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Street named for late-judge-exec

The newest street inside the City of Marion has been named for former Crittenden County Judge-Executive Victor "Pippi" Hardin.

City council members on Monday chose Pippi Hardin



Hardin

Boulevard as the name for the recently-constructed road into Industrial Park North just off U.S. 60 East. Mayor Mickey Alexander

said the honor is to recognize the late-judge-executive's role in helping to develop the new industrial park alongside Crittenden County Economic Development Corp.

Hardin, a former Kentucky State Trooper, served as the county's top elected official from 1999 to 2004.

He died in March 2012 at the age of 62.

CCEDC owns the industrial park, which lies within the city limits. The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet recently finished construction of the street, which will eventually serve its county highway department as the first occupant in the park.

Overdue tax bills soon up for sale

Delinquent 2014 county property tax bills will be sold at 9 a.m. next Thursday in Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford's office. Byford said several purchasing companies have registered to buy tax bills at the sale.

That could make settling a tax debt very costly for real estate owners who failed to pay taxes. A third-party purchaser can inflate the amount needed to satisfy a lien placed on affected properties. In some cases,



Byford

that can be more than double the current overdue tax and penalties. A third-party purchaser can eventually force the sale of the property to satisfy the lien. A wide range of overdue bills are being eyed by third parties.

"Normally, they purchase the higher value property bills," Byford said, "but this year, they have also included many of the lower value property tax bills."

To avoid the potential sale of delinquent tax bills on real property, owners must make payment to the county clerk before the sale takes place next week.

Meetings

- Marion City Council will meet for a special called meeting at 5 p.m. Monday inside the council chambers at Marion City Hall. On the agenda is final approval of 2015 tax rates and presentation of a list of city streets targeted for repairs this year.

- Crittenden Health Systems Board of Directors will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the hospital administrative annex.

- Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 5 p.m. next Thursday in the library meeting room.



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Longtime rural carrier killed delivering mail

STAFF REPORT

For Paula Brown, each day of carrying the mail was a special delivery. Early this week the Dycusburg woman, praised by friends and co-workers for her dedication and genuine concern for customers, lost her life in a two-vehicle accident as she was making rural deliveries.

A mail carrier for Princeton Post Office, Brown, 50, was killed Monday when her SUV was struck from behind by another vehicle as she was making her afternoon rounds. According to Kentucky State Police, Brown's 2000 Jeep

Cherokee was pulled over in the emergency strip of the eastbound lane of U.S. 62 West about a mile outside of Princeton when the accident occurred. She had stopped to deliver mail to a business address.

Trooper Ben Sawyer reports 69-year-old Diana Sams of Fredonia was operating a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe, also eastbound on the highway, when her vehicle veered into the emergency strip and struck the rear of Brown's mail delivery SUV. The impact

sent Brown's Jeep off the eastbound shoulder and into a ditch. Sams' Tahoe came to a rest in the eastbound emergency strip of the road.

The wreck occurred at 3:21 p.m. Monday.

Brown was transported by ambulance to Caldwell County Medical Center and was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at the facility. She was not wearing a seatbelt. However, in Kentucky, letter carriers, who often have to drive while sitting in the middle of their ve-



Brown

hicle in order to access roadside mailboxes, are exempt from the mandatory seatbelt law while performing their job.

Sams was treated at Caldwell County Medical Center for minor injuries and released. She was wearing a seatbelt.

Brown had been employed with the U.S. Postal Service for 21 years, delivering to homes in Crittenden and Caldwell counties. At one time, she was a rural carrier out of the Marion post office, but worked the last several years delivering rural mail out of the Fredonia and Princeton offices.

She is survived by her hus-

band, Jerry Brown, and a daughter, Elizabeth Brown, a 2013 graduate of Crittenden County High School who family friends said was set to begin classes at Murray State University Tuesday. (See obituary on Page 13.)

Brown attended Dycusburg Baptist Church, where she grew up worshipping and returned with her family a couple of years ago. She filled in playing the piano during worship services when the regular pianist was out.

Lisa Guess, a friend and

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PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Over the summer, virtually all employees of Crittenden County School District received active shooter training from Kentucky State Police to help prepare them for the possibility of a gunman attacking school facilities or a bus. Above, a group of bus drivers receives instructions in late July from a trooper helping conduct exercises.

KSP trains school district for attack

By **BECCA SCHIMMEL**
STAFF WRITER

When students returned to the classroom last week in Crittenden County, virtually every employee within the local school system who has regular contact with students had been trained for the possibility of an attack from a gunman.

"This is a hard topic to think about, much less speak about," said Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark, responding to ques-

tions about recent conditioning to such a scenario.

Teachers, administrators, bus drivers, custodians, secretaries and food services employees got their own education over the summer through some pretty intense exercises designed and administered by Kentucky State Police to help better prepare them for the possibility of an active shooter. Ultimately, the program's goal is to save lives, particularly those of the children in the

school district's charge.

"It's sad that we've got to take time out for educators to do this, but that's the world we live in today," said Lt. Brent White, who coordinated and authored the active shooter training. "We're trying to give them options for reacting to that situation. A minute detail could be the difference between life and death."

Conducting the program

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Man, 25, pleads guilty to sodomy, rape of youth

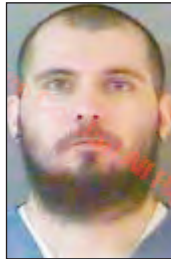
STAFF REPORT

A 25-year-old former Marion man pleaded guilty last week in Crittenden Circuit Court to raping and sodomizing a girl younger than 12 years old.

Christopher A. Copeland, who was living in Murray at the time of his arrest last summer, has been jailed in Crittenden County since he was indicted for the sexual abuse. The crimes occurred during 2010 and 2012 while the defendant was residing in Marion. He was indicted in July 2014.

The charges came to light last year after a report from a Crittenden County school counselor was made at Marion Police Department. The victim had confided in the counselor, telling the school employee what had happened years earlier.

Commonwealth Attorney Zac Greenwell recommended a 20-year sentence for first-degree rape of a victim less



Copeland

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5 percent Marion water/sewer rate increase OK'd

STAFF REPORT

Water from the tap will be a little more expensive in Marion beginning next month.

On Monday, Marion City Council unanimously approved an ordinance increasing city water and sewer rates by 5 percent. The adjustment is to cover increased expenses for treatment and testing of potable water and wastewater, said City Administrator Mark Bryant.

"Lab analysis and chemical costs are way up," he told council members at Monday evening's meeting.

The new rates, effective immediately, will take the minimum monthly combined water/sewer costs from \$31.89 to \$33.45 beginning with September billing. That is based on the minimum 1,500 gallons of water used. In Marion, sewer charges are levied at 75 percent of water rates. (See rate schedule on Page 13.)

Bryant speculated that within a few years, customers may be asked to pay significantly more for sewer service. He said the city could be forced by the state to build a new wastewater treatment plant to replace the aging facility on



Bryant

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Local sentiments on proposed earlier start to school year mixed

By **BECCA SCHIMMEL**
STAFF WRITER

Between lawmakers, parents, teachers and school board members, there is a mix of opinions and more questions than answers when it comes to considering a later start date for the school year.

Earlier this month, Republican state senators Damon Thayer of Georgetown and Chris Girdler of Somerset announced they would introduce legislation in the 2016 regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly to force the state's 173 public school districts to head back

to class no sooner than the Monday closest to Aug. 26. They claim it will help the tourism and agriculture industries in the state. They introduced a similar bill in this year's session, but it never left committee.

Marion Tourism Director Michele Edwards said the tourism industry is reason enough to push back the start of school by a couple of weeks. Statewide, last year's tourism expenditures were \$13.08 billion, according to the Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet. In Crittenden County, tourism income

was \$5.73 million.

"The tourism industry has supported a late-August start date for schools for many years," Edwards said. "Tourism is the second largest industry in Kentucky, so with the way it starts now, you're taking three weeks out of that industry."

The last school district in the state to return to class did so Monday. Most districts, like Crittenden County, started either last week or the week prior. Four

school districts began the new academic year in late July. Locally, students had 10 weeks of summer break from the end of May to Aug. 11.

Among other things, Edwards says people miss out on attending the Kentucky State Fair when their kids have to go back to school so early. However, state Sen. Dorsey

Ridley (D-Henderson) said that isn't exactly true, because it is considered an excused absence for a student to attend the state fair.

"People can go to the state fair and get an excused absence," Ridley said. "I do not disagree that it does affect some of the tourism dollars, but it's important that we allow local boards of education to have flexibility in the start date. I've been involved in this for a long time, and I think that's best."

Ridley served in the Kentucky House of Representatives from 1987 to 1994 and has been Crittenden County's state senator since 2004.

Republican Rep. Lynn

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The next Crittenden County Food Bank distribution day is Aug. 28

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is the courthouse open on Saturday? Only the offices of circuit clerk and sheriff are open on Saturday. They are open until noon.

When is the solid waste convenience center (trash repository) on U.S. 60 East open? Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 8 a.m. to noon Wednesday and Saturday. It is closed Sunday.

Do I have to have a dog license? Yes. Licenses are available for \$5 through county Animal Control Officer Timmy Todd at Crittenden County Animal Shelter on U.S. 60 East. Call (270) 969-1054 for information.

Ky. gets ‘F’ for college-, career-ready numbers

When the General Assembly is in session, I provide a weekly update of session activities, and during the time when the General Assembly is not in session, I provide periodic updates on activity. With all the TV coverage about the 2016 Presidential election, the Iran nuclear deal and illegal immigration, it is easy to focus on the federal government and forget about state government; but topics are also being discussed and issues addressed at the state level. Following are some of these:

Civil suit a disgrace
A monetary settlement was recently reached in a civil suit that three women brought against three members of the Kentucky House of Representatives. The three women, all employees of the state's Legislative Research Commission, claimed they were victims of harassment and retaliation, and a settlement was reached before the case went to trial. As is common in these types of court cases, no guilt was admitted, but the parties being sued agreed to a \$400,000 payment to the three women. Because General Assembly members are considered employees of the state, the \$400,000, unfortunately, comes from all of us taxpayers and not from the pockets of the one former and two current state representatives who were sued.

In addition to the \$400,000 settlement, we the taxpayers are also on the hook for about \$200,000 in legal fees paid to the lawyers defending the House members. This brings the total amount coming out of our pockets to \$600,000!

I feel that those of us who are elected officials owe honorable service to everyone we represent, and I am dismayed that such a suit had to be brought. This is a disgrace.

Rep. Lynn Bechler
(R-Marion)
House District 4



House in Review

Planned Parenthood
A high-ranking official of the Kentucky Cabinet for Health & Family Services admitted that the Cabinet provided at least \$331,300 in taxpayer funding through local health departments to Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky. The Cabinet official claimed that only federal funds were involved, but the source of these public funds is irrelevant.

Except in emergency situations, only the Kentucky General Assembly has the constitutional authority to direct where funds, collected by the Kentucky Treasurer, will be propitiated, and the General Assembly did not approve of these payments. Given the shocking and undeniable revelations about the marketing of organs and body parts from aborted babies, it is appalling to learn that taxpayer dollars actually flowed through Kentucky state government into the coffers of this organization.

With unlimited access to taxpayer-funded women's health care services guaranteed by Medicaid and Kynect, there is absolutely no reasonable justification or purpose for funneling taxpayer dollars directly or indirectly to Planned Parenthood.

Recent highly publicized videos have, in astounding detail, demonstrated the appalling and cold-hearted willingness of top employees of Planned Parenthood to violate federal law and human

conscience by profiteering from the flesh and organs of aborted babies. We should not tolerate the distribution of our tax dollars to this organization, and I will be a sponsor of legislation to immediately and forever terminate all funding to Planned Parenthood.

Interim committee work
During the summer months, committee meetings are held throughout the state in order to inform legislators about activities taking place in the Commonwealth and to begin setting priorities for the next year's regular session. I am a member of three of these committees – Agriculture, Economic Development and Labor and Industry – and want to report on two of the meetings that were held.

At a Labor and Industry Interim Joint Committee meeting, Dr. Kate Akers of the Kentucky Center for Education & Workforce Statistics reviewed data extracted from the Kentucky Department of Education College Going Feedback Report.

The data showed that in 2014, the college- and career-readiness rate was 62 percent compared to 54 percent in 2013 and 47 percent in 2012. Further, the breakdown showed that the col-

lege-ready numbers were significantly higher than the career-ready numbers.

While the trend is in the right direction, I am concerned. With education representing such a large portion of the state's budget – the largest single category, in fact – I am extremely disappointed that only 62 percent of our high school graduates are college- or career-ready.

As I stated during the meeting, I consider a grade of 62 percent to be an "F". It seems to me that we are doing a grave disservice to the other 38 percent. We must do better.

At an Agriculture Interim Joint Committee meeting held at the University of Kentucky Research and Education Center (UKREC) in Princeton, Dr. Nancy Cox, Dean of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environment; Dr. Lloyd Murdock, Interim Director of UKREC; and Dr. Chad Lee, department head of UK's Plant and Soil Sciences made presentations centering on the need for upgrading and expanding the center with the hope that the project will be approved in the 2016 session of the General Assembly. Designs and renderings were shown to the committee members, and a one-

time project cost was estimated to be approximately \$24 million.

The project would be of great economic impact to the region, and I am hopeful that we in the General Assembly will be able to come to agreement on the expansion during our next session.

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

I may be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at (800) 372-7181; directly at (502) 564-~8100, ext. 665; by visiting the Kentucky Legislature Home page at LRC.ky.gov and clicking on the "Email Your Legislator" link; or by mail to: Capitol Annex, Room 424C, Frankfort, KY 40601.

(Rep. Lynn Bechler, a Marion Republican, has served in the Kentucky House of Representatives since 2013, representing House District 4, which is comprised of Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of Christian County.)

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Courthouse built on 1st Little Pig budget


It's no secret. Crittenden County Courthouse is woefully inadequate. Functionally obsolete, you might call it.

Built in 1961, its simple, utilitarian design was popular at a time when construction was booming across the nation in the post-war prosperity of the 1950s. Today, it is anything but useful and practical, words the term utilitarian might bring to mind.

Unfortunately, the structure's strength is its weakness. It is built like a tank; its hull rivals the construction design of the Third Little Pig. No amount of huffing and puffing will bring the house down. In fact, nothing short of the Apocalypse is likely to compromise the structure ... except maybe a steady rain that routinely seems to find its way through the roof.

The glory of the courthouse was on display for scores of prospective jurors last Thursday. We crammed into the courtroom in an effort akin to a dozen clowns packing tightly into a VW Beetle. Many of those present had never really taken in the subtleties of the dinosaur, like its noisy heating and cooling system that's just slightly more reliable than Lucy holding the football for Charlie Brown ... or its inept design that forces jurors, witnesses and attorneys to brush shoulders in

Daryl K. Tabor
Editor of
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My 2¢ Worth

the stairwell with shackled inmates.

Speaking of stairs, apparently, in 1961, nobody struggled with mobility, as no level of the courthouse is accessible without negotiating a series of what can be rather shallow stairs. A sluggish chairlift was installed about 20 years ago, but when it went kaput for a few weeks this summer, the courthouse was off-limits for many elderly and disabled.

Local officials are all too aware of the issues with the courthouse, but the purse strings are held tightly in another ZIP code.

The courthouse price tag 54 years ago was \$176,000, or about \$20 per resident of the county. That, apparently, was a First Little Pig budget for a Third Little Pig design. I just wonder what \$30 would've gotten us.

(Daryl K. Tabor is editor of The Crittenden Press. His column appears in this newspaper periodically. He can be reached at (270) 965-3191.)

