



The City of Marion remains under a boil water order. It was first issued on July 7 and will remain in effect until further notice.

PEREZ FINALIST FOR KEA TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Crittenden County Middle School teacher Mandy Perez, named last month as a finalist for Kentucky Teacher of the Year, has been chosen as a semifinalist along with 10 other teachers from across Kentucky. One will be selected on Sept. 20 as Kentucky Education Association's Teacher of the Year. Perez is a sixth-grade language arts teacher and former elementary school teacher.



57TH FREDONIA FESTIVAL STARTS AT 8 SATURDAY

The 57th annual Fredonia Lions Club Summer Festival will be held Aug. 13 at Buddy Rogers Park. T-ball tournament, Bingo, children's games, Wiffle Ball and a Wiffle Ball home run derby are just a few of the planned attractions. Events begin at 8 a.m., and continue throughout the afternoon with live music by Classy & Grassy at 5:30 p.m., followed by Tim Rhoads. The Lions Club will serve barbecue chicken and pork and other concessions throughout the day. All proceeds benefit the charitable projects of the Fredonia Lions Club. Giveaways this year are \$300 cash, boys and girls bicycles donated by Dwight and Donna Green, a griddle, and a cooler. Tickets will be on sale for a hand-stitched and hand-quilted quilt donated by Rose Eldridge.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Board of Education will have a working session at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 11 at Rocket Arena conference room.
- Marion City Council will meet in regular session at 5 p.m., Monday, Aug. 15 at city hall.
- City of Marion Tourism Commission will meet at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 16 at the Welcome Center.
- Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 a.m., Tuesday, Aug. 16 at the courthouse. This is a different day of the week for the county's typical monthly meeting.
- Fredonia City Council will meet at 7 p.m., Monday, Aug. 15 at city hall.
- Salem City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 16 at Deer Lakes meeting room.
- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 4 p.m., Monday, Aug. 22 at Deer Lakes meeting room.

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Situation improving thanks to rain, area partners

City cleaning up water

STAFF REPORT

Marion residents can keep their fingers collectively crossed for the rest of the week as scientists continue to test the chemistry of water flowing through lines in town. Hopes are that the boil water advisory can be lifted soon.

A combination of fortuitous rainfall and recent advancements in the emergency response to Marion's water crisis has most city leaders breathing a bit easier. Although Marion is not out of the woods, so to speak, there is some wiggle room with Old City Lake now full and thousands more gallons of raw water trapped in the Lake George basin could be accessed if necessary.

Nearly 15 weeks into the

water shortage, the town is starting to see some light at the end of its first tunnel. Problem is there are more, longer tunnels to go through.

The emergency response period could be close to complete by the end of this month when hopes are that a link to Sturgis Water District will fill the final void in making Marion self-sustaining in its demand for water under normal conditions and usage. Between drinking water flowing in from Crittenden-Livingston, Webster and Sturgis districts, local officials hope they can bridge the tide from an emergency response to an intermediate

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Tony Jackson and Josh Phelps, city maintenance workers, were flushing lines in Marion last week.



100 Years

Mexico Baptist Celebration This Weekend

Congregation formed from tent revival zeros in on missions

STAFF REPORT

Members of Mexico Baptist Church can thank the late Rev. J.C. Lilly and his 1922 tent revival for laying a foundation of lasting worship and fellowship on Mexico Church Road.

There had been some talk of creating a church back then, but the tent revival was a watershed moment the community's Christians needed to form Mexico Missionary Baptist Church.

This weekend – on Saturday, Aug. 13 and Sunday, Aug. 14 – Mexico Baptist is inviting former pastors and members to a two-day celebration of its 100-year anniversary.

On Saturday night, the church will celebrate its centennial with a Mexican Fiesta and on Sunday a full day of worship will include the return of several preachers and members who helped shape the church. There will be singing in the afternoon.

A commemorative book has been printed and features member submissions of Mexico Baptist memories and meaningful stories titled "100 Years of Blessings." It will be



Mexico Baptist's first church building was erected in 1923 and razed in 1966 to make room for its current brick structure on the same location in southern Crittenden County.

available this weekend.

Church member Linda Padgett recalls history handed down from her parents and grandparents.

"Everybody thinks we split from Sulphur Springs but we didn't," she said.

Sulphur Springs Church is located within walking distance of Mexico Baptist, just down the hill and across Sulphur Spring Creek.

"Oftentimes people on this side of the creek couldn't get to church (at Sulphur Springs) because of high water, so that was another reason for (Mexico Church's)

creation," she added. "We always stayed very friendly. Mexico and Sulphur Springs traded revivals and they have used our baptistry."

There were 31 charter members in the early church, which met in the Mexico School located at the site of the present church. Construction of the first church building was completed 1923, and Mexico Missionary Baptist Church joined the Ohio Baptist Association. Forty-three years later, in 1966, the original church built on land donated by Billy Tabor, was razed and the present brick

structure was constructed. Additions through the years included a gymnasium, commercial kitchen and most recently a renovation of the sanctuary just in time for the 100-year celebration.

Padgett, who serves as the church historian, said many descendants of charter members are still active in the church.

Mexico Baptist puts an emphasis on supporting missions with 30 percent of the church's tithes, gifts and offerings sent to missionary organizations.

Mexico Baptist men's and women's groups of all ages form mission teams and meet once a month on what the church calls Family Mission Night. Each of those groups support local and national missionary projects. Other ways the church reaches out to the community are through its clothes closet, a Football Fellowship event and Wild Game Supper.

"We give faithfully to the Cooperative Program. We give to the Kentucky Baptist Convention, which uses a portion

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Deaths

Stinnett

Shirley Marie Stinnett, 81, of Dycusburg, died Aug. 1, 2022 at her home.

She was a member of Dycusburg Baptist Church and Order of the Eastern Star.

Surviving are a daughter, Anna (Jimmy) Patton of Fredonia; three sons, Eddie Stinnett of Dycusburg, Dennis (Martha) Stinnett and Shawn (Karen) Stinnett, both of Marion; four grandchildren, Brandon, Rodney, Josh and Rhiannon; 11 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bobby Stinnett; her parents, Robert and Stella Marvel Thurman; and a sister, Jean Chittenden.

Funeral services were Saturday, Aug. 6 at Myers Funeral Home with burial in Dycusburg Cemetery.

Loftis

William Carlton "Bill" Loftis, 93, of Battle Creek, Mich., died July 7, 2022 at Glenn Arbor Hospice in Battle Creek. He was born to William A. and Wilma L. (Tharp) Loftis, Nov. 12, 1928 in Salem, the first of four children, and grew up on a farm and attended school in Salem. As soon as he was old enough, he helped work on the family farm. He also sang bass in a southern gospel quartet made up of family and friends who would sing occasionally on a local radio station. Before moving to Michigan in 1950, he worked in the fluorspar mines. He said many times how they didn't have much, but he couldn't have had a better childhood. The stories of his adventures were pure gold; told with his always present southern drawl, making listeners sometimes wonder how he ever survived some of the things he and his brothers and friends would do. But, one thing those tales would always do is bring smiles and laughter to anyone listening. Once in Michigan, he went to work at the U.S. Register Company.

In 1951, Loftis was drafted into the U.S. Army. He spent two years, 1951-1953, in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. He did two tours in Nevada at the Nevada Proving Ground (later known as NTS), where, in 1951, he participated in the atom bomb tests, called Operation Buster Jangle. In 1952, he was in communications, and even worked as a switchboard operator.

Upon his return to Michigan in 1953, he went back to the Register Company, where he noticed a girl who'd been hired while he was away. Her name was Velma Langdon. His friend, Joe Tanner, got her number for him. The next day, after a phone call the night before, the two went to a little burger place on their first date. From then on, the two were inseparable. Just two months later, they were engaged. They married on Dec. 27, 1953, at the First Congregational Church, in Athens, Mich., with Joe as his best man. Some 69 years later, Loftis would tell his daughter that he

could've looked all over forever, but he never would've been able to find a more loving, kind, wonderful woman as Velma Langdon.

In 1966, Loftis took his lunch break at the Register Company, and went to an interview at Kellogg's, where he was hired immediately. He worked there, climbing the ladder to the position of line leader in packing. Loftis and his wife loved to travel, whether it was close to home, or far away. They did so alone, or with friends and family. They played cards, would take their boat out, take spontaneous trips to Detroit to see the Tigers play, among many other things. In all, they had a wonderful time together. They welcomed their first daughter in 1966, and their youngest daughter in 1970.

