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County Democrats reorganizing party

Democratic leaders will be hosting a meeting next week at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion to reorganize an executive community in the community.

Mike Cherry, a former Democratic state representative from Princeton, serves on the Kentucky Executive Committee and will chair the 6 p.m. organizational event next Thursday at the facility off Industrial Drive. State Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, will also be attending.

Cherry said he met with local party leaders about a month ago to discuss refining the Democratic organization in Crittenden County. He said just over a dozen attended the pre-organizational meeting, and he anticipates a good turnout next week.

In order to have an official county executive committee, there must be at least 10 members and no more than 20. Plans are to elect party officers, including a chair, vice chair, secretary and treasurer.

Health department offers school nurses

A proposal from the Pennyrile District Health Department to provide school nurses is not likely to woo back Crittenden County School District.

Superintendent Vince Clark reported at last week's board of education meeting that Charles Hiter, director of the five-county health provide, approached him about staffing health care professionals for students. Three years ago, the health department quit offering nurses, forcing the board to look elsewhere.

Since then, the district has contracted with Graves **County Health Department** to provide two nurses – one each at the elementary school and joint high-middle school campus. Both nurses are local, as is a clerk included in the con-

The offer from the regional health department was "not to exceed" \$100,000 for two nurses, but also called for additional per-student fees. The Graves County contract is for \$70,000 annually.

At the March 28 board meeting, members did not find the offer enticing, but they plan to discuss the matter further at Tuesday's working session.

Public meetings

- Crittenden County **Board of Education** will meet for its monthly working session at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Rocket Arena conference room.





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Round 2

Board of ed sets April 20 as next 'nickel' tax forum

By DARYL K. TABOR PRESS EDITOR

Another public meeting on a proposed school tax has been scheduled for later this month.

The forum is slated for 5 p.m. April 20, prior to the next meeting of Crittenden County Board of Education. The board will be hosting the two inside the building they want to replace, Crittenden County Middle School. Both the forum and the meeting will be held inside the school's

No vote on the proposed "recallable nickel" is scheduled for the special meeting following the forum. The meeting was moved from its original date of April 25

so that all four current board members could be present for it and the forum, therefore they are limited to agenda items.

The board and Superintendent Vince Clark will make a presentation and hope to answer questions raised at the first forum as well as any others that may be brought before them. The format will be a bit different than the March 14 forum. "We will try to have a

panel," said Clark. Board member Pam Collins has said she would like to invite state Rep. Lynn Becher, R-Marion, and Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, to explain some of

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Board of ed seat could be filled by next meeting

The three candidates for the open seat on Crittenden County Board of Education have been interviewed and Phyllis Orr's replacement could be named by the next board meeting.

Ryan McDaniel, Ken Crider and Mike Crider were interviewed March 28 by a Frankfort-appointed panel of men and women in the educational field from outside the county. Kentucky Department of Education Commissioner Stephen Pruitt will make the final call by April 26, but is not bound by the

At last week's board meeting, Superintendent Vince Clark said he was told the decision would most likely be made by the April 25 meeting, but the meeting date was later moved up five days to accommodate all four current board members. An appointment by April 20 is possible, Clark said, but he could not say with certainty.

Orr resigned her seat in January due to health reasons. The appointee will fill her unexpired term, which ends December 2018.

Brush dump limited

STAFF REPORT

The actions of a few have spoiled the opportunities of many who enjoyed the community's brush dump.

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As a result of continued illegal dumping, residents of the county will no longer have unlimited access to the brush Begin aump. ning this week, the site will be having to do open only under supervision from $8~\hat{a}.m.\ to\ 2~p.m.$ Costing all citizens each Friday or at times arranged the haulillegally through

county or city. An incident late last month was the final straw, said Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom.

"Therefore, we have decided to put the gates back up and

keep it locked," he said. On March 24, officials were alerted to the illegal dumping of three dump trucks worth of plastic bags, burn barrel debris, kitchen cabinets and other construction materials at the county-operated dis-

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Rescue review

Crittenden County Rescue Squad Chief Don Arflack instructs team member Cody Crider during a training exercise Saturday morning on pneumatic spreaders used to remove the door of a vehicle for extrication as other squad volunteers look on. The training is designed to bring new members up to the basic skill level and sharpen the training of longtime members. "Every vehicle cuts differently, and each one can be a real challenge," Arflack said. The squad has about 20 active volunteers, and the organization runs almost entirely on donations and its annual fundraiser. Crittenden Fiscal Court contributes about \$3,000 each year. "We do not get any of the fire dues that you pay on your property taxes," Arflack said. "That is solely for the fire departments."

U.S. WORLD WAR I CENTENNIAL: APRIL 6, 1917–NOV. 11, 1918

27 Crittenden Countians gave lives in World War I

By DARYL K. TABOR

PRESS EDITOR The fateful day that sealed the doom of more than two dozen Crittenden County men and 116,000 other Americans in World War I is often left to the forgotten pages of history.

Today (Thursday) marks 100 years since the United States joined what until that time had been known here as the "European War." But when American "doughboys" began shedding their blood

on the battlefields of central Europe, the term "World War"

was soon adopted. The brutal war sparked three years earlier by the assassination of Austrian royalty, had long before April 6, 1917, plunged the globe into conflict. It ceased only after

claiming the lives of 27 local soldiers and sailors and another 17 million men, women and children from four

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Library director releases 1st novel

By MIMI BYRNS

"Carolina Dream," released Monday, is the name of the first book written by someone whose life is books - Regina Rudd Merrick

Besides being an intriguing story about two Christians who struggle with their next life decisions, the Christian fiction novel is also interesting because it is inspired by the author's personal dream about a mansion in South

Carolina. Merrick has been the direc-

tor of the Crittenden County Public Library since September 2004, a career that from evolved



school



librarian. She has lived in Marion for a quarter-century, where she and her husband

Todd Merrick raised their See CAROLINA/Page 3



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Is the courthouse open on Saturday? The office of circuit clerk is generally open only the first Saturday of the month from 9 to 11 a.m. The sheriff's department is open 9-11 a.m. each Saturday. All other offices are closed. When is the solid waste convenience center (trash repository) on U.S. 60 East open? Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Wednesday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon. It is closed Sunday Do I have to have a dog license? Yes. Licenses are available for \$5 through county Animal Control Officer Timmy Todd at Crittenden County Animal Shelter on U.S. 60 East. Call (270) 969-1054 for information.

Dual credit scholarship bill made better

session of Kentucky's General Assembly came to an end shortly before midnight on March 30 when the House adjourned until Jan. 2, 2018, or upon the call of the Governor. Gov. Matt Bevin has indicated a desire to call a special session of the General Assembly before the end of 2017 to act on tax reform and/or pension reform, so if that is

what he does, we will be back in session later this year.

The 2018 session will be a 60-day, or "long" session and will be when the Commonwealth's next two-year budget is passed. This year, however, was the 30-day, or "short" session of the General Assem-

On Day 29 of this year's session, both the House and the Senate were successful in overriding the Governor's vetoes of:

- The portion of House Bill 471 stipulating that money due to the state from a specific consent decree could only be appropriated with approval of the General Assementirety. It dealt with drone operation near airports - Senate Bill 91 in its entirety. This bill

dealt with court-ordered outpatient mental health treatment. Resolution 57 in its entirety. This dealt

State senator Kentucky House Legislative Review

Rep. Lynn

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they were initially approved by the House, and I also voted yes to

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override all four of the Governor's vetoes.

On Days 29 and 30, much to my dismay, the General Assembly passed a number of bills and sent them to the Governor. I felt that some were worthwhile and some weren't, but my irritation stems from the fact that because the session is over, the General Assembly no longer has the ability to override any additional vetoes by the Governor should they occur. I feel that if the bills were important enough to warrant final passage, the Senate and House should have taken the necessary steps to iron out their differences before the

last two days of the session, thus giving all members ample opportunity to study and debate the changes.

Here are a couple of exam-

HB 333, which dealt with limiting prescriptions of certain controlled substances to a three-day supply and adding some drugs to the list of controlled substances, passed the House and was sent to the Senate on Feb. 28. I voted no because I felt it was too limiting to those in serious pain. The Senate amended the bill and sent it back to the House on March 30 with the same three-day prescription limitation along with some changes that I don't think made the bill better. I again voted no, but the bill passed once more and was sent to the Governor.

HB 388 addressed tax incentive agreements to include technology parks to attract businesses in the technology field with the intent of promoting innovation, advancing education, and creating economic development. I voted yes, and it passed the House and was sent to the Senate on March 6. The Senate amended the bill and sent it back to the House on March 30. The Senate version dramatically limited where a technology park could be located such that

4 would have virtually no chance of participating should a high tech business want to locate in Kentucky. I voted no on the bill as amended by the Senate, but the bill passed and was sent to the Governor.

promote dual credit coursework opportunities at no cost to eligible high school students, HB 206) established the Dual Credit Scholarship Program. Therefore, an eligible high school student could receive a dual credit scholarship for two dual credit

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courses per academic year. I voted yes, the bill was passed by the House and sent to the Senate on March 8. The Senate amended

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quire the scholarship amount to be reduced to 50 percent if a course is not successfully completed and to allow an eligible student who is an apprentice in a registered apprenticeship program to be eligible for a Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES). I thought the Senate changes made a good bill even better, and I voted yes on the bill

as amended by the Senate. The bill passed and was sent to the Governor.

Although I was unhappy

with the passage of so many bills during the final two days of the session, when taking into consideration the important work that we did earlier this session to protect life, create jobs and save taxpayer dollars, it is easy to see how significant this session was. A great deal was accomplished, and it is my hope that the laws that were passed benefit the state as a whole every day.

As always, thank you for reading my updates, and thank you for contacting me with your concerns and thoughtful suggestions. It is a privilege to represent you in the Kentucky House of Representatives, and your input helps me make decisions that best represent the views of the 4th District.

I may be reached through the toll-free Message Line in Frankfort at (800) 372-7 7181, directly at (502) - 564 - - 8100, by visiting the Kentucky Legislature's Home page at LRC.ky.gov and clicking on the "Email Your Legislator" link or by mail to: the Capitol Annex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

(Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, has represented House District 4 - Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and portion of Christian counties - in the Kentucky General Assembly since 2013.)

Legislative work in Frankfort done for 2017...almost

It may have been a "short session" in the number of days, but the 2017 legislative session was not "short" on important public policy changes. Last week, we completed the final days of the session by voting on significant issues in the areas of education, criminal justice reform, and government

accountability. Some bills were passed and others were defeated in the last two legislative days. The General Assembly had a major victory when we were able to move forward with important legislation that the Governor attempted to halt. We voted to override the Governor's vetoes - all four of them. In my

time in Frankfort, overriding



Sen. Dorsey **RIDLEY** State senator Kentucky Senate

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all of a Governor's vetoes is something that had not happened before.

The Governor's four vetoes dealt with court-ordered treatment for mentally ill people with a history of involuntary hospitalization (known as Tim's Law), the regulation of drones, the manner of disbursing funds from a multimillion-dollar legal settlement with Volkswagen, and

the naming of roads in various parts of the state. All four of these vetoes were successfully overridden in the Senate

and House by wide margins. With time waning, some new bills did pass and were delivered to the Governor's desk, including a wide-reaching education reform policy that would change how our

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public schools are held accountable for student progress and how teachers are evaluated. Among other goals, Senate Bill 1 is designed to place more control and accountability in the hands of local school districts, enabling them to have a stronger voice in how to improve performance by both students and teachers, and will hopefully help school districts to turn their lowperforming schools around.

Other bills that passed this week, which will become law when signed by the Governor, include:

Senate Bill 120 is a criminal justice reform bill that will help people leaving prison successfully rejoin society. The measure includes provisions to remove licensing restrictions that make it harder for felons to find jobs. It also makes improvements in reentry substance abuse

- House Bill 253 will help protect abused children by allowing unannounced visits by state social services workers to the residences where child abuse or neglect has occurred. The unannounced visits will continue until the welfare of a child has been safeguarded.

- HB 524 attempts to help fight human trafficking by requiring public schools to display the National Human **Trafficking Reporting Hotline** information, and also will require the hotline number to be posted at rest areas. The measure will also provide for enhanced penalties for promoting human trafficking that involves commercial sexual activity making it a criminal offense against a minor if the victim is under 18.

HB 309 enables tenants who are victims of domestic violence to terminate a lease with 30 days' notice to their landlords without penalties.

It also prevents abuse victims from being denied a lease because of their history as domestic violence victims.

Sometimes defeating a bill is a victory as we saw in the last hours of the last day of the session. HB 281 would have stripped the power of Attorney General Andy Beshear and future attorney generals to file civil lawsuits or appeals on behalf of the state. That power would transfer to the governor. No other attorney general in the country would be as weak. This is bad public policy. For example, HB 281 would have prohibited the attorney general from suing to challenge Gov. Matt Bevin's cuts to public universities. In addition to forfeiting the checks and balances on the governor, HB 281 would have narrowed the avenues for the Commonwealth to be heard before the U.S. Supreme Court.

Soon, the dust will settle

and the 2017 session will be another for the books. There are some major issues still looming over us and the Governor has said he will call us back to session to address tax reform and pensions. Those are two very complex issues and, at least in my opinion, for the General Assembly to successfully address them will require the House and Senate Republicans to find a plan agreeable to both. That hasn't happened yet.

In the meantime, I urge you to stay in touch. You can always leave a message on the Legislative Message Line at (800) 372-7181. You can email me directly at dorsey. ridley@lrc.ky.gov.

(Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, has represented Senate District 4 - Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Webster, Union and Henderson counties - in the Kentucky General Assembly since

Advice: A few tips for soon-to-be graduates

In six weeks, another class of local graduates will be unleashed upon the world. A few are ready for what awaits them. More think they are. But it's safe to say most don't have a clue.

Wherever they land in that equation, give them some latitude. They are only teenagers. The world hasn't quite started treating them as adults, so it can be hard to know what to expect. For a while, they will be as awkward as penguins on land, but if they put the lessons of life into practice, they can one day nav-

guins under water. It's always nice to have a head start on things, so sharing with them here a few words of wisdom might be helpful. Chances are slim they will ever read anything that's not on a smartphone or at least on social media, but here

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Daryl K. **TABOR** My2¢

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That is not to suggest that minimum wage should be a career aspiration. Even for a vocation, training beyond high school can be terribly valuable.

