week — a doubleheader Friday and Monday's

game at Marion.

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SOFTBALL

Tough breaks let Lyon win by one

A tough last inning and an appeal play in the eighth cost Crittenden County a Fifth District 2-1 loss last Thursday at Lyon County.

The Lady Rockets (1-5) played very well in the defensive struggled and took a 1-0 lead in the top of the last inning.

Danielle Byarley singled to right field to start the inning. Lyon's outfielder had a play on the ball, but couldn't catch it cleanly down the line. Byarley went to second on a grounder on the infield and then to third when Lyon's shortstop dropped a would-be third out pop up on the infield off the bat of Khyla Moss.

Lauren Watson hit at two-out single up the middle to score Byarley, the go-ahead run before Lyon got out of the jam without further trouble despite Crittenden having the bases loaded.

Lyon came right back in the last of the seventh. Their two-out rally started when Tawni Gray hit a nubber between



Crittenden third baseman Kayla Davis takes a throw in front of the bag on a steal by Lyon's Tawni Gray as CCHS shortstop Stacie Hearell backs up the play.

the plate and mound then beat the pitcher's throw to first.

Hurler Cassidy Moss had given up no runs and few base runners to that point. Moss worked the count full on the next batter, Lyon cleanup hitter Casey Freeman. After Freeman fouled two off, she drew a walk just as Gray stole third.

Becca Summers drove in the tying run on a slow roller to second base.

Crittenden thought it had taken a lead in the eighth inning when Cassidy Moss scored from third on a fly ball to center field by her sister, Khyla. However, the umpires said she left the bag too early and called her out.

Lyon won the game in its half of the extra inning when Rachel Williams hit a one-out single to score Hannah Hollamon.

Crittenden County Dugout Club - Marion-Crittenden County Park

Summer League Rosters

Listed are leagues, teams, sponsors and player rosters.

ROOKIE LEAGUE GIRLS

Wildcats (Custom Air)

Coach: Mandy Hunt

Players: Macie Hunt, Riley Smith, Hailey McCann, Brynn Porter, Karsen Shouse, Callie Dempsey, Alyssa Woodall, Kailyn Stokes, Emily Mattingly, Shayla Jones.

Cardinals (Farmers Bank)

Coach: Josh Champion

Players: Jaylee Champion, Jaycee Champion, Hadlee Rich, Addyson Kirby, Abbey Swinford, Jamie Wooley, Chloe Rozwalka, Kaylee Fay, Brylee Conyer, Callie Brown.

MAJOR LEAGUE BOYS

Crittenden County Reds

Coach: Craig Dossett

Players: Ethan Dossett, Payton Riley, Coy Burns, Mason Hunt, Devon Porter, Trent Champion, Blake Curnel, Sean O'Leary, Justin Phillips, Alex Tucker.

Crittenden County Royals

Coach: Shawn Holeman

Players: Hunter Holeman, Logan Belt, Cody Belt, Jayden Carlson, Pate Robinson, Adam Beavers, Devon Nesbitt, Matt Lynn, Riley Gobin, Seth Millikan.

CO-ED ROOKIE LEAGUE

Braves

Coach: David Conyer

Players: Aubre Conyer, Trace Scott, Cheyenne Starkey, Andrew Candelario, Landon Woodall, Georgia Holeman, Kayleigh Weathers, Garner Stalins, Seth Lynn.

Cardinals (Riley Tool & Machine)

Coach: Aaron Summers

Players: Quinn Summers, Tyree McLean, Carson Yates, Caden Howard, Gracie Wilkerson, Tucker Riley, Kaylee Hewitt, Jordyn Potter, Kole Williams, Grayson Davidson.

Cubs (Marion Eye Care Center)

Players: Carly Porter, Ethan Thomas, Aerie Suggs, Jantzen Fowler, Ethan Rhodes, Riley Kirby, Braden Sunderland, Chloe Hunt, Tyler Smith, David Fritts.

Yankees (Beavers Bro. Car Wash)

Coach: Danny Watson

Players: Carly Travis, Sofie Watson, Dixie Hunter, Kyler Goodwin, Travis Bull, Mary Rachel Stevens, Kaiden Travis, Klayton Murray, Caden Brothers.

T-BALL LEAGUE

Cardinals (Studio by Stacy)

Coach: Mandy Hunt

Players: Haylie Hunt, Shelbi Belt, Kindal Shouse, Dalton Murray, Cooper Crawford, Samuel Hall, Glenn Starkey, Landon Starkey.

Yankees (Farmers Bank)

Coach: Jared Byford

Players: Noah Byford, Gunner Top, Cheyenne Camp, Hunter Kirk, Bristyn Rushing, Trae Taylor, Shane Fricke, Noah Clark, Davis Perryman.

