





# Deaths

## Holcomb

Billy Evans Holcomb, 70, of Frances, leaped into the arms of our Loving Lord and Savior Sunday, Aug. 13, 2023 at his home.

He will be remembered for his kind and gentle nature, sense of humor and he went out of his way to help anyone in need. He is mostly known for his storytelling. Many around the stores of Marion enjoyed seeing him come in because he always had a story to tell. He also loved to make kids laugh. He will be missed by his family at Christmas while celebrating what Christmas was really about. He always read a story before gifts were opened and Christmas Dinner was served. The family's hearts will not heal on this side of heaven; however, they will smile fondly every time they think back on the memories they shared with him.

Holcomb was born March 24, 1953 in Frances, Ky. He was a 1971 graduate of Crown Point Indiana High School and worked for his dad's body shop at a young age. He also worked for Coca-Cola for 11 years and drove a semi for several companies. His last job was working for P&H Farms, where he loved working for Philip Parish and Chris Hooks. He thought the world of the people he worked with.

He told people he was from Kentucky no matter where he lived, saying Kentucky was his home.

He had many friends in Crown Point, Ind., and in Marion – so many it's hard to count. He never met a stranger and always found the good in people and was always glad when something good happened in their lives.

He loved dirt track racing with his late model which he started at a young age. He loved old cars and tractors but really loved his Harley motorcycles and riding with friends.

Holcomb was a member of Caldwell Springs Baptist

Church where he enjoyed attending worship.

Surviving are his wife, Donna Holcomb; two sisters, Nancy Saavedra of Frances and Laura Holcomb of Crown Point, Ind.; a brother, Michael "Mike" (Laurie) Holcomb of Marion; five children, Shawn, Billy, Jr., Laura Lee, Elliott and Adrian; nine step-children, Jenifer, Michelle, J.R., Brad, Stephanie, Curtis, Katina and James Rodney; and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Billy Douglas and Joan (Joy) Evans Holcomb; and his grandparents, George Vernon and Jeneva Holcomb and Ervin and Carnia Woodall.

Services are at 1 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 17 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Frances Cemetery. The family will receive visitors from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday and 9 a.m. until service time Thursday at the funeral home.

*Paid obituary*

## McDaniel

Buddy McDaniel, 55, of Eaton, Ohio, died suddenly Friday, Aug. 11, 2023. He was born Dec. 31, 1967 to the late Charles and Dee Anna McDaniel in Dothan, Ala. He was an Environmental Health and Safety Manager for Bullen Ultrasonics, Inc., in Eaton. He enjoyed many things in life but some of his favorites were his family (especially his granddaughter), Alabama football, golfing, traveling, spending time with his many friends and as Finny would say "just chillin out at home".

Surviving are his wife, Joanie; a son, Nathan (Lyzzy) Pittsinger; a daughter Hayley (Charley) Reed; a granddaughter Finley; his mother and father-in-law, John and Debbie Schwierking; brothers

in-law Brad Pittsinger and Adam (Alexi) Pittsinger; several nieces, nephews, an aunt, uncle and cousins.

Visitation is at 11 a.m., Thursday, Aug. 17 until service at 1 p.m., at Gard Funeral Home, 226 W. Main Street, Eaton, OH. Burial will follow at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton.

Online condolences and other remembrances may be sent by visiting [www.gardfuneralhome.com](http://www.gardfuneralhome.com).

## Slayden

Carl Slayden, 85, of Hobart, Ind., and Salem, Ky., died Tuesday, Aug. 15, 2023 at St. Mary's Medical Center in Hobart.

He was born Sept. 6, 1937 in Lola to Homer and Mabel (Johnson) Slayden. He moved to northwest Indiana where he was a bricklayer supervisor at US Steel for 35 years. He also worked for North American Refractories for 10 years. He enjoyed fishing and hunting. He was a member of Eastlake Baptist Church, a 50-year member of Scottish Rite Valley of South Bend, and was a 32nd degree Mason.

Surviving are his loving wife of 66 years, JoAnn; two wonderful children, a son Rick (Karen), and a daughter Kathy (Mike); five grandchildren, Shannon, Justin, Krystal, KC, and Ashley; 16 grandchildren Jahnae, Jaiden, Shania, Brandon, Victoria, Dakota, Kaylee, Avery, Shelby, Canaan, Aubrey, Waverly, Carl, Cami, Jolene and Dawson; and a sister, Jeanette of Paducah.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Ruth Chittenden, Faye Bradley and Virginia Williams; three brothers, Tom

Slayden, Mark Slayden, and Ted Slayden.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 20, in the chapel of oyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial will follow in Pinckneyville Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Pinckneyville Baptist Church, 1009 Pinckneyville Road, Salem, KY 42078

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## Paris

Nancy King Paris, 82, of Fredonia died Monday, Aug. 14, 2023 at her home.



Beloved by all, she gracefully lived her life and was an active member of her community. She graduated from Owen County Schools and Margaret Hall in Versailles, KY. She earned a degree in physical education from the University of

Kentucky and a Master's from Kentucky State University. She was a member of Tri-Delta Sorority and was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Versailles and attended Pleasant Hill Regular Baptist Church in Crittenden County.

Throughout her life she held many positions and volunteered in numerous organizations including the Community Arts Foundation, Caldwell County Historical Society, Fredonia Valley Heritage Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Crittenden County Extension Homemakers, Woman's Club of Marion and the Society for Preservation of Southern Harmony. She was a school teacher, worked for the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the labor department and human resource office, conducted the local Delta Project health survey and

was office manager for William Ralph Paris Land Surveyor. She enjoyed horses, swimming, sewing and spending time with her family.

Surviving are her husband, William Ralph Paris, Jr; four children, Nancy Drake, Susan (Fred) Sanders, Matthew (Karen) Paris and Martha (Zak) Smith; 13 grandchildren, Merry, Sarah and Charity Drake, Freddy and Phoebe Sanders, Darren, Zachary and Benjamin Paris, Zak, Aidan, Zane, Zade and Pansy Smith; and a brother, Richard King.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bruce Elliott & Phoebe Anne Worth King; and a brother, Bruce King III.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 19 at Myers Funeral Home with burial in Paris Cemetery. Visitation will be held Friday from 5-8 p.m., and beginning at 8 a.m., Saturday.

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## Off duty

A retirement reception for Crittenden County Deputy Sheriff Mandy Harrison (right) was held Friday at the Crittenden County Courthouse. Harrison worked under four Crittenden County sheriffs – Floyd Andrews, Darron Holloman, Wayne Agent and Evan Head. Pictured with Harrison are Sheriff Head and her husband Tim Harrison.



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# School board will set tax rate Sept. 7

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Board of Education is planning a public hearing on Sept. 7 to announce its 2023 property tax rate. Details of that rate will be forthcoming in a public notice scheduled to be published in the Aug. 24 and Aug. 31 editions of The Press.

Property Valuation Administrator Todd Perryman spoke at Tuesday's regular school board meeting, explaining a recent increase in homestead and disability exemptions that is affecting the county tax base.

Based on exonerations and homestead exemptions, the county's tax base was lowered approximately \$8.8 million in 2023. Overall growth in property values is up about \$15 million. Minus the aforementioned exemptions, the county's tax base for 2023 is about \$6 million greater than last year.