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And this does not diminish the importance of college. It is both required for some professions and essential to others. It's expensive, but spending the first two years at community college to get the basics out of the way is nothing to be shamed. It's actually pretty

Speaking of preparing for a career, it's important to remember that it's who you

know, not what you know, that will land you the ideal job. Without fail.

After studies are over, whether high school or higher education, it is not required to get married and start a family within a year or two of graduation ... even in Kentucky. There's nothing wrong with it, I suppose, but when you reach 40, expect that itch for a convertible, motorcycle, boat, skydiving adventure or sidebar to your spouse.

Live life a bit. Travel, if you can. Sleep on the couch in your work clothes. Have your Saturdays free to watch all the college football you wish or do all the purse shopping you feel necessary.

But don't wait too long if you don't think you'll one day enjoy driving yourself home from a colonoscopy or heart surgery. For guys in particular, when you reach a certain age, just the thought of changing a diaper, pushing a stroller or taking the kids to soccer practice can send you into shock. Trust me.

That tattoo? Bad idea. If you believe acres of inked skin or gauging a body part

like a South American tribal chief will get you any further in life in our civilized society, think again ... at least not yet. Tattoos can be fun and expressive, but there's plenty of space for that underneath your standard casual wear.

No one paying money for legal advice wants to see a fading unicorn on your neck. And those seeking a cure for what ails them are not comforted by that shoulder-to-wrist dragon.

Be original. Skip the ink. Advice could be never-ending, but one more important thing. There is no right or wrong way to live life. If you want to take risks, expect consequences. If you want to play it safe, expect longing.

You get only one shot at life. Don't waste it on regret. Just respect others. Accept responsibility for your own ac-

tions. And pay your debts. Adhere to those rules and Western society will survive.

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Moore's reunion Saturday

STARE DEDODT

Former employees of Moore Business Forms in Marion and their guests are invited to a reunion Saturday. The gathering will take place at 1 p.m. at Glenn's on Main.

Moore Business Forms came to Marion in 1950, the result of recruiting efforts by organizations and individuals to improve a dwindling local economy. The first plant was located on donated property on what is now Moore Street in the building now occupied by Vibra Finish.

In an age before personal computers and compact laser printers, companies large and small were reliant on business forms printed by companies like Moore. It was a day when carbon was king. From simple counter salesbooks to more complex products, all types of forms were printed locally.

The operation soon outgrew its first home and relo-



MAGE COURTESY OF BRENDA UNDERDOWN
Moore Business Forms in Marion printed a variety of office,
wholesale and retail forms for nearly 35 years. Moore's closed
in 1984 and its plant on South Main Street (above) now serves
as home to Siemens.

cated to what is now Siemens on South Main Street. In 1984, management announced the plant would be closing, forcing scores of employees to retire, find another job or relocate to other plants owned by the Canadian company.

Known today as Moore Corp. Ltd., the company was started in 1882 by Englishborn Canadian Samuel J. Moore.

For more information on Saturday's reunion, contact Claudena Travis or Margaret Gilland.

PUBLIC NOTICE

U.S. 60 West home in foreclosure

Commonwealth of Kentucky Crittenden Circuit Court Civil Action 16-CI-00096

The Peoples Bank Marion, Kentucky *Plaintiff*

Joseph H. Simpkins; Jennifer R. Simpkins; Larry Simpkins; unknown occupants and/or tenants; Beneficial Loan Corporation of Kentucky; City Of Marion; County Of Crittenden, Kentucky Defendants

Re-Notice of Sale

The sale previously scheduled for **Friday**, **April 14**, **2017 is being rescheduled to Friday**, **April 21**, **2017**, due to the closure of the Crittenden County Courthouse on April 14, 2017.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 9th day of March, 2017, I will on Friday, April 21, 2017, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Crittenden County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property address: 5578 US 60 W, Marion, Kentucky
Map No.: 034-00-00-019.01

The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Only delinquent taxes of parties to this action will be paid from the proceeds of the sale.

Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10 percent deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 12 percent per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchase will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

Given under my hand this the 16th day of March 2017.

Stephen M. Arnett Special Master Commissioner

CAROLINA

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children. She is also an active member and a musician at Marion Baptist Church.

"We are involved in a lot of things, and it is a big part of our lives," alluding to her interest in the genre. "I love my church family."

The plot of "Carolina Dream" involves Sarah Crawford, who is a music teacher. Things are not going well in her personal life, and she realizes she wants more than what she is doing at the time.

While she is wondering if she is in the right place and doing what God wants her to do next, she and her family get surprise notification that they have an inheritance in South Carolina. So someone has to head to the Palmetto State and accept the inheritance.

Since Crawford doesn't want to be around home at the time of her ex-fiance's wedding, she decides to take a vacation and accept the inheritance. Everything changes when she realizes she inherited a mansion. The other main character in the book is the person everyone thinks should have inherited everything.

The two Christians who have past hurts they want to overcome meet, but they don't know if they can trust enough and get over the fear of being hurt again.

Regarding her passion toward books, Merrick remembers that both her mother and grandmothers were avid readers, which meant that she was always surrounded by books.

"When I started school, it was easy for me to read, and I just took to it," she recalls.
"I wanted to read all the time."

By third grade, she was reading constantly. An interaction with her somewhat strict school librarian at the time made quite an impression

"My mother had always told me about a book called 'The Five Little Peppers and How They Grew,' and the first time I went to the library I asked the librarian for that book. She found it a little funny and told me she thought I couldn't read that

book," Merrick explained. "I read that book, and I never since told a child they can't read something.

"I've always wanted to encourage people to push themselves a little bit as far

as reading goes.
So that's one reason I became a school librarian."

Merrick did-

n't start out planning write a book. She found a website about television show she liked and as she read a lot of the stories, the idea came to her. She started writing fiction with a

Christian worldview, but the storyline of "Carolina Dream" didn't emerge until later, from the dream about the antebellum mansion in South Carolina.

"I couldn't get the dream

Regina Rudd Merrick

"I couldn't get the dream out of my head. So I started brainstorming and thought 'What if I had inherited a mansion over there?'" she said. "The dream just stuck with me."

She continued to write

and became involved in a writing group where members critique each other's work and share ideas. That's when her story started coming together.

"I attended the American Christian Fiction Writers' national conference, and I was really encouraged," she said.

Around that time, she got a request for a proposal from a publisher.

"So, I sent it in, and they didn't want it," Merrick said.
"A couple of years later, I went back and got another request, but they didn't want it either. So I thought that it was just not meant to be."

But as she reactivated herself in a writing group, she met her eventual publisher who encouraged her to enter "Carolina Dream" into a contest. The prize was a publishing contract. "Carolina Dream" was one of the two books to win the contest and became the latest edition published by Mantle Rock Publishing. After that,

she was able to collaborate on the final product with her editor.

"That was the best experience I've ever had in writing," she said. "It made it so

much better.

"Writers should never get

so attached to their own words that think they they are the only ones that can work, because sometimes there are better words out there. The best thing I did was to read the book to myself aloud. You find things that not even my editor caught. It's been really interest-

Both editions – the print and the e-book – are available on Amazon.

The library has hosted many book signings for local authors over the years, and Merrick's book signing is scheduled for 10 a.m. April 15 at the library. Visitors can get their own copy or bring in a copy they have ordered

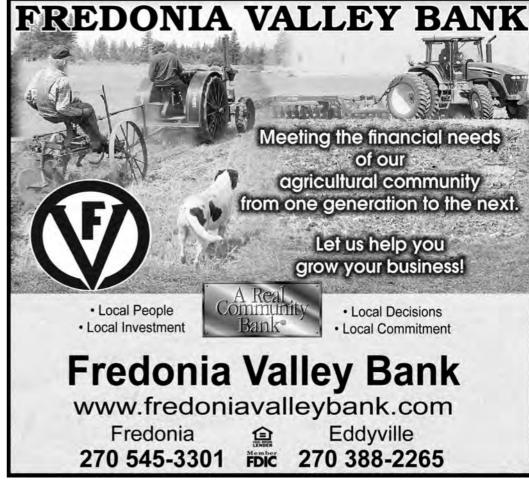
Merrick hopes "Carolina Dream" will encourage other Christians.

"I wanted to write a story that shows that Christians are not perfect; they have fears, hurts and they have to struggle to trust God sometimes," she said. "But when they do, it's infinitely better.

One of Merrick's favorite Bible verses is from Psalm 37: "Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart."

"The whole premise is, it's not about what you want, but about the desires that God gives you," Merrick continued. "That was my overarching theme, depend on Him and He will give you the desires that lead you on the right path."

Her message for future readers and potential writers is to not let insecurity stop them from doing what they feel God is nudging them to do. She has plans to write a follow-up story set in the same locale. It is tentatively titled "Carolina Mercy," and will be Book 2 in the "Southern Breeze" Series.







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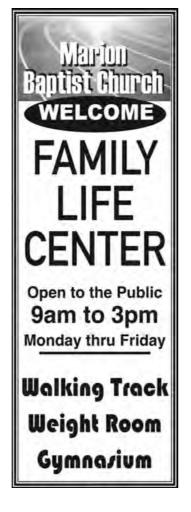
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Crittenden County Farm Bureau donated books to the fifth grade teachers at Crittenden County Elementary School. The book, "The Most Wonderful Dream," was written and illustrated by Mitchell Tolle, a world-renowned Kentucky artist. The book was commissioned by Kentucky Farm Bureau to promote agricultural literacy in Kentucky. Pictured are (back, from left) Mandy Winders, Crystal Wesmoland, Marty Hill, Cindy Crabtree, Heather Bloodworth, (front) Sara Omer and Sarah Riley. Farm Bureau also donated the book to Crittenden County Public Library.





Cub Scout campout

Marion Cub Scout Pack 303 learns knife skills from Sandy Urbanowski Saturday morning on the grounds of Marion United Methodist Church, which served as their overnight campsite. Pictured are (from left) Caleb Combs, Miles Hughes, Trapper Haire, Dawson Johnson, Benjamin Potter and William Bonds. Methodist Church pastor David Combs (standing) is the Scout leader.

Burna solar panel will join grid

STAFE DEDODI

Livingston County Middle School at Burna is among about a half dozen sites selected to help turn sunshine into electricity.

Big Rivers Electric Corp., announced last week that the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) has approved its proposal to build seven small solar power facilities across its service territory.

Victor Zimmerman, superintendent of Livingston County Schools, said Big Rivers had approached the school district about locating solar plant at either the high school or middle school, both of which are located on U.S. 60 between Salem and Paducah. Zimmerman said the middle school was chosen because it had the most space available. The solar panel will be about 750 square feet, about a quarter of the size of a tennis court. It will be located on the west side of the school's property right along

Big Rivers wanted the panel to be put in a high-visi-

bility area, Zimmerman said.
In its application to the

PSC, Big Rivers said the facilities will be used to test how well solar power can be integrated into the utility's

grid and also would serve to educate the public about solar energy.

"There will be edu-

cational benefits," Zimmerman said. "Our science students will get to work with the data it produces, but

there will be no energy benefit for the school district. All of the power it makes will go onto the grid."

Zimmerman

onto the grid."

The PSC found that building and operating the solar facilities would have no adverse impact on the operations or financial condition of Big Rivers. The PSC noted that Big Rivers is responding to requests from customers that the utility develop solar power

programs.

Big Rivers is owned by and provides power to three electric distribution cooperatives:
Jackson Purchase Energy Corp., Kenergy Corp. and Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corp. (Meade

RECC). Together, the three cooperatives serve about 114,000 customers in 22 counties in western Kentucky.

The solar panel at the middle school will be a 10 kW unit. Based upon sunshine in this part of the country, it would produce about enough energy to supply electricity to nearly 20 homes for one year..

The seven solar facilities, with an aggregate output of 120 kilowatts (kW), will be located at schools, parks or other public facilities. The other sites, with their generating capacity and cooperative, are:

- McCracken County High School, Paducah – 10 kW – Jackson Purchase Energy.

Mike Miller Park, Benton
 10 kW – Jackson Purchase
 Energy.

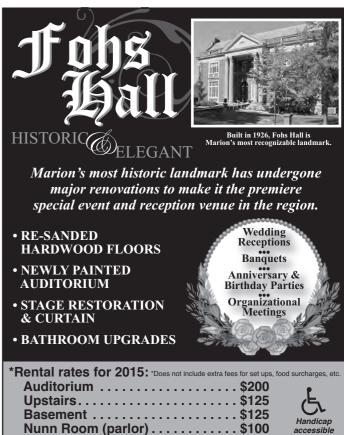
- Kenergy offices, Henderson and Owensboro – 30 kW each – Kenergy.

- Meade RECC offices, Brandenburg - 20 kW; and Hardinsburg - 10 kW – Meade RECC.

The total cost of the facilities is estimated at \$500,000. Big Rivers said it will pay for the facilities out of its cash reserves and hopes to recoup \$125,000 of the cost through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Energy for America Program.

Big Rivers said that, should it not receive the grant, it will reevaluate whether to go ahead with the project.

Annual operating cost of the solar arrays was estimated by Big Rivers to be a total of not more than \$4,000. Each of the member cooperatives will be billed for the power produced by the arrays within its service territory and may then provide the electricity to its retail customers subject to the cooperative's rates and terms of service.





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Budding business

Students that are involved in the Crittenden County High School Plant Systems Pathway, have been working hard to get the Ag Ed Greenhouse ready for spring sales. Above, student Ashton Lamprecht works to pull blooms to keep flowers growing to their full potential. Students in the study path for career and college readiness have planted, grown and cared for everything in the greenhouse, including herbs, vegetables, annuals, perennials, succulents and more. Once sales start Tuesday, students will also create marketing materials and handle the day-to-day transactions and customers that come through the house. The greenhouse will be open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays.



