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Rep. Comer to visit Tuesday

Congressman James Comer will be at the Marion Ed-Tech Center at 3 p.m., Tuesday. He will make a short presentation then take questions from the public.

From Wettest to Very Dry

July Rainfall Measurements

2017 3.01"
2016 15.87"
2015 8.73"
2014 0.82"
2013 3.28"
2012 0.81"
2011 3.89"
2010 1.21"
2009 6.68"

July 2017 was among the driest in years with just 3.01 inches of rainfall. There were only three days during July where the area received more than one-quarter of an inch of rain. By contrast, last July was among the wettest in recent years. Records have been kept in the county since 2009 thanks to the Kentucky Mesonet station near Mattoon. Rainfall totals varied drastically across the county last month. The measurements above were from the Mesonet station.

School district will host informational “nickel” meetings

Crittenden County School District has scheduled what it is calling “nickel rallies” for the weeks leading up to the election in order to answer any questions from supporters or those still on the fence. Those dates are:

- Sept. 1 at noon at the Marion Ed-Tech Center.
- Sept. 8 at noon in the Rocket Arena conference room.

Supt. Vince Clark said he is also willing to meet with small groups at their request. Those can be scheduled by calling the central office at (270) 965-3525.

Traffic checks

Kentucky State Police Post 2 Madisonville will be conducting traffic safety checkpoints and increasing patrols in the Post 2 District during the Labor Day Holiday. During the checkpoints, troopers will be enforcing laws related to operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of drugs or alcohol, licensing of motor vehicles and operators, registration and insurance violations, seat belt and child restraint violations, and motor vehicle equipment violations.

Trust for Life County ranks 6th

For the month of July, Crittenden County ranked sixth in the state in donations to Trust for Life, Kentucky's organ donor registry as 125 of 179 people issued a driver's license by Crittenden Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill donated \$1 to the Trust for Life, which celebrated its 25th anniversary earlier this month.

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Manufacturing Attractant

Shopko building buyer says jobs are his priority

STAFF REPORT

The president of a company that recently bought the former Shopko building at a bargain-auction price says he's working to attract a tenant that will put people to work.

Kent Withrow of Allied Contracting Group in Madisonville thinks the climate-controlled environment inside the building would be a perfect place for a manufacturing facility. He has contacts in lower tiers of the automanufacturing sector and thinks the area's strong plastics molding history is an asset in attracting a viable employer.

Withrow said his company is currently

working as a contractor inside a plant in Madisonville that he's hoping might take a look at expanding in Marion.

No stranger to Marion, Withrow owns both private and commercial property in Crittenden County and was formerly the project manager on a couple of construction jobs here – the Marion Fire Department and Ideal Convenience Center. His company also just completed the road repair project on Country Club Drive.

“The game plan is to attract a manufacturer,” Withrow said late last week at the Marion office of Homestead Realty, the broker that

handled his company's real estate purchase of the Shopko building.

Withrow said he has not asked the state or community for any type of economic development assistance at this time, but did consider financing the purchase with aid from the City of Marion Revolving Loan Fund. However, at this point he's working with a private, commercial lender on the deal.

With expertise in set-up and maintenance inside manufacturing facilities, Withrow thinks his company is well positioned to find a suitor for the Shopko building. His firm is advertising its availability on

a variety of terms, including a 10-year lease.

The 17-year-old former Shopko building on Sturgis Road sold Aug. 9 through an internet-based absolute auction. The 36,047-square-foot building sold for a high bid of \$274,000. With a 10-percent buyer's premium required by the selling agent, the buyer paid \$301,400 for the structure and 3.7 acres.

Withrow's marketing material generated to advertise the building's availability says it would cost up to \$4 million to construct today. It originally cost more than \$2 million to build.



Photo by Chris Evans/The Press

Alice Lumdblad of Wilmington, Ohio was one of dozens who flew in to Marion-Crittenden County Airport for Monday's total eclipse. More than 40 aircraft were in and out of the facility on Monday, setting an airport record. Visitors from all across the globe found their way to Marion, including a photographer who shoots for National Geographic and other magazines. Hundreds of people filled Marion-Crittenden County Park and others found interesting places to watch the solar event. See Page 12 for more coverage of the Great American Eclipse in Marion.

Happy Homemaker

Farley is recognized for service to seniors through PACS program

STAFF REPORT

For almost three decades, Shirley Farley has been a sight for lonely eyes in many homes throughout the community.

As a homemaker for the Pennyryle Allied Community Services, Farley has provided domestic assistance and other aid to elderly through a program provided through the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center.

The senior center is recognizing Farley because she's the longest serving homemaker in the county. She started when the senior center was located on Depot Street and has been a continuous face of comfort to many for the last 27 years.

“She is great,” said Kim West, a program coordinator at the senior center. “Shirley is very dependable, never complains about anything and everyone just loves her.”

Farley has about 10 homes that she visits on her weekly routine. It takes her about two full days to do the chores at those locations. She grocery shops for her clients, does laundry and cleans the home.

Farley is one three homemakers employed by PACS in Crittenden County.

Together they serve about 40 individuals.

“It's a service that allows them to stay at home as long as they can,” said Farley, a lifelong Crittenden County resident.

All of her clients are shut-ins. They don't drive, and often they don't have family nearby. Farley is often one of the few people with whom they have personal contact in a week's time.

“I want to keep doing this as long as they will let me. I'm fortunate to still be able to work,” she said.

She has become good friends with many of her clients and sometimes they call her at home.

“They always like to talk about the



Shirley Farley

Amnesty in September

Up to \$1,000 offered for info on road sign thefts

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Fiscal Court is partnering with Tipline and the Crittenden County Attorney's office to create a comprehensive campaign to stop road sign theft.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the problem has become such a public safety issue that extreme measures must be taken. Since spring, dozens of road signs, including stop signs and other critical guideposts have been stolen or vandalized, costing the county thousands of dollars.

In an attempt to get a handle on the problem, county leaders have agreed to give offenders a 30-day amnesty period through October.

“If they have a sign and bring it back, nothing will be said,” Magistrate Curt Buntin said. “After that it's full prosecution. We have to put some teeth in this to get it stopped.”

After the September amnesty period, there will be up to a \$1,000 reward offered for the arrest of those stealing road signs.



Look for posters, awareness programs in the community and a social and traditional media blitz from the county to get its message out about the amnesty program and potential criminal penalties facing those caught in the aftermath.