Loftis also became a pilot of small planes as a hobby, which actually led to his second job as a school bus driver in 1972. He took it on to pay for his aviation classes. But he enjoyed it and the kids so much, he stayed until his retirement in 1987. Once a pilot, he joined the Aero-Club at the airport in Battle Creek, and enjoyed many hours of flying. He flew for a March of Dimes charity event in the late 70s, and would occasionally take his mother back to Kentucky for visits. But mostly, he'd just fly for fun; just to see the world from the sky, and spend some time with his family. He also enjoyed sports. You could always catch him watching baseball, especially the Tigers or Cubs, any time they were on. He also really liked hockey. His team was, of course, the Red Wings. He was a long time member of the Family Altar Chapel, and sang in the choir for many years. He would, on occasion, sing solos to the congregation. Bill was known for his silly sense of humor. He had a way of making even the most reserved person smile and laugh.

Surviving are two daughters, Carla (Haig) Black and Caralyn Barton; six grandchildren, Christopher Barton, Cassandra Barton, Genna Barton, Samuel Barton, Kaitlin (Sean) Keck, Jared (Alyssa) Black; two great-grandchildren, Makayla Rae, and Stanley Charles. Also, his cousins, many nieces and nephews; as well as his two "extra daughters," Ellen Hickman of Lenexa, Kan., and Karen Thompson of Battle Creek. He was preceded in death by his wife in August, 2021; and also his parents; brothers Robert and Adrin, sister Thelma, and son-in-law Clifton Barton.

Services were Thursday, July 15 at Farley Estes Dowdle Funeral Home & Cremation Care, Battle Creek with his grand-nephew, Noah Miller, presiding. Burial was in Leonidas Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to Centrica Care Navigators.

Paid obituary

Hale

Martha J. "Jimmie" Houston Hale of Paducah, died Thursday, July 14, 2022 at Baptist Health.

Hale was a graduate of Augusta Tilghman High School and Murray State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Business Education. She was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority. She met Harry Hale while at Murray State University and married shortly after graduation. They moved

to Marion, where she started her teaching career that lasted 30 years. She taught in the Marion school system and retired from Crittenden County. She served as senior sponsor, annual sponsor, cheerleader sponsor and FBLA sponsor for 30 years. She was a member of the Kentucky Retired Teacher Association.

After the death of her husband, Harry, she returned to Paducah and worked at Peoples Bank and Trust Company for several years. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church where she served as trustee, elder, secretary and treasurer of Presbyterian Women. She was also very active in the Garden Club.

Surviving are many caring and loving friends who became her family along with several cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roland Ray Houston and Reba Mae Chambers Houston; and her husband, Harry H. Hale Jr.

Services were Saturday, Aug. 6 at Milner & Orr Funeral Home of Paducah with Rev. Lex Allum officiating. Burial was in Mapleview Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 200 N 7th Street, Paducah, KY 42001.

Rankin

Dr. Harold C. "Pete" Rankin of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, died Thursdays, Aug. 4, 2022 after a courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Rankin was born April 18, 1935, in Grand Chain, Ill., the son of Harold and Daisy (Hill) Rankin. He graduated from high school in Early, Iowa, in 1952. He received his Pharmacy Degree from Drake University in 1956 and medical degree from the University of Iowa in 1960.

On June 19, 1960, Pete was united in marriage to his lifelong partner, Janis Horne, at the Vermont Street United Methodist Church in Quincy, Ill. He was a devoted and loving husband to Jan and father to their three daughters, Lynn, Cynthia and Laura.

Rankin began his medical practice with an internship at the Delaware Hospital in Wilmington, De., and two years as a medic in the United States Air Force at K.I. Sawyer AFB in Sands, Michigan. He and Jan moved to Mount Pleasant in 1963. Pete served as a caring and compassionate family practice physician in the community for 35 years. He also founded the kidney dialysis unit at Henry County Health Center in 1969, and was their director for 22 years.

Pete served his community as a trustee for Iowa Wesleyan University, president of the Chamber of Commerce, director for the Henry County Savings Bank, team doctor for the high school football team for over 20 years, and president of the Kidney Foundation of Iowa.

After retiring from his medical practice, he followed another passion and became a Master Gardener. Pete wrote a biweekly column, "Tip of the Trowel," for local papers and was one of the founders of the Henry County Master Gardeners organization.

Pete was a member of the First United Methodist Church. He loved gardening, collecting Wedgwood, traveling, and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He enjoyed

sports and was an avid Hawkeye fan. For 20 years, he and his wife enjoyed vacationing with their family at the Lake of the Ozarks. Pete was beloved for his kind spirit and gentle nature.

He is survived by his wife Janis; three daughters, Dr. Lynn Rankin (Steve Karlin) of Des Moines; Cynthia (Mark) Rauschert of Bushnell, Illinois; Laura (Paul) Bickle of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina; eight grandchildren, Addie (Mackenzie) Mumey of Decatur, Georgia; Anne (Austin) Raisor of Felicity, Ohio; Matt (Emma) Rauschert of Bushnell, Illinois; Maisie Karlin of Boston, Massachusetts; Lucy Karlin of Des Moines; Sam Bickle of Charlotte, North Carolina; John Bickle of Indianapolis, Indiana; and Molly Bickle of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina; two great grandchildren, Miller Mumey, Noelle Mumey; and a brother, Bruce Rankin of LaBelle, Florida.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be Thursday, Aug. 11 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Olson-Powell Memorial Chapel in Mount Pleasant, Iowa. Family will be present from 2-4 p.m. A private family funeral will be held.

The family is very grateful for the caregivers at Sunrise Terrace and EveryStep Hospice who lovingly helped him through his illness. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation. Memorial donations in memory of Dr. Pete Rankin may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, EveryStep Hospice (www.everystep.org) of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and Sunrise Terrace of Winfield, Iowa.

Paid obituary

Green

Jonas "Buddy" Cornelius Green Jr of Hewitt, Texas, formerly of Dycusburg, died after a short

2022 at Providence Hospice Place in Waco, Texas. He was a proud Vietnam Veteran of the United States Air Force.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Pamela (Watson) Green of Hewitt, TX; three daughters, Sara (Tim) Crozier of Whitman Mass., Stacy (Joey) Marshall of Dycusburg and Samantha (Gary) Blanc of Hewitt, Texas; four grandsons whom he loved dearly, Joshua Marshall, Ethan Blanc, Jonas Blanc and Joseph Marshall; a sister, Rhonda Kinnis (Wayne) of Salem and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was proceeded in death by his parents, Jonas "JC" and Wanna Connetta "Neta" Green and many beloved aunts and uncles.

Memorial services are at 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Rev. Randall Rogers officiating. Friends may visit with the family from noon until the service hour in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

Tucker

Jeffrey Tucker, 39, of Paducah, died Saturday, July 30, 2022 at Baptist Health Paducah.

He was employed by Lynx Services of Paducah.

Surviving are his wife of five years, Stormie Sundown Fulks Tucker; four children, Megan Tucker, Stephanie Tucker, Michael Tucker and Rae-Lynn Tucker, all of Paducah; two sisters, Melissa Tucker and Leatha Tucker of Lou-



Kenneth Murray; and grandmother, Darlene Kimbler.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Michael Tucker and Freda Grimm Tucker.

No services are scheduled at this time. Private family services will be scheduled at a later date.

Lindsey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Paid obituary

Simpson

One of the best cooks and bookkeepers, Anna Joycedene Simpson, 90, passed away peacefully in her sleep Sunday evening, Aug. 7, 2022 at Baptist Health Deaconess Hospital in Madisonville. She and her husband, H.F. Simpson spent 62 wonderful years at each other's side. She was a member of Providence General Baptist Church.

Surviving are a son, Terry (Sandra) Simpson; a grandson, Travis (Tiffany) Simpson; three great-granddaughters, Ella Grace, Ruby June and Lucy Annabell; a granddaughter, Kelsey Simpson; and son-in-law, Dee Russom.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and daughter, Diana Russom.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Aug. 10 at Myers Funeral Home from 10 a.m., until the time of the service at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Babb Cemetery located on Enon Church Road in Marion.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Babb Cemetery Fund c/o Independence Bank in Providence.

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Lion Natalie Parish presents the club’s Volunteer of the Year award to Kristen Belt and the Lions Club Scholarship to Raylee Belt.



Travis is Lion of Year; Blazina is keynote speaker at breakfast

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County’s 4-H program, in conjunction with the Lions Club, held its second annual Fair Breakfast Friday at the Agriculture Building. As part of the event, several awards and honors were presented.

Marion’s own Maggie Blazina, who is serving as the Kentucky 4-H State President, was the keynote speaker. Opportunity was the theme of her speech. She described how opportunity is all around and pointed to Extension Agent Leslea Barnes’ recruitment of her into 4-H a few years ago.