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Library marks Easter, Library Week with film, more

By REGINA MERRICK PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Are you using your library? As you can see in our "Top 10" book list for March, we have a wide variety of books, but we also have a wide variety of DVDs, magazines and audio books. All are available (for free) for your check out.

Wanna know more, like the top DVD in March? "Madea's Witness Protection.'

No. 1 magazine? "People." Most popular audio book? "Rushing Waters" by Danielle

And here's another surprise in honor of National Library Week, which is next week - Amnesty. From this Saturday through Saturday, April 15, there will be no fines for any overdue materials re-

While you're spring cleaning, bring back those missing li-

brary materials, because once amnesty is over, we may not have for a another while. Take advantage this time.

Coming events at the library in-

- Movie Night in April is on Good Friday. In honor of the Christian holiday, the 2016

drama "Risen" will be shown on the big screen in the library. "In 33 A.D., a Roman Tribune in Judea is tasked to find the missing body of an executed Jew rumored to

turned during that week. have risen from the dead," IMDb (Internet Movie Database) writes of the film. The movie is free.

- Library Director Regina Merrick will host her own book signing. Her debut book, Christian fiction novel "Carolina Dream" will be available and she will be signing books from 10

a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 15. (See story on Page 1.)

- This month, the book club will be discussing "The Help" at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, April 18.

- Community Christmas

classes "Library Scavenger Hunt" at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 18 and "Family Literacy and Camp Wonderopolis," at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 4 will give local residents two opportunities to secure credits toward taking part in the holiday charity.

Coinciding with the Back Roads Tour and Festival, the library will host its annual book sale Thursday, April 28 and Friday, April 24 during regular library hours.

- And speaking of hours, the library is now open extended hours until 8 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays, 5 p.m. on Wednesdays and 3 p.m. on Saturdays. It is also open until 5 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays. It is closed Sunday.

Top 10 March checkouts

The following books, listed in order of popularity, are the top checkouts from Crittenden County Public Library in the month of March 2017:

1. "The Award," an adult fiction novel by Danielle Steel.

2. "Bloody Valentine," adult fiction by James Patterson. 3. "Braking for Bodies," the second installment in Duffy

Brown's adult fiction "The Cycle Path Mysteries" series. 4. "Close to Home: A Chicory Inn Novel," a Christian Fiction work by Deborah Raney.

5. "Everything Robotics," junior non-fiction by Jennifer Swanson.

6. "The Seekers," Christian fiction by Wanda E. Brunstet-7. "Under Cold Stone: A Constable Molly Smith Mystery,"

an adult fiction work by Vicky Delany. 8. "Algebra Demystified," adult non-fiction) by Rhoda

Huettenmueller. 9. "The Amish Heiress," Book 1 in "The Paradise Chroni-

cles" by Chrisian fiction writer Patrick E. Craig. 10. "The Amish Princess," Christian fiction, also by Craig.

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Social media lands Singleton boys gigs

A pair of young local boys opened last week for country recording artist Daryle Singletary in a Fort Worth, Texasbenefit concert.

Cash and Cutter Singleton, sons of Shelley and Jason Singleton of Crittenden County, performed at a fundraiser for the sister of a family friend in Joshua, Texas. The friend, Blake Thompson, had seen videos on social media of the boys' performing and asked them to join the event.

'Of course, we said, 'Yes,'" Shelley said. "This was an opportunity that they couldn't pass up.

The young phenoms did more than open for Singletary, adding an encore at last Thursday's concert. The recording artist recalled them to the stage to join him. Singletary then sang backup vocals for Cash and played backup to Cutter's banjo and

"Cutter and Cash played and sang with Singletary on stage for over 20 minutes," the boys' mom said.

Cutter will also be adding

a national television program to his resume.

He was contacted last month by a television producer who had been watching him play banjo for about six months on YouTube.

"Long story short, Cutter has agreed to be the house banjo player on a television show that will begin to air this fall on RFDTV Network," Shelley explained.

The show is called "Kentucky Born, Kentucky Bred" and will air weekly for 52 weeks with the opportunity to renew if the show has good ratings. It will feature Kentucky history and music, and two songs will be featured on each show.

The songs will be performed by Kentucky artists who will sing with the house band, which includes Cutter on banjo. Filming is scheduled to begin in late April or early May and will be done in central Kentucky and in a Nashville, Tenn., recording studio.

"So, in a nutshell, he will be on national television once a week for a year," the proud mother said.



Cutter (left) and Cash Singleton, sons of Shelley and Jason Singleton of Crittenden County, performed last week in Texas with country recording artist Daryle Singletary.

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Ed reform caps off 2017 state lawmaking

STAFF REPORT

A wide-reaching education reform bill that would change how Kentucky public schools are held accountable for student progress, as well as how teachers are evaluated, achieved final approval from the state's General Assembly week.. Crittenden County Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark calls it a win for public education. 'Yes, I think it is a victory,"

Clark said. "I think our accountability system needed a

Among other goals, Senate Bill 1 is designed to place more control and accountability in the hands of local school districts, enabling them to have a stronger voice in how to improve performance by both students and teachers and to turn low-performing schools around.

"It seems this has been well thought out," Clark said of the legislation approved

last Wednesday. The sweeping new law requires regular reviews of academic standards in Kentucky schools, makes schools accountable for success indicators such as graduation rates and college admissions exam scores, offers state-funded opportunities to assess students' academic progress through taking early college admissions tests, returns responsibility for teacher evaluation back to local school boards, and reduces the amount of paperwork that now takes time from teachers and administrators.

Noting that the measure



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numerous education associations across the state as well as bipartisan support in the General Assembly, Sen. Mike Wilson, D-Bowling Green, the bill's sponsor, said, "We can now provide significant guidance to the state Board of Education. This bill will increase the post-secondary readiness of Kentucky graduates, and it significantly impacts every classroom and future generations of Kentuckians.

Referring to it as the "Let Teachers Teach Bill," Sen. Damon Thayer, R-Georgetown, added his support, noting that the legislation "gives local control back to Kentucky schools."

Both Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, and Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, voted for the measure. The bill now awaits Gov. Matt Bevin signature. Since the session is now over, no veto can be overridden.

Other bills of note passed this session and not yet reported in this newspaper in-

- Bible literacy. House Bill 128 will allow schools to offer an elective social studies course on the Bible that teaches biblical content, characters, poetry and narratives and their impact on today's world.

Hemp. SB 218 is designed to improve the state's

industrial hemp production program, first established in 2014. This year marks the Commonwealth's largest industrial hemp crop under the program with more than 12,000 acres approved for production. There are no hemp crops in Crittenden County.

- Juvenile offenders. SB 195 will ease the process for some juvenile offenders to have their criminal records expunged.

- Playground safety. HB 38 will ban registered sex offenders from public playgrounds unless they have advanced written permission to be on site by the local government body (city council, etc.) that oversees the playground.

- Primary care agreements. SB 79 will allow patients to enter into contracts with their primary care provider that spell out services to be provided for an agreed-upon fee over a specific period of time. The "direct primary membership agreement" would not require a patient to forfeit private insurance or Medicaid coverage.

- Religious freedom. SB 17 will specify in statute that Kentucky public school and public college and university students have the legal right to express their religious and political views in their school work, artwork, speeches and other ways.

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Christian TV evangelist in **Marion Easter**

A Christian television personality will be in Marion on Easter weekend to help the community celebrate what some may argue is the most important day in the Christian faith.

Carroll Roberson of Christian Television Network (CTN) will be preaching and singing at Crooked Crooked Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Friday, April 14 and Saturday, April 15 for the church's Easter Jubilee. He will also teach Sunday school at 10 a.m., and bring the morning message at 11 a.m. on Easter. He and his wife will perform music that evening at 7 for the finale of the three-day celebration.

In 2015, Roberson visited Crooked Creek to help celebrate the church's 180th an-

niversary and homecoming After that, a handful of members of the congregation ioined Roberson on some of his trips while others have continued to support his ministry.

'We figured it would be a longshot asking if he'd come, but he said yes, and we were blessed," said Donna Girten, wife of Crooked Creek Baptist Church Pastor Mark

Besides being a musician, Roberson is an author and leads trips to the Holy Land.

CTN airs on channel 376 on DirecTV and 267 on Dish Network. "This is Carroll Roberson" airs on both providers at 5 p.m., each Tuesday.

The church welcomes the community to its Easter Ju-

Unforgiveness will kill a soul

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we will not hold anything against anyone, for any rea-

So if we have Jesus in us,

Next, Paul said: "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His", and we all know He will forgive all, as all need it. It can't be any plainer than that.

God knows I hate sin with all my soul, and all of it is trashy and dirty. Some sins I hate worse than others, but any sin will take a soul to hell if they die with it not forgiven and forsaken. How-

ever, like Jesus, I love the sinner enough to give my life trying to get them to turn to Jesus and be made whole and pure. I've prayed for 57 years to be used of God to help sin-

ners of any sin come to know the love, freedom, and peace Jesus gives when we come to Him, giving our sins to Him and letting Him fill us with Himself.

We are to be examples of Christ, not only in not committing sin, but also in loving as Christ loves, and showing it by helping win people to Him.

God's salvation, it is by

heard some years back is an example of what sinners expect out of Christians:

"Two men worked to-**TEDRICK** gether in a Religious and shop for One **Political Views** years. claimed to be a Christian.

and one did not. The one who did not heard a preacher talk about hell and how awful it is. He went to the man who said he was a Christian, and asked him if he believed in Hell. The man said yes he did. The non-professor then asked if he was a Christian, and again he answered yes. "You are a liar," The non-professor said. "We've worked together for years, and you never told me about hell."

Sinners expect to see Christ in us if we profess to be a Christian.

What we saw out of Christ was a love for all He met, and compassion for all, saved or lost. He always gave out God's word, looking to save the lost.

He told the Pharisees, who condemned Him for visiting and eating in the home of a rank sinner, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.'

He gave His life in a horrible fashion to save the worst of us, and the best of us, because all have sinned.

I'm so honored to be used by God to spread the love and word of God to all who will listen, and love and pray for the lost.

So all who want to know about the wonderful change God gives us through the New Birth, regardless of your past, are welcome at the Marion Church of God, or to

Jesus said: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give your rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and you shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matt. 11:28-30. I have found this so.

Editor's note: Rev. Lucy Tedrick shares her views periodically in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES & OUTREACH

- New Union General Baptist Church in Lola will host Revival Services on Friday, April 7th at 7 p.m., Saturday, April 8 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, April 9 at 10:45 a.m., and 6 p.m. Bro. Keith Wilcox from Sebree General Baptist church will be the evangelist.

- Maundy Thursday Service will be held at 6 p.m., April 13 at Marion United Methodist Church.

- Good Friday Service will be held at 6 p.m., Friday April 14 at Cumberland Presbyterian Church and there will be a 6 a.m., Sunrise Service on Easter, April 16 at the church on West Bellville

- Sugar Grove Church will have Sunrise Service at 6 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 16.

-A benefit singing for Travis, Ali and Atler Perryman will be held at 6 p.m., April 15 at Fohs Hall. Featured performers are Dyer Hill Baptist Church's praise band and The Stone Family. Admission is free, but a love offering will be accepted. Atler Perryman was born with hypoplastic left heart syndrome and remains hospitalized awaiting a second heart transplant.

- First Baptist Church of Fredonia will present the second weekend of its 11th annual Forgiveness House Friday, April 14 and Saturday, April 15 from 6-8 p.m., each night. The drama will be held at the church's Family Life Center located next to the church at 208 Cassidy Avenue in Fredonia. The production will portray the last days of Jesus Christ on earth. Walk-ins are welcome, but reservations are recommended, especially for larger groups. For more information, call Rena Hillyard at (270) 625-3837 to make

- Fredonia Unity Baptist Church's clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month. - First Baptist Church of Fredonia food pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Coleman Hall of the

- The clothes closet at Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.

- The clothes closet of First Baptist Church of Fredonia is open from 1 to 3 p.m. every Thursday at the church's Family Life Center.

Weekly Devotion

By JOEY DURHAM

Today's devotion is "Can a Person Be Saved Through a Way That God Says, YOU CAN'T?" My text is Ephesians 2:8-9, where we see, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (KJV) For many, the motivation needed to do something arrives when they are told, "You can't do that!" With that statement being said, they will do what they were told they can't do or die trying! Many use this method as a tool of reverse psychology to manipulate someone into doing something. Children, especially have had this method used by their parents to get them to do various things. But when God says "You can't do this!" you can rest assured that He is not, in desperation, using reverse psychology. He means what He says. When God tells mankind that NO ONE can be saved by "doing something" or "earning His grace," to attempt it is utterly

Please notice our text. The object of this text concerns the "salvation of a soul" and our text plainly gives God's requirement for obtaining His salvation. To obtain

Sunday school: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday worship: 11 a.m. Sunday evening: 6 p.m.

Wednesday night Bible study: 6 p.m.

"grace, through faith", or simple belief in the Word of God. Now comes the "you can't do" part. God says, "You cannot earn my grace, you cannot work to obtain my grace, neither can you keep prescribed requirements that will enable you to obtain my grace." If God says that you cannot be saved by doing something or adhering to a set of requirements to earn God's grace, then, if you try to be saved the way that God has said you can't be saved, can a person be saved in a way forbidden by God's Word? The answer is NO. You see, salvation is from God, not any man, or any church, or any creed, or any opinion of man's philosophy. Salvation comes from God alone as a gift from Himself to the undeserving sinner, and that sinner can do NOTHING to earn it. A sinner can only receive it with a child-like trust in the Savior, who offers it. Are you trying to be saved by and through a way that God said, "You can't?" Stop your trying and simply TRUST God's

(Editor's note: Joey Durham, pastor of Sturgis Baptist Church, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.)



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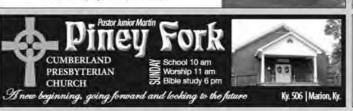


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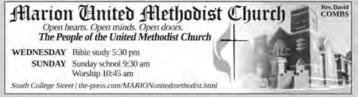
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Hearell

Ollie D. Hearell, 94, of Marion died Saturday, April 1, 2017 at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation in Salem.