Magistrates say they're serious about it and so is County Attorney Rebecca Johnson, whose office is putting up half of the reward money.

Johnson said sign theft is creating potentially dangerous situations and has advised county leaders to replace any stolen traffic sign, especially stop signs, as soon as they are found to be missing.

County's share of jail expenses up, but expected to level out

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Detention Center needed an extra financial shot in the arm last fiscal year, but Jailer Robbie Kirk thinks that's an anomaly.

The detention center had major expenses in constructing the new 39-bed Restricted Custody Center (RCC) and there were some unexpected maintenance costs to the 10-year-old jail.

“There are some maintenance issues, but they are not astronomical,” Kirk said.

He said the jail had been trending toward less red ink in the past few years and thinks it will be back on that track once the RCC cost-revenue evens out. “It will be better, a lot better, than what it was (last year),” the jailer said.

The county supplemented the jail \$677,000 from its general fund in the last fiscal year, ending June 30. A year earlier, the county and jail had predicted only \$200,000 would be necessary from the county to make ends meet. In FY 2015-16, the county put about \$400,000 into the jail.

Kirk said a \$50,000 overrun on costs associated with building the RCC and difficulty get-

Jail Inmate Count

Numbers on July 17, 2017

Here is the inmate census as of last Thursday at the Crittenden County Detention Center. Figures are head count per classification and the amount the paying entity provides to the jail per day per inmate in that particular class.

Classification	No.	Fee/Bed
State Inmates	148	\$31.34
Federal Inmates	24	\$42.00
Other County Inmates	4	\$25.00
Work Release Inmates	2	\$32.00
Federal in Transit	9	\$42.00
Crittenden Inmates	12	0

ting it approved and open were largely responsible for last year fiscal year's shortfall at the jail.

A new contract for federal inmates and those additional beds at the RCC, Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said, should help eliminate some of the red ink going forward, but the aging jail will continue to be an issue.

“Things are failing, toilets are going bad and HVAC units are breaking down. That's just the nature of an aging facility,” the county judge said.

“The jail is working hard to be proactive to add revenue,” New-

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Raise your voice and be heard, but not in the courtroom

The courtroom.

It is perhaps the last bastion of decorum in this country where congregates a number of people at any given time; and often it is a melting pot of demographics.

Cell phones (at least their pings and rings) are prohibited. Turn them to culture mode or the bailiff quickly confiscates them for the remainder of the proceedings.

Chewing gum? Nope. At least not a blatant display of over chomping while standing before the judge.

No shorts, no tantalizing tank tops. Just not appropriate, so says the judge.

Underwear is to be kept under the outer garment in



court, as it should be on the street.

What granny called smart-aleck remarks are not tolerated. Outbursts of indiscretion will warrant contempt and in many cases a one-way ticket to jail or extra time in the slammer if you're already a customer.

Don't cross the person on

the throne. It's an age-old notion that recent generations have to an extent forgotten. In medieval times, beheadings were scheduled for those who defied the king's court. Nowadays, punishment is less severe, but prudent behavior is either exercised or disciplined quickly in the courtroom.

You stand when the judge enters, address him or her as "your honor" and don't interrupt.

As a people, we would be light years ahead if schools would return to such correctness. As a young lad, dad told me to keep my mouth shut at school unless I was called upon. If I got

into trouble at school it was my fault and not the teacher's. If they whipped me in school – which we no longer allow – then I got a followup spanking at home.

In courtrooms, respect is demanded and I like it. It's comfortable.

Yes, we live in a free country where freedom of expression is an inalienable right. Many have died and sacrificed for our right to those freedoms. We should cherish them, yet never abuse them.

Look no further for a pointed illustration of our freedom of expression than on social media, from professional athletes, demonstrators, movie stars and

heard some say. I simply think we're writing tomorrow's history today.

The challenge to all Americans is to respect those who want to be heard yet don't be afraid to make your own position known. It's one of those inalienable rights.

Raise your voice and be heard, except, mind you, when you're in the courtroom.

Chris Evans is publisher of this newspaper. He is also author of the book South of the Mouth of Sandy. His comments appear periodically in the newspaper.

Program makes education beyond high school easier than ever

By Jay K. Box

Why are there so many job openings in Kentucky that go unfilled?

Unfortunately, one of the main reasons is that employers cannot find qualified workers. Report after report shows this to be true. Yet, we see statistics that also tell us many Kentuckians of working age aren't going to work each day. Kentucky has one of the lowest workforce participation rates in the country.

Research shows there are several reasons for this disconnect between the number of people of working age who don't work and the number of job openings. This includes the number of people who can't pass a drug screen and a culture that does not seem to value higher education.

One of the major reasons behind this is our workforce

The author, Jay K. Box, is president of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.



does not have the education needed to fill today's jobs. In fact, the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS) recently conducted research with 3,000 Kentuckians from all parts of the state, which showed a large majority of working age people have no interest in college classes.

Kentucky's college-going rate needs improvement, to say the least. So how do you motivate people who aren't interested in college to earn a credential that can move

Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship

them into a better job? Our research tells us that time and cost are two of the biggest barriers to convincing these folks to get the education they need.

Now, the state has knocked down those barriers with a new program called the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship. Kentuckians can go to college tuition free to earn credentials in short-term programs in five in-demand business sectors. Those sectors are health care, advanced manufacturing, transportation/logistics, business services/information technology and construction/trades.

The 16 colleges of KCTCS offer hundreds of programs in these fields. Many of the programs can be completed in four months or less and

careers that don't require even an associate degree. For those who want to earn a degree, they can begin in a short-term program, earn credentials toward an associate degree and then transfer to one of our four-year partners, if that's their end goal.

The opportunity to earn a college credential at one of the 16 colleges of KCTCS has never been easier. The Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship covers up to 32 hours. Anyone who has not yet earned a college degree of any type is eligible for free tuition toward earning a certificate or diploma in one of the five sectors. There are no income or age limits to qualify. The only educational requirement to apply is a high school diploma or GED.

The scholarship is administered by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance

Authority. Prospective students must first apply for federal financial aid before they are eligible to apply for the Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship. For more information on KCTCS programs that qualify, visit WorkReadyKentucky.com.

The Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship is an important initiative the state is investing in. It's an investment in people, communities and the economy. We applaud lawmakers and the administration for their commitment to higher ed and making cost-saving options available to Kentuckians.

Now is the time Kentucky! Let's raise our education attainment levels and help people get good jobs in their local communities. Everyone wants a better life, and we are here to help them have it.