Taxing districts have until Sept. 15 to set their tax rates. The school board appears poised to raise its rate some measure to make up for what would be a shortfall in revenue without an increase.

County government took a higher "compensating" rate recently for its 2023 tax rate.

The school board plans to hold a special meeting following the Sept. 7 hearing to formally set its rate.

For the past four years the school district has kept its tax rate the same or taken the compensating rate. The school tax rate per \$100 assessed value for 2022 was 49.0 cents.



An armed state policeman stands outside of a Crittenden County school bus during active shooter training last week on campus for bus drivers and monitors. The trooper was among training officers who created a set of scenarios for bus personnel. On the buses were drivers and monitors.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**School Equipment to be Auctioned**  
Crittenden County Board of Education has declared the following items surplus property and will accept sealed bids for them by 3 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 24 at the Board of Education office at 601 West Elm Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064: 83 student desks, 3 teacher desks, 2 long tables, 9 chairs, 3 tables, 24 library chairs and 1 long metal cabinet. Photos of items may be requested by contacting the Board of Education at 270-965-3525.

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### Third-party purchasers will be able to buy late tax bills on August 23

Nine buyers have registered as third-party purchasers of \$37,400 in delinquent 2022 county property taxes. The Certificates of Delinquency (COD) on those 35 properties will be sold at the annual tax sale at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 23.

Third-party purchasers do not have rights to the property for which taxes are owed when they buy a COD, but they can place a lien on the property. They may then start the foreclosure process if the taxpayer does not satisfy additional fees placed on the bill by third-party purchasers.

In some cases, satisfying that lien can cost four times as much as the face value of the original bill mailed by the county to the property owner. Third-party purchasers will contact taxpayers to arrange payment options.

Delinquent taxpayers can avoid this hassle and expense by satisfying their delinquent taxes before the tax sale later this month. Those delinquent taxes can be paid in the county clerk's office weekdays 8 a.m., to 4:30 p.m. A personal or business check will not be taken in the clerk's office to pay real property tax delinquencies. Payment methods include cash, cashier's check or credit/debit card.

Taxpayers may also owe the \$36

E-911 Service Fee payable in the county treasurer's office.

The current list of delinquent 2022 county property taxes can be found online on Crittenden County Clerk's website at <https://crittenden.clerkinfo.net/home-taxes>. If the tax bill is listed, it is still eligible to be purchased by a third party.

### State tightens regs on hemp-derived products

Kentucky retailers should know that the Department of Cabinet for Health and Family Services has issued emergency regulations regarding the sale of Delta-8 products, putting the language of HB 544 that was passed this past session into effect. Although regulations are filed as an emergency, the Department of Public Health has assured the government affairs team inspectors will not take punitive action against retailers in the immediate future, says the Kentucky Retailers Association, and that there will be a slow enforcement ramp-up.

Retailers will want to pay particular attention to Section 6 of the emergency regulation, which includes the link requiring retailers to register with the Department of Public Health within 90 days. All retailers selling any hemp-derived products must register with the Department of Public Health, but there is no fee required with this registration. Retailers are reminded that inspectors must have access to the premises, verify the age of individuals purchasing the product and a certificate of analysis of the product must be made available.

The regulations now require retailers to keep Delta-8 products behind the counter and prohibit the sale of Delta-8 or any intoxicating hemp products to anyone under the age of 21. All manufactured products will be required to be tested and la-

beled properly with all ingredients. The product will be required to be sealed with a tamper-resistant seal, and the label can not contain any claims that the product can cure or treat any medical conditions.

### Livingston Hospital earns 4-Star rating from CMS

Livingston Hospital has been awarded a 4-Star rating from The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) for its outstanding quality and patient care.

CMS, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, awarded 4-Star ratings to only 890 hospitals of the more than 3,000 eligible Medicare-certified hospitals. The hospital star ratings are based on 47 quality measures across five different categories.

"As a local critical access hospital, our team works hard to provide exceptional care to the patients in our community" says Shane Whittington, CEO of Livingston Hospital. "We are honored that CMS recognizes the continued success of our compassionate, caring staff and exceptionally talented physicians as they provide the kind of care that leads to successful outcomes and satisfied patients."

The stars and other relevant information related to hospital quality measures appear on the Hospital Compare website that helps consumers find hospitals and more easily compare the quality of care at each one. [www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare](http://www.medicare.gov/hospitalcompare)

CMS's overall star ratings assigned to hospitals are based on 47 quality measures across five different categories: mortality, safety, readmission, patient experience, timely and effective care.

### School archery, hunting under fire by Washington

KENTUCKY TODAY

Kentucky Senate Education Committee Chair Stephen West, R-Paris, is calling for the Biden administration to correct its misinterpretation of the 2022 Bipartisan Safer Communities Act (BSCA) that withholds funding from schools with archery or hunting programs.

West says the Biden administration's policy would defund critical educational, after-school, and enrichment programs in archery and hunting — negatively impacting those programs and the students involved.

"Archery and hunting are activities that appeal to Kentucky students in rural and metropolitan areas and are hobbies enjoyed by individuals across the political spectrum," said West. "This troubling federal policy should bother everyone because it reeks of political opportunism. Worse still, it undermines important programs providing students with educational opportunities, motivation, critical life skills and a sense of belonging."

More than 100,000 students across Kentucky participate in these programs, according to West. They provide an outlet for many students who would otherwise not participate in traditional sports such as basketball or soccer. Studies, such as the one conducted by the President's Council on Sports, Fitness and Nutrition Science Board, have shown participation in youth activities improves teamwork, social skills and responsibility, results in higher levels of academic achievement and strengthens leadership qualities.

Kentucky is the birthplace of the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP), which was established in 2002. According to Kentucky's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission website, nearly 800 Kentucky schools participate in NASP. The Kentucky Department of Education co-created the program and is now recognized as the leader in implementing school archery programs. There are now 47 states that participate in NASP and over 13 million students globally are involved in its local programs.

The decision to withhold funds threatens these programs, which rely on grants to supply archery equipment for school start-up initiatives and support the delivery of after-school programs. Archery and firearm programs teach students how to use bows and guns properly and safely and create respect for the potential harm of handling a firearm improperly.

"This is more than just an offense against Kentucky students; it is an attack on our way of life," West added. "I think it's critical to stand up for our students and sportsmen against this egregious policy."

Kentucky Senate Majority Leadership and other lawmakers have submitted a letter to U.S. Department of Education Secretary Miguel Cardona expressing their outrage and have informed Gov. Andy Beshear.

Attorney General Daniel Cameron announced that he has also sent a letter to Secretary Cardona opposing the Biden administration plan.

"President Biden doesn't like shooting sports - it's as simple as that. So his Administration is denying students and schools the funding that they need simply because schools have hunting or archery programs," said Cameron. "Kentucky kids shouldn't pay the price for this Administration's poor policy preferences."

### Show, Shine next week

The Show and Shine Car Show series returns to Marion on Thursday, Aug. 24 on the courthouse square. The event is sponsored by Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission. The monthly shows began in the spring and the final one will be held next month.

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### 50 YEARS AGO

**August 16, 1973**

■ Thirty-three Crittenden County High School students spent the week at Murray State University at summer band camp. The purpose was to develop students into a marching band to perform at football games and parades. Campers spent their days marching on Murray's Cutchin Stadium and inside participating in enriched musical instruction. More than 40 band parents attended a program on Friday evening where band members presented all that they had learned in the training sessions.