He was a farmer, employee of RM Phillips Construction Company and

retired from the Kentucky High-Departway ment. He was a member of Barnett Chapel Baptist Church.



Surviving are his wife of 69 years, Blanche (Tharp) Hearell of Marion; a son, Larry (Debra) Hearell of Marion; two brothers, Carl and Bill Hearell; grandchildren, Dusty (Rebekah) Hearell of Marion, Tiffany (Jordan) Roberts of Marion and Stacie Hearell of Marion; and one great-granddaughter, Maddie Hearell.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Brenda Hearell; a granddaughter, Brittany Hearell; two brothers, Claude and Rudell Hearell; and his parents, Willie and Ethel (Boswell) Hearell.

Services were at 11 a.m., Wednesday, April 5 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial was at White's Chapel Cemetery.

leer

Thomas Edward "Tom' Teer of Marion died Sunday, April 2, 2017, at his home after a lengthy illness.

He retired from Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Co. in 1996 and was previ-

ously a co-owner and operator of Teer & Tabor Chevron with James "Jimmy' During Tabor. the 1980s, he served as a Crit-



tenden County magistrate. He was born Aug. 16, 1935, to Thomas Edwin and Gussie Faidley Teer, the seventh of nine children.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Frances Paris Teer; a son, Craig Brady Teer of Silver Spring, Md.; sisters Helen Cullen and Betty (James) Tabor of Marion and Barbara sister-in-law Williams Teer of Henderson County: a step-sister-in-law. Catherine Bryant Shafer of Memphis, Tenn.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Birdie Farmer and Katherine Fowler; and brothers, James, William Glen, R.C. and Forrest.

Services will be held 11 a.m., Thursday, April 13 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial will be at Mapleview Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 12 at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to Lourdes Hospice, P.O. Box 7100, Paducah, KY 42002; or American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

Dorothy Helen Massey,

64, of Calvert City died Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at Vanderbilt University

Medical Center in Nashville.

Massey of Calvert City; a daughter, Sunnie Gillette of

Grand Rivers; sons, Darrell Hutchison of Chandler, Ind.,

and Donnie Hutchison of

Surviivng are her husband of 25 years, Randall

Massey

Area Deaths

Evansville; two sisters; six brothers; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Shirley Martin Dorothy Conner; a sister; and two broth-



Services were Saturday. April 1 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremations Services.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society Memorial Foundation Hope Lodge, 2008 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203.

Horer

Sarah Evelyn Rorer, 86, of Marion died Sunday, April 2, 2017 at Crittenden Hospital.

She was a member of Mexico Baptist Church and Woodmen of The World.

Survivors include her son, Houston Rorer of Marion; sister, Geraldine Hunt of Marion; brother, Carlos Bond of Marion; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Roy Rorer; parents, Lillard Houston and Lizzie Ellen Bond; siblings, Edward Houston Bond, Clifton Wm. Arflack and Juanita Joyce Nesbitt Bebout.

Services are at 1 p.m., Thursday, April 6, 2017 at Mexico Baptist Church. Burial will be at Mexico Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 11 a.m., until service time Thursday at the

Memorials may be made to Mexico Cemetery Associa-

Perryman

Dennis "Ted" Perryman, 66, of Tolu died Sunday, April 2, 2017 at his home. He was a member of Tolu

Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife, Donna Perryman of Tolu; sons, Jacob (Sarah) Perryman of Tolu, Todd (Hannah) Perryman of Tolu and Travis Bunk (Ali) Perryman of Marion; daughter, Jodi Perryman (Randy) Napier of Garland, Texas; mother, Linda Perryman of Marion; grandchildren, Cale Jameson Tabor of Garland, Texas, Atler Bunk Perryman of Marion and Clarke Westin Perryman of Tolu; a sister, Terri (Bobby) Travis of Marion; and brothers, Eddie (Illyana) Perry-David (Donette) Perryman, Greg Perryman and Tony (Rashelle) Perry-

man, all of Marion. He was preceded in death by his father. Ken Perryman. Services are at 11 a.m., Thursday, April 6 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial will be at White's

Chapel Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.

Thompson

David Murray Thompson, 65, of Smithland died Monday, April 3, 2017 at his

He was a self-employed dozer operator for over 40 years. He was a Kentucky Colonel and a member of Bethel United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 32 years, Lela Thompson of Smithland; a daughter, Heather Thompson Bryant (Josh) of Paducah; two sons, Brian Thompson (Shari) of Marion and Brad Thompson (Mark Camp) of Lexington, Ky.; two sisters, Marilyn Threlkeld of Madisonville and Sue VanOver of Owensboro; a brother, Gary Thompson of Paducah; and three grandchildren, Hallie Bryant, Rylan Bryant and Jessi Brewer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Enos and Hallie Chandler Thompson; and niece, Sandy Thompson.

Services are at 2 p.m., Thursday, April 6 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial will follow at Hampton Cemetery.

Visitation was 5-8 p.m., Wednesday, April 5 at

Memorials may be made in care of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services, PO Box 26, Salem, KY

Harris

Perry Blaine "Peewee" Harris, 61, of Salem died Sunday, April 2, 2017 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem.

Surviving are a sister, Tina Harris of Burna; six brothers, Dale Harris of Indiana, Joseph "Dinky" Harris, "Sam" Samuel Harris, Michael Harris, all four of Salem, Everet Harris of Marion, Quinton Harris of Reidland; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Bonnie Jean Harris; one brother, Terry Wayne Harris; and his parents, Henry Everett "Buddy" and Peggy Jean (Cox) Harris; and his mother, Norma Joan (Armstrong) Harris.

Services are at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 8 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem. Burial will follow at Lola Cemetery.

Friends may call from 10 a.m., until the funeral hour on Saturday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

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Child Abuse **Prevention Proclomation**

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month and a number of offiicials converged on the Crittenden County Courthouse Tuesday morning to see Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom sign a procolmation declaring the county's observance of the awareness program. Joining the county executive was Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers and other individuals representing child advocacy groups, law enforcement, the court system and legal community. "You can never have too many eyes on a child," Judge Rogers told those assembled at the courthouse.

Club learns how to help children

How do you help the children of Crittenden County? How do you make life better for those who are in a position not of their own mak-

These questions and others are among things the Woman's Club of Marion take seriously. Club member Judge Brandi Rogers along panelists Dolores Smith, Stefanie Graham and Daphyne Maddox, helped audience members understand the different levels of opportunity that can be taken within our community to answer these questions and more. The event was on Saturday March 25 at the Woman's Club Building in Marion. Community members and speakers gathered together to hear what the problem is and how our community can help.

Judge Rogers gave some facts and figures on needs not only in our community but across the state. Rogers said that last year alone there were 50 brand new cases concerning children in



Judge Brandi Rogers was among the panelists at an informational session sponsored by the Woman's Club of Marion.

this county. This number does not include the amount of previously active cases being reviewed, all of which are being split between two social workers.

The judge emphasized a great need for volunteers and community members to take an active role in assisting. There are several ways, depending on your time and availability, how you can help. A couple ways are to consider either being an adoptive parent or foster care parent. Other opportunities are CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) or serving on the Foster Care Review Board.

CASA is seeking volun-

teers. To be a volunteer you must be 21 or older and of "good moral character." Interested individuals must apply and pass background checks, submit references and attend trainings. Once sworn in, a CASA voluneer is assigned one sibling group. His or her job is to learn about the child(ren) and be their advocate in the court system. Typically a CASA volunteer spends somewhere between 10-15 hours per month.







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Scouts honor cancer survivors

Livingston County cancer survivors will be honored during a luncheon April 30 at the Extension office in Smithland. The lunch will begin at 1 p.m. The event is hosted by Girl Scout Troop 408. Please RSVP by April 15 by calling Chasity Ray at (270) 217-

Calendar

- Crittenden County Elementary SBDM will meet at 4 p.m., Monday.

- Shady Grove Cemetery Association will hold its annual cemetery meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Shady Grove fire station. Everyone is welcome to attend

Former Moore **Business Forms** employees and guest will have a reunion at 1 p.m. Saturday at Glenn's on Main in Marion

- A card-making workshop led by Michele Hodge will be held from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday at Crittenden County Public Library.

 Crittenden County **Genealogy Society will** meet at 10 a.m., Saturday in the meeting room at the Crittenden County Public Library. It will be the annual meeting, followed by a program about names and nickname and how they can be confusing in genealogy research.

 A benefit singing for Travis, Ali and Atler Perryman will be held at 6 p.m., April 15 at Fohs Hall. Featured performers are Dyer Hill Baptist Church's praise band and The Stone Family. Admission is free, but a love offering will be accepted. Atler Perryman was born with hypoplastic left heart syndrome and remains hospitalized awaiting a second heart

- West Kentucky Regional Blood Center and Crittenden Health Systems will hold a blood drive from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. April 14 at Rocket Arena on the campus of Crittenden County High School. All donors will receive a t-shirt. WKRBC will donate \$5 to CCHS for each pint of blood collected. Donors must be 17 years old (or 16 with parental consent), weigh at least 115 pounds and check medications with WKRBC staff.

- Book signings at the Crittenden County Public Library will be held April 15 and May 27. At 10 a.m. April 15, Library Director Regina Merrick will be presenting her first book, a Christian fiction novel. Then, at 10 a.m. May 27, Crittenden County native John M.L. "Mike" Brown will return home to visit and sign his book, "The Kentucky Way," a murder mystery set in Crittenden County in the 1930s and

Extension events - Challengers

Extension Homemakers will meet for their annual tea at noon, April 12 at Marion United Methodist Church.

 Extension **Homemakers Advisory** Council will meet at 9:30 a.m., April 13 at the Extension annex.

- Evening Belles **Extension Homemakers** will meet at 1 p.m., April 13 at the Extension Office.

- After Hours

Extension Homemakers will meet at 5 p.m., April 18 at the Extension Office. -Crochet Corner will meet on the 18th of April, noon, at the Extension Office. Any and all crocheters or those interested in crochet are welcome to attend.

Blue Knights end season at state

Crittenden County's Blue Knights competed in the State Team Chess tournament in Shepherdsville at the end of March. The tournament brings in 64 teams from four quadrants across Kentucky. State tournament play consists of head-tohead competition in four on four board format with competitors seeking to win best out of four in each round to gain a point.

The K3 section of Zak Wyatt Russell, Smith. Nai'Zayah Bell, Donte Bell, Jake Rich and Zeke Smith started their day with a clean sweep over Glendover Academy by winning all four games before drawing a tough Sacred Heart Model School team in Round 2. They battled back in Round 3 against Lexington Latin School to win three out of the four games, giving them one point for the round. In the final round, K3 competitors faced Norton Elementary and walked away with only one win and no points.

The team tied for eighth overall.

The K5 section of Hayden Hildebrand, Marley Phelps, Abbey Swinford, Williams and Kole Williams faced fierce rival Lone Oak Intermediate in the first round, a team they have yet to beat this year. This tournament would prove no different as the team came up short with no point. In Round 2, they played South Christian Elementary and won three out of four games to gain one point. Round 3 would bring in last year's state champs Rosa Parks El-Rosa Parks ementary. which won all four games and went on to win the state title. Against Brooks Elementary in Round 4, the K5 team won three out of the four, giving them two points and a tie for eighth in their division.

The K8 team of Cole Swinford, Chase Stevens, Gage Russell, Evan McDowell, Trey Swaggirt, Dennon Wilson, Tyler Swaggirt, Do-



Blue Knights chess team members scored in the top 10 in each division in the state tournament in March.

minic Rorer and James Crider went into the tournament one of the top teams in the state. Swinford. Stevens. Russell and McDowell made up the four-board team that would shoot for the championship. In Round 1, they faced powerhouse Meyzeek Middle and would handle them with no problem, winning all four games. In Round 2 they played Thomas Jefferson and won two out of the four to split a

"It usually takes a perfect score to win at state, but this year would prove to be a player's dream and a coach's nightmare as the top eight teams all split the point in Round 2," Coach Don Winters said. "Going into Round 3 with eight teams still having a chance at winning the coveted title is unbelievable.'

East Oldham, Calloway Home School, McNabb, Zoneton, Westport and last year's winners Winburn, along with Crittenden, all went into Round 3 knowing they would have to win the next two rounds to have a chance. Crittenden faced St. Nicholas Academy and did their part, winning three of the four points to gain the point and have 2.5 points going into Round 4. Round 4 put Crittenden in second place, playing East Oldham for the state title.

Russell and McDowell lost their games, and Stevens won his game. Swinford came up just short, making East Oldham the outright winner this year. Crittenden tied for fourth and brought home the sixth-place trophy.

The K12 team of Skyler James, Clay Stevens, Gage Moore and Lauren Gilchrist won one of four games in Round 1 against Manual High, this year's eventual state champ. Crittenden swept Montgomery in Round 2 and drew familiar foe Graves County to win three out of four games in Round 3. They were swept by North Bullitt in the fourth round and ended the tournament in eighth place overall.

"I can't say enough about all four sections this year. They have played some of their very best chess and have shown everyone that the Blue Knights are true competitors," Winters said. "To be there at the end and have a chance to win the state title is amazing. I told the kids not to worry; we will get them next year.'



Paying it forward

Crittenden County fifth grader Katie Perryman recently delivered hundreds of toys and games for the patients at Norton Children's Hospital to help them pass time during their hospital stay. Perryman led a collection effort at Crittenden Elementary, where students contributed items for children at Norton Children's Hospital. As a newborn, Perryman was diagnosed at Norton with cystic fibrosis and travels to Louisville twice a year for checkups and diagnostic studies. Perryman is the daughter of Tony and Rashelle Perryman of Marion.



Winners of the Woman's Club writing contest are (above from left) Morgan Stewart, Paul Combs and Benjamin Potter and Carmen Guess (right). Not pictured, Jessi Brewer.