Letters to the Editor

MSU student social worker finds jail A+

To the editor:

I am currently a student attending Murray State University at their Henderson site through the social work program that they offer. Through two of my social work practice classes in the spring and summer semesters, I was required to complete types of volunteer work.

My plans with my major are to work as a corrections social worker, so my first instinct was to contact all the jails in the surrounding counties. After numerous phone calls and numerous dead ends, I finally made contact with Robbie Kirk, who is the jailer at Crittenden County Detention Center in Marion. He was extremely welcoming in allowing me to come there and see what the jail has to offer to help me complete my volunteer assignments. I want to write this letter to you to share my experiences in an effort to give the Crittenden County Detention Center the full credit that it truly deserves for what they are doing there.

Back in April, I drove down to the jail a couple of nights a week for four consecutive weeks. There, I spent most of my time with Class D Coordinator Assistant and Educator Krystal Brantley. I was absolutely amazed to see how progressive this specific facility is.

She teaches a vast array of classes for the inmates, including anger management, relapse prevention, trauma, parenting classes, etc., that vary from three months to six months. I also spent another 40 hours in June at the facility working with Krystal.

I sat in on most of the classes they hold at the facility, and I was genuinely moved by what they are trying to accomplish with the inmates there. Many of the classes give inmates a chance to speak on experiences and to share these experiences and hardships with their fellow inmates. They are able to take a look at the actions that got them to where they are, to take responsibility for those actions and to move on from them in a more positive direction.

During my last day at the facility, a new program offering Narcotics Anonymous and Alcoholics Anonymous meetings was made available to inmates. All of these programs and classes are not something offered at many facilities around here, but would be ultimately beneficial if used as a model for other facilities.

I must say it is also amazing to see how hard all of the correctional officers, the educational instructors and the jailer himself work to make this place run properly and to rehabilitate the inmates in an effort to lower rates of recidivism in the future.

There is a sense of respect in the facility I don't think you'd find in other places. The inmates respect the employees of the facility and vice versa. It's a facility that seems to be based on an honor system. By doing the programs you cannot only participate in therapy and rehabilitation, but you can also get good time off of your sentence upon completion. Also, many inmates are allowed to participate in the work programs where they mow the sides of the highways, pick up litter from the sides of the roads and clean different city buildings around the town of Marion.

It's hard to put my experiences into the right words to share, but I believe this facility really deserves public-

ity and credit for what it is currently trying to achieve. Crittenden County Detention Center is by far the most amazing corrections facility I've seen in the tri-state area. It's simply unlike any other.

I've seen the jailer pass out food trays and talk to the inmates. I've seen Krystal pull inmates out for counseling when they were in need of help. The walls are covered in painted murals and motivational quotes done by the inmates there. There is such a focus on progression in the terms of wanting the inmates to get better and wanting them to lead normal lives like any other citizen in the community.

It is amazing when you find a place that is focused much more on restorative justice than retributive justice. There is a quote that comes to mind when I think about corrections facilities: "An eye for an eye makes blind men of us all." I think of this because most facilities only focus is punishment and hardship, berating inmates for past actions, with no effort to make them better.

Crittenden County Detention Center stands apart from that. The staff sincerely wants the inmates to move forward to a better future for themselves, for their children and for their communities.

Allyssa Vittitow
Henderson, Ky.

Volunteers devoted to cemetery

To the editor:

It's hard to believe that it's been over a year since my last letter, where does time go? If you haven't been to the Mt. Zion Cemetery lately, you may want to make a

LettersPolicy

The Crittenden Press accepts and encourages letters to the editor on a variety of subjects. Letters should be submitted by 5 p.m., Friday the week before publication. Submissions must include only the author's name (no multiple names or groups), address, phone number and signature. Phone numbers will not be published. They are for our records only in order to authenticate a letter's author. Letters should be written in good taste and in most cases should not exceed 300 words. Letters will be edited for spelling and grammar and The Crittenden Press reserves the right to reject or edit letters for clarity, brevity and otherwise at our discretion.

trip. It is so serene and peaceful. The mowing has kept it looking beautiful this year.

This fall, we plan to trim trees and move more dirt, making it even more pleasant to those passing by or stopping in. Like I have said in past letters, the cemetery is maintained by a small perpetual care fund. The interest hasn't paid for the cost of mowing in several years now. We supplement what interest is made with donations from individuals like yourself who somehow have a tie to this little country cemetery.

When the fund was opened years ago, the interest rate was at 10 percent, which easily covered the annual cost of mowing. However, for the past several years, the fund has only earned 1.3 percent interest and now it will only earn 2.31 percent, which still will not cover the mowing.

I am appealing to each of you to donate to the care of the Mt. Zion Cemetery now and each year in order to help ensure the continual

maintenance of Mt. Zion now and throughout the coming years.

Volunteers have both worked and paid for dirt removal, gravel and for having it spread and leveled, trimmed limbs, cut down trees and removed them (so that they will not fall and damage our loved ones monuments), sprayed the fence line, removed trash, maintained the entry arch, pulled weeds and many other unseen necessities. However, these individuals are aging themselves and need your help.

Please consider making a donation now and each year with a check made payable

to the Mt. Zion Cemetery fund. This year, Mr. Beverly Herrin turned 90, the only remaining original board member and passed the torch of depositing funds and mailings for the cemetery to one of the Mt. Zion Cemetery Board Members: Colleen Harbour, 246 Cotton Patch Road, Marion, KY 42064.

We hope to hear from you soon. We each will one day join the ranks of those buried in this quaint, little cemetery. It is through their love that we have come.

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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.



Crittenden County Marching Band

Members of Crittenden County High School band are (seated front from left) Sara Jones, Anna Fesler, Lauryn Faulkner, Jesika Duncan, Timberlee Harris, (second row) director Lindsey Maddux, Charity Wolosonowich, Ethan Beverly, Sarah Anderson, Ally Newman, Dennon Wilson, Eli Moss, Samuel Winders, Dawson Doyle, Jacob Kelly and guard coach Alyssa Watkins, (third row) Clay Stevens, Caleb McDonald, Quinn Templeton, Ethan Shewmaker, Carsen Easley, Seth Sarles, Thomas Phillips, Caleb Estes, (back) Grace Roberts, Haylee Samuels, Gage Campbell, Cole Swinford, James Crider, Devin Doyle, Jaden Long, Nate Haire and Kenny Perry.