Cubs (KB & Clinic Pharmacy)

Coach: Joey Rich

Players: Jake Rich, Levi Quertermous, Gavin Grimes, Gracie Orr, Tucker Boudro, Brady Dayberry, Morgan Piper, Jaxton Duncan, Colton McLean.

Other rosters from the Crittenden County Dugout Club leagues will be published in the coming weeks.



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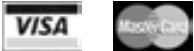
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notices

Public Notice

Budget hearing regarding proposed use of County Road Aid and Local Government Economic Assistance Funds. A public hearing will be held by Crittenden County at the courthouse on Tues., April 16, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. for the purpose of obtaining citizens comments regarding the possible uses of the County Road Aid (CRA) and Local Government Economic Assistance (LGEA) funds. All interested persons in Crittenden County are invited to the hearing to submit verbal or written comments on possible uses of the CRA and LGEA Funds. Any person(s) who cannot submit written comments or attend the public hearing but wish to submit comments, should call the Office of the County Judge/Executive at (270) 965-5251 by April 16, 2013 so the arrangements can be made to secure their comments. (1t-39-c)

Public Hearing Notice

Under Public Law 88-578 citizens are afforded the opportunity to express their views concerning the recreational needs of their community. To provide a forum for discussion, an open meeting is being held on Thursday, April 11, 2013 at 6 p.m. at the Crittenden County Courthouse, Marion, KY in the Fiscal Court Room sponsored by Crittenden County. The specific purpose of this meeting is to discuss the development of recreational project application for Crittenden County under the Land and Water Conservation Fund Program. Anyone with significant supporting or opposing view is invited to voice that opinion at this meeting or in writing to: Governor's Office, Department for Local Government, 1024 Capital Center Drive, Suite 340, Frankfort, KY 40601 within two (2) weeks of the date of the meeting. (1t-39-c)

Cellco Partnership and its controlled affiliates doing business as Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless) proposes to build a 299-foot Self Support Lattice Communications Tower. Anticipated lighting application is medium intensity dual red/white strobes. The Site location is 806 State Route 902 West, Fredonia, Crittenden County, KY 42411, 37-09-

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Melinda Gipson, City Treasurer

Tax Year Range 2012 To 2012 Calculated As Of 03/25/2013		
Bill Number	Account Name	Unpaid Tax
2012 40	ASBRIDGE VICKI & JEFFERAY	\$74.53
2012 80	BELT ALTON	\$134.14
2012 106	BENTLEY EVELYN R & FRANK W MOO	\$67.45
2012 142	BOYD JAMES A	\$10.43
2012 144	BRADFORD CHARLES	\$16.39
2012 174	BURNLEY CLYDE	\$4.47
2012 191	CASTILLER BRIDGET	\$64.09
2012 220	COFFIELD LOUISE ET AL	\$2.99
2012 257	CORLEW ALBERT OR DORIS	\$36.51
2012 268	COZART ANGIE D	\$59.62
2012 316	CURNEL RICKY & KARLA REED	\$155.01
2012 325	DAVENPORT SARAH	\$223.58
2012 353	DIEHL BOBBY	\$21.16
2012 467	FRANKLIN CAROLYN SUE	\$17.89
2012 500	GERHARDT CRAIG	\$11.92
2012 501	GETZ SERRINA & SCOTT	\$26.83
2012 508	GILLAND MARY ROSE	\$59.62
2012 511	GIPSON KEVIN E OR TANYA	\$52.16
2012 545	HACKNEY G CLARK & MICHELLE	\$104.33
2012 568	HARDESTY KENNETH JR	\$37.57
2012 659	HOLLOMAN KENNETH RAY & ANN	\$67.07
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Crittenden County Soil Conservation District held its annual awards banquet late last month, handing out recognition for numerous accomplishments. At left are those recognized at the banquet listed with their awards: (front, from left) Jenna Potter, Jim Claypool Conservation Art Contest winner; Mae-gan Potter, National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Poster Contest second-place win-ner in local second- and third-grade division; Tessa Potter, NACD Poster Contest first-place winner in both state and local second- and third-grade division; Jaden Willis, FFA Soil Judging winner; H.F. Simpson, Friend of Wildlife Award; (back) Beverly Herrin, Service Award; Kim Asbridge, accepting Master Conservationist Award on behalf of her husband William Jay Asbridge; and Jacob Greenwell, FFA Soil Judging winner. Below is Tessa Potter's winning NACS poster.