“I was just content to sit in a classroom and blend in, but that all changed when I met Leslea Barnes and joined 4-H. She saw something in me that I hadn’t seen in myself,” Blazina told the crowd gathered for a breakfast of sausage, country ham and more.



Travis



Maggie Blazina, Kentucky State 4-H President

Rodney Travis was chosen Lion of the Year and Kristen Belt was chosen Lions Club Volunteer of the Year. For the second year a row Raylee Belt was presented with the Lions Club Scholarship. She is a radiology student at West Kentucky Community and Technical College.

Emme Lynch, a 14-year-old Crittenden County High School freshman, received \$115 in winnings from her 4-H Fair entries. Of her 36 entries, 17 qualified for the Kentucky State Fair. Those entries included photography, mixed media, water color, art, woodworking and more. Kailyn Stokes, a CCHS junior, had a dozen entries selected for the state fair. There will be 73 entries from local 4-Hers presented at the state fair Aug. 18-28.

2022 Crittenden County Lions Club Fair Contests & Exhibits

Here are results from the Crittenden County Lions Club Fair 4-H Fair Contests and Exhibits with name, division, ribbon and awards. There were 178 4-H entries and 3 open class entries.

Trends Department

- London McCord, Trends - Jr. 4-H Cake Decorating, Blue, Class Champion.
- London McCord, Trends - Jr. General Cake Decorating, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.

Horticulture Department

- Kailyn Stokes, Horticulture and Plant Science- Terrariums, Blue, Class Champion.
- Haley Moore, Horticulture and Plant Science- Dish gardens, Blue, Class Champion.
- Caroline Martin, Horticulture and Plant Science-Vegetable garden containers, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aliza Maraman, Horticulture and Plant Science- House Plants, Blue.
- Kailyn Stokes, Horticulture and Plant Science- House Plants, Blue, Class Champion.
- Kailyn Stokes, Horticulture and Plant Science- Herb Container Garden, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
- Aly Yates, Horticulture and Plant Science - Upcycle Container Garden, Blue, Class Champion.

Wood Science Department

- Aliza Maraman, Wood Science- Level 1, made from kit, Blue, Class Champion.
- Callie Rich, Wood Science - Level 1, made from kit, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Wood Science- Level 1, made from kit, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Wood Science - Level 2, made from kit, Blue, Class Champion.
- Kailyn Stokes, Wood Science - Level 2, made from kit, Blue.
- Aly Yates, Wood Science- Level 1, made from kit, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Wood Science - Level 2, Not from kit, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.

Arts Department

- Aliza Maraman, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue.
- Aly Yates, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue.
- Brinley Tramble, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue, Class Champion.
- Brooklyn Lovell, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue.
- Kate Epley, Arts, Jr. Acrylic, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Arts, Sr. Acrylic, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aliza Maraman, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Blue, Class Champion.
- Brooklyn Lovell, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Red.
- Kate Epley, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Blue.
- Kylie Musser, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Blue.
- Madison Teas, Art, Jr. Watercolor, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Watercolor, Blue.
- Mya Moore, Art, Sr. Watercolor, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aliza Maraman, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue.
- Aly Yates, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue, Class Champion.
- Brodi Rich, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue.
- Haley Moore, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue.
- Karlee Jent, Art, Jr. Abstract, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Abstract, Blue.
- Kailyn Stokes, Art, Sr. Abstract, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aly Yates, Art, Jr. Self portrait, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Self portrait, Blue, Class Champion.
- Haley Moore, Art, Jr. Self portrait, Blue.
- Holley Curnel, Art, Jr. Self portrait, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Self portrait, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
- Brooklyn Lovell, Art, Jr. Blueprint paper print, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Blueprint paper print, Blue.
- Dally Millikan, Art, Jr. Blueprint paper print, Blue, Class Champion.
- Haley Moore, Art, Jr. Blueprint paper print, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Blueprint paper print, Blue, Class Champion.
- Holley Curnel, Art, Jr. Computer Drawing, Blue, Class Champion.

- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Dally Millikan, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Haley Moore, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Kate Epley, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Sophie Watson, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Aliza Maraman, Art, Jr. Contour drawing, Blue, Class Champion.
- Mya Moore, Art, Sr. Contour drawing, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Contour drawing, Blue, Class Champion.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Circular Shape object, Blue, Class Champion.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Color Pencil, Blue, Class Champion.
- Kailyn Stokes, Art, Sr. Calligraphy, Blue, Class Champion.
- Miles Yates, Art, Jr. Clay, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aliza Maraman, Art, Jr. Art Trends, Blue.
- Holley Curnel, Art, Jr. Art Trends, Blue.
- Aly Yates, Art, Jr. Art Trends, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Art Trends, Blue, Class Champion.
- Aria Kirk, Art, Sr. Art Trends, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Art Trends, Blue.
- Kailyn Stokes, Art, Sr. Art Trends, Blue, Class Champion.
- Brooklyn Lovell, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
- Caroline Martin, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
- Dally Millikan, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
- Haley Moore, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue, Class Champion.
- Kate Epley, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
- Kylie Musser, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.



Among Sweepstakes winners from the Crittenden County Fair 4-H contests and exhibits were (from left) Caroline Martin, Emme Lynch and Kailyn Stokes. Also pictured is Crittenden County 4-H Agent Leslea Barnes. Not pictured were Sweepstakes winners Aly Yates and Aliza Maraman. To qualify as a Sweepstakes winner, 4-Hers must present at least one dozen entries in the fair with a number of blue or red ribbons achieved. Winners also earn cash prizes.

- Madison Teas, Art, Jr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Art, Sr. Heritage Arts, Blue.
 - Mya Moore, Art, Sr. Heritage Arts, Blue, Class Champion.
- ### Photography Department
- Colt Belt, Photography - Forest, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Colt Belt, Photography - Water, Blue.
 - Emarie Cox, Photography - Water, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Water, Blue, Class Champ.
 - Colt Belt, Photography-Wildlife, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Wildlife, Blue.
 - Aly Yates, Photography - Natural Scenic, Blue.
 - Colt Belt, Photography - Natural Scenic, Blue, Class Champ.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Natural Scenic, Blue.
 - Colt Belt, Photography - Native Plants, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography -Insect, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Livestock, Blue, Class Champ.
 - Emarie Cox, Photography - Crops, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Crops, Blue.
 - Brodi Rich, Photography - Farm Equipment, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Farm Equipment, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Urban Scenic, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Photography - 4-H Event, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography-Family, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Aly Yates, Photography - Culture, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Aly Yates, Photography - Patterns, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Patterns, Blue.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Photography-Patterns, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography-Energy, Blue.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Photography-Energy, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography-Machinery, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Caroline Martin, Photography-Competitive Sports, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Caroline Martin, Photography - Career in Health, Blue.
 - Aliza Maraman, Photography - Careers in Health, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Careers in Health, Blue.
 - Aly Yates, Photography - Dealing with stress, Blue.
 - Caroline Martin, Photography-Dealing with stress, Blue, Class Champion.

- Emme Lynch, Photography - Dealing with stress, Blue.
 - Emarie Cox, Photography - Created Art in your Community, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Caroline Martin, Photography - Created Art in your Community, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Created Art in your Community, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Photography - Words, Blue, Class Champion.
- ### Horticulture Photography Department
- Aliza Maraman, Horticulture Photography - Single B&W, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
 - Emme Lynch, Horticulture Photography-Single B&W, Blue.
 - Aly Yates, Horticulture Photography - Single Color, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Horticulture Photography - Single Color, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Horticulture Photography-Collection, Blue, Class Champion.
- ### Needlework Department
- Aly Yates, Needlework- Redwork, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
 - Caroline Martin, Needlework- Redwork, Blue.
- Emme Lynch, Needlework- Redwork, Blue.
Aliza Maraman, Needlework- Redwork, Blue.