Internship offered voice, pleasant experience

Being a journalist means listening to others and learning new things every day. You have to keep your eyes and ears open at all times. Sometimes that means that you get to hear about courage you never knew could exist. Other times, you hear tales of the nasty side humans are capable of.

Either way, I'm glad to be part of it.

When I hear stories of courage, I am trusted to put the right words to paper and show readers what they couldn't see or hear in the tone and body language from that person. When I learn about awful things that have been done, the pen is mightier than the sword, and it's my job to show and explain the wrongs that have been done.

Then there are times when someone doesn't have

Becca Schimmel
Summer intern at
The Crittenden Press



The Looking Glass

a voice, and I have the opportunity to say what he or she can't. In this column, I write about what I want and what I think needs to be said or celebrated. In some instances, I have been surprised by the positive feedback, and in others, with the negative feedback. I've enjoyed hearing all of it and seeing my words provoke a reaction and response from the community.

I would like to thank Daryl Tabor, editor of The Crittenden Press, for giving

me this space in the paper to share my thoughts. He has guided me this summer and helped me improve my writing. Everyone here at The Press has been supportive and cared about me getting the most out of this summer, and I have, largely because of their efforts.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the people that I've interviewed and written about. I appreciate the opportunity to hear your stories, and I hope you enjoyed reading them. It's hard to leave a place with such nice people, but I'm happy with my time spent here and the experience I've gained this summer.

For those of you who enjoyed my column and have views that are similar to mine, I hope that you enjoyed reading, and I encourage you to speak up and allow yourself the opportunity to be heard.

Those who disagreed with my thoughts and opinions, I hope that I was able to spark some good conversation. I also encourage you to speak up.

My goal with this column was to have an affect on this community. Whether that affect is viewed as positive or negative isn't the point. If what I wrote caused you to think and write in to the paper, then I consider that a job well done.

Much like art, writing is supposed to evoke something in the reader.

(Editor's note: Becca Schimmel has now wrapped up her summer internship with The Crittenden Press. She is a senior journalism major at Murray State University, and will graduate in December. Her opinions are her own and may not necessarily be the opinion of this newspaper.)



PHOTO BY SHEILA TRUITT

CCHS Class of 1975 celebrates 40th reunion

The Crittenden County High School Class of 1975 held its 40th reunion Aug. 1. Those attending were (front row): David Hamilton, Ardith Thornton O'Rourke, Tammie Phillips Kolb, Brenda Taylor Adams, Gayle Perryman Pleasant, Carolyn Herron Belt, Janice Fitzgerald Hedgepath, Agnes Darnell Armstrong Brown, Debbie Mack Hagan, Sandra Trimble Martin, Cindy Travis Yarbrough and Gerald Ford; (back row): Janet Hearrell Hughes, Mark Travis, Mary Ann Green Kelley, David Kelley, Deborah Ray Day, LaNaye Croft, Donnie Arlback, Lacinda Belt Files, Gary Cruce, Patti Wheeler Peek, Eddie Hearrell, Mickie McDowell Topp, Tommye Melton Brantley, John Sanders, Cynthia Franklin Russell and Tim Linzy.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Love earns degree

Jeanece Love of Marion received a Master's Degree in Nursing from Chamberlain College of Nursing, which is based in St. Louis. Love attended the formal commencement ceremony at the Hyatt Regency O'Hare in Rosemont, Ill., Aug. 1. She graduated with academic honors and a 3.97 GPA. Accompanying her to the ceremony was her husband Kent, daughter Gretchen, son Jameson and grandson Camdyn. They enjoyed a reception in the Grand Ballroom Friday night. Love plans to relocate and use her education to pursue a career with the federal government as an associate director of patient care services. She will enroll in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program with Chamberlain and continue to advance her education. Pictured above with Love is her grandson Camdyn.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

CCHS Class of 1995 celebrates reunion

The Crittenden County High School Class of 1995 celebrated its 20th reunion at Green Turtle Bay Resort in Grand Rivers on Aug. 8. Those in attendance were (pictured from left): Cliff Paddock, Eddie Davenport, Matthew Patton, Rocky Doom, Josh Hamilton, Brian Farmer, Jody Porter, Carrie Buchanan Burnett, Jonathan Iddings, Denise Wheeler Guess, Billy Sisco, Jennifer Schrimsher Cosby, Mandi Byford, Brent Duffy and Brent Kemmer.

ANOTHER SUCCESS STORY

Congratulations Sam Flanary



(From L to R) Mechelle Luttrell, Kelly Hawkins, Kathy Patterson, Sam Flanary, Jessica Paris, and Meagan Binkley

Case Study:
Sam had suffered from an ankle fracture as a result from falling at home. Due to increased weakness, Sam was unable to return home to care for himself after being discharged from the hospital. Sam then turned to Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center for therapy services.

Comprehensive Team Treatment Plan:
The interdisciplinary team developed care maps specific to Sam's situation. These maps served as a guide to his smooth and successful recovery. Sam received Physical and Occupational Therapies 5 times a week. During his stay, Sam also enjoyed activities that were offered daily.

Case Outcome:
During his stay at CCHRC Sam was evaluated for assistant equipment specific to his needs. Sam also regained strength and improved his ability to transfer and walk. Sam further improved upon other skills necessary for everyday tasks. Following a short stay at CCHRC and completion of his therapy services, Sam was able to return home.

Comments on Care
"My care here was more than I could ever have hoped for. The girls in the therapy department are superb and I enjoyed every minute I spent with them. They were the highlight of my entire day. They even brought me apples out of the apple tree. The nursing staff was great also, they took good care of me. I would recommend this place to all of my friends."





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Giveaways of produce complete

STAFF REPORT

Summer giveaways at the community Victory Gardens are now over, but may return in the autumn.

Crittenden County Jailer Robbie Kirk said Monday the two-dozen or so garden plots on the city-owned property accessible from the parking lot of Shopko have finished producing. Tuesday marked the eighth and final produce giveaway day. Kirk said the produce has been decimated by persistent summer rains.

"Every time we started to re-plant, it rained," Kirk said.

Trusties with Crittenden County Detention Center man the gardens, and fall crops are in the ground, so Kirk hopes to have a few more giveaway days this autumn.

Kirk estimates that each week, about 150 people have taken home free fruits and vegetables from the gardens. The plots have produced approximately 25 tons of produce. Leftovers are returned to the jail kitchen. Through July, about 3,700 pounds had been used at the detention center. That has saved the county several thousand dollars, Kirk said.

RATES

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the north side of town. That could cost \$10-12 million.

"In the not to distant future, you'll probably see sewer higher than water," he said Monday, indicating that the adjustment would be needed to pay for construction.

Sewer rates billed by the city once matched those of water, but were reduced years ago to the current three-quarters of the monthly charges. It is not uncommon for municipalities to charge more for sewer than water. Bryant said his mother, who lives in Henderson, pays twice the rate for sewer that she does water.

For a small number of city sewer customers only, the new rates approved Monday will be slightly higher. To ensure delivery of the utility to those located outside the city limits along U.S. 60 West and Airport Road is self-sustaining, those 20 or so customers will be charged the new rates plus 10 percent. Monthly charges for those customers are based on water usage from their provider, Crittenden-Livingston Water District.

Overall, the rate adjustment will generate an estimated \$35,000 additionally for the water fund and another \$22,000 for the sewer fund. Expenses for delivering water to customers during the cur-

rent fiscal year are projected at \$726,200 and \$562,300 for wastewater treatment.

Water and sewer revenues must be used to maintain the city's respective systems and cannot be used for general expenditures by the city.

The council last approved a rate increase in July 2011, but it was a three-phase adjustment. The first year saw a 5 percent rise in both water and sewer rates, followed by 4.5 percent and 1.5 percent in subsequent years.

Cost of doing business

From tiny personal images tucked away beneath clothing to vibrant designs visible to all, tattoos are a growing trend in America. But inking can be a costly business venture in Marion.

At Monday's council meeting, Bryant said a local business owner has expressed interest in opening a tattoo parlor in town, but finds the cost of the city's business license for opening a shop to be excessive.

A city ordinance dating back to 1976 dictates the cost of a special business license for tattoo parlors. That fee is \$200 per week.

"There is a gentleman who seems serious about doing tattoos," Bryant told council members. "He wanted to know if city might lower it."

A typical business license from the city is only \$25 per

year. It is \$100 annually for pawn shops.

Mayor Mickey Alexander said the cost may seem a bit discriminatory, but that was likely the point when the ordinance was passed almost 40 years ago.

"They didn't want a tattoo parlor on Main Street," Councilman Darrin Tabor said of the council at that time. "That's probably why they did it."

No action was taken on the ordinance, as the prospective business owner, who Bryant did not name, was not present to argue his case.

Property tax rates

The council introduced its 2015 property tax rates Monday. If approved, rates for real property would be down, while the levy on personal property would be up a bit.

The proposed tax on real estate is down a penny to 22.3 cents per \$100 of assessed value and up 0.8 cents to 19.9 cents for personal property.

"These are the compensating rates," said Bryant, meaning they are expected to generate approximately the same revenue for the city as last year's rates.

The reason for that is the overall real estate value in the city is up, while the value of personal property is down.

The proposed 2015 tax rate for motor vehicles is 22.9 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

SCHOOL

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Bechler of Marion could not be reached for comment Monday or Tuesday.

Only 12 percent of 142 voters in unscientific poll on The Crittenden Press' website were opposed to a late-August start date for students. Also, most of the comments on the newspaper's Facebook page related to the start of school were in favor of giving the children another week or two at the end of summer break.

The local school district's semesters for the current academic year are evenly balanced with 83 of the required 170 days in the classroom coming in the fall term. Besides state-recognized holidays and two teacher planning days each semester this year, students will be given a week of fall break and three days at Thanksgiving. Christmas break is the typical two weeks and spring break is scheduled for a full week in April. The last day of school will be May 13 unless winter cancellations due to weather force make-up days at the end of May the last two years.

Next year, fall break will be shortened to three days.

Eric LaRue, a former teacher and principal who now serves as one of five elected representatives on Crittenden County Board of Education, wants what is best for the kids when it comes to deciding on the start of school.

"I don't have a horse in this race, so it doesn't impact me. It impacts the kids, faculty, staff and parents," LaRue said. "We don't have a lot of tourism in the county like they do in other places."

Phyllis Orr, also a former teacher, parent of two children educated in Crittenden County and current member of the board of education, doesn't think the start date

needs to be pushed back.

"We as a local board set our start date. The reason we start earlier now is because of the winters we've been having," Orr said. "We set our calendars a couple years in advance. I think everybody is OK with that, but there are some that would like to start after Labor Day, but I don't think that would work."

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"I can't see any advantage," she said. "I don't know why they want to move it back. I don't know anybody who has to cancel their vacation, so I think it's working how it is. If it's not broken, I don't know why we need to move it back."

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"Honestly, I do think that starting the first or second

week of August is a little early. It just doesn't seem like they have much of a summer," McKinney said.

She said families stay busy in the summer with various activities, and it makes the break between grade levels seem even shorter.

"A couple weeks would be nice. It just seems like summer is short. It's probably because we are so busy with camp and vacation," McKinney said. "It just seems like, Oh my gosh, summer is over. That may be why it is an issue now because more families are doing more in the summer. I just don't want them to go back so soon."

Jennifer McDaniel, another parent of Crittenden County students, agrees with McKinney that kids are busy in the summer and the extra time to kick back and relax would be good for them. Her children play sports in the summer and are busy up until school starts.

"I think you'd have more productive kids, honestly. I mean, I just think it gives them a little bit more time to relax and regroup," McDaniel said.

Arguments for a later

school start also include extended summer help in the agriculture industry, especially in counties where tobacco crops require hands-on harvesting. But that does not appear to be a large factor in Crittenden County, as harvesting of crops is virtually all done by machinery and little to no tobacco is raised in the county.

Thayer and Girdler said in a joint statement that their bill's purpose is also to cut energy costs for schools.

In Crittenden County, during the last full fiscal year, the school district spent \$245,000 for electricity at all facilities. The most expensive monthly bill from Kentucky Utilities Co. to keep students cool was \$25,730 in October 2014, which covered usage from mid-August to mid-September, the first full billing period with students in the classroom. The previous bill, with only a handful of classroom days for students, was about 80 percent of that total - \$20,464 for the monthly billing beginning in mid-July. For the temperate period from mid-October to mid-November, the school district paid only \$19,560.



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Livestock report

USDA Ledbetter weigh-in sale

Aug. 18, 2015

Receipts: 496

Last Week: 447

Year Ago: 642

Compared to last week: Feeder steers traded steady to 3.00 higher. Feeder heifers and bulls traded unevenly steady. Slaughter cows and bulls traded steady to 3.00 lower. Sale consisted of 8 stock cattle, 60 slaughter cattle, and 428 feeders. Feeders consisted of 42% feeder steers, 22% feeder heifers, and 26% feeder bulls.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

4 200-250 216 381.00 381.00

12 250-300 276 320.00-342.00 334.15

2 300-350 315 302.50-327.50 314.60

13 400-450 427 270.00-290.00 274.50

8 450-500 478 252.00-260.00 256.97

2 500-550 512 251.00-255.00 252.97

6 550-600 573 225.00-236.00 230.28

2 650-700 695 208.00 208.00

2 800-850 808 190.00 190.00

116 800-850 800 212.75 212.75 VA

Groups: 116 head 800 lbs 212.75 mbk

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

1 200-250 220 302.50 302.50

1 250-300 255 267.50 267.50

1 550-600 565 210.00 210.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

1 150-200 185 302.50 302.50

3 250-300 273 282.00-285.00 284.15

6 300-350 333 268.00-282.50 270.89

7 350-400 356 260.00-276.00 271.98

2 400-450 412 261.00 261.00

21 450-500 478 230.00-247.00 236.44

4 500-550 510 221.00-225.00 222.50

5 550-600 557 216.00-218.00 217.00

2 600-650 622 203.00 203.00

5 700-750 710 181.00-187.00 184.81

1 800-850 845 175.00 175.00

4 1000-1050 1012 140.00 140.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

5 300-350 326 220.00-254.00 240.31

8 350-400 382 232.50-249.00 243.70

8 400-450 429 234.00-244.00 241.13

3 450-500 470 226.00-227.00 226.32

3 500-550 543 215.00 215.00

1 650-700 670 184.00 184.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

2 350-400 388 265.00-268.00 266.49

5 400-450 444 239.00-258.00 250.20

1 450-500 465 236.00 236.00

3 550-600 580 207.00-211.00 209.72

1 700-750 705 170.00 170.00

1 800-850 810 145.00 145.00

Slaughter Cows Breaker 75-80%

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

1 800-1200 995 90.00 90.00 LD

6 1200-1600 1409 95.00-106.00 100.34

1 1600-2000 1630 97.00 97.00

Slaughter Cows Boner 80-85%

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

1 800-1200 1170 96.00 96.00

1 800-1200 1140 91.00 91.00 LD

1 1200-1600 1315 98.00-103.00 100.54

6 1200-1600 1315 112.00 112.00 HD

Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90%

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

10 800-1200 1014 90.00-98.00 93.57

1 800-1200 998 82.00-85.00 83.75 LD

3 1200-1600 1255 92.00-99.00 95.79

1 1200-1600 1325 87.00 87.00 LD

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1-2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

1 1000-1500 1245 136.00 136.00

5 1500-3000 1816 123.00-133.00 128.11

Bred Cows Medium and Large 1-2 Middle-Aged

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price

2 1200-1600 1260 170.00-197.50 1837.50

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Extension Homemakers hold annual meeting

STAFF REPORT

A local organization got to explore the world during a recent annual meeting by viewing the photos and souvenirs of those who have traveled abroad.