■ The Kentucky Press Association's Journalism Foundation awarded a \$100 per semester scholarship to Jayne Clark of Marion. Her scholarship was one of two new scholarships to be awarded that year in Kentucky. She planned to utilize her earnings on her major in journalism with a minor in English or communications at Murray State University.

■ Terry Boone of Marion won both the halter class for five-gated show horses and the open performance class for five-gaited horses over 14.2 hands with "Mr. Big Stuff," in the English Division of the State 4-H horse show held in Louisville just before the Kentucky State Fair.

■ A plan was completed to help obtain federal money for the county. The Crittenden County Fiscal Court and the Marion City Council agreed to help pay the costs of completing a comprehensive plan for Crittenden County. Officials said the plan was needed to aid Crittenden County in receiving federal money for projects the county might wish to undertake. A seven-member committee's work culminated with a 100-page booklet presented to the public, completed at a cost of \$13,125. Three-fourths of the project was paid by a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The city and county split the remaining \$3,285 equally. The committee set goals for the county to give direction for future development and objectives to determine how much is to be done over a specified period of time.

he earned in high school on both the local, regional and state levels. He was the state winner and national finalist in the proficiency record-keeping contest; earned first- and second-place in impromptu speaking; was involved in livestock judging, leadership conferences and attended the National FFA Convention during high school. He also served as chapter president and secretary for CCHS.

■ The Marion Youth Center, which opened in the former West Kentucky Gas Company building, was a huge success. The youth center provided a place for Marion kids to gather to play games and watch television. The center offered Bible study and was open Friday and Saturday nights.

■ Farmers Bank employee Barrett Belt graduated from the Kentucky Bankers Association Kentucky School of Banking. He was one of 83 students to earn credentials from the two-year program. He attended two one-week sessions, attending classes one week for two consecutive years.

■ Ann Revel of Marion was presented an award as the 1998 distinguished alumnus from Pennyriple Area Chapter of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture. Revel, who held a degree in home economics from UK, competed for statewide recognition. She was honored based on education and service to her community.

■ After not baking a pie for 25 years, William Ralph Paris made the blue-ribbon pie at the Crittenden County Fair. His "bluebarb" pie was judged best in show.

### 10 YEARS AGO

**August 15, 2013**

■ Kenergy Corp's new headquarters in Crittenden County opened just one year after a ground-breaking ceremony at the 7.5 acre complex three miles south of Marion on U.S. 641. The new \$2.9 million facility replaced a 60-year-old building on South Main Street in Marion.

■ The Watch DOGS (Dads of Great Students) mentored and provided added safeguards to the Crittenden County Elementary School campus. Watch DOGS checked doors and hallways, mentored students and helped with class assignments.

■ CCHS volleyball was expecting a big season. Second year CCHS volleyball skipper Carol West was excited about her talented team. The Lady Rockets had the best win-loss record in the region in 2006, and West was optimistic about the upcoming season.

*Read Brenda Underdown's  
Forgotten Passages column  
at The Press Online  
between newspaper issues.*

### MARION POLICE activity report

Data below provided by Marion Police Department compare police activity for the month of July 2023 to the same month in 2022. The chart also includes the previous month's totals, year-to-date police activity totals and last year's monthly average.

CATEGORY	JULY 2023	JUNE 2022	JUNE 2023	2023 YR TO DATE	2022 MONTHLY AVERAGE
Miles driven/patrolled	2,033	3,486	2,821	15,691	3,320.3
Criminal investigations	11	9	13	80	12.2
Domestics	6	10	9	39	6.2
Felony Arrests	6	14	1	32	5.2
Misdemeanor arrests	12	7	11	62	8.3
Non-criminal arrests	9	11	7	59	10.1
DUI arrests	1	0	0	5	0.5
Criminal summons served	2	2	3	24	2.6
Traffic citations	26	26	24	128	16.8
Other citations	32	46	23	184	27.7
Traffic warnings	3	1	8	36	2.6
Parking tickets	0	0	1	1	0.1
Traffic accidents	5	9	5	35	5.6
Security checks/alerts	58	27	66	427	39.8
Calls for service	200	175	228	1,419	176.6



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# Aim anxiety in the right direction

Human beings are always getting themselves into strange situations. For example, we live in a world where people walk around with a device that keeps them connected to most other human beings in the world. Connected to this device are other devices that fill our ears with whatever we choose. There are people who walk around in an iso-bubble never really seeing what, or who, is around them. Yet, many of those same people are desperate to be seen. It is a contemporary example of consistently breaking the rule, “Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

For those of us who go into the store or out in public without a connected device or earbuds it is a strange world. What I sometimes see could easily be the beginning of a science fiction horror movie a few decades ago. What counts for being noticed by some has less to do with contact with those in our physical vicinity and more to do with being noticed in cyber land.

Teachers can all see the destructive effect this is having on our children. The difficulty is that more parents than not seem to be either oblivious or

part of the problem. It is no secret that empathy among many young people is virtually non-existent. Many children identify more with an avatar than their actual person. Having to engage the world with all our faults and failures is becoming more and more difficult because of the way parents are allowing children to treat each other.

Now allow me to say that what our children are trying to manage is not a world that they created. It is one that the adults have created and which they, with their limited life experience and immature minds, are having to navigate. There are few things as wretched as generations of adults working out their failures and anxieties through their children. This is nothing new, but it has never made it right.

This passing on of failures and the resulting overcompensation from one generation to the next is the reason that the so-

cial “pendulum” swings every few decades. It is the reason that generations

have different emphases. It is why there are different strengths and weaknesses in society as time passes.

There is, however, a way to steady things a bit. There is a way to help each other manage this world we have made. In the New Testament, Paul wrote a letter to the Philippians in which he is telling them

how to recover the joy they had lost. His instruction is solid, even if one leaves out faith. But with faith it is a powerful tool to help all of us learn how to treat each other better.

Paul’s instruction is to not aim our anxiety at other people, but toward God through prayer. Such faith, he tells us, brings peace, and keeps us focused on what is most important. Then comes advice that we all can put into practice. Look for those things that are true, honorable, just, pure,



Sean NIESTRATH  
Faith-based columnist

Guest Columnist

# Trust God without putting Him to a test

**Question:** When my husband was diagnosed with stage four liver cancer, I told God, “If You want me to go to church and to live for You, then You’d better heal my man. He died after an eight months battle with his malignancy. Why didn’t God answer my prayer as I asked?”

**Answer:** In your prayer, you were “bargaining” with God. “If you will heal my husband, then I’ll live for You. In your prayer, you were dictating to God how you wanted Him to act. We should pray seeking God’s will to be done and for Him to be glorified and not to dictate what we want God to do.

Jesus resisted temptation by telling Satan, “It is also written: ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test’” (Mt. 4:7). When the Israelites were wandering in the desert, they tried to force God to provide water by demanding He do the miraculous. Moses told them, “Do not test the LORD your God as you did at Massah. Be sure to keep the commands of the LORD your

Ask the Pastor

By Bob Hardison

God...Do what is right and good in the LORD’s sight, so that it may go well with you and you may go in and take over the good land that the LORD promised” (Deut.6:16-18).