Youths win local contest

Woman's Club of Marion awarded \$25 on March 23 to students who earned first place in a local writing contest. Their entries will now

compete in the GFWC Kentucky contest. Those results will be announced in May. Categories and winners are as follows:



Short Story Grades K-2 Morgan Stewart, "I Love Football" Grades 6-8, Paul Combs

"Excerpt from the Journals of Wallace Duke of Northumbria" **Poetry**

Grades K-2 Benjamin Potter, "Advent" Grades 6-8 Carman

Guess, "Can" 9-12 Jessi Brewer, "Thin Blue Line."

meatloaf, mashed potatoes,

dumplings, buttered broccoli, seasoned corn, Jell-O fruit salad, cornbread. Bingo begins at 10:30

- Monday: Menu is baked potato soup, chicken drumstick, seasoned peas, cornbread and pear crisp. Ladies' exercise with

9:45 a.m.

 Tuesday: Menu is hamburger with lettuce, tomato and onion on whole wheat bun, vegetable soup, oatmeal raisin cookie and crackers.

- April 12: Menu is sweet and soned peas, seasoned cabbage, chocolate pudding and fortune cookie. Bingo begins at 10:30

Enrichment classes listed for Community Christmas program

Anyone planning to sign up for assistance through Crittenden County Community Christmas is required to complete three educational/enrichment classes by September. This requirement will allow heads of household to register their child/children's wish lists on the program's Angel Trees.

Below are classes offered in April and May. Additional classes will be offered through September. Preregistration is required for some classes.

Crocheting 101

A beginner class for those interested in learning to crochet. Presenter: Becky Zahrte Dates: 1st and 3rd Wednesday's, noon – 1 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Pre-Register and get a supply list by calling Extension office at (270) 965-5236.

Computer class

Does your computer confuse you? Learn more about basic programming on your computer. You may bring your own laptop or utilize one from the library. Presenter: Carol Harrison Dates: 3rd Thursday of each month. Location: Crittenden County Public Library, 204 W. Carlisle St., Marion. Preregister by calling (270) 965-3354

Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR)

QPR training can help you recognize the warning signs of suicide, know how to offer hope to someone in crisis and know how to get help and save a life. Presenter: Chris Sparks & Paula Brown (PRPC) Dates: Wednesday, April 12 at 10 a.m. Location: Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Preregister by Thursday (today) by calling The Extension Office at (270) 965-5236.

Diabetes prevention Have you been told you

have borderline, touch of sugar or prediabetes? Learn what this means and how to

you. Presenter: Kelly Dawes, RN CDE(Certified Diabetes Educator) w/Pennyrile Health Dept. Dates: Wednesday, April

12th at 11:30 a.m. Location: Crittenden Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Pre-register by Tuesday by calling (270) 965-5236.

Library scavengar hunt

Participants will learn about materials and services available at the library. Presenter: Regina Merrick, Director of CCPL. Dates: Tuesday, April 18 at 10:30 a.m. Location: Crittenden County Public Library, 204 W Carlisle St., Marion Pre-register by April 17 by calling (270) 965-3354

Safety 101

Learn basic safety tips including; baby proofing your home, safe sleep for babies, car seat safety, poison control, medication safety and fire safety. Presenter: Renee Sizemore and Kathy Thompson. Date: April 18 at 1 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Health Department, 190 Industrial Drive, Marion Pre-register by calling (270) 965-5215.

Don't eat that

Learn what you need to do to keep your food safe, learn when to throw it away, appropriate cooking temperature and more. Presenter: Sue Parrent, ENFEP Date: Thursday, April 27, 2 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Pre-Register by calling (270) 965-5236. **Camp Wonderopolis**

Camp Wonderopolis is the free online summerlearning destination full of fun, interactive STEM and literacy-building topics boosted Maker experiments. This workshop will introduce this program and teach participants how to keep kids learning during Summer Reading. Presenter: Kathleen Guess, Assistant

prevent it from happening to Director of CCPL. Date: May 4 at 1 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Public Library, 204 W Carlisle St., Marion. Pre-register by May 1 by calling (270) 965-3354. Straw bale gardening

Learn the basics of straw bale gardening including how to condition bales, plant, manage weeds and watering. Presenter: Dee Brasher, Crittenden County ANR Agent. Date: Saturday, May 6, 10 a.m. Location: Crittenden County Public Library, 204 W Carlisle St., Marion Pre-register calling (270) 965-5236.

Nutrition basics Learn to choose healthy foods to help control diabetes or prediabetes. Presenter: Kelly Dawes, RN CDE (Certified Diabetes Educator) w/Pennyrile Health Dept. Date: May 9 at 2 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Preregister by May 8 by calling

(270) 965-5236. **Rocket boost for kids**

Boost your kids into the next school year. For families with children ages birth to kindergarten. Kindergarten registration and kick off included, as well as pre-school and early childhood activities. Dinner will be provided. May 11 at 4:30 p.m. Location: Crittenden Elementary School, 120 Autumn Lane, Marion For questions, call Holly White

at (270) 965-3525. Eat like a king

Learn how to take your pennies and stretch them to eat better on a budget. Presenter: Sue Parrent, ENFEP Date: May 18, 2 p.m. Location: Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Preregister by calling (270) 965-



Egg hunt champs

Prize winners in The Peoples Bank's annual Easter egg hunt are pictured with bank president Terry Bunnell and Easter bunny Melissa Agent. Winners and their age divisions are (from left) Owen Flahardy, 0-age 3; Alyssa Cartwright, ages 7-10; and Eli Lovell, ages 4-6.



Senior Menu Crittenden County Senior Citi-

zens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Milk, coffee or tea is available each day. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Thursday (today): Menu is

green beans, whole wheat roll and banana pudding.

- Friday: Menu is chicken and

Full Body Fitness Studio begins at

sour chicken with brown rice, sea-

Entire county pitched in to help win World War I

In 1918, the Kentucky Council of Defense inaugurated a statewide movement to

record the part this area of the state was taking in World War I. It appointed a state war historian and local historians in each county. These persons were charged with the duty of collecting and preserving material that would be of value to the people of the counties and state. These materials included service records of the men in the military and records of the activities of the men and women

who stood solidly behind the fighting forces and gave their time and labor untiringly to

help win the war.

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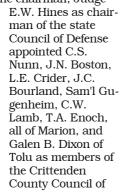
Crittenden County's War Historian was Mrs. W.J. Deboe (Victoria Larkin). She did a wonderful job of collecting and documenting this history. Her book "Records of Crittenden County Men in the Service in the World War 1917-1919" is located at the Crittenden County Public Library in the genealogy department. This article is taken from some of the information in this book.

Council of Defense

Soon after the United States entered the World War in 1917, Gov. A.O. Stanley appointed Dr. T. Atchison Frazer, W.R. Cruce and Jas. H. Orme, all of Marion, as members of the Crittenden County Council of Defense. Each of these members took an active part in all war work, such as Liberty Loan drives, Red Cross work and all other activities connected with war work.

In 1918, the state legislature passed an act legalizing state and county Councils of Defense, and when this act became effective, Gov. Stanley appointed Dr. T. Atchison Frazer chairman of the Crittenden County Council of De-

On recommendation of Dr. Frazer, the chairman, Judge



Defense. This council immediately organized and began active work and rendered every assistance possible in all Lib-

erty Loan Red Cross, YMCA, Jewish Welfare and all other war work, with members of the Council making speeches at various schoolhouses and other points throughout the entire county.

In the summer of 1918, under the direction of the county council, a "more wheat" campaign was inaugurated. Two gentlemen were appointed in each voting precinct of the county to take the poll books and ask the farmers for a pledge to grow more wheat. This resulted in increasing the acreage planted in Crittenden County from 1,400 the previous year to 8,700 acres.

The chairman of the County Council of Defense was also examining surgeon of the county draft board and personally examined every registrant in Crittenden County.

All the members of this county council were very active in doing everything that would tend to help win the war. The Crittenden County Draft Board examined in the neighborhood of 1,500 men, and each member of the local board was personally present at all examinations, and each member was present at all roll calls when men were sent to the service and accompanied each contingent to the railroad sta-





Postmarked July 15, 1918, this postcard (left) was popular for sons in the military to send their moms during the First World War. Above right is a World War I poster that was used by the Food Administration in hope of encouraging the people to help with the conservation of food items. Thomas H. Cochran was in charge of this project in Crittenden County.

tion when men were entrained for camp.

History of Crittenden County Chapter of the American Red Cross

On June 5, 1917, the citizens of Marion interested in organizing a chapter of the American Red Cross Society in Crittenden County met. elected temporary officers and entered application for a charter. Upon receipt of the charter, the temporary organization was made permanent and plans for war work were immediately entered upon. A branch chapter was organized at Dycusburg and auxiliaries were established at Crayne and Tolu.

Below is a complete list of the officers and important committee chairs together with their term of office since the formation of the chapter in 1917.

Officers

- Rev. H.R. Short: Chairman, July 10, 1917-. - Rev. J.B. Trotter: Vice Chairman July 10, 1917-.

- Miss Frances Blue: Secretary, July 10, 1917-November

- Mrs. C.J. Pierce: Secretary. November 1918-March

- Mrs. V.L. Christian: Secretary, March 1919 -.

Miss Madeline Jenkins: Treasurer, July 10, 1917-October 1917.

- Miss Leaffa Wilborn: Treasurer, October 1917.

Committee chairs

- Mrs. T.A. Frazer: Woman's Work, July 1917-March 1918.

Mrs. W.J. Deboe: Woman's Work, March 1918-

- Mrs. W.B. Yandell: Woman's Work, March 1919-. - Miss Ethel Hard: Civilian Relief, March 1918-March 1919.

- Mrs. W.J. Deboe: Civilian Relief, March 1919-.

In addition to the officers and chairs mentioned above, the following gentlemen were elected to membership on the chapter's executive committee: Hon. Clem S. Nunn, Hon. John A. Moore, Hon. John W. Blue Jr., Mr. Charles J. Pierce, Mr. Wm. B. Yandell, Dr. T.A. Frazer, Mr. Felix Cox, Rev. M. R. Short, Mr. Walter Mc-Connell, Rev. J.B. Trotter, Mr. Frank Dodge, Rev. Hosea

Paris, Mr. Lawerance E. Cider, Rev. H.V. Escott, Mr. C.L. Harpending, Rev. Jas. F. Price, Prof. V.L. Christian and Rev. S.D. Harlan.

The officers of the chapter are delegates of the people, pastors of the various churches, attorneys, physicians and teachers and are prominent in the business and religious affairs of the commu-

During the war, the Red Cross workroom was one of the busiest places in Marion and every consignment was accepted and completed promptly.

There were 2,696 garments and 1,271 knitted articles made and shipped. (Also, extra special relief work was done during the influenza epidemic that occurred at this time.) Knitted articles included sweaters, mufflers, socks and helmets.

In addition to these regular consignments, there was sent abroad to our American hospitals in France, a donation box containing 383 linen articles.

The Committee on Belgian Relief was very active and successful. In the fall of 1918, more than 1,200 pounds of useful clothing was shipped to the Belgiam Relief headquarters and again in the spring of 1919 in answer to another call, five bags containing garments in excellent condition and weighing about 500 pounds were collected and shipped. Hundreds of garments for the children of Belgium and France were included.

In drives both for membership and funds, the chapter has been quite successful. In the drive for membership during December 1917, more than 400 new members were enrolled, and while the drive last year (1918) was not quite so successful, a good showing was made.

The chapter school committee succeeded in securing a 100 percent enrollment in the Junior Department of the Red Cross and intends to do active work whenever called upon.

chairman of the school committee until September 1918, when he was succeeded by Prof. V.L. Christian. More than \$10,800 was raised by the Crittenden County chapter during the war drive. Financial aid has been given to families of soldiers and civilians only upon careful investigation, but a number of worthy persons have been given assistance; \$956.53 has been expended for relief purposes thus far.

Food Admnistrator

Mr. T.H. Cochran, as Food Administrator, did everything in his power for the conservation of the food we were asked to conserve. He was a conscientious worker and was tireless in his efforts in seeing that the Food Conservation Plan was a success in this county. All rulings concerning sugar, flour, etc., were carried out to the letter, and favors were shown to none.

Fuel Administrator

Mr. W.B. Yandell, as Fuel Administrator, was untiring in the work that was assigned him. He saw that all rulings concerning the conservation of fuel were strictly enforced. All business houses were closed on Monday of each week, and closed in the evening at the required time and all public meetings were prohibited, except when time of meeting came within the regulation of the Fuel Administrator. He was loyally supported by all the citizens of the town and county.

It always gives me a feeling of pride knowing how Marion and all of Crittenden County worked together and supported the "at home war efforts." They always did their part to help by all working together and seeing that the job got done.

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civilians and military personnel were wounded, many grievously.

The war whose battles were confined primarily to Europe and the Middle East was of little interest to most Americans until Germany resumed unrestricted submarine warfare in early 1917. When the empire once again began claiming American ships and lives, war became inevitable.

The Great War, as it was known before World War II, at its height was adding 10,000 Americans a day to the fight. In Crittenden County, an isolated corner of rural Kentucky seemingly unaffected by European matters, few volunteered for duty. Most of the men from here who served - many of them farmers or spar miners were drafted into Army service. All told, 2.8 million American men were drafted.

When they left Marion for training, it was not without a grand sendoff. On Sept. 12, 1917, the community gathered at the courthouse and marched to the train depot to see off the first group of local draftees, all to the music of the Marion Orchestra.

Everybody was there, feeble fathers, gray haired mothers, sisters, brothers and sweet hearts and not a few were the tears shed," reported The Crittenden Record-Press.

The war would drag on another 14 months, ending on Nov. 11, 1918, a date marked each year by Veterans Day. But that war gave us much more than a November holi-

Man discovered ever-better ways to kill his fellow man, mechanizing war with new weapons like, warplanes, submarines, tanks, flamethrowers, hand grenades and machine guns. It also gave us chemical warfare.

The "War to End All Wars" fueled the rise of an obscure German corporal nearly killed in the war to the most infamous man in modern history. He, of course, was Adolf Hitler, the architect of the Holocaust and another world war that would claim 60 million more lives. It fed the birth of communism in Russia and today's unrest in the Middle East.