The Crittenden County Extension Homemakers Association held its 67th annual meeting Aug.12 at the Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center. The County International Program was held in conjunction with the annual meeting. Members from the five clubs decorated their tables with photos and memorabilia from locations they have visited. Members and guests were treated to souvenirs and photos from Mexico, Peru, Guatemala, Italy, Switzerland, China, locations within the United States and other destinations.

For the county scholarship fundraiser, members brought their favorite photo to display. A dollar a vote was cast for the favorite photo, which was brought by Pat Carter.

Following refreshments provided by county officers, Sarah Ford, county president, welcomed those attending. The inspirational was given by Glenda Chandler, a member of the Crooked Creek Club. Myrle

Dunning, County International Chairperson, introduced the guest speakers, which included Dawn Holloman, Kim Vince and members of the After Hours Club. They shared photos, travel information and other items from their trip to China with the CCHS Horizon Club.

In other news, Jerrell James, Area Extension Homemaker President, installed the following Crittenden County Extension Homemaker officers: Darl Henley, president-elect; Kathy Bechler, vice-president, and Micki Crider, secretary. Thank you gifts were presented to Barbara Myers, past county secretary, and Micki Crider, past county vice-president.

Individuals serving as county educational chairpersons for the upcoming year include: Dawn Holloman, Janet Stevens, Cindy Davidson and Sue Parrent.

Club presidents for the coming year include Darl Henley, After Hours Club; Nancy Lanham, Challengers Club; Dot Boone and Kay Long, Crooked Creek Club; Pat Carter, Evening Belles Club; and Barbara Gillihan and Sharon Giltz, Morning Glories Club.



Submitted Photo

Jerrell James (far left) installs new county officers and chairpersons including Dawn Hollomon, Janet Stevens, Cindy Davidson, Kathy Bechler, Sue Parrent, Micki Crider and Darl Henley during the Crittenden County Extension Homemakers Association's 67th annual meeting Aug.12.

Club awards based on individual score cards were announced at the annual meeting.

-The Cooperative Extension and 4-H Support Award was presented by Leslea Barnes, Extension Agent for 4-H and Youth Development. First place, Challengers Club; Second Place, Morning Glories Club.

-County Community Service: First Place, Challengers Club; Second Place, After Hours Club.

-Health & Fitness: First Place, Morning Glories Club; Second Place, Challengers Club.

-Go Green (Recycling)-First Place, Evening Belles Club; Second Place, Crooked Creek Club.

-Outstanding Club Award- First Place, Challengers Club; Second Place,

Evening Belles Club.

Twelve members receiving recognition for completing the KEHA Book List were Sarah Ford, Nancy Lanham, Janet Stevens, Patty Gilbert, Myrle Dunning, Martha Fletcher, Stella Brown, Cindy Jenkins, Barbara Gillihan, Sharon Giltz, Merle Myers and Margaret Tinsley. Perfect attendance was achieved by Gladys Brown, Darl Henley, Debbie

Padgett, Tabby Tinsley, Micki Crider, Dot Boone, Pat Carter, Myrle Dunning, Margaret Gilland, Algie Richards, Cindy Jenkins, Barbara Gillihan, Bev Bleuer and Sharon Giltz.

Volunteer Service Hours recognition was given to Darl Henley, 5,000 hours; Sarah Ford, 3,500 hours and Dot Boone, 500 hours.

Crittenden County received the KEHA Development Grant for the Manners Program given to students at Crittenden County Elementary School each fall by Homemaker members.

Barnes invited everyone to the welcome reception for Crittenden County's new ANR Agent, Dee Brasher, and FCS Agent, Thays Flores. The reception will be held from 2:30-5:30 p.m., Sept. 3 at the Extension Service in Marion.

Extension Homemakers is a volunteer organization that works to improve the quality of life for families and communities through leadership development, volunteer service and education.

Membership is open to the public. For more information contact the Crittenden County Extension Service at (270) 965-5236.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Friday, Aug. 21

- American Legion Auxiliary Unit 217 in Burna will hold a rummage sale Aug. 21-22 at its headquarters in Burna.
- Diabetes Support Group will meet from 10 to 11 a.m., at the Crittenden County Extension Service. The program will be provided by Crissy Carter, Livingston Hospital Director of Community, Wellness and Nutritional Services. For more information call (270) 965-5236.

Tuesday, Aug. 25

- American Legion Auxiliary Unit 217 of Burna will host its monthly Social Day the fourth Tuesday of each month at its Post headquarters in Burna located beside the middle school.

Tuesday, Sept. 1

- Beekeepers will resume meeting at 6 p.m., at the Ed-Tech Center. Kent Williams will be the guest speaker. Those interested in learning about beekeeping are encouraged to attend.
- Crittenden County Farm Bureau's annual meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., at the Marion-Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center.

Wednesday, Sept. 2

- Crochet Corner will meet at noon at the Crittenden County Extension Service. Learn how to crochet or bring an existing project.

Saturday, Sept. 5

- The CCHS Class of 1965 will hold its 50th class reunion at Fohs Hall beginning at 5 p.m. with a meet and greet. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Everyone who attended CCHS from 1960-1965 is welcome to join the festivities after 7:30 p.m., to celebrate. Call (270) 965-5003 or (270) 965-3332 for more information or check Facebook.
- The CCHS Class of 1956 will hold its 59th class reunion at Majestic Steak House in Princeton. Social time will begin at 5 p.m., with photos to follow at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12

- National Guard Reunion will

be held beginning at 10 a.m. at the Lions Club. For more information call Rich Nelson at (270) 704-5140 or Roger Lubben at (270) 625-0971. All past and present members are invited.

- Crittenden County Class of 1960 will hold its reunion at the Marion Country Club. Social time is from 5 to 6 p.m., followed by the meal at 6 p.m. Contact Betty Little at (270) 704-5744. Contact Leroy Hodge at 819 Sturgis Rd. to make reservations. Cost is \$25 per person.

Saturday, Sept. 19

- The city of Salem will celebrate its Fall Jamboree and BarbeCue Cook-off. Barbecue winners will be announced at 5 p.m., with gospel music on Main Street to follow. Barbecue teams and vendors are needed. Contact Janet Hughes at (270) 988-8983 or email jan-hug@milesppgas.com for more information.

Saturday, Sept. 26

- Crittenden County High School Class of 1980 will hold its 35th reunion at 6 p.m., at the Robert Cherry Civic Center in Paducah. Admission is \$25 for singles or \$45 for couples. For more information call (270) 988-4040 and leave a message.

Additional information

- Do you have extra vegetables you would like to share? Livingston County Helping Hands Food pantry will accept vegetables each Tuesday this summer from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Call (270) 928-3383 for more information.
- The use of addicting drugs is on the rise. Narconon urges families take steps to protect themselves from drug use. Call for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. Narconon also offers free screenings and referrals for counseling. Call (800) 431-1754 for further information on Narconon.

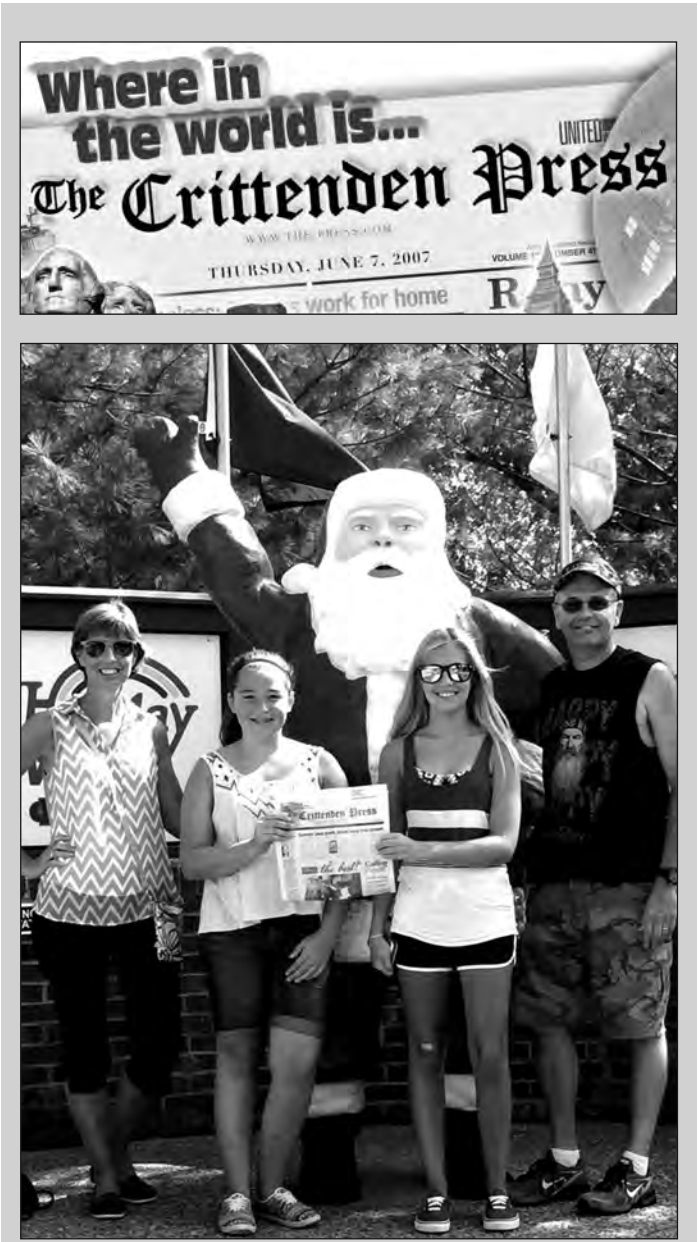
(Editor's Note: Keep the community aware of area events. Send calendar items to pressnews@the-press.com.)



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Guess sworn in as deputy clerk

Last Thursday, Adam Guess was sworn in by 5th Judicial Circuit Judge Rene Williams in the courtroom at Crittenden County Courthouse as a deputy in the Crittenden Circuit Clerk's office. Guess, a 2011 graduate of Crittenden County High School, began working in the office Aug. 3. According to Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill, Guess is the first male to work in the office in decades.



Submitted Photo

Press takes Holiday

The Burdon family recently visited Holiday World and took a copy of The Crittenden Press along. Shown above are Joyce, niece Abbie Kloke, Lydia and Tim Burdon.

Applications accepted for Christmas in Marion events

STAFF REPORT

Applications for the Oct. 17 Christmas in Marion Arts & Crafts Show and The Shoppe Next Door are now available at the Marion Welcome Center and County Extension Office. Kim Vince, Christmas in Marion Show chair, can be reached at Kimberly.vince@gmail.com or (270) 704-1446.

Nancy Hunt, show chair for The Shoppe Next Door can be reached at nancy.hunt@uky.edu or (270) 704-0057. The shows will be held at the Crittenden County Middle School gym and multi-purpose room.

This is the second year Christmas in Marion will not be held at Fohs Hall. Organizers said the event, which draws people from several states, simply outgrew space at its former location. Additionally booths are all displayed on the same floor level at the middle school.

The events are set to take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Oct. 17.

SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Milk, coffee or tea are available each day. Reservations are requested. All menu items are subject to change based on availability.

Every day, the center at 210 N. Walker St. in Marion offers billiards, card games, Wii games and the use of exercise equipment. Call the center at (270) 965-5229 for further information.

Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Today: Bible study begins at 10 a.m. Menu is breaded chicken patty with white gravy, black-eyed peas, macaroni and cheese, wheat bread slice and Mandarin oranges. It is also

Lemonade Day.

- Friday: Music Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. Menu is fish sandwich, wheat bun, pinto beans, cole slaw and brownie.
- Monday: Ladies Exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m. Menu is spaghetti with meat sauce, California blend vegetables, wheat garlic bread and peach crumble.
- Tuesday: Menu is hamburger on wheat bun, pork and beans, baked potato and oatmeal cookie.
- Wednesday: Menu is barbecue pork on wheat bun, twice-baked potato, corn pudding and snickedoodle.
- Next Thursday: Bible study begins at 10 a.m. A health fair runs from 9 to 11 a.m. Menu is baked chicken, cornbread dressing, chicken gravy, green beans, Mandarin oranges and wheat roll.

BIRTH

Heflin

David and Samantha Heflin of Benton announce the birth of their daughter, Izabelle Grace Heflin, Aug. 12, 2015, at Jackson Purchase Medical Center.

Maternal grandparents are Butch and Gerri Parker of Marion.

Paternal grandfather is David Heflin of Mayfield and Becky Heflin of Benton.

Great-grandparents are Janet Whitley of Marion and Kathryn Johnson of Metropolis.

PACS seeks senior service patrons

STAFF REPORT

The senior center is now able to add more seniors to the list of people to which it provides home services like meals and light housework.

Anyone interested in home services offered through Pennyrile Allied Community Services should call (866) 844-4396 to see if you qualify and to begin services as soon as possible. Services include home-delivered meals, homemaking, personal care and respite. Applicants must be 60 or older.

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Clock ticking to enroll, earn Community Christmas credit

STAFF REPORT

Next month is the final chance for parents to acquire the educational classes required for Community Christmas participation in December. Parents must attend three approved educational classes before the end of September.

Parents who have completed the three-class requirement will receive child sponsorship from Angel Tags placed on Christmas trees at participating businesses.

Those who have not completed the three-class requirement will have the opportunity to select a certain number of toys from the toy room based on the availability of toys received

from donations.

Based on the guidelines, which were implemented last year, organizers encourage parents to meet the three-class requirement to ensure their child will be sponsored and have Angel Tags placed on Christmas trees. The three-class requirement does not include those who only wish to receive food assistance at Marion Baptist Church.

There remains one class available this month. My Plate will teach individuals how to build healthier diets with resources for dietary assessment, nutrition education and other user-friendly nutrition information. The presenter will be Alisha Shewcraft,

RD, LD, a nutritionist with Pennyryle District Health Department in Hopkinsville. The class will begin at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the conference room of Crittenden County Health Department off Industrial Drive in Marion. Pre-register by contacting the Extension service. The class is limited to the first 20 to register.

Call the University of Kentucky Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Service in Marion at (270) 965-5236 to register or to check for availability of the class and all of the following approved classes in September:

- Nutrition Education: This program that teaches you how to eat healthy on a

- budget. Sue Parrent, EFNEP, will be presenting the program. Call to schedule a time to meet with her.
- Horses and Hope: This is a free program to enhance understanding of breast and cervical cancer. A small gift and handouts are given to all women who attend. It will be presented by Joan Lang, MBA, Cancer Control Specialist, on Sept. 10 at 1 p.m. Register by or before Sept. 8.
- Crocheting: This beginner class is for those interested in learning how to crochet by Becky Zahrtre Sept. 2 and 16 at noon.
- Self-Esteem 101: This class is about how to improve your self-esteem and live a happier life is pre-

sented by Felisha Babb, M., LSW, Victim Advocate, on Sept. 14 at 1 p.m.

- Family Budgeting 101: Paja Crider of Farmers Bank & Trust Co. will present a class on how to plan and spend more wisely on Sept. 10 at 9 a.m.
- Pre-Diabetes 101: Kelly Dawes, RN, Certified Diabetes Educator, will be teaching a class about what pre-diabetes is and what you can do about it on Sept. 15 at 1 p.m.
- Dangers of Drugs, Alcohol and Tobacco Use: This class is presented by Chris Sparks, Pennyroyal Center on Sept. 10 at 10 a.m.
- Public Library: Learn about the services available at Crittenden County Public

Library with Director Regina Merrick on Sept. 15 at 1:30 p.m.