Foods Department

- London McCord, Foods - 3 scones, Blue, Class Champ.
 - London McCord, Foods - 3 snickerdoodle cookies, Blue, Class Champ.
 - London McCord, Foods - 3 Cinnamon Twists, Blue, Class Champ.
 - London McCord, Foods-Three pieces fudge, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
- ### Home Environment Department
- Aly Yates, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue.
 - Callie Rich, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue.
 - Caroline Martin, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue.
 - Dally Millikan, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Kate Epley, Home Environment-Color Collage, Blue.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Home Environment-Transparent finish, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Caroline Martin, Home Environment-Simple cloth item, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Aliza Maraman, Home Environment - Wastebasket, Blue.
 - Aly Yates, Home Environment - Wastebasket, Blue.
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 - Kailyn Stokes, Home Environment - Wastebasket, Blue.
 - Aly Yates, Home Environment-Decorative item for the home, Blue.
 - Brooklyn Lovell, Home Environment-Decorative item for the home, Blue.
 - Caroline Martin, Home Environment-Decorative item for the home, Blue.
 - Emme Lynch, Home Environment-Decorative item for the home, Blue, Class Champion.
 - Kate Epley, Home Environment-Decorative item for the home, Blue.
 - Kailyn Stokes, Home Environment-Individual place setting, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
- ### Communication and Leadership Department
- Kailyn Stokes, Communication and Leadership Project -Sr. Division, Blue, Class Champion. Department Champion.
- ### Open Division
- Kristi Harris, Open FCS, Black and White photo, Blue.
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Ellie McGowan poses with U.S. Rep. James Comer in front of the United States Capitol in Washington.

MCGOWAN PUTS IN TIME AT D.C.

Crittenden County alumna Ellie McGowan of Fredonia recently completed the Murray State University Congressman James Comer Congressional Agriculture Fellowship Program in Comer’s Washington, D.C. office. During her time, McGowan answered constituent inquiries, assisted in the daily operations of the office, and researched legislative issues impacting Kentucky’s agriculture

industry. “I want to thank Ellie for her dedicated service this summer to Kentucky’s 1st Congressional District. Her drive to learn and assist my staff helped ensure our operations addressed the issues impacting Kentuckians. She has a bright future ahead of her, and I look forward to seeing her achievements,” Congressman Comer said. McGowan is pursuing a degree in agriculture business from Murray State University. She is a fan of videography,



serves as Murray State’s Student Government Association President and was a Kentucky FFA State Officer. “I am so honored and thankful for my experience working with Congressman Comer and his staff this summer in Washington, D.C. It was an unforgettable experience allowing me to learn more about the agriculture industry from a legislative and policy perspective – something that I had not had complete exposure to previously. I will forever be thankful for this experience and look forward to using knowledge learned in my future endeavors,” McGowan said. In Congressman Comer’s Washington, DC office, internships run throughout the fall, spring or summer semesters for college students. The hours are flexible to accommo-

date students’ course schedules.



JHF EVENT RAISES NEARLY \$70K FOR AREA SCHOLARSHIPS

The annual Jake Hodge Foundation Wiffle Ball Tournament held in Princeton has raised nearly \$70,000 for scholarships that will benefit students from Crittenden, Caldwell, Lyon, Livingston and Trigg counties. The event draws hundreds of players and fans to miniature ballparks at the home of Ken and Katie Parker. Despite losing their home to the December tornado, the Parkers were able to host the benefit tournament for the 10th straight year. The foundation was created as a memorial to the legacy of Jake Hodge, who was the

son of local teachers and coaches Denis and Shannon Hodge. The Wiffle Ball Wonders, a women’s team made up almost exclusively of Crittenden County athletes and alumni, won the National League division championship and itself raised more than \$10,000.

LOCAL STUDENTS ON WKCTC LIST

Several local students were among 400 named to the Spring 2022 Dean’s List at West Kentucky Community and Technical College. The students were Trace Adams, Shannon Bozeman, Courtney McMackin, Rhett Parish, Caitlyn Riley, Tate Roberts, Braxton Winders and David Young, all from Crittenden County; and Adrianna Beller, Angela Lee, Rebecca Lowrance, Christy McIntosh, Jessalyn Morrical, Sabrina Quentermous, Shelley Tunnell, Madalyn Walker, Sara Walker, Alexandra Waters and Viva Wright of Livingston County.



BRIDGE WORK IS DONE IN PINEY

Work was completed late last week on the bridge across Buggs Branch of Piney Creek on KY 506 near the county line with Caldwell. Harper Contracting completed the updating and repaving of the bridge as part of a state contract.

GAS PRICES STILL GOING DOWNWARD

Gas prices continue to drop, but remain much higher than a year ago. The average price for a gallon of fuel has fallen 16.4 cents per gallon in the last week in Kentucky, averaging \$3.67. Prices in Kentucky are 75.7 cents per gallon lower than a month ago yet 73.8 cents per gallon higher than a year ago.

Owls are back, but this time there’s a long-term plan

The 2022 spring turkey season seemed more important than usual this year. Normally, a tender, roasted Butterball filled our Thanksgiving table and our bellies nicely. However, with prices steadily soaring and our dollars dwindling weekly, we realized how lucky we were to live in an area abundant with wildlife. A wild turkey would do just fine and my tree stand was the perfect hunting location. Eddie had purposely planted the field beneath it to bring in all manner of wildlife, especially small game. There was only one problem. The barn owls evidently liked it as



Linda DEFEW Guest columnist Defew’s Views

much as we did. For the second time in three years, they had found a way inside my stand and made it their home. I agreed with the owls. It was the ideal stand. Even though I could no longer hunt due to my arthritis, many days had been spent observing everything from coyotes to bobcats. It was a wonderful place to relax. The first few days of the spring season, Eddie waited for his son and grandson to hunt. After they had hunted and gone back home, it was his turn. In a week or two, he took my advice and went to my stand for an afternoon hunt. In a previous article, I had written of the barn owls that had moved in completely unnoticed by us. We loved having them, but, despite their cuteness, they weren’t

very good housekeepers! Eddie spent several hours up there, cleaning and disinfecting. Nevertheless, we were glad to do our part to keep barn owls off the endangered list. Unfortunately, Eddie came back that day much earlier than I expected – without a turkey! I was confused. Eddie was a great shot. I met him at the door. “The owls are back?” I asked. I knew he had made sure the windows and the trap door were tightly shut after his last cleaning, but some mammalian critter must have pushed one open. “I’ll call Ray,” he said. Not only was Ray Stainfield our good friend, he had volunteered many years with various wildlife agencies as a wildlife photographer and assistant on projects in-

volving buffalo and eagles. Right away, he put us in touch with Kate Slankard, Avian Biologist at Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife. I explained the situation. “We are happy with the owls, but we need the stand for hunting, too. What can we do?” We discussed the options. With the mother having already chosen her nest, we were happy to give her plenty of time. Kate told us after the babies had learned to fly and left the nest, the state would bring an owl box in the fall and attach it to the outside of the stand. She said they had good luck with the owls using a nest box attached to a hunting blind if the blind had windows that are securely latched. “Once they find a place they like,” she said, “they will usually come back to the same place year after

year.” Most would stay right here in Kentucky, but a few had been known to disperse as far as Nebraska. Ray took pictures as they grew, raising the trap door with his shoulder to take photos on occasion. What a wonderful blessing that was for me. Otherwise, with my knees unable to climb the steps, I would have never had a front row seat. Kate and her new assistant, Michael Patton, were elated to hear three babies were hatched in my stand, all three females. They came by and banded them so they could be identified as

being born at our farm later in life. I tell my friends the little owls are so ugly they’re cute, a face only a mother could love. Hopefully, they will stay here in Kentucky, move into their new quarters next fall, and everybody will be happy. Linda Defew is from Livingston County and periodically writes a column for this newspaper. Her stories have been published in numerous magazines and books, and recently, she had her first book published, “Murder in Little Heaven.” She can be contacted at oldwest@tds.net.

50 YEARS AGO

August 10, 1972 ■ Debra Decker and Brenda Gail Wilson were named to the Academic Honors list at Campbellsville College for the 1972 spring semester. ■ Volunteers were busy constructing a new press box for the high school football field. ■ Roger B. Dutchske was promoted to manager of the Central Region Credit Department at North Carolina National Bank.

25 YEARS AGO

August 14, 1997 ■ Sara Elizabeth Stamps was selected as a finalist in the 1997 Pre-Teen Ken-



tucky Scholarship and Recognition Program. ■ Senior Austin Valentine Jr., of Marion, was one of nine Murray State University students who attended the AITP Collegiate Conference in Madison, Wis. There, he finished third place in the Visual Basic programming category. ■ Three individuals from Crittenden County were among several students to graduate from Murray State University. Bridget F. Davis, Carol A. West and Vincent L. Clark each re-

ceived their degrees from MSU after completing the 1997 summer session. ■ Marion native Darron Holliman was hired to fill the Crittenden County Sheriff’s Deputy position.

10 YEARS AGO

August 9, 2012 ■ Hannah Roberts, a senior at CCHS, was one of 20 students from Kentucky selected to attend the National Institute for Cooperative Education

Conference at Virginia Tech University. ■ Kenergy was relocating its regional office to U.S. 641 South of Marion. ■ Crittenden County High School graduate Wes Evers signed a national letter of intent to play baseball at Rend Lake College. For more local history read Brenda Underdown’s Blog Forgotten Passages

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MARION POLICE activity report

Data below provided by Marion Police Department compare police activity for the month of July 2022 to the same month in 2021. The chart also includes the previous month’s totals, year-to-date police activity totals and a five-year monthly average.