The command for us is

lovely, gracious, and excellent. Look for anything that is worthy of praise.

Aim anxiety in the right direction – I know that is easier said than done. Seek to lift others up by encouraging the good things and therefore making room for growth in those areas. Feed the good stuff, starve the harmful.

Here is what Philipians says, “Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.”

*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.*

simple: don’t test the LORD, but instead, trust. No test is necessary when we’re living fully in obedience to Him. Instead of trying to force God to do the miraculous, we should simply ask God to help us and trust His love and timing to do what is best.

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

## Community Events & News

- Piney Creek Cemetery will have a special called meeting at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 19 at the cemetery.
- Old Salem Baptist Church has a Blessing Box located next to the church at 117 Old Salem Church Rd. Everyone is welcome to take items or place them in the box for others to enjoy.
- Suicidal thoughts? Stop! Email dbrantpc@tds.net and request a video link that hopefully will change your mind.
- Salem Baptist Celebrate Recovery meets Monday’s 5:30 p.m. with a meal at 6 p.m., at 209 Highland Street, opposite side of the building from the Thrift Store.
- 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. The Clothes Closet is operated from 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Crittenden County Fiscal Court has rescheduled their regularly scheduled meeting from Thursday, August 17, 2023 to Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. at the Courthouse.

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Pastor: Tim Burdon  
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Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.

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Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Children and Youth Activities: 6 p.m.

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SUN: Sun. School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 p.m.

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Wed. Evening services, 7 p.m.

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# Cochran's was hardware landmark

Time goes by so fast, it doesn't seem possible that it's been 37 years since Cochran's Hardware Store closed. The landmark hardware store closed in February 1986, but it is still fondly remembered by many today. It was one of Marion's busiest Main Street stores for many years.

At the time it closed, Mr. Frank Lawson and his wife Relma Lee had operated the hardware store for 16 years after buying out Georgia Cochran who had run the store with her late husband, Thomas Cochran.

Cochran's Hardware Store had been a part of Marion's downtown business district for more than 90 years. The building where it was located was built in 1905 after the big fire that destroyed most of downtown Marion, making it over 80 years old in 1986. The hardware store was first located on West Bellville Street across from the courthouse. When the new brick buildings were built in 1905, the hardware store relocated to its Main Street location.

In many respects the store in 1986 hadn't changed much during the years. The wooden floor and a large ladder on rollers to reach items on high shelves were still in good condition. The wooden bins, shelves and glass-enclosed showcases were all still the same. The store still carried Red Spot Paint and Varnish, of which Mr. Cochran was one of the organizers and vice president of the Evansville, Ind., company.

Cochran's specialized in hardware, but also did a lot of business selling mining supplies for fluorspar operations during the early half of this century. The store sold just about everything from buggies to bridles to dynamite and powder caps. There was a time whenever you were talking about hardware that Cochran's was the name and Marion was the place to buy it.

Let's go back and follow the store's history.

The senior member of the firm of T. H. Cochran & Co., Mr. T. H. Cochran, came to Marion from Livingston County in 1882, and entered the employ of Pierce Sons, where he remained for six years. He then accepted the appointment of deputy sheriff under E.C. Flanary, in which capacity he served the county for three years. At the expiration of his term, he formed a partnership with A. J. Baker and purchased the Schwab Hardware Store, operating

under the name of Cochran & Baker for a number of years, when it was located on West Bellville Street.

Mr. Baker sold his interest in the store to A. J. Pickens, and the business was conducted for about three years under the name of Cochran & Pickens.

In 1906, J. A. Stephens and L. E. Crider purchased the interest of Mr. Pickens and the firm became T. H. Cochran & Co.

L. E. Crider, best known as Lawrence Crider, was exceptionally popular, a top-notch salesman and a good businessman.

J. A. Stephens, best known as Alvis, was raised in the county and taught school for about 10 years before coming to Marion to enter business. He was first employed at the Haynes and Taylor Drug Store before becoming a member of the Cochran firm at the same time as did Mr. Crider. Mr. Stephens was a fine person and also a very successful salesman.

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**Implement Day**

In April of 1911 the firm of T. H. Cochran and Co. had its first Implement Days. I am not sure when this popular event was discontinued, but the old Crittenden Presses tell us in April of 1923 they were very popular and brought hundreds of people to Marion. This event was one of the biggest days Marion had during the year. Twenty extra salesmen were employed and passed the day in demonstrating and selling plows, harrows, cultivators anything you would want or need for the farm. Many new wagons, plus wagons loaded with hardware and other necessary farm and home items, were driven from the store during the day.

Even today in some barn or shed you might find the faded name of T. H. Cochran and Company on an old wagon bed.

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**New Warehouse, Garage**

In October 1915, we

find T. H. Cochran & Co.'s new warehouse and implement garage near completion. It was located just down the street from the hardware store. Marion can now boast of a Garage and Implement warehouse as large as any city has in this section. Contractor F. B. Heath is putting in the front and will add a few finishing touches and then turn over the completed house to the firm, which has made Marion famous as a hardware center.

W. B. Milne of Edyville did the concrete floor and he stated the Cochran & Co.'s warehouse floor, which is 75 x 100 feet, is the biggest one he has ever put down.

The building is massive, with brick fronting 76 feet on Main street and extending back 100 feet to an area which borders an alley the entire length. It is a credit to Marion and will add great facilities for handling a big volume of business quickly to Cochran & Co.'s already large quarters.

In the garage and implement addition, they carried the premier line of buggies and also the largest assortment of carriages of any place around, and Studebaker and Maxwell automobiles and did a good business in that line. Mr. Stephens had charge of this department and was known as a "live wire" in the business.

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**Business change**

In January 1926 T. H. Cochran & Co. made the announcement that Mr. J. A. Stephens had withdrawn from the hardware firm with which



This photo was made in 1926 inside Cochran's Hardware. From left are T.H. Cochran, Lawrence Crider, Clara Nunn and Miley Hill. The two men with caps are unidentified.

he had been associated so many years, and had taken over the entire automobile sales, service and accessory business of the hardware firm. His new business would operate under the name of Stephens Motor Co., at the old Cochran and Co. Garage. He will sell Studebaker and Chevrolet cars and service all makes, as well as handle a complete line of accessories.

The business of T. H. Cochran & Co., will remain unchanged with the exception of the automobile department and will continue under the same name, with T. H. Cochran and L. E. Crider as proprietors. Miss Clara Nunn, who has been with the firm for 13 years as secretary and treasurer, will still look after those duties for the hardware store. (T. H. Cochran and Clara Nunn were married Oct. 13, 1933.)

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In August 1942, Mr. Lawrence Crider had a heart attack while working at the cash register in the store. Needing help with running the busy company, Mr. Cochran's son and his wife, Thomas and Georgia Cochran

His wife Georgia ran the business until 1970, when she sold it to Frank and Relma Lawson.

When the store closed in 1986, Mr. Lawson told The Press that it wasn't for poor economic condition, but that he was ready to retire, and the people that wanted to purchase the store couldn't get the financing.

The historic building sits empty today, hopefully waiting for someone to bring it back to life.

(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](http://OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com)).