- GED: This is an informational class about the GED and an opportunity to complete paperwork and begin the testing process with Missy Myers, instructor for Crittenden County Adult Education, on Sept. 17 at 1 p.m.
- Resumes: This class teaches how to improve or create a resume if you do not already have one. Merrick will be teaching the class on Sept. 22 at 1:30 p.m.
- Crockpot 101: Sue Parrent will be teaching new and exciting recipes for the crockpot on Sept. 15 at 2 p.m.

Brown transforms CCES hallway into underwater world of learning

By JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Crittenden County Elementary School students are taking the plunge into the ocean and exploring a fun, new world.

Upon returning to school Aug. 11, students discovered a hallway had been transformed into an underwater world complete with an array of fish and sea coral. The oceanic theme was planned over the summer and set up over a three-day period by arts and humanities teacher Suzanne Brown. The water world's theme encourages students to dive deep into the arts.

Brown said the initial idea

for the project was sparked by the Moby Max math and computer program students use in the learning lab adjacent to her classroom. The math program has a character named Moby the whale. Brown had the idea of bringing Moby's underwater world to life within the hallways of CCES and showcasing many of his aquatic friends, including Ollie the Octopus and an array of aquatic life, including sea urchins and jellyfish.

The design was created just in time for the school's Sneak-A-Peak event, where parents and students got the opportunity to explore Moby's world. To help bring the display to life, black lighting, twinkling Christmas



Brown

lights and lanterns were used to illuminate the sea life displayed on the walls. Brown said the idea was to create so many different types of visual displays students would find something new each time they passed the hallway.

Brown plans to tie in the water world with arts and crafts in the classroom that she hopes will spark both imagination and creativity, which she stressed was important in keeping students engaged in education.

"Kids have to have a fun environment. If it's fun, exciting, entertaining and inviting they are going to learn more," she said. "They are going to want to be here. That's the goal. To encourage them and get them excited about being here."

Ky. college-going tool unveiled; data released

STAFF REPORT

Graduates of Crittenden County High School in the classes of 2012 and 2013 were just as likely to attend a two-year college after graduation as those who went on to four-year schools, with 53 percent overall attending college.

That information and much more is available with a new, interactive online tool aimed at improving college-going and persistence in Kentucky. The tool, unveiled Monday by the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) and its educational partners, includes data on the college-going pathway, high school graduation, college enrollment and college persistence from all Kentucky high schools.

"We hope that engaging the wider education community with tools such as this one will help drive new conversations and approaches for improving college readiness and access in Kentucky," said Nicholas Morgan, executive director with one of the partners, Strategic Data Project, an initiative of the Center for Education Policy Research at Harvard University.

Other partners with KDE on the project are 55,000 degrees, the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence and Jefferson County Public Schools.

The data included in the tool, found online at sdp.cepr.harvard.edu/kentucky-college-going, show very different outcomes for different groups of Kentucky students. For example, top achievers are very likely to graduate high school on time, enroll in college and persist in college. While students in the bottom quartile

of achievement are likely to graduate from high school, they are unlikely to enroll in any postsecondary education, which will impact their future earnings and outcomes. There also is great variation between student outcomes among high schools across the state. The data show some schools graduate a higher percentage of students in the lower performance percentile than other schools' top quartile students.

"While our college and career readiness rates have improved dramatically and schools are doing a good job supporting some students, we have to be sure we are supporting all students in the quest for college- and career-readiness, graduation and postsecondary opportunities," Education Commissioner Terry Holliday said. "We have to look at what schools are doing differently and focus on the options for every student to be successful."

The data show when it comes to college enrollment, students in the lower performance quartile at some schools enrolling in college at greater rates than other schools' top quartile students. Student poverty, achievement level entering high school and proximity to college are additional variables that have an impact on college-going in Kentucky.

"This is a great tool to not only identify areas to better prepare students for a successful transition from high school to college, but also to build stronger collaboration between K-12 and postsecondary education," said Mary Gwen Wheeler, executive director of 55,000 Degrees, Louisville's

college-going initiative. "Increased understanding of the barriers affecting college-going and persistence of our students will help remove those obstacles and encourage more students to cross the finish line and earn their degrees."

As for college persistence, there is a strong correlation with college readiness as demonstrated on the ACT.

Additionally, full-time college students are more likely to persist than those going part time, and students at four-year colleges have a higher persistence rate than students at two-year colleges.

Guill attends Barbie doll convention

By BECCA SCHIMMEL
STAFF WRITER

Her childhood fun turned into a hobby she plans to keep for the rest of her life.

Melissa Guill started collecting Barbie dolls when she was 12 years old and continues to today. She recently attended the 2015 National Barbie Doll Collectors Convention in Arlington, Va. It is a worldwide event which sends invites to no more than 800 people annually. Guill, who serves as Crittenden Circuit Court Clerk, said it was the 35th convention and her second year attending.

"I've collected Barbies for years, since I was actually a child. I have always wanted to go to a convention," she said. "It's a very elaborate affair."

The convention is four days long. Attendees often begin by selling Barbies out of their hotel rooms hours before the it begins. Once the event starts, they can sell items from their collection only in the sale room.

"I didn't take anything last year, but I took some things this year and did really well," Guill said. "Your vintage items and dolls can go for several thousand dollars. It depends on what the doll is. Most of the one-of-a-kinds that are there can run anywhere from \$70 to \$800."

By selling off parts of her collection on eBay and out of her hotel room, Guill was



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Crittenden County Circuit Court Clerk Melissa Guill spent her vacation in Arlington, Va. where the National Barbie Doll Collectors Convention was held. This is her second year attending the world-wide event.

able to pay for her expenses at the convention and have some spending money left over. According to her, people come from all over the world to participate in the convention's activities.

"It's like a Barbie lover's dream. You get to go play Barbies for a week," she said. "There are people from all over the world. There were more unusual items for sale this year.

You just never know what people are going to bring to sell."

There are one-of-a-kind dolls that are for viewing and for sale at the convention, but Guill likes the vintage dolls that remind her of her childhood.

Guill attended her first convention last year in Nashville, Tenn., and is planning to attend next year's gathering in Jacksonville, Fla.

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Sept. 4	at McLean County
Sept. 11	CALDWELL COUNTY (Rocket Salute)
Sept. 18	at Webster County
Sept. 25	at Union County
Oct. 2	FULTON CITY* (Homecoming/Pinkout)
Oct. 9	Open
Oct. 16	at Fulton County*
Oct. 23	RUSSELLVILLE* (Seniors/Alumni)
Oct. 30	at Ballard Memorial

*Denotes Class A district game

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5	Belt, Jesse	5' 11"	140	WR	DB	12	50	Robinson, Shelby	5' 8"	220	OL	DL	11
9	Birdwell, Seth	5' 9"	175	WR	DB	12	4	Rodgers, Nick	5' 7"	140	RB	DB	11
15	Castiller, Nick	5' 10"	175	QB	DB	12	22	Smith, Dylan	5' 10"	150	RB	LB	11
12	Coleman, Tyler	6' 0"	190	WR	LB	12	66	Wright, Adam	5' 5"	220	OL	DL	11
11	Cosby, Alex	5' 9"	160	WR	DB	12	30	Beavers, Adam	6' 3"	180	WR	DL	10
55	Fitzgerald, Travis	6' 3"	195	OL	DL	12	38	Belt, Cody	5' 6"	120	WR	DB	10
1	Hicks, Dylan	5' 10"	145	WR/K	DB	12	44	Brooks, Landon	6' 2"	170	WR	DB	10
39	Hollis, Dylan	5' 11"	185	F	LB	12	21	Castiller, Kyle	5'7"	135	WR	DB	10
80	Hood, Tony	6'3"	220	WR	DL	12	61	Crider, Ross	5' 7"	180	OL	LB	10
53	Hopper, Devin	5'8"	215	OL	DL	12	56	Estes, Joeseeph	5' 7"	180	OL	DL	10
60	McConnell, Gary	6' 3"	200	OL	DL	12	8	Russelburg, Jacob	5' 7"	135	RB	LB	10
75	McKinney, Austin	6' 2"	255	OL	DL	12	67	White, Christian	5'7"	165	OL	DL	10
32	McKinney, Bryce	5' 5"	185	RB	LB	12	7	Boone, Hunter	5'9"	155	QB	LB	9
79	McKinney, Travis	6' 3"	240	OL	DL	12	26	Dickerson, Gavin	5'11"	190	WR	LB	9
58	Dobyns, Will	5' 8"	185	OL	DL	11	23	Dossett, Ethan	6'0"	160	WR	LB	9
64	Ellington, Jake	5' 10"	175	OL	LB	11	59	Gibson, Jake	5'10"	190	OL	DL	9
77	Floyd, Blake	6' 0"	305	OL	DL	11	2	Joyce, Mitchell	5'6"	145	RB	LB	9
24	Hunt, Ethan	6' 0"	175	WR	DB	11	65	Kemper, Drake	5'6"	175	OL	DL	9
35	Johnson, Charlie	5' 8"	135	RB	DB	11	16	Lamey, Branen	5'11"	180	RB	LB	9
72	Koerner, Dakota	6'0"	305	OL	DL	11	20	Lamprecht, Ashton	5'8"	160	WR	DB	9
14	Lundy, Jared	6' 5"	180	WR	DB	11	10	Nesbitt, Devin	5'8"	160	RB	DB	9
3	Myers, Maeson	5' 10"	175	RB	LB	11	71	O'Leary, Sean	5'8"	185	OL	DL	9
85	Perkins, Will	5'9"	130	WR	DB	11	54	Porter, Devin	5'5"	150	OL	DL	9
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Rockets feel energy from 1A return

STAFF REPORT

Enthusiasm and energy are in equally high measures inside the Rocket locker room this year. Moving back to Class A after four years in the 2A division provides a spark of optimism that had been missing while Crittenden County's football teams struggled in the bigger classification, winning just 13 games in four seasons and finishing no better than third place in the district.

That was a tough pill to swallow for a team that had established itself as a perennial power in Class A during the previous two decades.

"Going back to Class A is a big confidence boost," Starnes said.

The Rockets are back in the smallest classification with Fulton City, Fulton County and Russellville. All four teams will indeed qualify for postseason, but Starnes says it would be nice to host a playoff game for a change.

"The last four years, we've been looking at a long first-round road trip," he said.

There's an additional skip in Starnes' step because he's looking at a 47-man roster – the largest in his 25 years as the Rocket skipper. And, he believes this could be a pretty good football team, especially if some of the younger and less experienced players are able to provide needed depth.

"I think we can be pretty good. We're pretty solid all the way around. Even though we're a pretty good team, we will have to come out and eliminate all doubt and prove that we have the confidence to win games," he said.

Eight four-year senior players lead the full roster, but their high school football experiences haven't been too good. As stated, the last four years against a brutal schedule have left one of western Kentucky's winningest programs reeling from a series of losing seasons. Starnes knows the team needs to get its swagger back.

"There was a time when we stepped onto the field, we felt like we were going to win... no matter who we were playing," Starnes said.

To get its mojo back, Crittenden will need to come out of the chute strongly against Todd County Central and Hopkins County Central. Todd's Rebels have won just five games over the past four years and will compete in Class 2A this season. Hopkins Central has become a

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2000.....5-6	2012.....3-8
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2002.....10-3	2014.....4-7

traditional early-season opponent for the Rockets and Crittenden has won six straight of those meetings.

With 14 seniors and 14 juniors, Starnes hopes his staff can play more people and give some of his key starters a rest over the course of a game, even if it's just one or two players every other series or so.

The coach says his lineup is two deep at most positions. And that means reliably deep, but he admits some of those on the depth chart are virtual newcomers to the varsity level and it's yet to be determined whether they will be able to compete.

"We hope they can, because being two deep will benefit us a great deal, especially early until we become game conditioned," the coach said.

The added depth this season has prompted Starnes to relegate his returning starting quarterback Nick Castiller to offense only. One of the best athletes on the team, Castiller is perfectly capable of being a valuable defensive back, but his role in the offensive scheme is too important to risk him as a two-way player – at least for now.

"We probably can't platoon, but we will systematically substitute. We want to have fresh legs out there in the fourth quarter," the coach said.

Castiller has worked tirelessly over the offseason and improved his QB skills.

"We knew he was a good runner," Starnes said, "but he is throwing the ball very well. His mechanics are much better."

Freshman Hunter Boone has emerged as the backup quarterback. Starnes says Boone is very poised for a ninth grader and he "throws

Rocket Varsity
DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE
QB-Castiller, Boone, Riley
RB-Hollis, Myers
H-Hunt, Dossett, B.McKinney
Z-Cosby, Hicks
Y-Coleman, Beavers
X-Birdwell, J.Belt
C-Robinson, Koerner
RG-Fitzgerald, Ellington
LG-McConnell, Hopper
RT-T.McKinney, Koerner
LT-A.McKinney, Hopper

DEFENSE
FS-Hicks, Cosby, Nesbitt
SS-Myers, Cosby, Riley
CB-Birdwell, J. Belt,
CB-Russellberg, Lamey
R-Hunt, Russellburg, Brooks
LB-Smith, Hollis, Coleman, Dickerson
LB-Hollis, Myers, Dickerson, Dossett
DE-Fitzgerald
DE-Beavers, McConnell
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Punter-Castiller
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Short Snapper-A.McKinney
Holder-Castiller
Returns-Cosby, Myers, Hollis, Nesbitt

a good ball." Next on the depth chart is junior Paxton Riley.

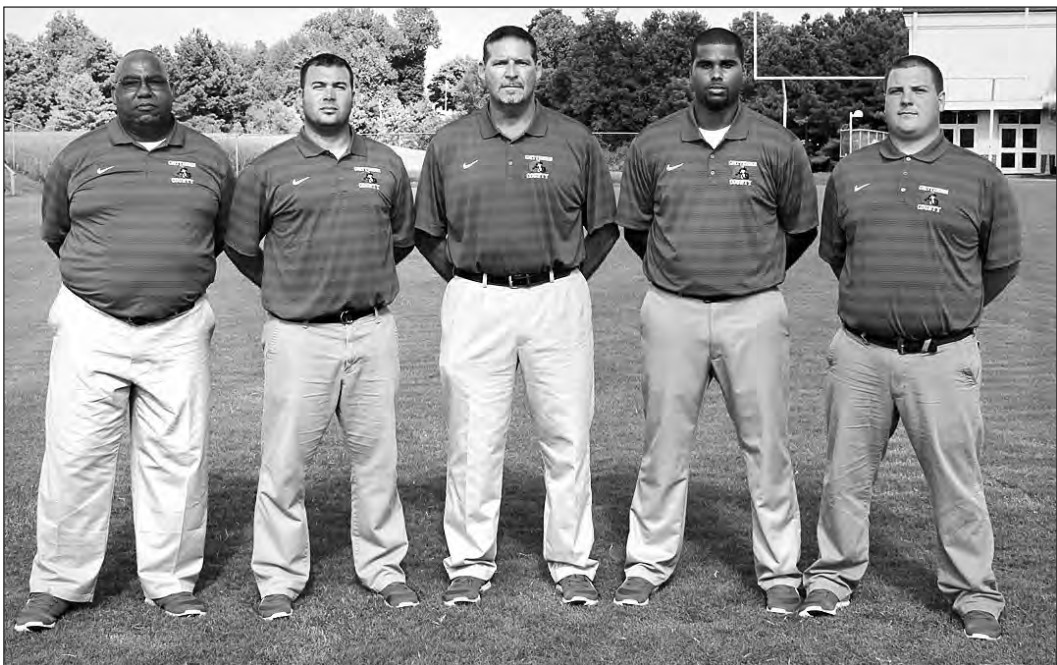
Senior Dylan Hollis and junior Maeson Myers will be the running backs. Crittenden's base offense will be a one-back set. Over the summer, the coaching staff implemented the Tony Franklin spread offensive scheme. Franklin is a Caldwell County native and current University of California offensive coordinator who has developed a very successful offensive system.