Local fabricator Todd Riley has made what he calls a “Rocket Cooker” for loan to local booster clubs conducting fundraising events. The grill is 18 feet long and will hold about 150 burgers at a time. It is made from a 250-gallon propane tank.

Cattlemen Donate to Canine Shelter

Kentucky Cattlemen’s Association awarded Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter with a \$1,000 grant from the Animal Shelter Assistance program last week. The Animal Shelter Assistance program is in its seventh year and was funded by the Kentucky Cattlemen’s Association. Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter plans on using the funds for vetting and altering of the animals in their care. “Our facility provides care and housing for Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon counties,” said Kristi Beavers, manager of the shelter. “This money will allow us to continue to spay and neuter animals as Mary Hall Ruddiman initially intended.” Pictured are shelter employees Amanda Alvis, Beavers and Brenda Miller.



Economic development group joins 3-county effort, pledging \$42K

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County and its neighbors appear to be in the economic development business. Leaders of the new coalition met in Marion last week and agreed to move forward with what, for the time being at least, will be called the Lake Barkley Economic Development Partnership.
Over the coming weeks, it will establish a job description for a paid director and begin searching for that individual, who will likely earn between \$60,000 and \$75,000, plus benefits. The group figures on having revenue of \$140,000 from public and private contributions.
Crittenden County has pledged \$42,000. Lyon County is committed to \$39,000 and Caldwell County \$58,800. The amounts were determined by a formula based on each county’s population.
As it appears now, Crittenden County will have five voting representatives to the partnership. Caldwell will likely have eight and Lyon five.
For now, the group is keeping the same name used by the previous Lyon-Caldwell partnership, hoping its association with the lakes area will provide a unique marketing concept. It will also keep the physical address which is to a post office box in Princeton.
Now that the ball is rolling toward a three-county economic development effort, the question for local leaders is where to come up with the additional funding to pay Crittenden’s share.
Plans are for the Crittenden County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) to con-

tinue as a viable entity – with its assets of industrial park real estate and the Marion Ed-Tech Center. The CCEDC plans to raise the additional funds it will need to join the Lake Barkley Partnership.
At this point, CCEDC has annual financial obligations of about \$35,000, according to information provided during its annual meeting in July.
According to a detailed report made public recently, the group took in investor revenue of \$56,650 in its fiscal year ending June 30, with about 70 percent of that funding coming from four major investors – Farmers Bank & Trust Co., Siemens, the City of Marion and Crittenden Fiscal Court. There are some other sources of revenue from rental income, but not much.
The local group will need to raise at least \$20,350 in new money to meet its pledged obligations to the collaborative group.
CCEDC owes about \$280,000 on property it bought in 2005, hoping to attract industry to land north of town where the Tyson Foods chicken-growing operation was once located. The group paid \$300,000 to get 105 acres, but it has only 90 acres left after deeding to the state 15 acres in 2011. The state has yet to pay for the property. The City of Marion has an option on up to 33 acres inside the park for construction of a new sewer plant, which could generate income to pay on the mortgage.
City and county officials had said in previous meetings that additional public funding isn’t likely to support economic development.

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Halle Berry
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Sat. 1:30, 4, 6:45, 9:15
Sun. 1:30, 4, 6:45
Mon.-Thurs. 6:30

Annabelle
Fri. 4, 6:45, 9:15
Sat. 1:30, 4, 6:45, 9:15
Sun. 1:30, 4, 6:45
Mon.-Thurs. 6:30

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Crittenden County Ed Tech Center
200 Industrial Drive
Marion, KY 42064

Visit comer.house.gov or call
(270) 487-9509 to learn more.

JAIL
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The jail’s new contract to house more federal prisoners means additional revenue. The federal government pays \$11 more a day for keeping inmates than the state does and the jail isn’t responsible for the medical expenses of federal inmates. The commonwealth

pays \$31.34 for its felons and the jail has to pay for their medical expenses.
The county judge says he’s confident that supplements in FY18 from the county’s general fund to the jail will be lower based on adjustments being made at the detention center and the additional revenue from the RCC.

Magistrates set 2017 Crittenden property tax rates

STAFF REPORT

County magistrates set the 2017 property tax rates last week during their regular monthly meeting at the courthouse.

Crittenden Countians will pay a real estate tax rate of 11.6 cents per \$100 of assessed value this fall. The rate was 11.5 cents last year and based on a Department of Revenue formula, the new rate will generate the same tax receipts as 2016's lower rate. The state calls this a "compensating" rate.

Local leaders left the tan-

Fiscal Court News

gible, watercraft and motor vehicle rates the same, 12.4 cents.

The county has never taxed aircraft or documented boats, but there was some discussion about considering planes because the local airport is starting to house a number of them. Based on tax rolls, there is only \$10,000 worth of documented boats here.

Magistrates agreed that

taxing aircraft this year was not appropriate, but did pledge to further review the possibility in the future.

Magistrate Curt Buntin wanted to go ahead and tax documented boats and planes this time, but was outnumbered.

•The road department has a number of projects under way, including a major base repair on Piney Fork School Road. The road was closed

part of this week while work is being done, and it will likely be shut down for about two weeks.

Valley View Road and Pickering Hill Road will also be getting some major repairs soon.

The road supervisor said crews are also currently spraying bridges and guard rails, fighting Johnson grass in several places. Road foreman Audi Maraman said crews are concentrating their work at places where motorist visibility is ham-

pered by vegetation. Mowing crews are also working in various parts of the county.

•Magistrates approved the appointment of Sheriff's Deputy Chuck Hoover as the new Crittenden County Emergency Management director. He will replace David Travis, who recently resigned from the post after more than seven years.

•Sean Thompson was affirmed as a new member of the Marin-Crittenden County Park Board, replacing Chris Evans, for a four-

year term.

•Magistrates approved a plan to declare a Kubota tractor as surplus property and to accept sealed bids on it. It has mechanical issues. They considered the same on a Galion grader, but decided to hold off on selling it right now and to try to make repairs. Having it for large snowfalls is a consideration in keeping it on hand, magistrates said. It also has some mechanical issues that are costly to repair.

Country Club Drive dominates council meeting again

A couple of Marion City Council members are not ready to give up on closing Country Club Drive.

Marion City Council members spent about 30 minutes at the opening of Monday's regular meeting listening to an appeal by Councilman Donnie Arflack to abolish the council's action to reopen Country Club Drive.