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Two-family yard sale Aug. 17-19, 8 a.m.-? 1859 Turkey Knob Rd., Marion. Follow signs. Furniture, dishes, books, boots, shoes, scooters, smoker grill, folding chairs, quilt batting, wheelbarrows, trellis, hunting stuff and lots more. Rain or shine. (1t-33-p)

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City of Marion  
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Marion, Kentucky 42064 (270) 965-2266  
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The County of Crittenden is applying for a Local Records Program grant from the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives for the purpose of formulating and codifying the county’s ordinances.

The County solicits firm, not-to-exceed price proposals from codification services providers approved by the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives to complete the project described herein.

The County of Crittenden, with a population of 8,981, currently has approximately 500 ordinances (and other legislative actions affecting the citizens at large), containing 1,989 pages.

- The County desires the production of a Code of Ordinances that includes:
- 1) All ordinances required by Kentucky Statutes for a home-rule County;
  - 2) Sample drafts of ordinances covering the specific topics checked on the list of project description of this document; and
  - 3) Currently effective legislative actions of the County which do not fit into either of the categories in Items One and Two above and which are specifically applicable to the County.

**NOTE:** Ordinances of this nature enacted after the Invitation of Bid Proposal date are not part of this project and will be added as a supplement to the code at the County’s expense.

It is the County’s intention, following successful completion of this project, to repeal all previous ordinances or legislative actions covering codified subject matter and adopt by reference the Code of Ordinances produced by this project as its entire body of law.

The successful offerer will:

- 1) Provide drafts of new ordinances needed as listed above;
- 2) Review all of the city’s/county’s currently effective legislative actions (ordinances, motions, resolutions, etc.), as submitted by the County, to provide an opinion on their relevance, consistency with state and federal law, accuracy, and adequacy;
- 3) Provide all needed editorial corrections including re-drafts of ordinances to correct problems noted in Item Two above;
- 4) Provide these services following the steps outlined in the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives’ revised Codification Steps Policy for Cities memorandum, dated October 15, 2021;
- 5) Provide services or materials within the term of the grant following the beginning of the FY 2023 and subsequent availability of state funds;
- 6) Perform all work in accordance with applicable policies and regulations of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives;
- 7) Agree that the offer will be valid through March 1, 2024.

Written notification, from this County of the selection of a bid proposal and the signed, returned obligation statement shall constitute a legal obligation on the part of the offerer to provide the services as stated. Selection of a bid proposal is contingent upon the award of the Local Records Program grant and subsequent availability of state funds. The County shall incur no obligation for the preparation of any proposal and reserves the right to reject any and all proposals submitted in response to this invitation.

Written proposals must be received no later than September 1, 2024 to be considered.

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CRITTENDEN COUNTY ROCKETS FOOTBALL



Members of the Crittenden County Rockets football team are (front from left) manager Gracie Orr, manager Landon Woodall, Gabe Keller, Tyree McLean, Levi Piper, Brayden Mahnke, Gattin Travis, Caden Howard, Michael Porter, Bennett McDaniel, Cam’ron Belcher, Micah Newcom, (second row) Laycee Lynn, Destiny Reed, Bobby Hazel, Quinn Summers, Casey Cates, Brayden Poindexter, Jamison Stevenson, Gaige Markham, Logan Nolan, Jacob Carder, Blake French, (third row) Morgan Stewart, Tyler Belt, Trae Taylor, Trace Scott, Colton McLean, Noah Byford, Riley Barker, Davis Perryman, Landon Curry, Dakota Sosh, Donte Bell, (fourth row) Carson Yates, Grayson James, Kaiden Travis, Michael Counts, Lane West, Jake Rich, Keegan Young-Pearson, Garyson Hall, Travis Blazina, (fifth row) Seth Henry, Trey Porter, Aiden Curnel, Braydin Brandsasse, Ivan Madden, Jason Millikan, (back row) coaches Rylan Thomas, Gaige Courtney, Austin Berry and Jared Brown.

Rockets are retooling defense, but offense has big weaponry

STAFF REPORT

Deep bruises remain on those memories of the last time Crittenden County was forced by school enrollment to step up a level and play in the Kentucky High School Athletic Association’s Class 2A.

In four seasons, from 2011 through 2014, the Rockets were eliminated from postseason in their first game, scoring just one time over their final three November of 2A playoffs against Owensboro Catholic.

One of the most successful 1A teams in western Kentucky over the past 25 years, Crittenden County finds itself back in the Class 2A.

Good news for Rocket fans is that this year’s squad is not ill equipped to handle the rigors of higher classification. Granted, the road to a regional championship will be much tougher with Mayfield and Owensboro Catholic among the odds on favorites.

Still third-year head coach Gaige Courtney has embraced the move and is kicking things up a notch to better prepare this squad. That will include a much more challenging schedule than CCHS has seen in decades, perhaps ever.

With O’Cath from the Second District and Mayfield from the First District among regular-season opponents, Crittenden will face formidable opponents both in 2A and beyond. Catholic and Mayfield are preseason top 10 teams. Murray and Caldwell County are the other district opponents. Crittenden’s non-district slate includes Webster County, Ohio County, Calloway County, McCracken County, Union County and Hopkins Central, all 3A schools or larger.

Kentucky high school football teams are classed for the next couple of seasons according to the average male school population from 2019 through 2023. Crittenden’s average was up seven students from the previous reclassification period to 210.7. The break from 1A to 2A was at 191. CCHS is the sixth smallest school in 2A. There are 38 high school teams in the class.

Armed with one of the top quarterbacks in western Kentucky, the Rockets will field a team fortified by a full array of skilled-position players. The test will be up front where numbers are a bit thinner, but experience is fairly prevalent. A defensive unit hobbled by graduation is being pieced together, and coach Courtney believes it will be a work in progress as the season begins Friday at Webster County.

“We have a lot of new guys defensively. I think we have the guys to replace those we lost, it’s just going to take some time. We’re not there yet,” Courtney said about the defense.

Senior quarterback Micah Newcom is moving better in and out of the pocket based on pre-season performances. He is a dual threat with good wheels and can make every throw. As a second-year starter, coach Courtney says Newcom has an even better grasp of the playbook and offensive philosophy.

“We expect him to be the guy,” Courtney said. Newcom was chosen No. 9 in WPSD-TV’s annual Top 10 Grid Iron Glory players from western Kentucky.

In the backfield are returning senior running backs Gattin Travis, Tyler Belt and Levi Piper. Travis is a three-year starter and should have a big season for the Rockets. Piper will get plenty opportunities to handle the ball, too. Belt is a playmaker and one of the best skilled players on the team. Fans will also see him returning kicks and punts. Shifty runner Cam’ron Belcher joins the backfield corps.

Jacob Carder and Bennett McDaniel could also see time in the backfield during particular situations.