CATEGORY	JULY 2022	JULY 2021	JUNE 2022	2022 YR TOTAL	MONTHLY 5 YR AVG.
Miles driven/patrolled	2,754	3,649	3,486	24,946	2970.9
Criminal investigations	8	14	9	73	13.3
Domestics	0	5	10	43	8.5
Felony Arrests	4	1	14	39	4.4
Misdemeanor arrests	5	13	7	50	8.3
Non-criminal arrests	12	13	11	79	6.8
DUI arrests	0	1	0	2	0.8
Criminal summons served	2	1	2	20	2.5
Traffic citations	13	37	26	110	18.3
Other citations	20	28	46	195	19.4
Traffic warnings	4	16	1	24	7.6
Parking tickets	0	0	0	1	0.2
Traffic accidents	7	5	9	41	5.7
Security checks/alarms	39	44	27	256	52.0
Calls for service	194	207	175	1,210	185.9

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Noon - Cake walk begins, Basebatrophy presentation
12:30 p.m. - Wiffleball and Wiffleball Home Run Derby
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4 p.m. - Washer Pitch

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7:30 p.m. - Tim Rhodes

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Religion

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Don't let the well run dry

There are phases of life that are more demanding than others, or at least phased which demand different things from us. Most people understand the value of saving for an emergency or for a time when income may be reduced or temporarily stopped. We understand that the time for picking fruit or vegetables is when they are ripe.

Saving in times of plenty and harvesting in season are things that take priority when they are upon us. If we don't do that, there will be unpleasant consequences. The same thing holds for our emotional, spiritual, and intellectual lives. There are events in life (sometimes seasons) when there is more being demanded of us than we have time or energy to replace.

Sometimes there are permanent changes that require resetting what normal means. These transitions happen to us all. How we weather them depends upon how much we have prepared ourselves for events we do not expect.

We do this by filling up our lives with good things as much as possible when we have the opportunity. Those good things are a balance of hard work, rest, getting better at what we do, and continuing to learn. It also includes digging deeper into the things

we enjoy and spreading out into things we don't yet appreciate or understand.

I had a professor once tell a class of future professors, counselors, and preachers, "If you don't keep reading things you don't need to read, you will eventually run out of soap." His point was that we should always find something to read and learn that did not directly or immediately relate to what we were doing.

I also had a man whom I respected say just before I went off to school, "Your education is nothing more than preparing you to learn. You will keep learning your whole life. If you ever stop learning, you'll stop doing." I think I must have said something in my youthful naivety about what I would do after I finished school.

These bits of advice are chronologically out of order, but I have carried them with me for decades. They are part of the reason I now appreciate a wide variety of music from various eras and parts of the world. Along with other common-sense words

shared with me, people have encouraged me to read books and articles written by those who share radically different views of life, God, and the world we live in. They have helped me learn to drink in wisdom that I would have otherwise passed by without even knowing it was there.

The result of deepening and broadening exposure to life and ideas is growth and a better understanding of those with whom we share our communities and lives. The book of Ecclesiastes in the Old Testament speaks of the vanity of pursuing life without keeping God at the center. It is a clever vehicle for delivering wisdom. It says in 11:1-4, "Cast your bread upon the waters, for you will find it after many days. Give a portion to seven, or even to eight, or you know not what evil may happen on earth. If the clouds are full of rain, they empty themselves on the earth; and if a tree falls to the south or to the north, in the place where the tree falls, there it will lie. He who observes the wind will not sow; and

he who regards the clouds will not reap."

The encouragement here is to plan, diversify your life, and get to work. We can't do anything about the weather today or tomorrow, or what will happen from one day to the next. Sitting around waiting for the right time to get to work on something will leave us doing nothing – ever.

The Oak Ridge Boys' 1979 song, "Dig a Little Deeper in the Well" says, "There's a mighty river flowing where the water cool and sweet

Don't be fooled by a muddy stream, be careful where you drink

Life is what you make it, sometimes a living hell

If you want to find that promised land, dig a little deeper in the well.

Dig, dig, dig a little deeper in the well boys

Dig a little deeper in the well

If you want a good cool drink of water

You gotta dig a little deeper in the well."

Don't let the well run dry. Keep spreading your wings as long as there is breath of life.

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

The Bible reveals God's nature and plan

Question: I have recently lost my job and if that wasn't enough, this week my wife was diagnosed with breast cancer. Our health insurance went out the window with my job loss. I'm worried about my wife's health and that our savings and future security will soon evaporate. I'm battling discouragement. Is there any hope for us?

Answer: None of us knows what lies ahead. In life, we will all have suffering. It's been said, "Anyone who isn't suffering now

likely will be soon." We will face problems that are too BIG for us. We'll fight battles we don't know how to fight.

In our times of loss, pain and bewilderment, we need to rely on God's strength and help. "God is our refuge and strength, an

ever-present help in trouble" (Ps. 46:1). Ask God for guidance and He will show you the way to go (Prov. 3:5, 6).

Discouragement is hard to fight and depression is an even bigger battle. Jesus encouraged His follower, "Take heart! I have

overcome the world" (Jn. 16:33). He did not say "maybe" or "hopefully." He spoke confidently because He was God present in human flesh and He overcomes all hardship. Our pain or hardships are never as powerful as Jesus is.

If we have a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ, He's our conqueror. We can have peace and live with courage and hope because our victory is in Christ.

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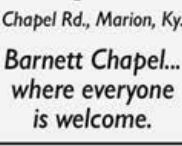
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Community Events & News

■ There will be an Extension District Board Meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 24 at noon at the Extension Annex.

■ CCHS SBDM will meet at 3:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 11 in the High School Library.

■ Annual meeting of the Hurricane Camp Board will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 11 at the dining hall hall on the camp grounds. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

■ Virgil Jones VFW Post 12022 will have a meeting at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 11 at the VFW building on 412 N. College St., Marion. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

■ The VFW in Marion will be having Bingo starting at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at 412 N. College St., Marion.

■ Marion Show and Shine will be the fourth Thursday every month through October, weather permitting. Cars, trucks and motorcycles permitted at Crittenden County Courthouse, 107 S. Main St., Marion. Sponsored by City of Marion Tourism. City of Marion Police Dept. authorized.

■ Salem Baptist Church Thrift Store is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Tuesday and Saturday at 209 Highland St., Salem.

■ The Clothes Closet of the First Baptist Church in Fredonia is open to serve the area with free clothes. For the time being, the Clothes Closet is operated outdoors from 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. Please observe social distancing. The Clothes Closet will be closed in case of rain.

■ 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 church.

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

■ Cave Springs Baptist Church between Lola and Joy in Livingston County offers food 24 hours a day, 7 days week at its outdoor Blessing Box in front of the church.

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Purple Heart Day – A day for remembrance

This past Sunday, August 7, was Purple Heart Day. It's a day for Americans to remember and honor the men and women who bravely represented their country and were wounded or killed while serving in the military and to ensure that their courage is never forgotten. We all know about the Purple Heart and the feeling we get when we see one or hear about someone receiving this medal. Here is a brief history of this respected military medal.

What now is known as the Purple Heart began as the Badge of Military Merit, established by George Washington on Aug. 7, 1782. At that time, and for many decades afterward, there were very few awards that common soldiers could receive in service of their country. Recognizing that the Continental Army was fighting a tough campaign, supplies were scarce, and pay was low. Washington felt a need to encourage his troops by establishing an award for valor and meritorious service. This established a precedent within an awards systems for valor, defined as heroic actions in combat, and merit, which is proper performance of military duties not related to combat. Washington presented the Badge of Military Merit, which consisted of a cloth purple heart to be worn over the left breast, to three sergeants in his army.

The Purple Heart was born

Despite this great start, the Badge of Military Merit was forgotten for 150 years. In all that time only the original three were known to have been issued. It was not until World War I that an organized hierarchy of valor and merit medals began to take shape. At that point, the only American award that could be earned by soldiers and officers was the Medal of Honor.

Congress reacted by creating the Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguished Service Medal. It was not until 1932 that US Army Chief of Staff Douglas MacArthur dusted off the old Badge of Military Merit and renamed it the Purple Heart.

MacArthur issued General Order No. 3 on Feb. 22, 1932 and declared that the newly named Purple Heart would be awarded for meritorious or valorous service in the U.S. Army. In an attached line, additional criterion for the Purple Heart included, "A wound, which necessitates treatment by a medical officer, and which is received in action with an enemy of the United States, or as a result of an act of such enemy, may...be construed as resulting from a singularly meritorious act of essential service."