It spelled the end for world powers (Austro-Hungarian and Ottoman empires), the decline of others (Great Britain) and the rise of both America

Crittenden County men killed during The Great War Military and ancestry records from Pvt. Robert M. Davis Pvt. James Guthrie Highfil where he was living when he was

100 years ago are not what they are today, with much of the information missing to time. What is found can often be contradicted in another place. This list of men killed in World War I was compiled by The Crittenden Press from local genealogical files; draft cards, birth files and death certificates accessed through Ancestry.com; and information gathered from local historians and descendents of the men in uniform.

Pvt. Edwin R. Baird

He died of disease at the age of 27 on Oct. 13, 1918, at Camp Zachary Taylor in Louisville, which opened in 1917 to train soldiers for the war. The Army soldier is buried in Crayne Cemetery.

Sgt. Maj. Freeda Ellis Baker Jan. 28, 1894-Oct. 16, 1918



A physical disability claimed on his draft card didn't save Baker from his fate at the hands of disease that thrived in the squaller of trench warfare in France. In fact, dis-

ease led to the deaths of 2 million men. As a single man living in Marion, he had been operating his own farm when he was called on by the Army. His body was brought home Jan. 10, 1921 and rests in Mapleview Cemetery.

Pvt. William Curry

Jan. 23, 1892-Oct. 20, 1918 He was single and farming his own land in Tolu when he joined the Army. He died of pneumonia in a French hospital. His body was moved from its original resting place in France to the Suresnes American Cemetery there on Oct. 18, 1921. His family was sent multiple letters offering to send his body home for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, but they chose to leave him buried in

Pvt. Harvey Soloman Conger June 8, 1892-Nov. 5, 1918

An unmarried farmer, he died of disease at Army Camp Zachary Taylor in Kentucky. He is buried in Pleasant Hill

Seaman 2nd Class Irving Davis Dec. 16, 1895-Sept. 28, 1918 He died of disease at Great Lakes, Ill., as a member of the Navy. From Marion, he

was single and a farmer. He is buried in Crooked Creek Cemetery.

The spread of disease through its global nature led to the 1918 "Spanish Flu" pandemic that claimed more lives than the war itself. As many as 40 million died, including Crittenden Countians not just in uniform, but those on the homefront.

and Russia/Soviet Union.

There were notable figures

Davis, an Army soldier, was killed in action at St. Mihiel, France, on Sept. 12, 1918, the day of the first standalone American offensive. He left behind his wife Georgia and is buried in Pleasant Grove Cemetery in a unmarked grave.

Pvt. John Everett Franks Jr. Sept. 20, 1887-Sept. 14, 1918



Upon being drafted, Franks claimed exemption due to his dependent mother. His father had died two years after the boy's birth, but with siblings left to care

for his mother, the Army enlisted him on Oct. 2, 1917. A resident of Marion, Franks mined spar for Fairview Mining Co. in Crittenden County. He was single. He was sent to France where he died from a chest wound from machine gun fire from the Central Powers. His body was returned home in August 1921, and he was laid to rest in Union Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pvt. Oscar Wilborn Green Oct. 14, 1886-Sept. 12, 1918



Green, a farmer from Dycusburg, was drafted into the Army. He was among the first soldiers to serve with "Red Star" 6th Infantry Division

formed for the war. Green was killed in France in the waning days of the war, one of only 38 men killed in action during the division's 43 days of combat. He was not married. His body arrived home Aug. 19, 1921, and is buried in Caldwell Springs Ceme-

Samuel R. Haney 1894-Oct. 21, 1918

Though he is found in research as having a Crittenden County connection, his address was Fredonia at the time of his induction into the Army. He died at Camp McClellan, Ala. No cause of death can be found.

Pvt. Winstell Hearell

He was struck and killed by a train May 19, 1917, while guarding a bridge in Wickliffe. He was in the National Guard.

like Lawrence of Arabia, the Red Baron and Gen. John J. Pershing. It introduced us to Winston Churchill and the grave of the Unknown Soldier.

But World War I also did some good. It helped to perfect blood transfusions, plastic surgery, telecommunications, prosthetics, mass production and psychotherapy. It gave us Feb. 4, 1896-Oct. 31, 1918



Highfil was working as a farm laborer on his father Lafe's farm in Tolu at the time the Army drafted him. He served with the 125th Infantry Regi-

ment, a unit of mostly Michigan National Guard soldiers mustered into federal service for the war. He was killed in action in France on either Oct. 21 or 31, as dates found differ. His body was returned home and buried July 30, 1921, in White Chapel Cemetery in the Irma community. He was single.

Pvt. Odie Holoman

Aug. 14, 1892-Oct. 27, 1918 Buried in the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in France, no cause of death can be found. A Crittenden County native, he was a farm laborer living in Fredonia at the time he was drafted. A single man, he had sought exemption, claiming he supported his mother and sister. He was a soldier with the Army's 38th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division. The unit still holds the nickname "Rock of the Marne," earned while fighting German forces in its first battle of the war.

Pvt. Joseph Allen Hoover

From Tolu, he died of disease on Oct. 10, 1918, at Camp Zachary Taylor in Louisville, where most of the men from the county were sent to train. He was laid to rest in White Chapel Cemetery.

Pvt. Luther Horning July 18, 1891-Sept. 14, 1918

He died of pneumonia in France, and his body was returned home for burial Nov. 19, 1920, in Love Cemetery. At least one record shows his date of death on Sept. 16. He came from a large family of 10 children. Single, he was a miner at Beard Mines. He is buried in Love Cemetery.

Pvt. Amplias Marble Moore Jan. 4, 1894-Oct. 8, 1918



When he was drafted into the Army, Moore was farming his own land in Tolu. He died of wounds received in battle in France. He was never married and had eight sib-

lings. He is buried in Watson Cemetery.

Pvt. Lonnie Moore From Repton, he died of disease at a U.S. Army hospital in North Carolina.

George Bassett Newcom Dec. 28, 1897-April 2, 1917

He died at the Great Lakes, Ill., naval hospital of measles and is buried in Mapleview Cemetery. This was nearly 50 years before the measles vaccine was discovered. The disease was a deadly U.S. military epidemic during

Ellis B. Ordway Aug. 18, 1895–July 26, 1918



As the first Crittenden Countian killed in America's foreign wars of the 20th century, Ordway was recognized by his community when

American Legion

Post 111 was formed in 1924 and named in his honor. He volunteered for the Army in June 1917 and left Crayne to join the Allies as a soldier in the 16th Infantry Division, the first "Doughboys" thrown into battle. In France, he was injured twice in the leg on July 17, 1918, and died nine days later, one of 1,037 men from the division killed in the war. Ordway's body was not returned home until April 1921. He was from a family of nine children and a large funeral was held at Crayne Presbyterian Church, where he had been a member. His body was wrapped in the 48 stars and 13 bars of Old Glory and rests in Crayne Ceme-

Ellet Newton Pace

Sept. 24,1897-Sept. 22,1918 Buried in Salem Cemetery, he was serving as a landsman machinist's mate in the U.S. Naval Reserve when he died of influenza on Sept. 21, 1918, at the naval hospital in Great Lakes, Ill.

Pvt. John Elmer "Frankling" Samuel Unmarried, he died at the age of 31 of disease on Sept. 26, 1918, in France. He had mailed home a letter a week before his death, but the letter did not arrive to his family until Oct. 24, 1918.

Pvt. Sheffer S. Sullenger Sept. 22, 1894-Dec. 30, 1917 Born in Marion, he was working as a miner at the Rosiclare Lead & Fluospar

Mining Co. across the river in Illinois,

drafted. He was interred in December 1917 at the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery and Memorial in Fere-en-Tardenois, France. At least one record lists his death of pneumonia as having occurred on Oct. 4, 1918.

Pvt. Charles Eugene Threlkeld

Aug. 11, 1895–1917 From Tolu, he died sometime in 1917 of measles and pneumonia at Camp Zachary Taylor in Kentucky. He was not married and was in the Army's 36th Infantry Regiment of the 84th Infantry Division.

Harry Worten Threlkeld

June 22, 1893–Dec. 12, 1918 He died of pneumonia in St. Florent, France. His body was brought home to be buried in Mapleview Cemetery in November 1920. Born in Lola, he was living in Marion at the time he was drafted and was working as a miner at the Pigmy Mining Co. in Mexico.

Clarence Lonnie Turley Nov. 13, 1894-Aug. 30, 1918

Born in Marion, Turley was a single man working as a car inspector in Pasco, Wash., at the time he entered the Army. He was killed in France and his body rests there in the Oise-Aisne American Cemetery and Memorial. He has a memorial marker in Piney Fork Cemetery near the rest of his family.

Pvt. James Cecil Turner Oct. 30, 1893-Oct. 20, 1918

He died of disease in France. From Marion, he is buried in Union Baptist Church Cemetery. Unmarried, he was a farmer.

Pvt. Edgar Sherman Wofford

Aug. 12, 1893–July 16, 1918 According to his death certificate, he died of complications from appendicitis. He was a farmer from Sheridan and was not married. He is buried in Dunn Springs Cemetery.

Seaman 2nd Class Winston Woodson From Repton, he died of disease at the Navy's hospital at Mare Island, Calif. No dates or additional information could be found.

There is no monument in Crittenden County to the individuals or collective group of local men who died in The Great War.

noticed. To help, the United States World War One Centennial Commission commemorates this year's anniversary website, WorldWarlCentennial.org; and "American Experience" offers us the three-part, sixhour documentary "The Great War" on KET, running next Monday through Wednesday.

daylight saving time and an increased role for women in America's future. It introduced us to words and phrases like "shell shocked," "dud," "camouflage," "souvenir" and "ace." This war changed every-

There is no one left today in Crittenden County to share firsthand accounts of World

War I at home or abroad. We are left with only history books, newspaper clippings, ancestry records and secondhand stories to tell the tales and teach us the lessons learned in those two years.

But it is a mistake to gloss over this period in American history and a disservice to mankind to let April 6 go un-

with

Local 4-Hers attend Teen Summit

Middle School 4-H delegates from across the state recently attended the 12th annual Kentucky 4-H Teen Summit at the Lake Cumberland 4-H Educational Center in Jabez. Four local 4-Hers from the Middle School Step Up to Leadership Club attended the conference for youth in grades 6-8 who want to learn more about what Kentucky 4-H can offer and make connections with others from across the state. The program is designed to encourage youth to continue their involvement in 4-H as they transition from middle to high school.

Members of the Kentucky State 4-H Teen Council serve as teen volunteers during the event, providing mentorship opportunities between the middle and high school 4-Hers. These teen leaders are in charge of teaching a leadership workshop. Throughout the conference, youth are encouraged to make new friends, develop their leader-



Recent middle school 4-H delegates to the 12th annual Kentucky 4-H Teen Summit at the Lake Cumberland 4-H Educational Center in Jabez were (from left) Grace Driskill, Maggie Blazina, Hadley Rich and Emma Williams.

ship skills and experience new learning opportunities in a safe and supportive environment. The Kentucky 4-H Performing Arts Troupe was

showcased by teaching workshops and leading the final assembly.

This past year, participants were able to learn valu-

able leadership, communication and citizenship skills through different workshop sessions. In addition to these valuable skills, participants also gained new knowledge and had fun playing gaga ball creating art, hiking, dancing, and participating in the 4K. Grace Driskill, a seventhgrade 4-H youth, placed third in the 4K. The youth who attended from Crittenden County said they had fun meeting other 4-Hers from across the state and making new friends.

"It's been an amazing experience for these 4-Hers," added Leslea Barnes, 4-H Youth Development agent for Crittenden County. "They've met new friends from other parts of the state, grown, gained independence and strengthened their love for the opportunities 4-H has to

If you are a middle school student in Crittenden County, contact your 4-H Agent to find out more about 4-H opportunities.



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Students learn how America does business

Sixteen Crittenden County High School students learned the inner workings of American business by participating in the American Private Enterprise System program March 2-3 at the Marion-Crittenden County EdTech Center.

The program was conducted in cooperation with the high school by the University of Kentucky Coopera-Extension Service. Participants for the program are selected from the top students in the junior class.

The program had three seniors return as Junior Leaders to take on a leadership role and assist with the program. The Junior Leaders were Jonas Duncan, Bristen Holeman and Gage Moore.

Students were quizzed on the material they learned, and winners received cash awards based on test scores and a trip to the Kentucky Youth Seminar this summer on the UK campus. The top four students were Madison O'Dell, first, winning \$50; Logan Belt, second, winning \$20; Ross Crider, third, winning \$15; and Emma Atchison, fourth. Jonas Duncan will also be attending the Kentucky Youth Seminar as Junior Leader. Leslea Barnes, Crittenden County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development will accompany the students to Lexington.

While at the state seminar, students compete for scholarships and cash prizes based on their knowledge of the business system. They also hear from national business leaders and participate in making real-world business decisions.

Winning the team building tower exercise were Brady



The following Crittenden County High School students participated in the local American Private Enterprise System Program held March 2-3: (seated, from left) Lauryn Faulkner, Mauri Collins, Madison Champion, Madison O'Dell, Emmalea Barnes, (middle) Tyson Steele, Kyle Castiller, Emma Atchison, Bristen Holeman, Ross Crider, Brady Birk, Jonas Duncan, (back) Gage Moore, Adam Beavers, Noah Sallin and Logan Belt. The local program is coordinated by the University of Kentucky Extension Service.

Birk and Jonas Duncan.

Students who were selected for participation studied the principles of various types of business organizations and the economy through presentations and discussions with local business leaders.

Locally, students discussed the following topics with their presenters:

- "How America is Organized to Do Business," presented by Charlie Hunt, Marion Feed Mill.

"The Role of Government in Our Economy," presented by Wes Hunt, Assistant Crittenden County Attorney.

- "Our Economy, How it Works, What it Provides," presented by Todd Perryman, Farmers Bank & Trust Co.

- "Investor Owned Corporations and Limited Liability Companies," presented by Ryan McDaniel, Par4 Plas-

- "Ecommerce," presented by Pam Collins, Crittenden County Board of Education member.

"Cooperatives," presented by Junior Leaders Jonas Duncan and Bristen Holeman.