Newcom will have star-studded receiving corps

SCHEDULE

Aug 18 at Webster County  
Aug. 25 at Union County  
Sept 1 McCracken County  
Sept 8 Hopkins Central  
Sept 15 Bye  
Sept 22 Owensboro Catholic  
Sept 29 Murray  
Oct 6 at Ohio County  
Oct 13 at Mayfield  
Oct 20 Caldwell County  
Oct 27 at Calloway County  
Nov 3 Playoffs

DEPTH CHART

**OFFENSE**  
QB Newcom, Summers  
F Travis, Piper, Carder  
H Belt, Belcher, McDaniel  
Y Cates, McLean  
Z Howard, T.Taylor  
X Keller, Sosh  
C Brandsasse, Yates  
RG West, Hall  
LG Blazina, Counts  
LT James, Curnel  
RT Young-Pearson, K.Travis

**DEFENSE**  
CB Keller, Taylor  
CB Carder, Belcher  
FS T.Belt, T.Scott  
SLB G.Travis, Summers  
MLB McDaniel, Poindexter  
WLB Piper, French  
ROCKET Cates, McLean  
WHIP Howard, Sosh  
LE James, Young-Pearson  
RE West, K.Travis  
NG Mahnke, Blazina, Brandsasse

**SPECIAL TEAMS**  
K Mahnke, Newcom  
H Newcom, Summers  
P Newcom, Piper  
R Belt, Howard

to throw at, including Caden Howard, who had a big freshman season and is looking better than ever. Others will be Casey Cates, Tyree McLean, Trae Taylor, Gabe Keller and Dakota Sosh.

Cates has great hands, McLean is strong and quick, Taylor has a mind for the game, Keller is tall with good hands and should have a breakout year, Sosh is a hard-nosed, blue-collar type receiver and Howard is long and athletic, which will create mismatch issues for opposing secondaries.

When the Rockets run a tight end set Brayden Poindexter and Blake French will get the nod.

The line will center with snapper Braydin Brandsasse. Just a sophomore, he’s physical, moves well and will be a key figure up front. To his left will be guard Lane West and tackle Grayson James. On the right will be guard Travis Blazina and tackle Kegan Young-Pearson. All four a quality linemen with athleticism and toughness. Carson Yates, Michael Counts, Garyson Hall, Kaiden Travis and Aiden Curnel will provide depth and see plenty of action in the trenches.

On defense, Keller and Carder are penciled in at first team defensive backs, but Belcher and Taylor will see plenty of time. Each brings his own skill set. Keller will be a matchup problem against most teams because of his height and length. Carder has good speed, Taylor smarts and Belcher can be a lock-down type defender. Belt will be the free safety.

Linebackers will include Travis, McDaniel, Piper, Poindexter, Summers and French. Courtney sees some improvement that’s needed in linebacker, but he’s certain this is the crew to handle it. The starter got lots of experience last year. Keeping McDaniel healthy will be key, the coach said.

“Bennett is big, strong and physical. He’s set up for a monster year and he’s the leader of our defense,” Courtney said.

Cates and Howard are tops on the depth chart at the hybrids, called Rocket and Whip in Crittenden’s terminology. McLean will see his share of time there, too, and Sosh adds further depth.

James and West will patrol the ends of the defensive line with Pierson and Travis getting playing time there, too. At nose guard will be Mahnke with Blazina and Brandsasse backing up.

Courtney said Mahnke, who transferred in from Washington state, will give CCHS another small, powerful lineman to anchor the defensive front.

“He goes hard, probably the hardest working player on the team,” Courtney said. “He fits that mold like we’ve had the last few years at nose.”

Rockets Roster

No.	Player	Height	Weight	Pos.	Year
23	Tyler Belt	5-10	165	WR/DB	Sr
65	Travis Blazina	5-6	220	OL/DL	Sr
51	Grayson James	5-10	205	OL/DL	Sr
1	Gabe Keller	6-2	165	WR/DB	Sr
79	Ivan Madden	5-9	160	OL/DL	Sr
8	Bennett McDaniel	5-11	190	FB/LB	Sr
3	Levi Piper	5-9	176	RB/LB	Sr
80	Jason Millikan	5-9	150	WR/DB	Sr
10	Micah Newcom	5-10	170	QB	Sr
5	Gattin Travis	5-7	175	RB/LB	Sr
56	Lane West	5-10	213	OL/DL	Sr
9	Cam’ron Belcher	5-6	130	WR/DB	Jr
35	Landon Curry	5-6	180	WR/DB	Jr
22	Blake French	5-8	175	FB/LB	Jr
66	Seth Henry	5-10	175	OL/DL	Jr
2	Tyree McLean	5-10	175	WR/DB	Jr
4	Brayden Mahnke	5-10	180	FB/DL	Jr
7	Michael Porter	6-0	155	RB/DB	Jr
26	Trace Scott	5-8	150	WR/DB	Jr
53	Kaiden Travis	5-8	178	OL/LB	Jr
31	Riley Barker	5-7	165	WR/DB	Soph
77	Braydin Brandsasse	5-9	230	OL/DL	Soph
21	Jacob Carder	5-10	160	RB/DB	Soph
14	Casey Cates	5-10	160	WR/DB	Soph
54	Michael Counts	5-8	200	OL/DL	Soph
76	Aiden Curnel	5-10	230	OL/DL	Soph
60	Garyson Hall	5-7	150	OL/DL	Soph
11	Bobby Hazel	5-6	140	WR/DB	Soph
6	Caden Howard	6-1	160	WR/DB	Soph
27	Colton McLean	5-7	150	WR/DB	Soph
15	Brayden Poindexter	6-1	150	TE/LB	Soph
58	Trey Porter	6-0	190	OL/DL	Soph
38	Dakota Sosh	5-10	142	WR/DB	Soph
16	Jamison Stevenson	6-0	180	WR/DB	Soph
12	Quinn Summers	5-8	150	QB/LB	Soph
24	Trae Taylor	5-5	119	WR/DB	Soph
50	Carson Yates	5-9	175	OL/DL	Soph
59	Keagan Young-Pearson	6-0	192	OL/DL	Soph
43	Donte Bell	5-6	120	WR/DB	Fr
30	Noah Byford	5-9	150	WR/DB	Fr
17	Gaige Markham	5-6	140	WR/DB	Fr
20	Logan Nolan	5-9	155	WR/DB	Fr
32	Davis Perryman	5-10	165	WR/DB	Fr
57	Jake Rich	5-7	180	OL/DL	Fr
34	Trent Todd	5-10	140	WR/LB	Fr

COACHING STAFF: Head coach Gaige Courtney, Offensive Coordinator Austin Berry, assistant coaches Jared Brown and Rylan Thomas.

Best of Luck

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Sports Events

- THURSDAY
- MS Football hosts Trigg County
- FRIDAY
- Football at Webster County
- Volleyball at Apollo Summer Slam
- MS Softball at Christian County
- SATURDAY
- Volleyball at Apollo Summer Slam
- Soccer hosts All A Classic
- MS Softball at Christian County
- MONDAY
- Soccer at Mayfield
- JV Football at Calloway County
- TUESDAY
- Volleyball hosts Webster County
- MS Football hosts Calloway County
- MS Softball at Caldwell County

GOLF

QB Club winners

Reese Baker, Devin Belt, Digger Phelps and Landon Young won the annual Crittenden County Quarterback Club benefit golf tournament last week at The Heritage. The foursome shot 11-under-par to capture the title.

GOLF

Upcoming events

- Saturday, Aug. 19 1-Person Scramble at The Heritage Golf Course.
- Saturday, Sept. 30 4-Person Scramble to benefit Crittenden County High School baseball team will be held at Deer Lakes Golf Course. Register at the pro shop or call 270-704-3034.