Starnes said the average fan will notice very little difference, but there are a number of internal changes that were made. The team will still deploy other offensive alignments when necessary. Coach Starnes' teams have become widely known for their multiple formations.

In the spread, the Rockets will have four receivers – Z, X, H and Y. The Z is a flanker type player, X is a traditional wide receiver, H is a hybrid and Y is a tight end type player.

Senior Alex Cosby is the starting Z, senior Seth Birdwell will be at X, junior Ethan Hunt at H and senior Tyler Coleman at Y.

Starnes has tremendous praise for the receiving corps which turned in less than stellar numbers a year ago. Last season, Crittenden



The Crittenden County football coaching staff includes (from left) Theodore Nichols, Defensive Cordinator Jeremy Wheeler, Head Coach Al Starnes, Offensive Coordinator Sean Thompson and Line Coach Aaron Berry.

caught 82 passes for 893 yards and four touchdowns. The guys who grabbed half of those receptions, however, are gone.

Still, the coach thinks his offensive ends are ready for a breakout season.

Cosby is the fastest player on the team and his confidence has blossomed with pre-season successes. Hunt had a super camp at Murray State, Starnes said, and Coleman brings a great deal of athletic ability to the Y. Birdwell is a deep threat, the coach said.

Adding depth to the receiving crew are Bryce McKinney, Adam Beavers, Gavin Dickerson and Ethan Dossett at Y and H. Dylan Hicks – the kicker – will see some time at Z and a host of others are battling for time at X, led by Jesse Belt. Others who might see time there are Jared Lundy, Landon Brooks, Branan Lamey and Cody Belt.

The offensive line is where Crittenden is a bit thin. Not physically, mind you, as the boys up front are of better than average size. There just aren't many of them. All of the starters have plenty of experience, except for Gary McConnell, who Starnes said has made a commitment to be a better player and it's paying off for the whole team.

Back on the frontline are seniors Travis McKinney at right tackle, Travis Fitzgerald at right guard and Austin McKinney at left tackle. Junior Shelby Robinson will be the starting center and McConnell is at left guard.

Junior Adam Wright was projected as a regular on the line, but he will miss most of the season with a knee injury. It will be a key loss up front where the lines were already thin.

Senior Devin Hopper, who didn't play last year, is back with the team and can play either guard or tackle. He will be the first man off the sideline when someone needs a break. Then, there's juniors Jake Ellington and Dakota Koerner. Sophomore Ross Crider could also figure into the mix, but he's coming off leg surgery himself and it's not clear yet how well he's recovered.

Defensively, the Rockets will work from a base alignment that includes two linebackers and five defensive backs.

KHSAA Classifications	
CLASS 1A FOOTBALL	
District 1 – Crittenden County, Fulton City, Fulton County, Russellville	District 2 – Bethlehem, Campbellsville, Caverna, Fort Knox
District 3 – Eminence, Frankfort, Holy Cross (Louisville), Kentucky Country Day	District 4 – Beechwood, Bellevue, Dayton, Ludlow
District 5 – Berea, Bishop Brossart, Bracken County, Nicholas County, Paris	District 6 – Fairview, Paintsville, Race-land
District 7 – Harlan, Lynn Camp, Pineville, Williamsburg	District 8 – Hazard, Jenkins, Phelps, Pikeville, South Floyd

Smith is really coming on. In the secondary, I think we're very athletic.

"Defense is definitely an attitude," the coach continued. "It requires a burning desire to get to the football and make a play. That's what wins ballgames."

Examining the Rockets top to bottom, it's pretty clear this team has good size, fair team speed and plenty of strong defenders. In reality, only a handful of the starters are untested. Facing a schedule that has fewer overpowering opponents leaves the Rocket camp optimistic about the season.

Russellville will likely be Crittenden's toughest district challenger, but Starnes is quick to point out the athleticism of the two Fulton teams cannot be overlooked. Fulton County has brought back longtime coach David Gallagher from retirement and he's a great motivator and unpredictable coach.

"The G-factor is back at Fulton County," Starnes said. "He will make them better."



The Crittenden County High School football trainers and managers are (from left) Jacob Hackney, Emma Atchison, Courtney Beverly, Jesse Brewer, Macye Shoulders, Jaylie Stone, Kylie Collins and Ethan Shaffer.

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Brown brews excitement in first season with CCMS

STAFF REPORT

Jared Brown has inherited a pretty special bunch of athletes for his first season at the helm of middle school football in Crittenden County.

He's excited about the talent level and enthusiasm so far, but the pads just went on Tuesday so it's a bit early to make any solid predictions.

What Brown knows is that he has several options up front and at the skilled positions. At several positions, there is fierce competition for the starting nod.

If games started tomorrow, Ben Dobyns would be the center and either eighth-grader Hunter Jones or seventh-grader Braxton Winders would be taking snaps. Winders has experience playing QB at Junior

CCMS SCHEDULE	
Sept. 1	at Union County
Sept. 10	WEBSTER COUNTY
Sept. 15	at South Hopkins
Sept. 19	at Trojan Bowl v. Muhlenberg
Sept. 22	at James Madison
Sept. 29	BROWNING SPRINGS
Oct. 6	BALLARD MEMORIAL

Pro and Jones is a newcomer. The coach is still weighing each one's assets and will make a firm decision as the Sept. 1 opener approaches. The Union County game was moved two days earlier than previously scheduled. Also, the coach has added Ballard County for a seventh game.

For guards, Brown is looking at Tyler Boone and Ian Ellington, two seventh graders. The tackles will



Middle school Rockets are (front from left) manager Loren Morris, Braxton Winders, Brandon Hunt, Zach Weathers, Gabe Mott, Alex Marshall, Walker Crittendon, Andrew Polk, Hunter Jones, Xander Tabor, Jayden Carlson, manager Lily Berry, (middle) Douglas Ford, Seth Jackson, Gavin Davidson, Troy Ford, Carden McCalister, Lathen Easley, Justin Phillips, Preston Turley, Jagger Hayes, Ben Dobyns, Jimmy Newland, Dillan West, Tyler Boone, Ian Ellington, (back) head coach Jared Brown, assistant coach Jason Brown, assistant coach Bryan Qualls, Ian Stone, Allie Little, Alex Tucker, Tommy Smith, Jasper Morrison, Riley Gobin, Brady Smith, Brad Beckner, Josh Urbanowski, Chase Stevens and managers Skye Teraco and Lynzee Lynn.

probably be Dillan West, Preston Turley, Jasper Morrison or Riley Gobin.

At Y, or tight end, is eighth-grader Jayden Carlson. Eighth-grader Seth Jackson and seventh-grader Caden McCalister are vying for time at H. The Z receiver is seventh-grader Gabe Mott and eighth-grader Gavin Davidson. Chase Stevens, another seventh grader, is also seeking playing time there. At X receiver are sev-

eral possibilities with Lathen Easley, Walker Crittendon and Davidson likely to see the most time.

Xander Tabor, a seventh grader, will be the running back with Mott and eighth-grader Andrew Polk figuring to get some snaps.

On defense, Crittenden is big up front with eighth-graders Alex Tucker and Brad Beckner at tackles and Jasper Morrison and Preston Turley at ends. They're all

nearly 6-foot, or close. The inside guys weigh 230 or better and the ends are pushing 200. The coach says the big guys should command enough respect to keep his linebackers free to make tackles. At linebacker are eighth-graders Seth Jackson and seventh-graders McCalister and Easley.

Polk and Zack Weathers will play the corners while Jones and Mott will be the

safeties.

With 36 players, coach Brown thinks there will be a good bit of depth at the middle school level, for a change.

CCMS will employ a lighter version of the same offensive schemes as the high school team, but will run a base 4-3 defense, which is a bit different than the high school. The young Rockets will likely be much more ground-oriented, too.




Crittenden County High School cheerleaders are (front from left) Sydney Leibenguth, Katie Travis, Lauren McKinney, Kali Travis, Heyleigh Bradham, Makensie Simpkins, (back) Shelby Wallace, Hannah Cooksey, Hannah Bell, Jaylin Blackburn, Brittany Minton, Kirsten DeBoe, Shelby Brown, Jenna Potter and Jessie Potter. Not pictured: Ellie McGowan.

Middle School Cheerleaders

Crittenden County Middle School cheerleaders are (front from left) Ashlyn Hicks, Hannah Faughn, Jessie Potter, Taylor Stoner, (back) Charity Conyer, Cortne Curnel, Cameron Howard, Kenlee McDaniel, and Belle Minton.






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Farmers Bank saw rapid growth in its first 50 years

Farmers Bank & Trust Co. has been around a long time. Here is some interesting history of the early years gathered from the archives of The Crittenden Press.

Oct. 12, 1899
Yesterday, articles of incorporation were filed for a new bank in Marion. It is named The Farmers Bank and the capital stock is \$25,000. The incorporators are Edward Haywood, William Fowler, Ewell C. Moore, Dr. Robert L. Moore, Dr. John R. Clark, John B. Hubbard, E. Wellington Jones, J.A. Farris and J.D. Farris.

It is expected that other persons will take stock. A meeting will be held in the near future to select officers, but it is already settled that Mr. Edward Haywood will be cashier and Mr. J.B. Hubbard assistant cashier. The other officers are yet to be selected; it is probable that Wm. Fowler will be president and Dr. J.R. Clark vice-president.

The bank will occupy the new building on the square east of the courthouse and expects to open for business Dec. 1. Mr. Ed. Hayward purchased the building and is now in Cincinnati to get the fixtures for the new bank.

April 3, 1913
On Wednesday night of last week, March 28, Marion was again visited by fire, the buildings of the new Marion Hotel and the Farmers Bank being the seat of the conflagration. The fire originated from some unknown cause in a rear room of the upper story of the hotel, which was unoccupied, having been vacated a few days before. The fire alarm was given at 11:45 p.m. and every possible effort was made to stop the flames, but the "tin bucket brigade" were unable to control the flames and the building was burned to the ground.

Besides the hotel and the bank, the building contained the office of Dr. A.J. Driskill, who had two rooms on the first floor; the office of C.V. Oakley, insurance, on second floor; and the office of Dr. O.S. Young, dentist, on second floor.

Farmers Bank's unofficial estimate of loss, \$3,000, is covered by insurance. The money, books, etc., deposited in the bank's vault were found after the fire to be un-



Brenda Underdown
Crittenden County Historian

Forgotten Passages

damaged. They set up immediately temporary headquarters at the office of James & James, where E.J. Hayward, O.S. Denny and W.E. Carnahan were transacting business in the same satisfactory way.

As soon as plans and contracts can be had, they expect to rebuild on the same site and will erect a more commodious building than the old one.

It was by only the hardest work that the buildings across the street were kept from igniting and a repetition of the disastrous conflagration of eight years ago prevented. The plate-glass fronts of the stores of Yandell-Gughenheim Co., T.H. Cochran & Co., Yates Bros. Music Store and J.H. Orme were broken by the heat.

By a coincidence, the fire of Wednesday night occurred on the eighth anniversary of the great fire which visited the city on March 28, 1905.

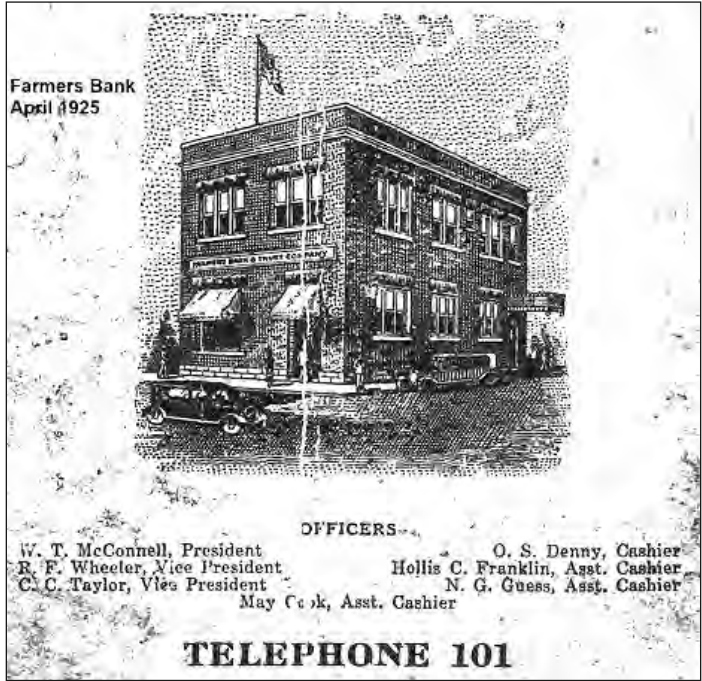
May 8, 1913
Mr. O.S. Denny, cashier of the Farmers Bank, advises us that a contract for the construction of its new bank building at Main and Carlisle streets has been awarded to the well-known contractor, Forrest B. Heath.

Mr. Heath will begin work immediately with special instruction to push the work as rapidly as possible.

The building will be a modern one-story building and utilized exclusively by the bank. The superstructure will be of chocolate-colored vitrified brick and Bedford stone. The interior work is to be of mahogany and Italian marble, steel ceiling and Venetian tile flooring.

A special feature of this new bank will be its fire- and burglar-proof vault, the walls of which will be 18 inches thick, lined throughout with one-half-inch steel.

An electric light will be suspended directly above the door, so that the vault will be in plain view every hour of the night. A time lock which is set and operated on the inside of the vault door will



keep the combination in place between 4 in the evening and 8 in the morning and on Saturday, the mechanism will be set so that the doors are absolutely closed at 4 Saturday evening until 8 Monday morning.

Another of the special features will be a public reception room, provided with chairs, tables and an abundant supply of stationery, including legal forms, letterheads, envelopes, pens, ink, etc., for the free use of the bank patrons and the public generally. The bank extends a special invitation to ladies and gentlemen to utilize this room for business and social purposes.

Sept. 4, 1913
The new home of the Farmers' Bank is now ready for occupancy and is a dream of loveliness. The exterior is substantial in appearance and is built of brown glazed brick with limestone trimmings. The interior is finished in mahogany, with white marble wainscoting and tiled floors and is well ventilated. The light is perfect, being supplied by immense plate glass northern and eastern windows. In winter, the premises will be heated by steam, supplied from the furnace installed in the basement, through immense gilded radiators. The electric lighting is the indirect reflector system and is the most perfect ever installed in this city.

Dec. 12, 1919
The Farmers Bank has recently added a trust depart-

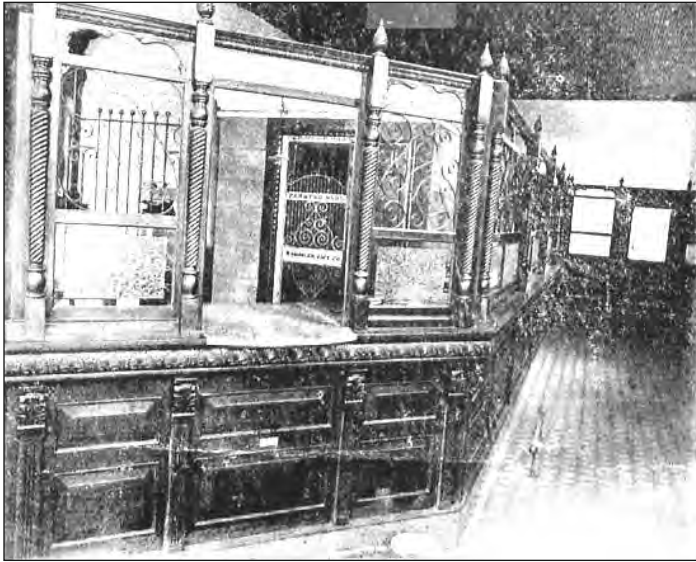
ment to its efficient banking department and are now known as Farmers Bank & Trust.