Arflack, who initiated the idea last month to close the road, cited Roberts Rules of Order in making an argument that the council used improper procedure in revisiting his original proposal, which was to repair the road and then close it to through traffic.

Arflack's original resolution was approved by a 4-2 vote at the regular July meeting. After objections from public agencies, including the school district and Chamber of Commerce, and from private citizens on social media, the council met in special session about a week later and reversed its earlier decision. Two council



Arflack

Marion City Council

members changed their votes, leaving Arflack and Councilman Darrin Tabor the only ones in dissent. They favored keeping the road closed until the Kentucky Department of Transportation takes it over. The state has shown no willingness at this point to do that, however.

Arflack argued Monday night that his original motion called for spending money to repair the road and then closing it. He favored repairing it only if it were to remain closed. The work had already begun by the time the council met a second time and decided to reopen the road.

Councilman Tabor agreed with Arflack. They were the only two council members to oppose reopening the road last month and both remain dissatisfied.

The city's legal counsel, Bart Frazer, said resolutions can be rescinded at any time and he did not believe the council's action to be improper. City Administrator Adam Ledford agreed, pointing out that a resolution is different than an ordinance.

"A resolution can be re-addressed at any time," Ledford said.

"Procedurally, I think this opens a Pandora's Box," Arflack said. "This flip has put us in a bind."

Mayor Jared Byford eventually put a stop to the discussion, saying "What's done is done."

He told Arflack that if he wanted to make a new motion to close the road and get a second to that proposal, the council would vote again. Otherwise, "we're going to move on," the mayor said.

Later in the meeting, Councilman Mike Byford asked if the city would consider lowering the speed limit on Country Club Drive. It is currently 45 mph. Ledford said he'd talk to the city police chief and streets director and bring a report back to the council. Byford asked that it be lowered to 35 mph.

In other business, the council appointed Linda Schumann and Wade Berry to the City of Marion Revolving Loan Fund.

The council also discussed a set of priorities it estab-

lished from a recent brainstorming session by city leaders. The priorities were listed as follows:

- Stronger Approach to Addressing the Local Drug Problem.
- Review City Staff Size and Department Organization.
- Increase Training Program.

Intermediate Priorities

- Update the City Water Plant.
- Create a City Branding Program.
- Address Conditions of Residential Properties.
- Address Conditions of Commercial Properties.
- Improve the Condition of the Storm Sewer System.
- Improve the Condition of City Streets.

Councilman Tabor disagreed with some of the priorities. He said the council does not need to micromanage the entire community.

"We need some schooling as to what our job up here really is," Tabor said. "Streets, public safety, infrastructure of city and overseeing finances. That's our job. When I look through (the priority list) I see a lot of things that are not our job."

Mineral museum bid acceptable second time around

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Fiscal Court last week reviewed new bids on the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum renovation project and selected a contractor. The county has a Community Development Block Grant to perform the work.

An early request for bids netted just one price so the county decided to rebid the project and it ended up saving several thousand dollars. This time, the low bid was from Princeton Lumber Company. Its bid was about \$35,000

less than the only bid received during the initial bidding process.

Four companies submitted bids this time.

Princeton Lumber's base bid was for \$274,000. Specifications for the entire project call for replacing a leaking roof, shoring up the building's structural integrity, making it compliant with the Americans With Disabilities Act and fixing exterior flatwork. With all of the add ons, Princeton Lumber's bid was \$309,150.40, the lowest submitted.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the architect has reviewed Princeton Lumber Company's bid and found it to be in order.

Newcom said the bid is significantly lower than the grant reward thereby leaving money for contingencies.

Magistrates gave the bid to Princeton Lumber Company, which has completed a few other projects in the community, including a recent renovation of Farmers Bank.

Local Food Bank needs to raise \$2K ASAP

STAFF REPORT

Food insecurity for at-risk groups is a real concern in poor communities across Kentucky, and Crittenden County is no different. That's why Crittenden County Food Bank has created an online fundraiser through RedBasket.org in order to help them purchase more items to, in turn, feed more people.

The organization hopes to raise hundreds of dollars beyond annual contributions from local government, churches and other groups or individuals.

RedBasket was created by Woodman Life and anyone who is a Woodman Life member and makes a donation up to \$25, Woodman will match the contribution, according to local Woodman representative Grant Rogers.

Since the food pantry was founded several decades ago, community needs have grown. It is the only independent food bank in the county and serves between 575 and 625 each month. Any family in need can visit the food bank each month to pick up a bag filled with groceries. Families with more than three people receive two bags of groceries.

Lately, there has been an increase in need in Crittenden County, so the food bank needs to add to its non-perishable goods.

"In a small town, people know what we do and they know they can rely on us," said Minnie Brown, co-coordinator of Crittenden County Food Bank.

To help offset the costs of replenishing their stock, the group has created the online fundraiser through RedBasket.org. They hope to raise \$2,000 to buy more canned goods. At press time, only \$135, or 6 percent, had been raised toward that goal.

This fundraiser will be online through Sept. 16. To

learn more or to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit <https://goo.gl/4ubx9z>.

Crittenden County Food Bank derives much of its funding from public sources. In the pantry's budget year that ended June 30, the City of Marion poured in \$4,800 and Crittenden Fiscal Court

added \$4,000, plus in-kind contributions totaling about \$4,500. Expected contributions from churches, businesses and individuals brought total revenue to \$21,000. That does not include another \$14,000 in food donations from local individuals, the Farm to Food

Bank Program and Hunters for the Hungry.

Expenses were estimated at \$19,500.

Distribution is held at 402 N. Walker St. in Marion from 8 a.m. to noon on the fourth Friday of each month. The next distribution is this Friday.

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Area Deaths

Ordway

Charlotte “Candy” Ellen Ordway, 85, died Aug. 1, 2017 in Daytona Beach, Fla. She was born on June 15, 1932 in Dycusburg to Geneva Ellen (Cooksey) Dycus and Mark Dycus, both of whom preceded her in death. She met Bruce Ordway at Frances High School in Crittenden County, where she was a cheerleader and he was a basketball player. They eloped at a young age and were married for 65 years. She was an account executive for Illinois Bell until her retirement in 1989. She was a member of the American Legion Post 430 Auxiliary Club. She and her husband raised their family in northwest Indiana.