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

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

Bullfrog	May 19 - Oct 31
Squirrel	Aug 19 - Nov 10
Dove	Sept 1 - Oct 26
Canada goose	Sept 1-15
Deer archery	Sept 2 - Jan 15
Turkey archery	Sept 2 - Jan 15
Wood duck	Sept 16-20
Deer crossbow	Sept 16 - Jan 15
Teal	Sept 16-24
Raccoon hunting	Oct 1 - Feb 29
Turkey crossbow	Oct 1-22
Deer muzzleloader	Oct 21-22
Deer youth hunt	Oct 14-15
Turkey shotgun	Oct 28 - Nov 3
Turkey crossbow	Nov 11 - Dec 31
Deer rifle season	Nov 11-26
Squirrel	Nov 13 - Feb 29
Quail	Nov 13 - Feb 29
Rabbit	Nov 13 - Feb 10
Raccoon trapping	Nov 13 - Feb 29
Gray or red fox	Nov 13 - Feb 29
Beaver	Nov 13 - Feb 29
Bobcat	Nov 18 - Feb 29
Dove	Nov 23 - Dec 3
Canada goose	Nov 23 - Feb 15
Turkey shotgun	Dec 2-8
Deer late muzzleloader	Dec 9-17
Dove	Dec 23 - Jan 14
Deer free youth hunt	Dec 30-31
Coyote	Year Round
Ground hog	Year Round

See more dates at fw.ky.gov

Squirrels first season up

Outdoors enthusiasts can get back into the forests for the first hunting opportunity of the fall starting Saturday. The statewide squirrel season begins this weekend, starting Aug. 19. Bag limit is 6.

Clerk stops license sale

Crittenden County Clerk's Office is no longer selling Kentucky hunting and fishing licenses and permits. "The decision was made due to a change in fee structure and payment processing from Fish and Wildlife in Frankfort," said County Clerk Daryl Tabor. They may still be purchased at Hodge Outdoor Sports and Apparel in Marion Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. They may also be bought 24/7 on the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources website fw.ky.gov.

Crittenden County High School Volleyball Schedule

- Aug. 14 at Heritage Christian

Aug. 15 at Christian County

Aug. 18-19 at Apollo Summer Slam

Aug 22 Webster County

Aug. 24 Livingston Central

Aug. 26 All A Region at Ft Campbell

Sept. 5 Trigg County
- Sept. 7 at Henderson County

Sept. 12 at Madisonville

Sept. 14 at Caldwell County

Sept. 18 Livingston Central

Sept. 22-23 wReck at Plex, Hoptown

Sept. 25 Marshall County
- Sept. 26 at Trigg County

Sept. 29 Quad State

Oct. 2 University Heights

Oct. 3 at Hopkins Central

Oct. 9 Hopkinsville

Oct. 17 District Tournament

VOLLEYBALL

# Stars aligning for rare shot at regional crown

STAFF REPORT

Returning are four starting seniors who will set the tone for CCHS volleyball. Riley Smith, Jaylee Champion, Payton Hall and Katie Perryman will be surrounded by five juniors with equally qualified skills to make this a successful season.

"We know there is a big circle on our backs. Our girls know that we have been building for this year and they feel a lot of pressure to perform and get it done," said coach Bayley McDonald, who was an all-state

volleyball player.

Smith and junior Carly Porter were all-region performers last year. Smith is a talented setter and Porter will anchor the middle from where the offense flows.

Champion is a defensive specialist and all-district performer and so is Perryman, who will also be in the middle. Hall is an outside hitter.

The junior class is rounded out with libero Riley Kirby, outside hitter Hannah Mott, setter Brooke Winstead, defensive specialist Mary Rachel

Stephens and Braelynn Pate, who heads a deep bench.

Sophomores Aly Yates, Lacey Boone, Hadley Myers and Lilah Sherer will also provide further depth and freshmen Braelyn Merrill and Maeson Martin are battling for a spot on the varsity squad.

Crittenden has won the last five straight Fifth District championships. In fact, the girls have not lost a single set over that span. Trigg County and Livingston Central are the other two teams in the league.

Varsity Roster

Lacey Boone	5-7	So
Jaylee Champion	5-6	Sr
Payton Hall	5-10	Sr
Riley Kirby	5-4	Jr
Hannah Mott	5-6	Jr
Hadley Myers	5-8	So
Braelynn Pate	5-5	Fr
Katie Perryman	5-10	Sr
Carly Porter	5-8	Jr
Lilah Sherer	5-5	So
Riley Smith	5-6	Sr
Mary Rachel Stephens	5-2	Jr
Brooke Winstead	5-8	Jr
Aly Yates	5-3	So

Coaching Staff: Head coach Bayley McDonald, assistant coach Kenlee Perryman

JV I Freshmen

Braelyn Merrill	Laykin Gilchrist
Maeson Martin	Aubrey Duncan
Shelbi Belt	Jasmine Lynch
Maddie Hearrell	Grace Vinson
Emerye Pollard	



Pictured are members of this fall's Crittenden County Middle School football team. They are (front from left) Johnny Tramel, Elijah Stallions, Eli Lovell, Matthew Counts, Hayden Hughes, Reece Travis, Joel Bumpus, Kaden Herrington, Caden Blazina, Tristan Belt, (back) Nathan McKinney, Kadence Hackney, Alexander Hewitt, Camden Nash, Hunter Curnel, Dominic Walters, Daryl Sherer, Conner Poindexter, Ethan Sosh, Azariah Rich, Parker Phillips, Charlie Hardin, Chad Nelson, Colton Allen and manager Kylie Hunt.

# Middle school Rockets return nice mix of experienced pieces

STAFF REPORT

A healthy number of talented returning middle schoolers give sixth-year Crittenden County coach Jacob Courtney a great deal of optimism.

The middle school Rockets open their season Thursday at home against Trigg County. Kickoff is at 5:30 p.m., which is typical for all middle school football games.

"We have a tough schedule," Courtney said. "We were really young last year and took it off the chin a lot. But we're ready this season."

Returning quarterback Conner Poindexter will trigger the offense. He became the team's starter late last fall and has improved with a good off-season and pre-season training program.

Middle School Schedule

- Aug. 17 Trigg County
- Aug. 22 Calloway County
- Aug. 31 at Union County
- Sept. 5 Webster County
- Sept. 7 Ballard County
- Sept. 12 at South Hopkins
- Sept. 19 at James Madison
- Sept. 26 at Caldwell County
- Sept. 28 Browning Springs
- Oct. 7 Playoffs

son because of his reliability.

Up front Hunter Curnel and Dominic Walters will be key players along with center Matthew Counts.

Azariah Rich, the coach says, will be the squad's Swish Army knife.

"We were looking at him at running back, but really needed another tackle so we asked him to play there. He will run the ball sometimes, too and he also plays linebacker," Courtney said.

Another linebacker that's emerging a key player is seventh-grader Roan Topp and safety Alex Hewitt is expected to be an integral part of the defense.

This year's schedule is a bit heavier than other recent campaigns with nine games, and for the first time ever a state playoff system.