It is now also building a second vault, a fireproof, burglar-proof, steel reinforced structure which they will equip just as soon as finished with the best safety deposit boxes to be had. The new vault will have a separate fireproof steel door and is so constructed that customers of the bank may have access to their private safety deposit boxes at any hours of the day.

Upward expansion
In 1923, the bank made an addition of another story to the building.

August 1925
The home of the Farmers Bank & Trust Co., has been remodeled and is now one of the best equipped banks in Kentucky. The building is made of red fireproof brick. The vaults are made of brick and concrete, reinforced by steel bars and the safety deposit vault is lined with sheet steel. The safety deposit vault contains more than 200 steel boxes which are used by the bank's customers without cost to the customer. Any customer of the bank may have free storage space for deeds, bonds or other valuables, and hundreds of Crittenden County people appreciate and use this service which the bank offers.

Golden anniversary
On Dec. 1, 1949, the bank observed its 50th anniversary.



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Pictured above is the interior of the rebuilt Farmers Bank in 1913. The Mahogany counters with Italian marble tops made it a very pleasing atmosphere to conduct financial business. At left is an ad featuring the new Farmers Bank & Trust building after its second floor was added. The building was covered in red fireproof brick.

The bank, organized just after the close of the Spanish-American War, has gone through two wars and a number of depressions, but it has been continuously doing business during the last 50 years and has an enviable record among the banks of Kentucky in its accomplishments. During the Depression years, the Farmers Bank & Trust Co. issued preferred stock in order that it might protect itself and at the same time assume its responsibility for looking after the interest of its own community and county.

The directors of the bank to whom, as in any well-managed and progressive bank should go a large measure of the credit for its success, are James A. Fowler, Samuel Gugenheim, Homer G. McConnell, Thomas C. Cochran, R.F. Wheeler, John Quertermous and Hollis C. Franklin.

The present personnel of the bank, in addition to John Quertermous, are Hollis C. Franklin, executive vice president and cashier who has been with the bank since 1918; William Ray Hopkins and Douglas Sullenger, assistant cashiers; W.S. Lowry, teller; and Miss Frances Gray, Mrs. Virginia F. Vaughn, Mrs. Maggie H. Davidson and Mrs. Virginia Norman Crider in the book-keeping department. Mrs. Jewell B. Duffy and Miss Rose Marie Pierson are secretaries and stenographers for the bank.

Roosevelt "Dick" Hamilton has been with the bank for a number of years as its janitor, and many of the older customers of the bank will recall with pleasant memories Simp Wilson, another faithful colored man who held this position and trust for many years.

Fifty years is a rather long time even as financial institutions go, but to serve for 50 years, as has the Farmers Bank & Trust Co., is something in which the community, the county and this section of Kentucky can take pride in, as can the men and the women who through the years have made possible the record which it has attained.

Third oldest business
Today, Farmers Bank & Trust Co. is the third oldest continued business in Marion at 116 years (1899) in December. Second oldest is Henry & Henry Monuments at 134 years old (1881), and the oldest is The Crittenden Press at 136 years (1879) last June. The Peoples Bank is the fourth oldest at 66 years (1949) in October.

(Editor's note: Brenda Underdown is Crittenden County's historian laureate and serves on the board of the local historical and genealogical societies. She is also active in maintaining Crittenden County Historical Museum. Her blog can be found at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com. Her column appears regularly in this newspaper.)

Brock reflects on career, time spent in classroom

By BECCA SCHIMMEL
STAFF WRITER

From a young age, retired Crittenden County teacher Nancy Brock loved the idea of Germany and she went on to share that interest with her students.

"I just kept taking German classes. Then, I just got that major," Brock said. But the moment she knew she wanted to teach happened while she was sitting in geometry class. She knew that one day she would teach it.

Brock went to Western Kentucky University for her bachelor's and master's degrees, and went on to get her Rank 1 certification at Murray State University.

She started at a K-12 school in Mount Washington, Ky., in 1969. From there, she went to Fairdale High School in Louisville and taught seventh through 12th grade. She took a year off and went to live with a family in Germany. Brock met her husband, Bob, also a retired teacher, while working at Fairdale.

She began teaching in Crittenden County in 1977. Brock's dream to teach German to students was not automatic. In fact, it even was suggested by some that Brock should forget about teaching what is often referred to as a sister language to English.

"A secondary education teacher told me to drop the German and just go with the math because I'd never get a job teaching German, and out of the 31.5 years, I got to teach 27 years of German," she said. "But the math always got me a job."

Brock has been retired from education for 13 years, but is not done shar-

ing knowledge with others. She now drives the Crittenden County Public Library Bookmobile.

"I love it. Some of the people who I have been to visit had parents who visited the bookmobile when they were young, and they wanted their children to have that experience," Brock said. "I go to the daycares and the nursing home, then to individual houses."

Similar to many before her, the students made teaching worth it. Seeing them understand the subject was her favorite part.

I enjoyed the kids," she said. "It wasn't always pleasant, but it just felt right. It was the thing I was supposed to be doing. It felt good being able to hand

that information over to the students, and it was wonderful when they accepted it and went with it."

When it comes to advice for those considering going into education, Brock would advise it to anyone if they have "the calling" to teach. It is not a field to go into because you can't find something else to do, she explains. However, she also said sometimes people become educators without thinking about it too much, and they end up being great.

(Editor's note: The Crittenden Press will throughout the year bring you stories on many of Crittenden County's retired teachers.)



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GOP to consider caucus for Paul

STAFF REPORT

The proposed Republican presidential caucus that would allow Kentucky's junior U.S. Senator, Rand Paul, to run for president and seek re-election to his Senate seat would be held on March 5.

GOP party leaders agreed to switch from the state's traditional primary system to a caucus so Paul wouldn't violate state law which forbids candidates from running for different offices on the same ballot. The Kentucky GOP Central Committee is set to vote on the measure Saturday.

It is estimated it could cost \$500,000 to hold a caucus, and who pays for it has been a question, although Paul himself has said he would raise the money for it.

Paul

Camp to represent Crittenden County

STAFF REPORT

Cheyenne Camp will be representing Crittenden County at the Miss American Coed Kentucky state pageant this weekend.

Cheyenne is the 6-year-old daughter of Aaron and Stephanie Camp of Marion and is a first-grader at Crittenden County Elementary School. She is hoping to help raise awareness for local pet adoptions.

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Special election to cost hard working county taxpayers

This is to inform all Crittenden County taxpayers of a petition being circulated for the legalization of alcohol to be sold in Marion restaurants.

This petition only needs 240 legal signatures for Marion residents to put it on a ballot. Then, only Marion residents can vote for or against it, but all of Crittenden County taxpayers will have to pay the estimated \$12,000 for the special election, which costs almost as much as a national election.

The circulator's reasoning to me the last time an alcohol petition was brought up was: "It was a mistake for it to be put up countywide. It needs to be done only in Marion as it does not require many to pass it, and then, after it is legal in Marion, it will be much easier to get it in all the county later."

Talk about subtle! It is as old as the subtle presence in the Garden of Eden that brought misery and death to all mankind.

There are thousands of residents in the entire county – many of those living in Marion – who not only don't want the drug legalized in our county anywhere, but they also do not want \$12,000 of our tax dollars wasted on this potential election that has al-



ready been stopped three times.

If the Marion residents will not sign the petition, it will all be over one more time, and the divisions, waste, expense, time and grief will be avoided.

Marion has so much more raging and pressing needs facing us than someone wanting to make a name for themselves, in dragging this up again.

"Look not upon the wine when it is red...at the last it bites like a serpent, and stings like an adder," reads Proverbs 23:32.

The adder is a poisonous snake, and we all know the serpent was in the Garden to tell man you can't believe what God says.

Here we are again, going backwards, promoting self-gratification instead of trying to help each other live better, longer, healthier and happier lives. We have some looking for human adoration instead of God's adoration, and they are bringing dissension to peaceful Marion.

There are plenty of county residents who work in Marion, drive in Marion, patronize restaurants in Marion and attend churches in Marion. There are even more Christians in Marion and in the county who live their Christian life and witness and will not patronize the places that would sell alcohol than the ones who propose this might realize.

Only a short time ago, a local politician was talking to a well-known resident saying how fortunate Crittenden County was to not have legalized alcohol. They said it never does all the good it claims, but just the opposite.

The few restaurant owners who would qualify to sell this evil should remember it is more than wine-bibbers who patronize their establishments. Many of those people have said they would not buy drinks in restaurants here. Why would they, if they are going to church the next day to sit with a family who had just been told they were seen guzzling alcohol the night before?

I pity anyone who wants to make money on the back of an item that has taken more lives, left more crying and hungry children and made more work for the morticians and the divorce

courts than any one thing. Having seen enough heartache over alcohol, I'm sorry for any who think their food tastes better mixed with rotten corn, or whatever else the stinking stuff is made of. On people's breath, it smells like slop. Those people must have acquired a taste for it in competition to the hogs.

I am told it was overheard at the fair that some living in the county were told they could sign the petition and put down a city address.

My point proven, evil begets evil!

As for me, I will fight for the souls, minds, health, happiness, homes and the young of this county for as long as I live. After I'm gone, sin will still be sin, and the Bible that speaks to every aspect of our lives will still say the same: "Abstain from all appearances of evil ... Don't be partakers of other men's sins, keep yourself pure ... And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."

All opposed to this thing should speak up. The more people speak up for evil things, the more it grows. The more people speak up for good things, the more it grows. We can stop this in its tracks. Pray and let your stance be pub-

licly known now while it will help.

There is an old and oh so true quote of truth from one wiser than I: "It has been said that for evil men to accomplish their purpose, it is only necessary that good men should do nothing."

The only winners in this drug, and all other destructive drugs which are so prevalent in our county, are the ones who make it and sell it. But they will be losers in the end, along with the promoters of it.

Galatians Chapter 6 tells us, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked. For whatsoever

a man sows, that shall he also reap. He that sows to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption. He that sows to the Spirit, shall of the Spirit reap everlasting life."

And we all will stand before that God, who keeps His word and says, "I change not." That can be any time for any of us.

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

Community church notes

■ Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church will host a special service at 6 p.m., Sunday commemorating Rev. Wendell Ordway's 65th year of ministry. Pastor Junior Martin and congregation welcome the public to attend.

■ Pleasant Grove General Baptist Church will hold revival services beginning at 7 p.m., Monday. Bro. Jarry Merritt will be the evangelist. Bro. Trae Gandee and the congregation invite the public to attend.

■ Creek Side General Baptist Church will hold a fifth-Sunday singing event at 6 p.m., Aug. 30. The church is located at 7921 U.S. 60 E. Pastor Roger Holloman in-

vites the public to attend.

■ Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church will hold a spaghetti supper to support Relay for Life Aug. 30 after its worship service. The church also conducts a Beverly Hillbillies Bible study at 6 p.m., Wednesday evenings.

■ The middle adult Sunday school class of Deer Creek Baptist Church has set up a food car to collect donations for a community food drive. The church's Sunday school class will continue to accept nonperishable items through the month of August. The food drive car is located on the platform in the sanctuary.

IRS promise to Christians is met with praise, caution

By DAVID ROACH
BAPTIST NEWS

The Internal Revenue Service will not revoke the tax-exempt status of religious organizations that object to same-sex marriage, IRS Commissioner John Koskinen has promised at least twice in recent weeks.

But some tax code experts say the commissioner's commitments are not a guarantee of tax shelter for organizations with religious objections to the Supreme Court's nationwide legalization of homosexual marriage this summer.

Michael Batts, a CPA who specializes in nonprofit organizations, told Baptist Press some types of tax exemptions could still be in jeopardy.

"It is helpful to have correspondence from the sitting IRS commissioner that provides some minimal level of temporary assurance about the position of current IRS officials. But the commissioner's comments on federal tax-exempt status for religious organizations do not establish legal authority on the matter and they are not the end of the story," Batts, managing partner of a national CPA firm that

exclusively serves nonprofits, said in written comments.

"Leaders of religious organizations must also keep in mind that federal income tax exemption is only one front with respect to this issue," Batts noted. "State and local tax exemptions of various types, as well as other areas of law like housing, zoning and land use are administered by countless agencies all over the country. Federal, state and local officials administering these other areas of law are not bound by the comments of the IRS commissioner or, for the most part, by federal tax law."

Christian organizations that object to gay marriage "will be seeking much greater and broader assurance" related to tax exemptions, Batts said.

Koskinen's first promise occurred at a U.S. Senate Judiciary Oversight Subcommittee hearing July 29 in which Sen. Mike Lee (R-Utah) asked the commissioner whether he could commit, "in the absence of a directive by Congress or by the courts," to not "take any action to remove the tax-exempt status from Christian colleges and universities

based on their belief that marriage is between a man and a woman." Koskinen responded, "I can make that commitment."

The IRS commissioner went on to explain that any policy change will be preceded by an opportunity for public comment.

"There would be no surprises" relative to the revocation of tax-exempt status for colleges and universities, Koskinen said. If there were a change in regulations, "the public would have plenty of notice and plenty of opportunity to comment, and that's not going to happen in the next two and a half years."

Koskinen wrote in a July 30 letter to Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt that the "IRS does not view" the Supreme Court's same-sex marriage ruling "as having changed the law applicable to section 501(c)(3) determinations or examinations. Therefore, the IRS will not, because of this decision, change existing standards in reviewing applications for recognition of exemption under section 501(c)(3) or in examining the qualification of section

501(c)(3) organizations."

Koskinen's assurances were welcomed by some who have expressed concern for Christian colleges and universities based on an April 28 exchange at the Supreme Court between Associate Justice Samuel Alito and U.S. Solicitor General Donald Verrilli.

In response to the federal government's argument that same-sex marriage should be declared a constitutional right, Alito asked Verrilli about institutions that refuse to permit gay marriage, citing a 1983 decision in which the Supreme Court upheld the IRS's revocation of a tax exemption for Bob Jones University, a fundamentalist Christian school in Greenville, S.C.

The court "held that a college was not entitled to tax-exempt status if it opposed interracial marriage or interracial dating," Alito said. "So would the same apply to a university or a college if it opposed same-sex marriage?"

Verrilli responded, "You know, I-I don't think I can answer that question without knowing more specifics, but it's certainly going to be an

issue. I-I don't deny that. I don't deny that, Justice Alito. It is—it is going to be an issue."

Pruitt, a trustee at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, called Koskinen's promises not to revoke the tax-exempt status of religious organizations "a victory for religious freedom in America and for the non-profit charities, churches and religiously affiliated universities who feared they would be denied tax-exempt status by the IRS because their sincerely held religious beliefs prohibit them from participating in same-sex marriage."

Pruitt continued, according to a press release from his office, "This formal statement from the IRS provides needed assurance that their First Amendment rights will be protected. To paraphrase President Reagan, we will trust but verify the comments of the IRS and continue to monitor the agency's actions to ensure Americans aren't targeted unfairly for exercising their religious beliefs in accordance with the First Amendment."

Dan Busby, president of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability, told BP he

still has concerns about how the IRS will handle objectors to same-sex marriage in the long term. He cited Koskinen's statement to the Senate that "at this time, there is no basis for us to revisit tax-exempt status."