The Purple Heart for all military branches.

As the first Japanese torpedoes slipped into the shallow waters of Pearl Harbor on the morning of Dec. 7, 1941, the Purple Heart was still only a US Army award. Because it was originally created by George Washington, and reinstated by the Army Chief of Staff, the Purple Heart could not be awarded to any other service branch. This changed over the course of 1942.

On Dec. 3, 1942 Executive Order 9277 by President Franklin D.



Several of the Purple Heart medals awarded to Crittenden Countians have been donated to the Crittenden County Historical Museum. Two of the medals belonged to Charles Kemper and Haynes Clark.

Roosevelt authorized the Purple Heart for all branches of service and authorizes posthumous awards, back dated to Dec. 6, 1941.

First Observed. Purple Heart Day was first observed in 2014. It is an unofficial observance day. This means that businesses, government offices and public transport do not close on this day. Veteran and military organizations hold remembrance meetings for fallen heroes and special events to thank soldiers, veterans and Purple Heart recipients on this day.

Many Crittenden County families have this prestigious military medal. A sad remembrance of a lost loved one, or a remembrance of a life wounded but recovered to return home alive. Most of these medals we have no history on, but some were printed in our hometown paper, The Crittenden Press. Here are a few of those articles. From the Crittenden Press archives.

August 1944 - **Staff Sgt. Maurie Houston Kirk**, wearer of the Purple Heart, and severely wounded in France, is at home on furlough. He has been a patient at General Hospital, Nashville, for some time past.

August 18, 1944 - **Sgt. Marion L. Brown** received a serious chest wound in France July 6 and is now convalescing at an army base hospital in England, according to information received late last week. A member of famed 83rd Division Brown was awarded the Purple Heart. Son of Jay T. and Mrs. Brown he entered service Oct. 24, 1942, and received training at Camps Atterbury and Breckenridge and has been in foreign service since April.

August 18, 1944 - **Pvt. Robert G. Highfil**, Seriously wounded in France, July 24, 1944.

Mrs. Beulah Highfil, Mexico, Ky. Dear Mother, Just a few lines to let you know that I am getting along okay. Do not worry about me too much for the doctors and nurses are all swell and doing all they can for me. I have not been able to move my leg yet. It has been crushed but maybe it will not be so many days before I can be up by the use of crutches. I have received the Purple Heart and will send it home as soon as I get a chance.

Sept. 14, 1944 - **Sgt. Joseph E. Butler**, Marion, Ky. Has been awarded the Purple Heart for wounds received in action, in France, Aug. 8. Sergeant Butler is recuperating in an English hospital.

Mrs. B. E. Butler, mother, said that information received from Adj. Gen. Ulio informed her that Sergeant, Butler would "soon be on duty again."

Sept. 15, 1944 - **Sgt. Tracy Armstrong** has received the Purple Heart with three wound stripes and inscribed on reverse. "For Military Merit." Sergeant Armstrong has been in the South Pacific area but is now in a hospital location undisclosed, recovering from wounds. In addition to the Purple Heart there is a lapel button, crimson center with white tips on each end.

Dec. 8, 1944 - **Pvt. J. C. Coleman** Awarded the Purple Heart, son of Lexie Coleman was wounded in action in Germany Sept. 2, 1944 and was hospitalized for a time with hip injuries. He was awarded the Purple Heart. On July 10 he was awarded a Bronze Star for heroic achievement in action against enemy during the operation on the Cherbourg Peninsula, France. He entered training Sept. 15, 1943 at Camp Siebert, Ala. He had further training in Pennsylvania and New York before leaving for England. He also served in France and Belgium. He has been in combat ever since D-day. He has been overseas since April 10, 1944.

Nov. 1944 - Technical **Sgt. Herbert A. Hoover**, Irma, Ky., has been awarded the Purple Heart, according to information from the War Department.

Sergeant Hoover, son of W. L. and Mattie Hoover, was born in the Irma section of Crittenden County, and attended Irma School. He enlisted at the age of 18 and volunteered for overseas service May 1, this year. He embarked June 9 and was wounded in France Aug. 9 and was awarded the Purple Heart. Sergeant Hoover was returned to duty in September and was killed in action in Germany Oct. 14.

April 1945 - **Pfc. Willis L. Martin** of Dycusburg has been awarded the Purple Heart medal for wounds received in battle of the Belgian Bulge, Jan. 19, 1945. He was with the Gilder infantry when the unit moved into Belgium, attacked the Nazis and drove them through Luxembourg to the German border. He also holds the Combat Infantry Badge. Pfc. Martin qualified as a paratrooper at Ft. Benning Ga., and was then sent to Panama for airborne jungle training. Joining another air borne unit, he moved to Italy, Sicily and then to the invasion of southern France.

There are few other U.S. military awards that evoke such an instant reaction, understanding and appreciation for the cost of service to

one's country, especially during World War II, as The Purple Heart.

(Brenda Underdown is chair of Crittenden County Historical Society and

a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. Much more local history can be found at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com).

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Robert B. Frazer, 200 S. Main St., Marion, Ky. 42064, attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executor with will annexed on or before the 30th day of September, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately.

Crittenden District Court
Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-23-c)

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 22-13
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY AMENDING ORDINANCE 19-08 "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL ORDINANCE." Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a special called meeting held on August 2, 2022 at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on July 18, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: Pursuant to KRS 244.090 as amended by the Kentucky General Assembly a person at least 18 years of age may serve alcoholic beverages providing the individual is under the supervision of a person who is at least 20 years of age. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.
PREPARED BY:

/s/ Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY FRAZER LAW OFFICE ATTORNEYS -AT-LAW P.O. BOX 361 MARION, KY 42064 270/965-2261 August 2, 2022 (1t-32-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO: 21-CI-00081 CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF vs. JO ANNA HAMLET, and Unknown Spouse, if any UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS AND/OR TENANTS OF 423 West Elm Street Marion, Kentucky 42064 COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN, KENTUCKY, DEFENDANTS. NOTICE OF SALE. By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 20TH DAY OF MAY, I will on THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2022, at the hour of 1:30 p.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: 423 West Elm Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064 PVA No. / Map No.: 058-20-08-020.01. The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% 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 6% 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 purchaser 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 29th day of July, 2022. Stephen M. Arnett, Special Master Commissioner. (3t-33-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO: 21-CI-00082 CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY, PLAINTIFF vs. CHRISTOPHER L. SISCO TABITHA SISCO UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS AND/OR TENANTS OF TAX EASE LIEN SERVICING, LLC COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF SALE. By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 20TH DAY OF MAY, I will on THURSDAY, AUGUST 25th, 2022, at the hour of 1:30 p.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: 505 West Bellville Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064 PVA No. / Map No.: 058-80-01-010.00. ALSO included in this conveyance is a 1983 ATLA Mobile Home, Model Name-Concord, VIN# 2138215231. The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% 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 6% 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 purchaser 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 29th day of July, 2022. STEPHEN M.

ARNETT Special Master Commissioner. (3t-33-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO: 21-CI-00080 CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF vs. PHILLIP CALE STACEY WALLEN UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS AND/OR TENANTS OF 216 S Weldon Street Marion, Kentucky 42064 COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN, KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS. NOTICE OF SALE By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 20TH DAY OF MAY, I will on THURSDAY, AUGUST 25, 2022, at the hour of 1:30 P.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: 216 SOUTH WELDON STREET, MARION, KENTUCKY 42064 PVA No. / Map No.: 0 5 8 - 20-14-013.00 The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% 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 6% 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 purchaser 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 29th day of July, 2022. STEPHEN M. ARNETT, Special Master Commissioner. (3t-33-c).

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KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF vs. SHANE MCDOWELL and Unknown Spouse, if any AMANDA LITTLE and Unknown Spouse, if any COY J. McDOWELL and Unknown Spouse, if any COLTEN OWEN and Unknown Spouse, if any UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS AND/OR TENANTS OF 312 Fords Ferry Road Marion, Kentucky 42064 COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN, KENTUCKY WILLIAM H. ADAMS CAROL ADAMS WASHINGTON MUTUAL FINANCE GROUP, LLC RTLF-KY, LLC DEFENDANTS. NOTICE OF SALE. By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 23RD DAY OF MAY, I will on THURSDAY, AUGUST 25th, 2022, at the hour of 1:30 p.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: 312 Fords Ferry Road, Marion, Kentucky 42064 PVA No. / Map No.: 070-10-09-003.00 The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% 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 6% 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 purchaser 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 29TH day of July, 2022. STEPHEN M. ARNETT, Special Master Commissioner. (3t-33-c).