CCMS Roster

2	Elijah Durham	7th
3	Charlie Hardin	7th
4	Hayden Hughes	7th
8	Ethan Sosh	8th
9	Conner Poindexter	8th
6	Reece Travis	7th
10	Kaden Herrington	7th
12	Chad Nelson	8th
14	Alexander Hewitt	8th
15	Eli Lovell	8th
16	Azariah Rich	8th
26	Roane Topp	7th
28	Joel Bumpus	7th
45	Daryl Sherer	7th
50	Colton Allen	7th
51	Nathan McKinney	8th
52	Parker Phillips	8th
55	Caden Blazina	8th
56	Sam Porter	8th
65	Matthew Counts	7th
66	Dominic Walters	8th
69	Tristan Belt	7th
72	Hunter Curnel	8th
76	Ethan Burns	7th
77	Johnny Tramel	8th
78	Elijah Stallions	7th
82	Camden Nash	8th
88	Kadence Hackney	8th

Coaching Staff: Head coach Jacob Courtney. Assistants Travis Fitzgerald, Ethan Dossett, Hunter Boone.

CRITTENDEN COUNTY FALL SPORTS ROUNDUP

MS GIRLS SOFTBALL

Crittenden County Middle School is for the first time fielding a softball team this fall. The girls have opened their inaugural season 1-4, winning its first home game ever 10-0 Friday over Hopkins Central. Brodi Rich pitched a no-hitter for CCMS in the win. She also had two hits, as did Abigail Champion. Jordyn Hodge drove in two runs.

Crittenden lost Monday night at home 16-2 to Lyon County. It was their second loss this season to Lyon. They have also lost twice to Livingston County.

CCHS VOLLEYBALL

Lady Rocket volleyballers got off to a positive start with a straight-set win at Heritage Christian in Hopkinsville.

CCHS won the match 25-15, 25-23, 25-12 as Riley Smith finished with 23 assists and Carly Porter recorded 14 kills. Katie Perryman, Hannah Mott and



Katie Perryman at the net against Heritage Christian.



Payton Hall also had nice outings. Perryman had eight kills and five aces, Mott a half dozen kills and three aces and Hall knocked down five kills.

Crittenden County lost a volleyball match 3-1 on the road Tuesday at Christian County.

The Lady Rockets won the second set, but lost the match 21-25, 25-21, 24-26, 10-25. The team is now 1-1 on the season.

The Lady Rockets will be at the Apollo Summer Slam this weekend.

ROCKET GOLF

CCHS golfers finished fifth out of 11 teams the Paducah Tilghman Invitational Saturday at Paxton Park. Jeremiah Foster finished fourth overall with a 1-over-par 72. A 69 won the tournament. Avery Belt and Grayson Davidson shot 83s for Crittenden and Turner Sharp scored 89.

Rocket golfers improved to 3-0 in reg-

ular-season match play on Monday, besting Union County at Morganfield. Foster was medalist with a 37. Crittenden shot 165 as a team and beat Union by 10 strokes. Sharp and Davidson shot 41 each and Jaxon Hatfield carded a 46.

LADY ROCKET SOCCER

Off to a 2-1 start this season, the Lady Rockets were disappointed with 10-0 loss at University Heights Tuesday in the semifinal round of the All A Classic Second Region Tournament.

The loss was particularly difficult because the winner advances to Saturday's All A Classic championship, which is being hosted by Crittenden County High School. The small-school regional final will be held at 5 p.m. at Marion-Crittenden County Park. The boys' regional final will also be held here.

UHA will play Caldwell County in this weekend's All A title match. Caldwell beat Lyon 2-1 in Tuesday's semifinal. Lyon had defeated Fort Campbell 10-0 in the tournament opener Monday.

In other soccer action, Crittenden County beat Union County 4-2 on the road Thursday. Ella Geary scored all four CCHS goals with assists from Mollie Blazina, Karsyn Potter and Lizzie Campbell. Keeper Hannah Long had three saves.



## Fredonia church's gym hosting throwback game

STAFF REPORT

Plans for a throwback basketball game in Fredonia are gaining steam and creating excitement in Crittenden and Caldwell counties.

The game will feature high school players wearing Frances and Fredonia jerseys and facing off in the recently renovated Fredonia gymnasium.

First Baptist Church owns the gym and has put a great deal of time and resources into bringing it back to its original glory. Pastor Presley Lamm said the throwback game has a motive.

"It will be centered on our love of Jesus and to teach us we can live out-

side the church, love Jesus, love history and enjoy basketball."

The pastor points out that Frances and Fredonia were chief rivals long ago, back in the 1930s and 1940s before school consolidations.

The game will have a more particular nostalgic meaning for first-year Crittenden County basketball coach Matt Fralix because his father graduated in 1972 from Fredonia High School. That was the last



Earl Fralix

class before consolidation with Caldwell County. The coach's father, Earl Fralix, scored more than 1,100 career points for the Yellowjackets. Fredonia High opened in 1911.

Frances High School was not too far away in the edge of Crittenden County. It opened in 1922 and closed in 1950. Its team mascot was Bulldogs.

The throwback game will count as a pre-season scrimmage for Caldwell and Crittenden high school teams. It will be held on Nov. 11.

Tickets are not yet available. Seating will be limited to around 500.



## Fredonia Festival

Family fun was on tap Saturday at the annual Fredonia Festival. Sue Belt (at top) pulls Bingo numbers from a squirrel cage while players listen attentively; a magician from Murray (above) captivated the attention of others; (at top left) nine-year-old Roger Childress races down an inflatable slide; (at left) folks participate in the Cake Walk; and bottom left is Lions Club member Royce Pile pulling the free Fredonia Express train around the grounds of Buddy Rogers Park.



## SHOTS

Continued from page 1

scription of the alleged assailant. There had been two blue Freightliners traveling together and a red tractor trailer nearby, too. Yates believes the driver of the red truck may have phoned 911, too. About 45 minutes later, she was contacted by state police and was asked to drive to Kuttawa to meet an officer. There, she was told that a suspect had been taken into custody further down the interstate near Grand Rivers in Livingston County.

Subsequently, Leland Bernard Blake, 58, was charged with two counts of felony first-degree wanton endangerment. If convicted, the defendant could face 1-5 years in prison.

Investigators confirmed three alleged gunshot holes in Yates' SUV.

"There was one bullet still stuck in the rear of my vehicle," she said. "I went to the Lyon County

Sheriff's Office and they dug it out."

Two bullets are believed to have struck the back of the Lincoln and one had apparently grazed the driver's side front corner panel.

"That bullet was about six inches from my left knee," she said.

The suspect was lodged on a \$2,500 bond in Crittenden County Detention Center and is to appear for arraignment in Lyon County District Court Thursday, Aug. 17.

On the criminal citation, the charging officer wrote that a 9mm Kahr CT9 handgun was retrieved from the tractor-trailer. The report said, "the gun was within an arm's reach of the driver and in a compartment behind the driver's seat."

"It all happened in about 20 seconds," Yates said. "I am positive I didn't do anything to give this man a reason to shoot at me."


Counting their blessings that none of the bullets entered the interior

of the vehicle, Yates said the extent of the psychological damage had yet to be understood, particularly for her nephew. She's reluctant to use the term "road rage," because there was no time for rage to develop, she explains.

"This could have been really bad," she said. "I was so grateful it wasn't. He was so quick to shoot at us. It wasn't like I had seen this truck two or three times down the road. I came upon it and within five seconds, he already had the gun out."

During her career, Yates has served as volunteer firefighter, been a 911 dispatcher and worked in an emergency room. She said her husband is a flight paramedic.

"My husband and I have always been on the opposite end of things like this. We've been in the business of helping people. I never thought that something like this would have happened to me."



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