(Editor's note: David Roach is chief national correspondent for Baptist Press, the Southern Baptist Convention's news service.)

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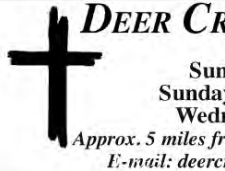
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BROWN

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fellow postal worker, attends the same church. She said Brown's faith was a hallmark of her character

"She was a strong Christian woman," said Guess, "She would do anything in the world for her church, family and community."

Guess, who also lives in southern Crittenden County, had known Brown most of her life. Guess works as a city carrier in Providence, but had worked with Brown in Crittenden County as a rural carrier for a time.

"You couldn't ask for a better carrier," said Michelle Travis of Fredonia. "She was one who actually cared about her customers."

Chris Evans, publisher of The Crittenden Press, said Brown would often contact him when people on her route had a problem with their newspaper subscription.

"She was a very conscientious mail carrier and just a good person," he said.

Travis carries mail in Dawson Springs and got to know Brown about five years ago through the postal service. She also knows the other driver in Monday's deadly crash, Sams. The two go to church together.

"I was in complete shock when I found out," Travis said.

"It's still not real," said Fredonia Postmaster Gay Ann Priest, still shaken from the news Tuesday morning. "She was very well loved."

Priest said Brown changed from her six-day Fredonia route about a year ago to a five-day route in Princeton so she could spend more time around her family.

The postal service had grief counselors on site in Princeton Tuesday, according to David Walton, a spokesman for USPS in Louisville.

"This is something you don't expect to happen," Walton said. "It's very unfortunate."

In his seven years with the postal service's Kentuckiana and Tennessee districts, Walton said Monday's fatality was the first he has encountered.

But Travis said accidents can be pretty common when mail carriers are on the road, whether in cities or on rural routes.

"We actually take chances every day," she said.

According to the Federal Times.com, a source of information for federal managers, postal work is the most dangerous federal job. Of the 54 fed deaths in 2012, 18 were postal workers. In 2011, they accounted for 15 of the 41 deaths.

In May, two carriers – one in Ohio and another in Indiana – were killed in automobile accidents while delivering mail. In March, a rural Oklahoma carrier was killed in a two-vehicle crash.

Brown's Facebook page was flooded with memories and messages of sympathy to the family soon after the wreck. Many of her friends commented on her strong Christian faith and passion for her job.

But Brown was not always a mail carrier. According to her Facebook profile, the Crittenden County High School graduate studied English at Murray State University and graduated in 1989. She went on to teach courses at the former Mid-Continent Baptist Bible College in Mayfield.

OBITUARIES

— PAID OBITUARY —

Day

Mary Alice Day, 79, of Salem died Aug. 11, 2015, at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

She retired after 28 years of employment in the dietary department of Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem.

Day is survived by a son, Jerry Day; a daughter, Gayle Holeman; a sister, Faye Croft of Salem; two grandchildren, Alison Holeman and Zach Day; and four great-grandchildren, Allie Day, Haley Day, Peyton Day and Jacob Holeman.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Leroy Day; a son, Barry Day; a sister, Margie Williams; a brother, Ted Noel; and her parents, Virgil Noel and Naomi Myrick Noel.

Graveside services were Friday in Bethel Cemetery with Rev. Mike Atkins officiating.

Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem was in charge of arrangements.

Donations may be made to: Bethel Methodist Church, 1416 Lola Road, Salem, KY 42078.

Baker

Edward Louis Baker, 71, of Marion died Aug. 11, 2015, at Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center in Marion.

He was an electrician in the coal mines and a member of Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church and Dycusburg Lodge 232 F&AM.

Baker is survived by a daughter, Kimberly Baker Robertson of Marion; and two brothers, Jim Baker of California and Billy Baker of Princeton.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carol Paris Baker; his parents, Clifford and Mary Brown Baker; and a brother, Stevie Baker of Fredonia.

Graveside services were last Thursday at Freedom Cemetery. Myers Funeral Home in Marion was in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions can be made to: Crittenden County Animal Shelter, c/o Crittenden County Courthouse, Marion, KY 42064; or Mary Hall-Ruddiman Canine Shelter; 24 Just-A-Mere Road, Marion, KY 42064.

Burcks

Richard Charles Burcks, 57, died Aug. 11, 2015, at Salem Springlake Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

He was born in Cleveland, Ohio.

Burcks is survived by a daughter, Jurlene Burcks; a son, Richard Burcks; a sister, Regina Burcks of Missouri; three brothers, Michael Burcks of Paducah, Donnie Burcks of Wickliffe and Glenn Burcks of Missouri; two grandchildren; an aunt; and four uncles.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Jurlene Ledia-Cucil (Brown) Burcks.

Funeral services were Saturday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem with Rev. Danny Shuecraft officiating. Burial was in Pinckneyville Cemetery in Livingston County.

— PAID OBITUARY —

Brown

Paula Stinnett Brown, 50, of Dycusburg died Aug. 17, 2015, in a two-vehicle accident on U.S. 62 West near Princeton.



Brown

She was a 21-year employee with the U.S. Postal Service and attended Dycusburg Baptist Church.

Brown is survived by her husband, Jerry Brown of Dycusburg; a daughter, Elizabeth Brown of Dycusburg; her parents, Paul and Faye Stinnett of Dycusburg; a brother, Joe Paul (Linda) Stinnett of Dycusburg; her mother-in-law: Janice Brown of Grand Rivers; a brother-in-law: James (Rhonda) Brown Jr. of Bayou; a sister-in-law, Jackie (Danny) Hackney of Grand Rivers; a nephew, Mason Stinnett; two nieces, Megan Duttons and Destiny Duttons; and a great-nephew, Briar Whittington.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Rusty Stinnett; and her father-in-law, James W. Brown Sr.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Lakeland Funeral Home in Eddyville with Rev. Steven Kirk officiating. Burial will follow in Dycusburg Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday) at the funeral home.

Holder

Susan Holder, 65, of Marion died Aug. 17, 2015, at her home.

She was a member of Seven Springs Baptist Church in Crittenden County.

Holder is survived by two daughters; Stacie (Spud) Beckner of Marion and Barbara (Cary) Holder of Kansas City, Mo.; three brothers, Bill (Jo Ann) Smith of Marion, Terry (Cheryl) Smith of Fredonia and Jeff Zimmerman of Indiana; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Billie Holder; her mother, Betty Zimmerman; a son, Donald Holder; and her stepfather, Gus Zimmerman.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m. today (Thursday) at Seven Springs Baptist Church with interment in Holder Cemetery. Visitation was from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Lourdes Hospice, 911 Joe Clifton Dr., Paducah, KY 42001; or Seven Springs Baptist Church, 219 Seven Branch Church Road, Marion, KY 42064.

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NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NUMBER 15-06 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER AND SEWER RATES FOR THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at its regular meeting held on September 21, 2015, at 6:00 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 a regular called meeting of the City Council held on August 17, 2015, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

This Ordinance modifies the rates and charges for water and sewer service as follows:

Water rates:		
Gallons of Water	Charge per 1,000 gallons	
	Old Rate \$	New Rate \$
Minimum (1,500)	18.21	19.13
Next 3,500	6.71	7.04
Next 10,000	5.35	5.63
Next 10,000	4.46	4.69
Next 25,000	3.57	3.75
Sewer Rates:		
Gallons	Charge per 1,000 gallons	
	Old Rate \$	New Rate \$
Minimum (1,500)	13.68	14.32
Next 3,500	5.03	5.28
Next 10,000	4.01	4.22
Next 10,000	3.35	3.52
Next 25,000	2.68	2.81

Further customers of the City's sewer system that are served by the U.S. 60 lift station and the Airport Road lift station shall be assessed a TEN PERCENT SURCHARGE.

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.

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Crittenden County's high school football team will welcome its younger teams to Rocket Stadium next Friday night. When Crittenden County hosts Hopkins Central on Aug. 28, it will be Young Rockets Night. All players and cheerleaders from flag football, Junior Pro and middle school who wear their team jersey will get in free and be recognized on the field at halftime.

Little league season

Crittenden County has announced its football schedule for its three teams that participate in the West Kentucky Junior Pro League. The schedule follows with date, location and starting times for each game:

JUNIOR PRO SCHEDULE
Aug. 29 Jamboree, 9 a.m., at Webster
Sept. 12 CALDWELL WHITE, 4, 5, 6:30
Sept. 19 WEBSTER CO., 12, 1, 2:30
Sept. 24 at Caldwell Gold, 5, 6, 7:30
Oct. 3 Open
Oct. 10 at Sturgis, 1, 2, 3:30
Oct. 17 Open
Oct. 24 MORGANFIELD, 12, 1, 2:30
Oct. 31 at Webster, 1, 2, 3:30
Nov. 7-8 Jamboree at Sturgis, TBA

Flag football this week

Skills assessments are from 8:30-10 a.m., Saturday at Rocket Stadium for anyone interested in playing flag football. This is for grades K-2 and there is no fee. Games will start the following Saturday. For more information, call (859) 333-4095.

BASKETBALL

Travel team tryouts

The Kentucky Heat travel basketball team based in Marion is looking for players in third or fourth grade. If interested, contact coach Jared Champion at (270) 969-0965

GOLF

Medal play at The Heritage

The Heritage at Marion Country Club will host its signature medal play event, The Heritage Invitational, on Sept. 5-6. Cost is \$70 per player. There will be shotgun starts at 8 a.m., and 1 p.m., each day. Tournament will be flighted after 18 holes and the ball will be played down both days, conditions permitting. To register, call Kyle Myers at (270) 704-5015 or the pro shop at (270) 965-5415.

SOCCKER

Team photo packages

Crittenden Youth Soccer Association is accepting bids for fall team pictures. Pictures will be taken the week of Sept 14 and must be available for pick up by Oct. 3. Email bids to crittendensoccer@yahoo.com no later than Aug. 27.

MISCELLANEOUS

Youth triathlon Labor Day

The annual Crittenden County Youth Triathlon will be held Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 7 starting at 8 a.m., at Marion Country Club Pool. The competition is open to everyone who meets the age requirements. The event will include swimming, biking and running. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$10. For information, call (270) 704-1871. Distances vary by age. The event is for participants age 5-18. The event distances are as follows for swimming, biking and running, respectively:
Age Distances
5-6 25 meters, half mile, quarter mile
7-10 50 meters, 1 mile, half mile
11-14 100 meters, 2 miles, 1 mile
15-18 200 meters, 5 miles, 2 miles

BASEBALL

Old timers game in Sept.

There will be an old-timers, wooden bat baseball game starting at 1:30 p.m., on Sunday, Sept. 13 at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Player fee will be \$20 and the event is open to anyone who has graduated high school. No one under 30 will be allowed to pitch. This is a fundraising event for the Marion Junior Bobcats baseball club and middle school baseball. Call or text (270) 704-0435 to register.

SCHEDULE

Upcoming prep games

THURSDAY
Soccer hosts Union County
Volleyball at Webster
SATURDAY
Golf at Class A Tournament
Volleyball at Livingston Tournament

LOCK AND LOAD

Hunting kicks off with Saturday squirrels

The opening of Kentucky's fall squirrel season this weekend means hunting opportunities are about to mushroom. The first week of September brings some migratory bird and waterfowl species into season and sees archery seasons for deer and wild turkey open. It also starts the clock on the quota hunt application period.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources administers quota hunts for deer, pheasant, quail, upland bird and waterfowl on state wildlife management areas (WMAs) and other public lands. Information about these opportunities is available on the department's website.

The quota hunt application period begins Sept. 1 and spans the entire month. Hunters may apply via the department's website or over the phone by calling 1-877-598-2401. The minimum charge to apply is \$3.

There are 29 quota deer hunts on tap this season and each has a set number of available slots. Hunters applying for a quota deer hunt can pick a first and second hunt choice but may be drawn for only one. Hunters who want to participate in the Crittenden or

On the Hunt: Upcoming Seasons

SquirrelAug. 15 - Nov. 13
DoveSept. 1 - Oct. 26
Canada GooseSept. 1-15
Archery DeerSept. 5 - Jan. 18
Archery TurkeySept. 5 - Jan. 18
Wood Duck, TealSept. 19-23
Teal OnlySept. 24-27

Union portions of Big Rivers WMA quota hunts will need to apply online.

Bowhunters who also plan to apply for a quota deer hunt can use the archery deer season to their advantage. The archery deer season opens statewide on Sept. 5. Because each WMA that holds a quota deer hunt is open for the archery deer season, hunters can familiarize themselves with an area during archery season. The Big Rivers WMA has almost 7,000 acres of prime hunting opportunities, a large portion of which is in Crittenden County.

Regionally, there is a variety of quota hunt options for the small game hunter, too. Bobwhite quail quota hunts on the Ken Unit of Peabody WMA in Muhlenberg

County are Dec. 1 and Dec. 22, and Jan. 2, Jan. 9 and Jan. 19.

Waterfowl hunters can apply for quota hunts in Ballard County and the Sauerheber Unit of Sloughs WMA in Henderson County held during the fall and winter duck and goose seasons. Ballard hunts are held Wednesdays through Sundays. Quota hunts are held daily at Sloughs WMA, but hunters must apply for a block of dates.

The dates for these quota hunts and all others will be displayed on the online application. Results of the drawings will be posted on Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's website in early October. Applicants may also call the department at 1-800-858-1549 weekdays during business hours and provide either their confirmation number or Social Security number to find out if they were drawn.

If you plan to be afield for Saturday's start to the squirrel season, it is highly recommended that hunters wear insect repellent. The daily bag limit for squirrels is six and the possession limit is 12.



Lauren Gilchrist

Gilchrist paces Rocket golfers

STAFF REPORT

Eighth-grade golfer Lauren Gilchrist continues to shine for the high school golf team. She shot a 95 to finish among the top one-third of a large field at Central Hardin Saturday.

Gilchrist was 36th overall out of 107 golfers from across the state.

Meanwhile, Rocket coach Vicki Hatfield says the boys' team is still learning the ropes of competitive high school golf.

The team struggled a bit during last weekend's 18-hole Providence Invitational.

"It was a hard day for all," Hardin said. "We are working on improving our course management and recovery after a bad shot."

Following are local scores by Crittenden County golfers over the last week of action:

Saturday at Providence Invitational

Reid Baker 101
Will Tolley 100
Logan Belt 97
Braxton Winder 104
Sammy Greenwell 99
Tate Roberts 103

Aug. 11 at Caldwell County

Lyon - Cullan Brown 33
Reid Baker 46
Will Tolley 47
Logan Belt 50
Braxton Winder 45
Sammy Greenwell 45
Lauren Gilchrist 47

Thursday at Trigg County

Reid Baker 51
Will Tolley 48
Logan Belt 58
Braxton Winder 46
Sammy Greenwell 48
Lauren Gilchrist 47

GAME TIME



FRIDAY NIGHT

7pm Kickoff at Rocket Stadium

Todd Central (2A 0-0) vs. Crittenden County (1A 0-0)

OPPONENT NOTES: Todd Central has struggled the last few years, winning just five games in four seasons but the Rebels beat Muhlenberg County a year ago — a squad that beat the Rockets by 14. From Todd, expect an athletic team capable of breaking big plays. They have a talented junior class, including their returning tackler Joseph Johnson. Todd QB junior Naytrimis Harris rushed for more than 800 yards last year and completed almost half of his 55 passes, including 2 TDs. Junior receiver Joseph Johnson led the team in receptions last season as a sophomore.