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house. Any person wishing to be heard at this hearing must send a written notice to the Judge Executive Office, 107 S Main Street Suite 208, Marion, KY 42064 no later than 4:30 pm CST, September 14, 2022. The Fiscal Court will respond to public comments within fifteen days after the end of the public comment period. The plan will be submitted to the Kentucky Division of Waste Management for approval by October 1, 2022. (1t-32-c)



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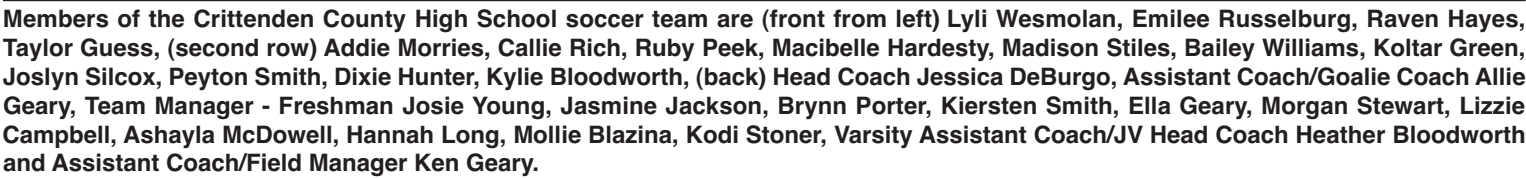


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Sept. 20 Webster County
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STAFF REPORT

Second-year Lady Rocket soccer coach Jessica DeBurgo is optimistic about the talent assembled for her squad's new season.

The Lady Rockets won big last week in a scrimmage against Christian County.

CCHS lost five seniors from last season's club. DeBurgo says her team is locked and loaded this year, featuring a large group of freshmen who are likely to see quite a bit of playing time.

Top scoring threats will be returning senior captain Taylor Guess and junior Lizzie Campbell.

"Baylee Williams is also a stout powerhouse of a player. Any college would be lucky to have her," the coach said.

On the defensive side, senior Raven Hayes is returning among the top play-

LADY ROCKETS ROSTER

4	Taylor Guess	Sr	11	Madison Stiles	Fr
5	Raven Hayes	Sr	14	Kodi Stoner	Fr
3	Emilee Russelburg	Sr	4	Molie Blazy	Fr
23	Lyli Wesmolan	Sr	17	Elia Georgia	Fr
11	Koltar Green	Jr	32	Dixie Huner	Fr
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10	Hannah Long	Jr	2	Kylie Bloodworth	8
15	Ashayla McDowell	Jr	35	Macibelle Hardesty	8
25	Brynn Porter	Jr	6	Ruby Peek	8
7	Bailey Williamsson	Jr	10	Jasmine Jackson	7
33	Joslyn Sicox	So	5	Addie Morris	7
34	Kiersten Smith	So	27	Callie Rich	7
9	Peyton Smith	Fr			

ers.

"Hayes and Guess have been friends since they were young, and have a chemistry. They almost read each other's minds on the field," DeBurgo said.

Another key figure on defense will be senior Lyli Wesmolan.

Junior goalie Hannah Long has put her work in this summer, attending a couple soccer camps. During the scrimmage against Christian County Long had some nice saves.

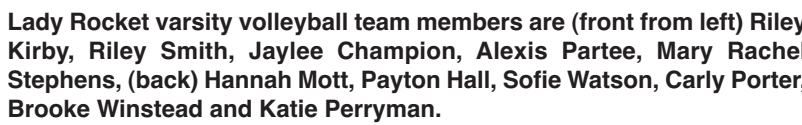
"She pulled it out, and she had some great keeps," the coach explained.

Ashayla McDowell is an underclassman to watch.

"She didn't see a lot of playing time last season, but this season she's stepped it up," DeBurgo said.

"From a roster standpoint, they look like they've got leggs for days, so we're going to have to step it up and get used to the heat," the coach added.

The Lady Rockets open their season Thursday at Hopkins Central.



STAFF REPORT

The Lady Rocket volleyball team has its sights set on a fifth straight 5th District Tournament championship, and coach Baylee McDonald has the personnel to pull the trigger.

Crittenden County lost only one senior in 2021 and the squad returns a host of juniors and sophomores with plenty of experience at the varsity level. Couple that with a great deal of summer league travel experience, and the skipper says this year's club has the chance to beat quality teams.

Crittenden hasn't beaten Caldwell County, McDonald's alma mater, since 2008, but this year it's quite possible, she says.

"We are mentally changed from 'We could,' to 'We are,'" the coach says, speaking of the team's improved attitude.

Expect the volleyball lineup to include Carly Porter, Riley Smith, Sofie Watson, Katie Perryman, Payton Hall and Janylie Champion, along with a couple of newcomers to the varsity roster such as Brooke Winstead, Mary Rachel Stephens and Hannah Mott.

With 26 girls on the freshman, JV and varsity rosters, McDonald will play whoever is ready to get the job done.

She says Porter, a sophomore who earned

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Aug. 16 at Hopkins Central
Aug. 18 Madisonville-North
Aug. 19 at Apollo Summer Slam
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Aug. 23 at Livingston Central
Aug. 25 Henderson County
Aug. 30 at Webster County
Sept. 6 Trigg County
Sept. 8 Caldwell County
Sept. 15 Livingston Central
Sept. 22 Hopkinsville
Sept. 27 at Trigg County
Sept. 29 Hopkins Central
Oct. 13 at Hopkinsville

a starting spot in eighth grade, has improved her timing and brings remarkable energy to the floor. Porter's height places her on the front line and in perfect position to tally up plenty of blocks. Coach McDonald expects Porter to be considered for regional player of the year by the time she's a senior.

Smith returns as a setter and Champion the libero. The coach is also excited about transfer student Alexis Partee, a senior, who came from Trigg County.

"This is the first year I've had depth, with girls who are serious," she said. "The majority play ball with Vap'r," and did reduce a lot and matured physically," McDonald said.

The head coach says extra depth has allowed pre-season practice to be competitive.

"The most talented group I've had, not to height," she said. "We're confident we're ready."

Assisted by Caldwell County High Tays, who played volleyball





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UPCOMING EVENTS Rocket Sports

THURSDAY
Soccer at Hopkins Central
Golf at Deer Lakes

FRIDAY
Football hosts Calloway scrimmage

SATURDAY
Golf at Tilghman Tournament

MONDAY
Golf at Webster County

TUESDAY
Golf at Union County
Soccer vs Ft. Campbell, All A Classic
Volleyball at Hopkins Central

OUTDOORS Squirrel season up soon

The fall squirrel season begins one week from Saturday. One of the longest hunting seasons in the state, bushy tails can be legally harvested from Aug. 20 through the start of rifle deer season when the squirrels get a four-day break. From there, season runs from Nov. 14 through Feb. 28. There is also a 35-day spring squirrel season in May and June.

RUNNING 5k for soccer funds

There will be a benefit 5K race at Marion-Crittenden County Park beginning at 9 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 20. Proceeds will benefit the Crittenden County High School soccer team. The race is being billed Kicking and Running for a Goal 5K. For more information or to register, see the group's Facebook post or register at the event.

FOOTBALL Rockets ranked No. 12

Crittenden County's football team is 12th out of 30 Class A teams in Kentucky's CalPreps.com preseason rankings. Pikeville is No. 1 in Class A and Raceland No. 2. Bethlehem, a team the Rockets play on the road Sept. 30, is No. 3 and CCHS's district foe Russellville is No. 4. Opening game opponent Murray is ranked 8th in Class 2A. Another Rocket opponent, Caldwell County, is ranked 6th in 2A and Union County is No. 5. The Rockets will host Calloway County in a scrimmage Friday starting at 6 p.m.

The Rockets lost last week 13-7 in a scrimmage at Hopkins Central. Coach Gaige Courtney said the defense was a bright spot. "We rotated a lot of guys in there," he said. "And we see that we have some things to work out." This week's scrimmage will include three varsity quarters and one for junior varsity. Admission is free and there will be concessions.

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Members of the Crittenden County golf team are (seated from left) Georgia Holeman, Addie Hatfield, Brylee Conyer, Abby Korzenborn, (back from left) Avery Belt, Gunnar Topp, Turner Sharp, Levi Quettermous, Jeremiah Foster, Levi Suddoth, Parker Case, Grayson Davidson, Cash Singleton, Jaxton Duncan, Mitchell Brown, coach Vicki Hatfield and Jaxon Hatfield.

Golf depth creates competitive spirit

STAFF REPORT

Rocket golfers have one win under their belts and a couple of tough tournaments that gave some young players their first 18-hole tournament experience.