Students learned about the responsibility of serving on a cooperative or corpora-

tion board of directors. They studied board cases to determine what action a board should take on particular situations and presented those conclusions to the group. They also participated in an entrepreneurship exercise by developing a business and creating a business plan. Groups then made a marketing presentation and presented their businesses to the entire group.

Local business tours included: Farmers Bank, Crittenden Health Systems and

The local program is coordinated by Leslea Barnes.

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7 700-750 711 121.00-124.00 122.72 3 800-850 836 116.00-120.00 118.65 Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

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Bred Cows Medium and Large I-2 Aged Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

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l 1200-1600 1245 630.00 630.00 4-6 Mns Bred Bred Cows Medium and Large 2 Young Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

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I 700-800 740 530.00 530.00

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SPRING BREAK Rocket Baseball

at Fort Walton Beach, Fla. **SCORES FROM THIS WEEK** Campbellsville 12, Crittenden 0 Owensboro - Rained Out **WEDNESDAY'S GAME** Rockets vs. Warren Central **THURSDAY'S GAME** Rockets vs. Spencer County FRIDAY'S GAME Rockets vs. Boyle County



Lady Rocket Softball

at Clarksville, Tenn. FRIDAY'S POOL PLAY GAMES CCHS vs. Montgomery Central CCHS vs. Bruceton-Hollow Rock SATURDAY'S POOL PLAY GAME CCHS VS. Stewart County

Tournament played Saturday

SCHEDULES Spring Sports Events MONDAY

Baseball All A at Lyon County Softball All A at University Heights Freshman baseball hosts Calloway **TUESDAY**

Track at Murray's Harrell Relays

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April 15 - May 7 Year Round Year Round

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Coleman Stone, 13, bagged this nice gobbler during last weekend's youth hunt. The tom weighed 21.2 pounds, had oneinch spurs and an 11½ inch beard.

GOLF

Heritage event schedule

The Heritage at Marion Country Club Golf Tournament Schedule: 2 Man Scramble April 22-23 2 Person Alternating Shot May 6 3 Person Scramble May 20-21 4 Person Scramble June 3-4 June 24-25 Buck & Doe Hardin Memorial 4-Man July 15 2 Man Scramble July 22-23 1 Person Scramble Aug. 5 Sycamore Hills Aug. 26-27 Ryder Cup Sept. 16-17 Club Championship Oct. 7-8

For more information or to register for an event, contact Kyle Myers at (270) 704-5015 or Alec Pierce at the pro shop (270) 965-



Crittenden County High School's Lady Rocket basketball team held its annual awards ceremony Wednesday at Tony's Italian Grill in Marion. Among those honored were (front from left) Kiana Nesbitt, Best Teammate and Warrior awards; Meredith Evans, Sixth Man Award; Cassidy Moss, MVP Award, all-time school scoring leader with 1,825 points, season leader in field goal percentage, three-point shooting, rebounds, steals and assists; Amanda Lynch, season leader in free throws and deflections; (back) Mauri Collins, Most Improved Award; Ashton Binkley, JV Teammate Award; Mathia Long, JV Hustle Award; Nahla Woodward, JV Impact Player Award; Madison Champion, Versatility Award; and Chandler Moss, JV Leadership Award. The Lady Rockets finished the season 25-8, the most wins in school history and were All A Classic Second Region champs, an All A Classic quarterfinalist and Fifth District champion. It was the first girls' team in school history to win a game in the All A Classic State Tournament.

LADY ROCKETS 2016-17 FINAL STATISTICS - Record 25-8

Player	Games	FG Shooting / Avg.	3-Pointers / Avg.	FTs / Average	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	Avg.	Defl.	Steals	Assist	TO
Madison Champion	33	121-282 42.9%	4-19 21.1%	69-115 60%	315	9.5	115	3.5	43	35	75	87
Mauri Collins	33	83-191 43.5%	1-7 14.3%	20-34 58.8%	188	5.7	66	2.0	42	41	64	58
Meredith Evans	33	13-50 26.0%	0-2 0.0%	6-16 37.5%	32	1.0	69	2.1	14	12	18	28
Kiana Nesbitt	33	92-182 50.5%	0-1 0.0%	30-48 62.5%	214	6.5	234	7.1	26	29	31	45
Amanda Lynch	33	123-243 50.6%	3-13 23.1%	21-29 72.4%	270	8.2	75	2.3	73	55	82	94
Cassidy Moss	33	199-384 51.8%	33-96 34.4%	123-184 66.8%	552	16.7	287	8.7	64	80	112	71
Nahla Woodward	22	21-72 29.2%	0-0	11-23 47.8%	53	2.4	61	2.8	11	7	5	20
Chandler Moss	20	6-18 33.3%	0-0	3-4 75%	15	8.0	14	0.7	2	3	5	9
Matthia Long	18	5-16 31.3%	0-0	2-3 66.7%	12	0.7	17	0.9	2	3	4	6
Shelby Summers	17	10-20 50%	0-0	3-4 75%	23	1.4	12	0.7	3	2	0	18

Rain, struggles follow Rockets to Florida

Crittenden logs 1st win before departing

Hoping to capitalize from momentum generated by its first victory of the season before heading off to spring break games in Florida, Crittenden County ran into a tough Campbellsville club and lost 12-0 in their Fort Walton Beach debut on Sunday.

Rain - something the Rockets have battled almost daily in March here in Kentucky - met them down South, washing out Monday's scheduled matchup against Owensboro.

Crittenden (1-7) was scheduled for five games on the spring break trip to Florida, but it looks like the boys may come up a bit short. It was unclear if the Florida rainout would be made up later in the week.

CCHS bats were stymied by Campbellsville's pitching. Sophomore ace Ryan Kearney threw a one-hitter against the Rockets. Senior Ethan Hunt had Crittenden's only hit.

Rocket senior Maeson Myers couldn't slow the Eagles' offense and was mauled for eight runs and eight hits in three innings. Senior Taylor Yancy pitched the final two innings for the Rockets, allowing four runs on five

The Rockets got their first win with a 5-2 triumph over McLean County Friday at Marion-Crittenden County park. Senior Bobby Glen Stephens scored twice for the Rockets. He singled in the first inning and later scored on a passed ball. Stephens scored again in the third frame off a



Senior Taylor Yancy singled but got stranded at second base during last week's Fifth District loss to Trigg County.

hit by Yancy. CCHS scored three more runs in the fifth, two coming off errors made by the Cougar defense.

Stephens and sophomore Payton Riley each had a pair of hits. Sophomore Ethan Dossett had a RBI single in the fifth inning.

Riley started the game for the Rockets and pitched four innings, allowing only four hits with one strikeout. In three innings of relief, Dossett allowed two runs on six hits and struck out

In a district matchup last week at Marion, Trigg County used five hits to mercy-rule the Rockets 11-1.

CCHS committed six errors in the game with three coming in the second

Stephens scored the only run for the Rockets.

Several Rockets struggled on the mound. Jones and sophomore Pate Robinson each allowed four runs. Riley and junior Kyle Castiller pitched also, but neither curbed Trigg's rally.

3200 School Record Will Tolley (above) and teammates Sawyer Towery, Tyson Steele and Aaron Lucas set a new school record in the 3200 meter relay last week at Marion, finishing in 9:05. The previous record was established in 2005 by Kevin King, Janson

James, Brandon Jackson and

Austin Berry.

CCHS Track & Field Results

Girls Results, March 27 Team Totals: Crittenden 89, Livingston 73, Graves 40, Caldwell

100 hurdles 1. Jessie Potter

300 hurdles 2. Kenlee Perryman (1:00.65), 3. Ryleigh Tabor

100 meters 4. Shelby Wallace (15.22), 7. Ally Newman (16.56), 8. Emma Herrin (16.75)

200 meters 2. Shelby Wallace (31.14), 4. Ryleigh Tabor (32.84), 7. Abby Kirk (34.66) 400 meters 2. Cortne Curnel (1:14.26), 3. Trinity Hayes (1:15.29), 6. Emma Herrin (1:29.30)

800 meters 7. Cameron Howard (3:29)

1600 meters 1. Kate Keller (6:21), 2. Jaelyn Duncan (7:04), 3. Ashley Wheeler (7:26), 6. Cameron Howard (7:37), 8. Anzie Gobin (8:08)

3200 meters 1. Kate Keller (13:44), 2. Jaelyn Duncan (16:28), 3. Ashley Wheeler (17:40)

400 relay 3. Crittenden (1:00.4) 800 relay 3. Crittenden (Ryleigh Tabor, Trinity Hayes, Ally Newman, Cortne Curnel) 4. Crittenden (Hailey Mathieu, Katie Mathieu, Lilli Newcom, Briana McDonald)

1600 relay 2. Crittenden (5:04)

3200 relay 2. Crittenden (Jaelyn Duncan, Cameron Howard, Ashley Wheeler, Kate Keller) 13:06, 3. Crittenden (Lilly Newcom. Southern Pate, Anzie Gobin, Katie Mathieu) 15:00 Long Jump 1. Trinity Haves 11-10, 3. Ryleigh Tabor 10-8 High Jump 3. Ally Newman 3-6 Triple Jump 1. Kenlee Perryman 26-0, 5. Trinity Hayes 24-2, 6. Jessie Potter 23-9 Shot Put 3. Alexis Tabor 22-5.56. 6. Lauren Gilchrist 19-3 8. Abby Kirk 19-3

Discus 2. Alexis Tabor 69-4, 5. Lauren Gilchrist 58-9

Boys Results, March 27 Team totals: Crittenden 117. Graves 61, Livingston 37, Cald-

110 hurdles 1. Will Perkins (18.02)

well 35

300 hurdles 1. Will Perkins (46.71), 2. Tyson Steele (53.75), 3. Zack Weathers (54.28) 100 meters 2, Devon Nesbitt (11.98), 3. Branen Lamey (12.06)

200 meters 1. Devon Nesbitt (24.58), 2. Gavin Davidson (25.24), 4. Eli Moss (26:44) 400 meters 2. Will Tolley (56.52), 5. Eli Moss (1:03.35) 800 meters 1. Aaron Lucas (2:19), 2. Chris Perez (2:37), 6. Joseph Estes (2:48)

1600 meters 1. Aaron Lucas (4:51), 2. Sawyer Towery (5:17) 3200 meters 1. Aaron Lucas (10:50), 3. Sawyer Towery (11:42)

400 relay 1. Crittenden (46.42) **800 relay** 4. Crittenden (1:47) 1600 relay 1. Crittenden (4:01) 3200 relay 1. Crittenden (Will Tolley, Sawyer Towery, Tyson Steele, Aaron Lucas) 9:05 (School Record).

Long Jump 1. Tyson Steele 16-6, 4. Gavin Davidson 15-4 High Jump 1. Will Perkins 5-4, 2. Sawyer Towery 5-0, 4. Chris Perez 4-8

Triple Jump 3. Branen Lamey

Shot Put 5. Adam Beavers 30-

Lady Rockets fall to No. 24 Union County

A controversial play at the plate gave the (6-2) Crittenden County Lady Rockets' softball team its second defeat of the season last week at No. 24 Union

With a masterful pitching dual taking place besenior Cassidy Moss and Evyn Hendrickson, the game went into extra innings and came down to a final play in the bottom of the 11th when Union junior Ashley Conway bunted home the winning run. The throw at the plate was a bit late according to the umpire, but CCHS coach Stephen Smith thought his defense had recorded the out.

Union won the game 3-2. "It was a fierce battle," Smith said.

In extra innings, softball

Crittenden County softball coach Stephen Smith meets with

pitcher Cassidy Moss and other infielders during a break in the action last week in a game at Marion.

games are played by international tiebreaker rules, putting a runner on second base to start the at bat for the offensive team. Moss threw a total of 139

walked three. Hendrickson struck out 15 and allowed just five hits with one walk. The Lady Braves broke pitches, 95 for strikes. She

open the scoreless affair

fanned 10 Lady Braves and

allowed four hits and

the fourth inning thanks to a CCHS error. Lady Rocket eighth-

with a run in the bottom of

grader Ashlyn Hicks scored on a third-strike passed ball in the fifth to tie the game 1-1. Hicks would score again in the 11th inning on a sacrifice fly to give CCHS a 2-1 advantage.

Senior Courtney Beverly and Hicks each collected a pair of hits for the Lady Rockets.

CCHS was ranked 49th in last week's Kentucky Coaches Association poll. Games against 33rd ranked district opponent Lyon County and Webster and Trigg counties were rained

Crittenden is scheduled to return to action later this week in a spring break tournament at Clarksville, 34-7

Discus 3. Ross Crider 91-6

Ohio basketball star turns to UK gridiron

Lvnn Bowden didn't really know anything about the Kentucky-Ohio All-Star Bas-

ketball Game until his coach recently told him about it. Once he heard about it, he thought, "Why not," and opted to play in Saturday's game at Thomas More College in Crestview Hills.

Even though he'll be a 6-1 guard for Ohio, he could be the most interesting player in the game for many University of Kentucky fans. He's a UK football signee and was rated as one of the top 100 players in the 2017

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recruiting class by ESPN. But he can also play basketball. He averaged 20 points and four assists per game "It could have been more if my teammates had converted more," Bowden joked — for Warren Harding High School in Youngstown, Ohio.

"This will be my last basketball game," Bowden said. "I'm from Ohio and going to Kentucky, so this is perfect. I can leave an impression on Ohio and start making a name in Kentucky.'

He could easily be the most popular player in the boys game that will also include Kentucky Mr. Basketball Taveion Hollingsworth, a Western Kentucky signee.

"I want to just show Kentucky fans a little preview of what I can do on the court. I want to show them I am not just a football player," Bow-

Bowden says he always tries to be a "great leader" on the court but also said describing him as a "scorer" is a fair description. He had 41points in a game this season.

"I am an efficient passer, but I can score at will," Bowden said. "I am a drive first guy, but I can shoot the 3,

He has the skills to play Division I basketball, but coaches knew his heart was with football.

too.

"The basketball schools who came in to recruit our 6-10 guy said it was pointless and a waste of time to even recruit me when they knew I was going to play football. But I could have played Division I basketball," Bowden said. "I could play against the best and do fine.