Surviving are her children, Faye Renee Connelly and Gregory Bruce (Sharon) Ordway; five grandchildren, April (Rick) Spangler, William (fiancee, Jessica Hammond) Connelly, Brenton (Monica) Connelly, Rebecca Ordway and Camden Ordway; six great-grandchildren, Leah, Devin, Kaylyn, Nolan, Miles and Mathis.

A celebration of life service was held Aug. 12 at Chapel Lawn Funeral Home in Schererville, Ind., with Rev. Paul R. Anderson officiating.

Burial was at Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville, Ind.

Providence man among veterans inducted by Hall

The Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame on Tuesday announced the organization's fourth class of inductees will be inducted next month in Frankfort. Among them is Providence native Petty Officer 3rd Class Michael Whitfield.

The class represents all branches of the U.S. military and several different conflicts, including World War II. Four members will be inducted posthumously.

The 2017 Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame inductees are:

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Petty Officer 3rd Cl. Michael Whitfield, Providence

For more information and to nominate a Kentucky veteran to the Hall of Fame, visit kyveterans.org.

Walker

James Harold Walker, 82, of Georgetown died Friday, Aug. 18, 2017.

He was born in Marion, son of the late Kelsey and Ima Dollins Walker.

He retired from the civil service as a communications supervisor, he was a U.S. Army veteran and member of the Georgetown American Legion Post 24 Honor Guard.

In addition to Janet Garrett Walker, his wife of 47 years, he is survived by daughters, Christine (Ricky Yunker) Cox of Georgetown and Carol (Allen) Drewry of Franklin, Va.; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Winford Walker.

Services were private at Johnson Funeral Home in Georgetown.

Obituary Information

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PRESS EDITOR

An audit of Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent's tax settlement for 2015 highlighted a pair of areas where the agency should improve in its collection and distribution of property taxes. One concern is inherent with small public offices like the local sheriff's department.

State Auditor Mike Harmon last Thursday released the 2015 audit. Kentucky law requires the auditor to annually monitor accounts of county sheriffs. The auditor issues two sheriff's reports each year – one reporting on the audit of the sheriff's tax account and another reporting on the audit of the fee account used to operate the office. The 2015 fee audit was released in May.

The audit was for the period April 16, 2015, through April 15, 2016. It suggested no criminal malfeasance, but did indicate areas of noncompliance with state law and preferred accounting practices.

Among the problems found by Harmon's office, the sheriff did not ensure that tax collections were disbursed by 10th of each month. Law requires sheriffs to provide monthly reports to the judge-executive and districts for which the office collects taxes – school, library, health and Extension. The sheriff is also required to distribute the

funds to respective taxing districts for the period covered by the report.

"Due to weak internal controls, the Crittenden County Sheriff did not distribute franchise collections by the 10th day of each month," the audit report read. "The sheriff also did not distribute one additional bill by the tenth day of the month."

The same noncompliance with statutes was cited in the 2014 tax settlement audit.

"Taxing districts rely on these tax collections to provide public services, and these services could suffer as a result of not receiving tax collections in a timely manner," warned the audit report.

Agent ensured Harmon's office that measures will be taken to avoid the mistake in the future.

"We will take extra steps to correct this," Agent responded to auditors.

The other area inspectors found to be a concern is a recurring one, a lack of adequate duty segregation. In fact, the same weakness has been cited in each tax settlement audit dating back to 2002, save 2005, which could not be found on the state auditor's website.

"Due to a limited staff and the diversity of operations, the bookkeeper is required to perform multiple tasks such as the collection of cash from customers, deposit preparation, book-

keeping, bank reconciliations, preparation of monthly reports, the preparation of checks for disbursements and the preparation of the annual tax settlement," the audit read.

"We only have one person that works in the office and we are trying to work out a system to rectify this," responded Agent, who has been sheriff since 1999.

Inadequate segregation of duties or oversight, while a violation of no statute, increases the risk of undetected fraud and errors, auditors cautioned. The report went on to say that this is a problem with many public offices across the state with limited budgets and subsequent small staffs. Harmon suggests allowing Agent's three field deputies to share in some of the aforementioned duties and strengthening oversight by having another set of eyes reviewing monthly reports and comparing them to bank statements.

The sheriff's responsibilities include collecting property taxes, providing law enforcement and performing services for the county fiscal court and courts of justice. The sheriff's office is funded through statutory commissions and fees collected in conjunction with these duties.

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Another important benefit to pre-planning is that you get to look at different alternatives and consider different pricing options. We are always happy to provide cost estimates so that you can consider all the facts. Some people do decide to pre-pay once they have decided on their arrangements and there are various reasons for doing so. Sometimes it is to relieve family members from the financial burden. Others find peace of mind in knowing that the appropriate funds are set aside and taken care of. At Boyd's, we offer an option to lock-in today's prices so that the costs will not continue to increase over time, and we guarantee to provide the selected funeral for the amount in the trust at the time of death. However, not all funeral homes provide such a guarantee, so check with your local funeral home. It is important to ask your funeral home about payment options so you can make the decisions that are best for you and your family.

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Concentrating on Jesus’ love inspires contrition

BY FELTY YODER

It is only through Christ that we can be brought into harmony with God and holiness. When someone is convicted of sin and seeks forgiveness; we have the words of Peter in Acts 3:19, “Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.” Repentance includes sorrow for sin, and a turning away from such. True repentance is beyond the reach of our own power to accomplish. It is obtained from Christ who came full of grace and truth, that “as many as received Him, to them gave he Power to become the Sons of God.”

Sin is what separates us from God. God does not regard all sins as of equal magnitude. There are degrees of guilt in His estimation, as well as in that of man. But however small this or that wrong act may seem in the eyes of men, no sin is small in the sight of God. Man’s estimations are partial and imperfect, but God judges things the way they really are. Christ must be revealed to the sinner as the Savior dying for the sins of the world. And as we behold the Lamb of God as such, the mystery of redemption be-

gins to unfold in our minds, and the goodness of God leads us to repentance. In dying for sinners, Christ manifested a love that man cannot fully comprehend. As the sinner concentrates on this love, it softens the heart, impresses the mind and inspires contrition in the soul. Christ is the source that can implant in the heart, enmity against sin. Every desire for truth and purity, every conviction of our own sinfulness is evidence that His Spirit is moving upon our hearts. Men will not renounce sin unless we see its sinfulness. Then by faith and grace in the power of Christ, we turn away from it in heart, or there will be no real change in life.