The Rocket boys have one senior, Parker Kayse, returning this year, and four juniors, including newcomer Turner Sharp, who only picked up the sport three months ago but has caught the attention of eighth-year coach Vicki Hatfield.

Junior Avery Belt is another player Hatfield is expecting to turn in low scores. On Monday, he was medalist in a match at Deer Lakes against Union County, shooting a 42. Other Rocket scorers were Grayson Davidson 46, Parker Kayse 48 and Turner Sharp 49. Crittenden won that match against the Braves 185-211.

The Rockets defeated Webster County in a match Aug. 2 at the Heritage at Marion Golf and Pool by a score of 165-202. Freshman Grayson Davidson was medalist with a 39 in the nine-hole competition.

Crittenden's top returning golfer, Jeremiah Foster, hasn't had his best rounds so far in the early season, Hatfield said, but she expects him to work

the kinks out of his swing.

Foster shot 82 in both early-season tournaments, the Union County Invitational and a tournament at Hopkinsville Country Club.

Henderson won the Union County Invitational and Crittenden placed 11th out of 14 teams.

Crittenden was 12th out of 19 teams at the Hopkinsville Tournament.

Behind Foster at Hopkinsville, Kayse shot 84, Belt 94 and Sharp 95.

"Avery has really been practicing hard lately, and I told the team that for the first time ever, our boys are really going to have to play for their spot, because we have two middle schoolers really making a move - Cash Singleton and Jaxton Duncan. They are working hard and I'm just so proud of them."

Singleton and Duncan played in their first 18-hole event at Union County. Singleton shot 95 and Duncan scored 105. Both are eighth graders.

"Jaxton has only been playing this summer, so I'm super proud of them for stepping up and taking it serious," Hatfield said.

Expect junior Jaxon Hatfield to compete for one of the five competitive spots in each match. Based on practice scores, the five lowest shooters typically

play in the next match.

A change in regional competition and a new semi-state match will give Crittenden golfers an added shot at state tournament berths.

This year, three more individuals will advance from regional play. In the past, only the top two teams and top seven individuals not on an advancing team qualified for state competition.

This year, 10 individuals will advance from regionals to a new semi-state format. Semi-state play will be held at three sites. For Crittenden County and other schools in Regions 1 through 4, the semi-state match will be played at Owensboro Country Club.

For the seventh and final year, Hatfield is coaching her daughter, Addie. She is one of four girls on the team who will see limited play due to having few girls' opponents in the First Region.

The girls will play some matches for practice in order to get ready for the All A Classic and season-ending regional tournament.

The All A will be played at Deer Lakes in Salem this year.

Other girls' team members are senior Brylee Conyer, freshman Georgia Holeman and seventh-grade newcomer, Abby Korzenborn.

Marion Swim Team Closes Out Season



Squad posts 1-3 record

Marion Swim Team is 1-3 on the season during swim competitions and will conclude the season with an awards banquet Thursday, Aug. 11.

The Stingrays hosted Paducah Swim Team, Calvert City Orange Waves and the Murray Swim Team July 15. Just over 60 kids competed for the Stingrays.

Marion scored 199 points, taking top honors over the Paducah Swim Team with 139 points, Murray with 27 and Calvert City with 20.

On July 19, the Stingrays hosted Madisonville and fell 226-198. On July 7, Calvert City's team beat Marion 220-181; and on June 30, the Stingrays were defeated at Greenville 285-226.



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WATER

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response which would likely include termination of raw water hauling. Rains last week idled farm contractors who had been bringing multiple loads of water each day from the Tradewater River and Mill Bluff Spring and dumping it into Old City Lake. Those hauling trips had remained suspended early this week as water was still trickling over the spillway at the lake.

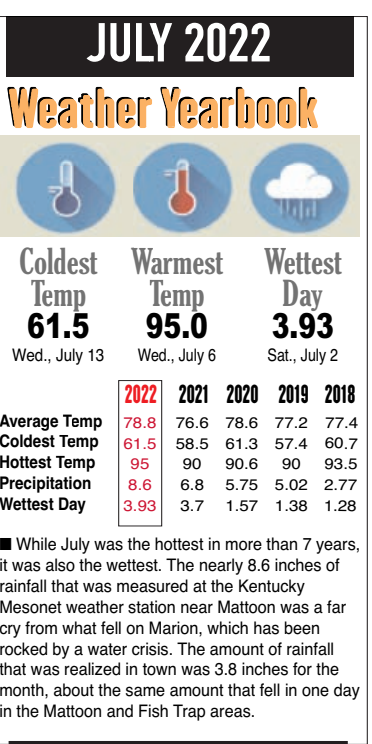
"It would be just a waste to haul water right now," said Crittenden County Emergency Management Director Jason Hurley.

He said that until the water level begins receding at Old City Lake, there will be no raw water transportation. The key is timely rainfall, Hurley said. Marion missed a potential for more precipitation on Monday. About an inch of rain was measured in parts of southern Crit-

tenden County, but none in Marion.

With plenty of raw water on hand in the two lakes and Crittenden-Livingston running full throttle into the Marion plant with about 144,000 gallons of treated water every day, Marion maintenance crews spent part of last week and early this week flushing the distribution system.

Local and state officials have been working diligently to clean up water in the lines that had been a bit brown and foul lately. That's why a boil water order has been in affect for more than a month, since July 7. While the water clarity is much better this week, officials say it's still not ready for consumption. The bottled water distribution



center remains open four days a week at the former armory and strong water conservation measures are still in place for now.

"It's been a bigger struggle than we expected," Marion City Ad-

ministrator Adam Leford said about work to improve the chemistry of the water coming from taps this week.

Chlorine and bacterial levels are getting much closer to normal, say officials, working to improve the condition of the water. Because the lake level had dropped so low raw water has been difficult to treat over the past few weeks. Coupled with conservation measures that have limited flow in pipes, water has become somewhat stagnant throughout the system, making it more challenging to reach proper chemistry and to keep it there. Once that happens, perhaps later this week, the city will consider lifting the boil water order. There could even be some loosening of conservation measures with plenty of rainfall.

Classes are just over two weeks from starting in the Crittenden County School District. There had been some discussion about connecting

the high school and middle school campuses to the county water district in order to ensure the schools had plenty of water for cooking, cleaning, flushing and other needs.

Superintendent Tonya Driver said design and engineering is going to be done so the school can be ready to connect if necessary.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the jail is also holding off on running a direct line to the county water main on U.S. 60. Newcom said that preliminary design work is done, which would make it easy to reverse course if necessary to assure ample water for the jail, which houses about 200 inmates and brings in more than \$2 million annually in revenue from regional, state and federal sources.

The car wash in Marion also re-opened on a limited basis this week and some of the water at Marion-Crittenden

County Park was turned back on Tuesday. However, restrooms will for now remain closed at the park.

Local officials have guardedly acknowledged that the water situation is improving. State officials have said the Sturgis connection could be made by the end of the month. The self-imposed deadline to get that link running is Aug. 29, which is the first day of school in Crittenden County.

The additional water from Sturgis, however, is not a long-term solution. Local leaders continue to press forward exploring other intermediate and long-term options, which could include raw water in the former Lucile Mine, repairing Lake George's levee or directly tying into other nearby water districts with a large water main capable of supplying Marion all of its daily demand. So far, no clear path has been determined on either front.

MEXICO

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of receipts for operations and forwards some to the International Mission Board and North American Mission Board," Pastor Tim Burdon said.

In 2017, the church was recognized by the Kentucky Baptist Convention as being number one in per capita giving to the Cooperative Program. That same year, the church was recognized by the Kentucky Baptist Convention as reaching the \$2 million milestone for its faithful support of mission giving.

"We don't want the praise, we don't worry

about the award because that's not something we're in it for, but it is nice. We just do it to be faithful and help people," the pastor said.

Burdon is the longest-serving pastor in Mexico Baptist history, having guided the flock since 2003. The first pastor was Randolph Lane. Pastors since 1960 were Jack Smith, Rodney Groff, Archie Brock, William Marrett, Michael Littrell, Harry Meadows, Jack Smith and Rowland Hudlow.

"It's been a wonderful journey," Burdon said.

Still recovering from a decline in attendance during the COVID-19 pandemic, Mexico now

averages 117 in Sunday school and 175 for morning worship. Burdon said attendance is gradually picking back up to pre-pandemic levels when the church had 150 on average in Sunday school, a common measuring stick for faithful attendance.

Sadly, Burdon says he has buried 70 members of the church through the years.

As it has for a century, the church congregation is always changing. Burdon says he finds new faces, learns new names and watches the development of the church's young people on a daily basis.



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