He's confident, but he has the talent to back it up. He threw for 1.366 yards and rai for 2,277 yards his senior season and accounted for 57 touchdowns. He owns or shares 16 school records and is Ohio's sixth all-time leading rusher with 7,387 yards and 10th in rushing touchdowns with 91.

Bowden had his choice of colleges but knew Kentucky was right for him.

"It was just feeling like I was at home and like family when I went there. I was accepted and knew it was the right spot for me," he said. "Then all the love and support

from the Kentucky fans has been great. I just can't wait to get down there."

Bowden, who plans to be at the Blue-White Game April 14, isn't sure where he'll play at UK but isn't worried about that.

"I will play any position that puts the ball in my hands," he said.

Kentucky fans and coaches — are already counting on him to be a dynamic playmaker next season. Some

football recruiting analysts have even compared him to former UK star Randall Cobb, now a proven NFL star. That's a lot of hype before he even steps on campus - or is it?

"Oh no. To me, I would probably say they are under hyping me. They are not doing enough to hype what I can do," Bowden said. "Get ready for something big to happen.

Recruiting coordinator Vince Marrow certainly is. He says his brother told him he's the best player he's seen in Youngstown in 30 years. Marrow remember that running back Maurice Clarett, the No. 1 player in his recruiting class, and NFL receiver Mario Manningham were from the same city.

"So many guys have come out of there. But everyone has a guy in your hometown you check references with and everyone I have talked to says he is unbelievable. He's good — still has to come in and prove it, but he's good.

Bowden admits he thinks about playing in the NFL daily and that's his daily motivation. He's also had Clarett, who had his career cut short by off-field issues, as a men-

"He is like a big brother to me," Bowden said. "We all make mistakes. People talk down on him, but I see him as a regular person. He tells me to just stay level headed and humble, so I try to do

However, nothing stops his competitive drive that makes him quickly explain he can beat anybody on the football

"I am a competitor. I don't like to lose. Tennis, anything. I expect to win and go get it, he said. "Been that way for me all my life and that won't change at Kentucky."

'Unforgettables'

John Pelphrey was one of "The Unforgettables" who played in that historic NCAA Tournament game against Duke 25 years ago. But he was also at UK when three legendary Kentucky sports figures were a huge part of Kentucky basketball.

Start with Cawood Ledford, the iconic radio play-by-play



announcer for UK football and basketball for 39 years. His final game was that 1992 loss to Duke.

Kentucky's basketball equipment manager during Pelphrey's career was Bill Keightley. He was known as Mr. Wildcat because of his love for UK basketball.

Then there was Oscar Combs, the founder of The Cats Pause. At that time with no internet, The Cats Pause was the way many fans kept up with the Wildcats.

With all that Oscar did with high school basketball and then The Cats' Pause was really a big deal. It didn't come out often, so when you got that publication, you really dissected that thing,' Pelphrey said.

Combs is the only one still alive and until this season was a regular on the UK Radio Network pregame basketball show even though he sold The Cats Pause years

"They were pioneers in what they did. It is a lot of emotion going on thinking about them," Pelphrey, now an assistant coach at Alabama, said. "I was just blessed to be part of that. For me and so many others, that is our memory of Kentucky basketball. I don't know what it is like to be there now. From that moment in time it was special for Cawood, Mr. Keightley and Oscar. There are a lot of people like me who would say the same thing. They were just special."

Kevin Knox Jr.

Just in case Kevin Knox Jr. wasn't sure how much he might be wanted at Kentucky, he's got a lot of reminders last week at Chicago during the McDonald's All-American

Paul Washington, the father of UK signee P.J. Washington, and his wife, Sherry, sat with Knox's parents at practice.

"I am working on Knox personally myself right now with his dad. We want him at Kentucky," said Paul Washington.

Kevin Knox Sr. understands the process.

"He is doing his job. He is a salesman. If it turns out we go to Kentucky, it would be special with him and his family," Knox Sr. said about Paul Washington.

The 48 McDonald's All-Americans — 24 boys, 24 girls — visited the downtown Ronald McDonald House. Part of their visit was decorating cookies with youngsters.

P.J. Washington, Quade Green and Nick Richards, all UK signees, decorated two special cookies for Knox. Each one had a blue "BBN" the players had put on the cookie.

Knox Jr., a 6-8 perimeter player with superb shooting range, has narrowed his choices to Kentucky, Duke, North Carolina and Florida State. His father says a decision will not come until late April or early May

"I am definitely looking into what is going on and waiting to see how people did in the tournament and who is staying and who leaves," Knox Jr. said. "There are some schools and players I am looking to see if they leave and will help me out with playing time a little more if I go to that school."

Kevin Knox Sr. said it's not hard to figure out what they are waiting to see.

"As an example, if Malik Monk said he is coming back to Kentucky, then why would we go there," Knox Sr. said. "There's no reason to make a decision early unless that is your dream school and you want to go there. Other than that, we have four possibilities and we will wait to see what is going to work best."

Knox Jr. already knows Duke freshman Jayson Tatum has declared for the draft and is waiting to see



At left, Vince Marrow expects Lynn Bowden (left) to be a special player on the football field at UK. Bowden will be playing in the Kentucky-Ohio All-Star Basketball Game Saturday. Above, Cawood Ledford's last game as voice of the Wildcats was the 1992 NCAA Tournament game against Duke.

what shooting guard Luke after UK lost to North Car-

Kennard does. He expects Justin Jackson to leave North Carolina for the NBA.

"They want me to come in at Duke and do the same thing as Jayson and at North Carolina they want me to come in and play with those returning guys after Justin leaves," Knox Jr. said. "Florida State is losing a lot of guys, so I would really get good minutes with those guys. But I also know a lot of the Kentucky guys will probably leave, too.

Knox's father said it should be obvious what they like about Kentucky

"Just the wide open style of play. The coaching staff. You can't go wrong with that at Kentucky. Nothing more needs said," Knox Sr. said.

Quote of the Week

"Your life is not ending. It's the end of my career, but I know I have a bright future. To these guys, I love them and want them to know I am proud of them," Kentucky senior Dominique Hawkins

olina.

Quote of the Week 2

"Our schedule is pretty much solid for next season, but after that there could be an opportunity. I grew up a Kentucky fan and worked there, so to take a team there to play would be special and a great opportunity for us to get exposure," new Morehead State coach Preston Spradlin on playing UK in Rupp Arena.

Quote of the Week 3

"He's not just worried about running the defensive call. He's seeing more things. He's in better football position. He just looks a lot more natural out here," UK defensive coordinator Jeff House on sophomore linebacker Kash

(Larry Vaught, a former sports writer at The Advocate-Messenger in Danville, Ky., now covers UK sports on VaughtsViews.com blog and his weekly column appears in many newspapers across Kentucky.)

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Crittenden graduate promoted to Army major

By DEREK McCREE STAFF WRITER

Marion native Cameron Mays, a U.S. Army officer, recently received a promotion to the rank of major.

He is a 2002 graduate of Crittenden County High School.

The official pinning ceremony was March 22 at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where he is stationed.

Mays unselfishly praises his fellow soldiers as the reason for his move up in the

"This promotion is a reflection of all the good soldiers

surrounded by," he said. "It's a reflection of their success that has contributed to my

Mays said that his biggest influence for joining the military came from a long line of soldiers in his family. His grandfather on his mother's side was an Army medic and his paternal grandfather joined the Navy and retired from the U.S. Army Reserves. Mays' uncle served in force reconnaissance for the U.S. Marines and fought in Desert Storm and Desert Shield. His step-father was a member of the 82nd Airborne.

"We were finishing up high school when 9/11 happened," Mays said. "That was the second biggest reason for me joining.

Leadership and discipline were part of his training even at the school level where he was a top-notch football player. Mays said he received an early dose of military-style training under the athletic tutelage of coaches Al Starnes, Vince Clark, Frank Pierce, Steve Carter and Denis Hodge. He said each of those coaches played an important role in his growth as

a path to succeed.

After graduating from CCHS, Mayes joined the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, or ROTC, and attended the University of Tennessee at Martin for four years with a focus in public relations and military science.

Mays is keeping his plate full with a schedule of training and continued college education. He is currently taking a one-year course in the United States Army Command and General

a young man and put him on Staff College (CGSC) at Fort individuals to train together.' Leavenworth. The CGSC trains officers in professional

military education for the transition of officers going from company grade to field grade and develops leaders for unified land operations in a joint, interagency and multinational operational environment.

"We study army and joint military doctrine with our allies," Mays said. "The Air Force, Marine Corps and Navy as well as our allies from across the globe send select

He is also working toward his master's degree in adult continuing education

Kansas State University. Mays was deployed twice as an infantry officer during Operation Enduring Freedom which encompassed the war

in Iraq and Afghanistan. In future deployments, he will be working in the operations office as a military planner helping orchestrate operations and missions.

He and wife Sara have previously been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and in



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Rocket Role Models

Rocket Role Models at Crittenden County Elementary School were recognized in February for the character trait of commitment. Pictured are (front, from left) Brenna Kemmer, Grayson Travis, Lilly Cappello, Kiley Hunt, April Dismore, Miles Asbridge, Eli Lovell, Parker Wood, Angel Peters, Josh James, (middle) Damien Ingalls, Paige McMackin, Lucas Hardin, Shelbi Belt, Levi Quertermous, Georgia Holeman, Lacey Boone, Ella Geary, Hadley Myers, Jordyn Potter, (back) Braylynn Ennis, Caden Howard, Jaylea Bivins, Addy Wood, Gabe Rushing, Jaycee Champion, Lexie Hughes, Casey Cates and Chloe Brandsasse.

Police activity report

Last month's activity was about the same for Marion Police Department compared with March 2016. The following is an activity report for the police department, reflecting information from March 2017 compared with figures from March 2016 as well as 2017 year-to-date numbers. The data are provided by Police Chief Ray O'Neal.

CATEGORY	MARCH 2016	MARCH 2017	YTD 2017
Miles driven/patrolled	2,955	2,909	6,987
Criminal investigations	21	21	55
Domestics	10	11	28
Felony Arrests			
Misdemeanor arrests			
Non-criminal arrests	2	3	11
DUI arrests	0	1	2
Criminal summons served	4	6	19
Traffic citations	14	25	63
Traffic warnings	10	15	40
Other citations	11	26	61
Parking tickets	0	0	1
Traffic accidents			
Security checks/alarms			
Calls for service			



BRUSH

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posal site. Apparently, someone gutted a home during a remodeling project and took everything to the brush dump, said Newcom. He said the cost of legally dumping the items at the county convenience center would nave been about \$200.

"People have been dumping beds out there and items other than brush, and the more money we spend cleaning it up, the less money we have to go toward road repair and other county services," Newcom said. "I hate having to do this but it is just costing all citizens for us to continue to haul illegally dumped materials from the brush yard to the convenience center."

The dump site on Bridwell Loop, intended for free dumping of waste plant material limbs, leaves, brush, etc. until now has permitted unfettered access to residents cleaning up around the yard or after a devastating storm. However, Newcom said limiting access and providing supervision during only those four hours each Friday or at pre-arranged times is the best solution he could come up with, and city officials agreed.

"This will allow us to monitor what is being dumped, and if it is material other than brush, trees, limbs, leaves or shrubbery, they will be instructed to take it to the convenience center," Newcom explained. "If they choose not to go to the convenience center and dump it on a roadside, we will have already identified the load and be able to connect it with the responsible person.'

Anyone who would like to gain access to the site for legal dumping of brush and yard debris on days outside scheduled Friday times can call the county road department at (270) 965-0862 or Marion City







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the mechanics of taxation in Kentucky. At press time, it was uncertain if that would happen.

Clark said the district will come better armed with answers for this month's meeting. In fact, next week, during the board's monthly working session, educators hope to find answers to their own queries on intricacies of the tax from Ross, Sinclaire & Associates financial consultants Joe Nance

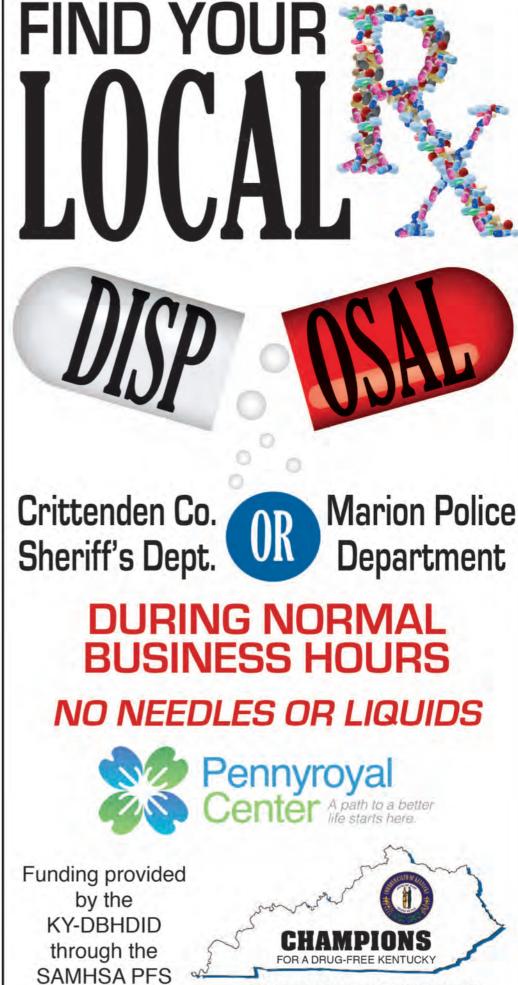
Tax forum slated for April 20

and Dr. Bob Tarvin. T h e school district is proposing

5.8-cent increase in the school tax levied on each \$100 of assessed real property to build a new high school and move Grades 6-8 to the current high school. The 68-year portion of CCMS would then be razed.

An equivalent nickel is set by Frankfort each summer based on the previous year's rate of property tax collection and collective motor vehicle value. Because collections are rarely 100 percent and vehicles are not subject to the new levy, 5.8 cents will reap what the Kentucky Department of Education believes would be equivalent to revenue generated if all property taxes were collected and motor vehicles were subject to the tax.





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