There are many who fail to understand the true nature of repentance. There are multitudes who sorrow that they have sinned and even make an outward reformation because they fear their wrongdoing will bring judgement, suffering and condemnation. But such is not true repentance in the biblical sense, because they lament the suffering rather than the sin. That was the grief of such characters as Cain, Esau, Balaam and Judas Iscariot.

They acknowledge their guilt and were terrified of the judgement, but there was not genuine repentance for sin, no conversion of purpose and no abhorrence of evil.

On the other hand, where there is love for God and His

goodness, true repentance comes easy. After Simon Peter had denied his Lord and realized what he had done, he repented with bitter weeping. Likewise, king David who was a man after God’s own heart, repented with sincere and deep sorrow of sin, after the prophet pointed out the enormity of his transgression. He took responsibility and didn’t desire to escape the judgement. He longed to be restored to harmony and communion with God. His

prayer to God was not only for pardon, but also for purity of heart. In his many Psalms we find verses like, “Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.” And, purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean, wash me and I shall be whiter than snow.

(Editor’s note: Felty Yoder, of the Salem area, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.)

Weekly Devotion STEPPING STONES

By JOEY DURHAM
GUEST COLUMNIST

In this week’s devotional, I want to look at the fourth church which is the Church in Thyatira. Our text is Revelation 2:18-29, but I’ll use verse 18 for our text. “And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass.” (KJV)

This church represents the longest time period of the seven churches written to and also the longest letter addressed to the churches as well. The name “Thyatira” means “daughter” and is the only letter with a woman named in its content. The church period in Thyatira represents the little remnant church, struggling through the time period known as “The Dark Ages,” which is a matter of both secular and church history.

The Papal Church demanded total allegiance, while those who refused to recant complete faith in the finished work of Jesus Christ on the Cross at Calvary, and His victorious resurrection from the dead, were mar-

tyred for their faith in Jesus Christ.

This church is addressed by “The Son of God,” who is none other than Jesus Christ! His eyes are as a flame of fire and His feet like unto fine brass. This is the one and only upon whom the church is built, so the struggling remnant will know who their Savior is and in Whom their faith rests! The faithful in Thyatira were struggling against Papal persecutions, paralyzing compromise of unfaithful brethren and also the spirituality to love those who followed the Papal church. The Lord told this faithful little band of Christians, “Your works at the beginning was few, but at the end, they are outstanding!” At the end of this time period, God raised up men who protested unscriptural teachings of religion and exalted “The just shall live by faith” and not “the Church!” Men like Martin Luther, John Knox, John Wickliffe, John Huss, William Tyndale and others who believed God’s Word in Romans 1:17, above religious tradition and creeds. “For therein is the righteousness of God re-

vealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.” (KJV) Salvation is obtained and God’s righteousness is imputed to a believing sinner only in the victory of the shed blood of Jesus Christ! To this struggling remnant, the Son of God promised to those who

overcome the temptation to compromise or quit, when He returns in the Rapture, they will shine bright as the “morning star” while the “church” that was persecuting them would go into the Tribulation Period. Hallelujah! What a promise! Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Local Events & Outreach

- Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church, located on Ky. 506, will host a special service at 6 p.m., Aug. 27 to celebrate the 67th anniversary of Rev. Wendell Ordway's preaching ministry. The message by Rev. Ordway will be "40 Days with the Risen Lord" accompanied by special singing. Rev. Junior Martin and congregation invite everyone to attend.

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Pastor Tim Burdon
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Sunday morning worship, 11 am
Sunday evening worship, 6 pm
Wednesday evening worship, 6 pm
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College and Depot streets, Marion • 270.965.5232
Dr. Mike Jones, pastor
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Bro. Tommy Hodge, pastor
Sunday school 10 AM | Sunday worship 11 AM

Frances Community Church
Bro. Butch Gray • Bro. A.C. Hodge
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Sunday school - 10 am • Worship service - 11 am

Hurricane Church
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Bro. John Robertson, Pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m. • Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday and Wednesday evening services, 6:30 p.m.

School activities big part of 1930s community

SCHOOL NEWS
SEPTEMBER 1931
The once familiar one-room schoolhouses with the old potbelly stove, outdoor toilet and water drawn from a well and drank from a dipper have all disappeared from the countryside. Only the memories remain for those who attended these old schools, and although it sounds like harsh times, the memories are good ones to have.

In 1931, many of the county schools would send their activities to be published in The Crittenden Press. Let's take a look back at some of these news items that were shared with everyone in the Sept. 18 issue of that year.

Pleasant Grove
Last Friday ended the second month of school for Pleasant Grove and much progress has been made as was shown by the grades as well as the appearance of the school.

The PTA cast presented the play "Mr. Bob" in Lola auditorium Saturday night. A splendid reception was given by the Lola people and especially Proffessor Raymer. This was greatly appreciated, and we hope to have Lola visit us soon.

The pupils of Pleasant Grove are very enthused over the fair at Siloam, and we are planning to carry home a number of the laurels. A number of the former students of Pleasant Grove played ball with the school boys at recess Friday afternoon.

Charlie Curnell was hit with a ball Thursday at noon which caused her to faint.

Ruby Mae Gilliland has been absent from school part of last week on account of illness.

Ruby Lee Stalions was ill Friday and missed half of the day from school.

Siloam
The following pupils are on the honor roll for this month for making As and Bs on tests: Emmett Ray Brown, Wilma Lynn, Harvey Robertson, Mary Henry Yates, Ivan Yates, Edwin Gaualls, Reginald Lynn, George Fay Yandell, Pauline Qualls, Mae Belle Wilson, Martha Nell Hughes, Anna R. Bennett Charline York,

Dorothy Franks, Thomas Perryman, Charles Hughes, J.N. Croft, Tryce Perryman, Velda Robertson, Robt. Wilson, Lois Lynn, Robert O. York, C.W. Robertson, Doris Lynn, Dorothy Croft and Dorothy Conrad.

The school fair of this division will be held at Siloam school-house on Friday. The PTA will serve lunch.

Frances
The basketball team of France High School has recently been organized. The boys have elected Herbert Brown for their captain and are expecting to receive their new suits soon.

The enrollment is still increasing and bids fair to reach the 60-mark.

An orchestra has been organized in the high school and will meet every week for practice.

Evelyn Adams was absent from school the last week on account of illness.