INJURIES: Crittenden lineman Travis McKinney has a nagging knee injury that flared up in last week's scrimmage. He was scheduled for an MRI this week and may be out for the season opener. McKinney is ranked among Kentucky's Top 10 linemen in Class A. McKinney is currently third on the Rockets' all-time list of most fumbles caused. He needs three more to become the all-time leader. He has seven now. McKinney also needs just 30 tackles to become just the 31st player in school history to have 150 or more tackles in a career.

THE COACHES: Todd Central's Bryan Jones has been at the helm since 2010 and holds a record of 9-42. This is Coach Al Starnes' 25th season. He is the Rockets' all-time winningest coach with a record of 155-121.

THE SERIES: Crittenden leads the series 8-5. The teams have not played since 2000. Crittenden has won the last four meetings.

TAILGATING: The girls' basketball boosters will be selling pork chop meals prior to the game from 5-7 p.m., at the multi-purpose room.

ON THE WEB: From The Press Online sports tab, you can follow the Rockets in greater detail. Watch for weekly podcasts, in-depth stats and more.



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Rocket running back Dylan Hollis carries for a gain against Calloway County after taking the ball from QB Nick Castiller (15).

Football scrimmage provides highs, lows of early workout

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County's only pre-season test last Friday at Rocket Stadium was a tale of two defenses and a glimpse into an offense more reliant on the pass.

At times, the Rocket defense was superb against Calloway County. Yet it allowed long runs that cost mightily. Meanwhile, CCHS quarterbacks aired it out, throwing two TDs on 31 attempts.

A couple of big plays helped Calloway eke out a scorecard victory 21-14.

The Lakers are a 4A team and will play the likes of Hopkinsville and Madisonville in the First District.

The scrimmage was tied at 14 at the half after freshman CCHS quarterback Hunter Boone threw a near perfect 33-yard pass to the far left pylon at Rocket Stadium that senior receiver Alex Cosby plucked from between a couple of defenders. Both teams scored in the first quarter, Crittenden on a 21-yard pass from starting QB Nick Castiller to senior Seth Birdwell. Dylan Hicks made both extra point attempts during the pre-season game.

Soccer, volleyball kick off season this week

Crittenden County High School's soccer season officially opened Tuesday night at home with the Lady Rockets hosting Dawson Springs and the volleyball girls started their play at Union County.

Results were unavailable at press time. Soccer coach Ken Geary said his team played well in its scrimmage games.

Senior wing Nikki Shuecraft has lived up to her appointment as lead captain so far, the coach said. "She has greatly improved her skill level. In our first scrimmage against St. Mary, they had to triple team her to prevent crosses," Geary said.


Shuecraft also played well in the team's 2-2 tie against Ballard Memorial in a pre-season workout.

Senior Kali Travis scored the Lady Rockets only goals in that game on assists by Ashley Wheeler and Baylee Priest.




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Melissa Guill, Clerk

Crittenden District Court (1t-08-c)

Legal Notice

I, Melissa Guill, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court Marion, Ky., do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Larry Fritts of 2044 Indian Hills Trail, Eddyville, Ky., administrator of Nina Mae Fritts, deceased. The foregoing Settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on September 23, 2015, 9 a.m. All persons having exceptions to said Settlements are to file same at once.

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION 11-CI-00130
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PLAINTIFF vs.
JEFFERAY A. ASBRIDGE, ET AL
DEFENDANT
NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the July 9, 2015, I will on Friday, August 21, 2015, beginning at the hour of 10:00 A.M. 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: 421 South Walker Street, Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky

TWO CERTAIN Tracts or parcels of land with the improvement in and near the corporate limits of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, and bounded as follows:

FIRST TRACT: BEGINNING at a stake or stone on the West side of South Walker street in the Old G.W. Perry's (now George A. Scott) line; thence south with West line of said Street 8 feet to a stake or stone, an agreed corner to George A. Scott; thence in a Westerly direction 100 feet to a stake or stone corner to

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Being the same property conveyed to Vickie Asbridge and Jefferay A. Asbridge by deed dated March 4, 2000, of record in Deed Book 185, page 599, in the Crittenden County Clerk's Office.

Vickie Asbridge died on August 23, 2001, and title to the above described property passed to Jefferay Asbridge, in accordance with the survivorship clause in said Deed.

Subject to all restrictions, conditions, covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

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Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, wit 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 twelve percent (12%) 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 be immediately be offered again for sale.

This the 23rd day of July, 2015.

Robert B. Frazer

MASTER COMMISSIONER
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
(3t-08-c)

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Property Address: 1000 State Route 120, Marion, Kentucky 42064

DESCRIPTION:

The following described located in Crittenden County, Kentucky:

A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Crittenden County, Kentucky on the North side of State Highway #120, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a stake or stone on the North right of way line of State Highway #120 corner J.G. Travis; thence N 12 W 578 feet to a stake or stone in old Grady Grove Road; thence S 76 degrees 30' W 148 feet with old road to a stake or stone corner, Fred J. Brown; thence S 12 degrees E 606 feet with an agreed line with said Brown to a stake or stone in the North right of way line of State Highway #120 corner to Brown; thence with the North right of way line of said Highway N 69 E 150 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Blair Winders, a single person who acquired title by virtue of a deed from Barbara Arflack (formerly Barbara Montalta) and her husband Donald Arflack, dated November 16, 2001, recorded November 19, 2001, at Deed Book 191, Page 269, Crittenden County, Kentucky records

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Crittenden County Grand Jury indicts seven

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Grand Jury indicted seven individuals last week. A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely decides whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecution of a felony case in circuit court.

Indicted last Thursday were:
- Brandee G. Bowman, 36, of Marion was indicted on a charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance, second offense, a Class D felony, and possession of drug paraphernalia, a Class A misdemeanor. The charges were filed July 29 after Kentucky State Trooper Darron Holliman was assisting probation and parole officers in conducting a routine visit at 2360 Ky. 70. According to court records, the policeman saw the suspect sitting on the back porch and recognized that she was wanted on an outstanding

warrant. The police report said Bowman admitted to having drug paraphernalia and to having recently used methamphetamine. The officer located alleged needles and other items used for injecting or ingesting drugs and small baggies containing what was believed to be meth.

- Bradley McClain, 30, of Marion was indicted on charges of first-degree criminal abuse of a child 12 or under, a Class C felony.

McClain and a co-defendant – the child’s mother – are accused of neglecting the baby and placing the child in a situation that could have caused death or serious physical injury. McClain, who is reportedly the child’s father, and its mother are both charged with neglecting the 10-week-old to the point that he was hospitalized for several days and reportedly near death when police and social workers intervened on July 3.

According to testimony last month by Marion Police Officer George Foster during a preliminary hearing on the matter, the child was six pounds, six ounces when weighed at the hospital on July 3. Foster said that according to his investigation, the child weighed seven pounds, two ounces at birth.

The child has been placed in the custody of relatives.

- Sarah Elizabeth Rushin, 26, of Marion was indicted on charges of first-degree criminal abuse of a child 12 or under, a Class C felony. Rushin and a co-defendant (see above case), are accused of neglecting their child and thereby placing the baby in a situation that could have caused death or serious physical injury to the child.

- Karlee J. Murphy, 25, of Marion was indicted on a charge of tampering with physical evidence, a Class D

felony. According to court records, Murphy is alleged to have thrown two pill bottles from a moving vehicle on June 8 with the intention of discarding evidence that allegedly might be used later in a legal proceeding. The case was investigated by Crittenden County Sheriff’s Deputy Chuck Hoover, who had responded to an automobile accident on U.S. 60 West on June 8. Murphy was a passenger in a vehicle involved in the accident.

- Matthew Thurmond, 25, of Marion was indicted on a charge of flagrant non-support, a Class D felony. Court records allege that Thurmond owes child support in the amount of \$6,637.05.

- Michael J. Watson, 31, of Marion was indicted on a charge of obscuring the identity of a machine worth between \$500 and \$10,000, a Class D felony; failure to notify ad-

dress change to the Kentucky Department of Transportation, a Class B misdemeanor; and other traffic violations of no or expired registration receipt and no or expired plates. Police records allege that Watson was pulled over in a traffic stop on June 18 because of an expired plate. Trooper Holliman is alleged to have found an altered VIN number on the GMC Sierra 4x4 Watson was driving.

- Christopher A. Sheridan, 31, of Providence was indicted on a single charge of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), a Class D felony. Sheridan is alleged to have sold meth to a cooperating witness on Nov. 28, 2014. Sheridan is also under investigation for a series of burglaries this past summer in Crittenden, Caldwell, Hopkins and Webster counties. The charges were brought by the Pennyrite Narcotics Task Force.

Road complaints brought before magistrates, tax rates stay put

STAFF REPORT

Take a number.

With shallow pockets, that’s about all Crittenden Fiscal Court could offer two property owners along Cool Springs Road who approached magistrates about longterm repairs needed on yet another crumbling county road.

Don Gatewood and Marty Kares-Workman told the court Monday the narrow road continues to get worse as potholes appear and reappear and drainage issues regularly put the road under water and keep adjoining properties swamped. Both live near the Piney community in the northeastern part of the county. The road lies in magistrates Dan Wood’s and Danny Fowler’s district.

“We’re pretty proud of that area out there; it’s real pretty,” said Gatewood, Workman’s brother whose home sits adjacent to her property. “But the road is in terrible condition. Quite frankly, the patching is useless, and may as well not be done.”

The road serves seven residences and is part asphalt, part chip seal and part gravel. The eastern end is regularly flooded each spring from the backwaters of the Tradewater River, but this year’s persistent rains have created other problems.

Workman said a culvert in front of her property needs to be replaced and ditches alongside the road cleaned out to let water drain better.

“That road is horrendous,”

Workman said. “It’s gotten worse and worse and worse.”

Gatewood said he understand the county’s financial constraints and does not expect new asphalt to be laid the length of the road, but wants to at least see an incremental plan in place to make lasting corrections.

“I think the road devalues my property, and that bothers me a lot,” he said.

Magistrates Wood and Fowler said they are familiar with the problems and wish they could alleviate them quickly, but the money is just not there. Longtime magistrate Wood said repairs to the road have been made twice with FEMA money following flooding in recent years, but they just

haven’t held.

“We’ve got a lot of bad roads,” he explained.

In fact, all six magistrates have their own fair share of headaches. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said some of the worst are Dick Jones, Baker Hollow and Wigginton roads. All of those have received new chip seal this year.

Newcom said some of the drainage problems on Cool Springs Road can be addressed soon, and patching with the county’s improved methods is probably a couple of weeks out.

This year, the county received enough aid from the state to resurface about 4.5 of its 368 miles of roadway at roughly \$80,000 per mile. However, Newcom said almost dou-

ble that length will be addressed, with the balance of costs coming from county coffers. To be equitable, each district will receive approximately the same amount of blacktop.

Dycusburg security light

The fiscal court approved placing a security light at the Cumberland River boat ramp at Dycusburg. Magistrate Donnetta Travis said the light is needed as more people are bow-fishing and noodling for catfish around the ramp.

White Road bridge

Magistrates accepted a \$103,616 bid to replace the county’s last wooden bridge along a public road. The cost to remove the rickety 30-foot span

and build a modern one is about \$5,600 more than the state projected for its 80/20 bridge program that will pay \$78,600 of the cost. E & H Bridge and Grating of Bedford, Ind., was the only bidder.

Tax rates

For the 11th consecutive year, magistrates voted to keep county property tax rates the same – 12 cents per \$100 of assessed real estate value and 12.4 cents on personal property. These 2015 rates are expected to generate about \$17,000 more for the county’s general fund than last year, as county property values on the whole have increased. Total revenue is anticipated at about \$460,000.

TRAINING

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is not just a job for White. For him, the training in Marion this summer was personal. He is the father of two young children attending Crittenden County Schools and the husband of the school district’s public relations officer, Holly White.

Lt. White said interest in some type of active shooter training for school systems began in the summer of 2012 with Ballard County School District asking KSP to provide realistic, stress-based training for their staff as it pertained a potential attack from a gunman. Only a month after the template was completed, the Dec. 14, 2012, shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, Conn., happened. Twenty children and six adult staff members were killed in that incident.

White said KSP Post 1 in Mayfield, where he is assigned, was given the green light to be the pilot post for this training program known as Active Shooter Survival.

After its success, troopers from all 16 posts have volunteered for the training

White is a certified Kentucky law enforcement instructor and has been in and out of schools his entire life.

“Teaching has always been an interest of mine,” he said. “When I continued to see more and more schools being targeted by active shooters, it became apparent to me that Kentucky did not have a unified response to training school staff.”

He said emphasis has always been placed on law enforcement’s response to active shooters, but the majority of incidents are over before police can arrive.

“I’m a parent of children the same age as those children at Sandy Hook Elementary,” White said. “I could not imagine losing my children to such a catastrophe.”

Trainings are conducted in both public and private school districts, typically in buildings used for instruction. Troopers, detectives, supervisors and

local law enforcement are utilized during the exercises. There’s no extra pay for the officers, and White said many volunteer their time on days off.

In Crittenden County, training took place at all three schools, putting respective employees through the drills that include the firing of real guns retrofitted to shoot blanks. A separate School Bus Safety and Survival training also piloted by Post 1 put local bus drivers through the paces.

Active shooter training is a three- to four-hour template consisting of one hour of classroom instruction and two hours of scenario-based training. The situations, which have incorporated the use of student volunteers to give scenarios more authenticity, can be harrowing for some.

“It was stressful, but it was worth it,” said kindergarten teacher Jennifer Beverly, who has two children in the school system. “I wouldn’t ever want to do it again.”



White

RAPE

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than 12 years old, a Class A felony; and 10 years for first-degree sexual abuse of a victim under 12 years old, a Class C felony. The commonwealth recommended that the sentences run concurrently.

Because rape is considered a violent crime, Copeland would have to serve 85 percent of his before being considered for parole.

In addition to the recommended sentence, the prosecutor wants the defendant to be required to register as a sex offender for the rest of his life and to have five years of post-incarceration supervision following his release from prison.

Circuit Judge Rene Williams will formally sentence Copeland on Oct. 8.

Marion Policeman Robert Harris and the Child Advocacy Center in Hopkinsville conducted the investigation.

In other cases before Judge Williams last week:

- A Fredonia man pleaded guilty to stealing a local pastor’s wallet from the cashier’s counter at Conrad’s Food Store in May and going on a three-county spending spree with the credit cards and cash inside.

Gregory Robert Cornish, 34, will get five years in prison, according to his plea agreement. The time will run consecutive to a 15-year sentence he’s currently serving for drug trafficking. He faces credit card fraud in Lyon and Caldwell counties.

An accomplice in the case, Shatana L. Wigginton, 38, of Fredonia pleaded guilty to amended charges of theft and

facilitation. She will serve two years of probation and is responsible for more than \$1,200 in restitution.

Video surveillance at Conrad’s helped solve the case.

- A Marion man, Roy L. Fulks, 50, pleaded guilty to sexual abuse of a 16-year-old female and will be formally sentenced on Oct. 8.

- The commonwealth is recommending a one-year sentence for Fulks with five years of post-incarceration supervision. He will also have to register as a sex offender, according to terms of the plea agreement.

- Kentucky State Police investigated the case late last year and Fulks was indicted in

January. The incident happened prior to June 1, 2014.

- Angela M. Orr, 36, of Louisville entered an Alford plea to an amended charge of complicity to second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. She was given pre-trial diversion for a period of five years. The charge was amended from first-degree trafficking and a separate charge of possession of marijuana was dismissed.

- Judge Williams revoked the probation of Gina Cox, 45, of Marion. She was ordered to serve a five-year sentence for felony theft by deception for absconding while on supervised probation from a 2013 conviction.

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