Conservation District recognizes stewards

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

Around five dozen people crowded the community room recently at the Marion Ed-Tech Center for Crittenden County Soil Conservation District's annual awards banquet. The ceremony recognized the efforts of individual and club participants for their soil and wildlife stewardship throughout the previous year. Award winners included:

■ 2012 Master Conservationist: William Jay Asbridge for his conservation management practices on his farm. Nationwide, fewer than 2 percent of individuals who participate in production agriculture are awarded this distinguishment.

■ Friend of Wildlife Award: H.F. Simpson for his many practices to improve wildlife habitat on his property by planting native grasses and undergoing other practices to promote wildlife. "It means a lot to me," an emotional Simpson said. "It really does." He won the Master Conservationist award about three decades ago.

■ Service Award: Beverly Herrin for 27 years of conservation district supervisor service, 17 as chairman.

■ FFA Soil Judging Winners: Jaden Willis and Jacob Greenwell, the top two scorers from Crittenden County who analyzed soil in regional competition to determine its properties and limitations and suggest recommended practices for the soil conditions and appropriate land uses.

■ Jim Claypool Conservation Art Contest winner: Jenna Potter, who took first from 500-plus entries.

■ Jim Claypool Conservation Writing Contest winner: Brenden Phillips, who beat out 120 other entries.

■ National Association of Conservation Districts "Soil to Spoon" Poster Contest winners: Noah Highfil, kindergarten and first-grade division, first place locally and second place statewide; Tessa Potter, second- and third-grade division, first place locally and statewide; Mae-gan Potter, second- and third-grade division, second place locally; and Luke Highfil, second- and third-grade division, third place locally.

The ceremony also recognized the work and contributions of Frankie Vailes, who has 14 years with the district, and former Natural Resource Conservations Service (NRCS) conservationist Larry Starr and conservation



technician Linda Perry. Both Starr and Perry retired within the last year.

But the conservation district and associated agencies are about more than recognition and honors.

The local conservation district, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency and NRCS, offers a number of programs devoted toward conservation of one resource or another.

Whether conserving soil or water or improving the quality of soil, water or wildlife habitat, the agencies work together to provide landowners with options to help improve their property. Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife also has programs to help property owners develop fauna-friendly habitats.

Some conservation efforts include buffers along streams or fields, tree and native grass plantings, waterway development, grazing systems, clear-cutting, pasture and hay land erosion control, reseeding pastures and sinkhole protection and buffers. There are additional programs available, as well.

Those with resource concerns or questions can contact the conservation district on East Bellville Street in Marion or call 965-3921.

Supervisors of the Crittenden County Conservation District are Brigham Kirk, chairman; Larry Duvall, vice chairman; Margaret Parish, secretary-treasurer; Adam Barnes, Carol Hendrix, Jody Herrin and Helen Hunt.

Salem woman dies in Illinois wreck

STAFF REPORT

A Livingston County woman was killed last week in a single-vehicle accident in southern Illinois. (See obituary on Page 7)

According to The Southern Illinoisian, Shelly M. Curnel, 39, of Salem, was

killed in an accident on Ill. 1 near the Hardin-Gallatin County line. Illinois State Police report Curnel was northbound in her Pontiac Bonneville on the afternoon of March 27 when she appeared to have lost control of the sedan.

The cause was unknown. Police report Curnel over-corrected, ran off the roadway and struck a tree on the driver's side door.

The Gallatin County Coroner pronounced Curnel dead at the scene of the collision.

Detention center census report

The following is an inmate census of the 133-bed Crittenden County Detention Center as of Monday:

CLASSIFICATION	MALE	FEMALE
Federal	0	1
State	75	14
Crittenden	14	5
Other	2	0
Gender total	91	20

Total population: 111

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SALEM - 6 bdr, computer rm, lg eat-in kitchen w/ natural custom cherry cabinets, appliances stay. 2 baths, utility rm, lg living rm, 2-car attached garage 30x60 workshop that's insulated w/ concrete floor. \$129,000.00. cy

NICE & NEAT - 2 bdr ready to move into, dining rm, family rm in basement, utility rm, kitchen appliances stay, 1 car garage, storage bldg, paved drive, also has central heat/air. \$55,000.00. ts

COUNTRY LIFE - Beautiful 4 bdr, 4 bath home w/ finished basement for your mother-in-law. Basement has its own kitchen w/ appliances. Central heat/air all sitting on 3 +/- acres. \$225,000.00. pi

DRAKE STREET - 3 bdr, lots of kitchen cabinets, lg utility rm, central heat & air, appliances stay, walking distance to town. \$38,500.00. rd

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MAIN STREET - 3 bdr, 2 bath w/nice big rooms, city water & sewer. This home is a piece of history, motivated seller. Make an offer. \$81,000.00. dm

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10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Second Session

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