White Hall
The following have perfect attendance for the second month of school: Idella Bealmear, Lucille Bealmear, Lonnie Bealmear, Georgia Nell Clayton, Evelyn Clayton, Thelma Clayton, Thelma Boyd, Geneva Boyd, Willie McCree, Bennie McCree, Bertie McCree, Kathrine McCree, Lorene Montgomery, Una Florence Shadowens, Norman Wheeler and Elmer Childress.

Mary Rogers gave a reading for chapel Friday morning.

Mr. Hadden visited our school Thursday and gave a talk we liked very much.

The first and second grades have been making health posters to be hung on the wall to make the school-room more attractive.

James Simpson has been out of school this week working on the farm. Rudolph Rogers has been ill this week but is better now.

The following students have all As for the second month of school: Jamie Ray Deboe, Homer Deboe, Mau-

rie Huston Kirk, Louise McCree, Mary A. Rogers and Ralph Holloman.

Dam 50
The Dam 50 School played a game of townball with the Heath School last Friday afternoon, ending with a score of 5-0 in favor of Dam 50.

The following were "A" students last month: Betty Jo Brewer, Charles A. James, Charles H. Truitt, Dorothy Brewer, Leona Truitt, Charline James, Pauline James, Lemah Watson and George Winders.

Billy Madison and Adaline Brantley are absent this week on account of illness.

The following students were neither absent nor tardy last month: Lemah Lee Bracey, Lovell Hatcher, Ollie Hughes, Eldon Ford, Junior Hatcher, Joe Lee Hughes, Elizabeth Rankin, Charles A. James, Charles H. Truitt, Ena Ford, Mary Evelyn Frost, Eva Day Hughes, Lillian Heine, Charline James, Pauline James, Lemah Watson and George Winders.

Hebron
A program was given by the school. Steven C. Foster's life was discussed by H.B. Fox and several of Foster's negro songs were given by the school. With their quaint costumes and black-face, the children were not easily recognized.

The primer, first, second and third grades gave some songs and drills. Jesse Wayne Alvis read "Kept In." Pasco Hardesty read "In School Days," Mildred Hardesty read "The Gingham Dog," Blanche Watson read "Sunshine" and Katherine Lanham read "The Owl and Pussy Cat."

After the school program, Mrs. Jesse Alvis, acting as chairman in the absence of the president, Mrs. Claude Springs, discussed "What Mothers May Expect of Teachers."

At the business meeting, the finance of the school was discussed and reports made on the subscription, chicken and change committees. Plans were made for a box supper and tacky party to be

given Friday night, Sept. 25. Prizes are to be given to the tackiest couple. Come and enjoy yourself.

The attendance record this past month is unusually good considering the busy time of year. Twenty-four primary students had 100 percent records and 14 intermediate pupils.

The school children cleaned the weeds, bushes, brush and other foreign objects from the playground Wednesday afternoon. A new draw bucket, flowerboxes and wall vases have been added to the school.

The Weekly Reader, Pathfinder, Outlook, Nature Magazine and Grade Teacher are being received each week and much interest is being taken in current topics.

A surprise package came from the Pepsodent Co. this week. It included sample of toothpaste, education materials on the care of the teeth, and figures of Amos 'n Andy, the Fresh Air Taxi Cab, Kingfish and Bill Day.

Bells Mines
The perfect attendance list contains, for the last month, the names of Glenn Holdman, Charles and Van Morrow, Illa and J.C. Newcom, Harvey L.D. Floyd, Jack Winston, Clyde Chancellor, Johnny May Hina, Katie Travis, Katherine Hina, Ruby Aaron, Violet Daily, Dorothy Newcomm, Edward Hugh Sheeley, Mary and Leonard Coker, Susie and Gladys Daily, Arthur Holdman, Jeff Lenn Dempsey, Imogene Newcom, Austin Daily and Shorty Vessell.

Two month of school closed Friday and the work is will under way. From present indications, we are going to have a successful year this time.

We are planning to attend in full force the pie and box supper to be given by Mrs. Edith Truitt's school at Dempsey Friday night.

James Holdman, after three weeks of illness, has returned to school.

Mrs. Gladys Dempsey was present and gave a reading in our chapel program last Friday.

We have had an ice cream supper that cleared us \$14 and are planning to have a box and pie supper Friday



Shady Grove School
Shady Grove, KY

Only the students who once attended Bells Mines (below), Shady Grove (above) and Hebron schools remember where they were located or perhaps remember their parents or grandparents talking about attending classes in these old buildings. Many good times and fond memories were made while attending these schools.



Bells Mines School
Located on Hwy. 365

night.

Shady Grove
The PTA met Thursday, Sept. 10, and elected new officers. They elected Mrs. Eula Tucker for president; Mrs. Verna Tudor, vice president; and Mrs. Edna Drennan, secretary. There were several old members present, and as they are now organizing, hope to have a large enrollment this year.

The high school has organized a Booster Club, by which they hope to give some entertainment for the benefit of the school. They have elected Hurlie Hubbard, president; Leda McDowell, vice president; Reba Hubbard, secretary; and Elden Fowler, sergeant-at-arms.

Mr. Edwin Hadden, superintendent of Crittenden County schools, visited the Shady Grove School last week.

Friday night, the grades will put on a program sponsored by Mr. Clifton Simpson, and Miss Rebecca Stewart. A Field Day will be held at Shady Grove in October.

From "The Little White Schoolhouse" by Ellis Ford Hartford: "Thankful may you be if it was yours to go to a county school. For those who have known it, it has incomparable value. It is filled with the initiative that makes life worth living."

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Society starving for elusive truth

"For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths." 2 Timothy 4:3 (Revised Standard Version)

Thanks to good parents, I've been reading the Bible all my life. It continues to delight me with those hidden bits of wisdom newly discovered. The above scripture, though thousands of years old, is more relevant to our times than ever before.

Today, America is drowning in information. But we are starving for truth.

In our confusing and uncertain times, we become frightened as we grope in the darkness. We quickly formulate and hold fast to our own opinion, as a drowning person might grab a life buoy. We lack the courage and faith to maintain open acceptance and we refuse to search long and hard for the facts before we draw conclusions.

We can all sympathize with Pontius Pilate in this regard. Frustrated and perplexed with the seemingly unreasonable clamor of the Jewish mob who wanted to put a peaceful and harmless itinerant preacher to death, he listened to the shouts and demands while trying to discern the facts. Exasperated, he finally threw up his hands in confusion and exclaimed, "What is truth?"

I've always felt a slight tinge of sympathy for Pilate. Any judge knows exactly how he felt. Most Americans today know how he felt.

What is truth? We have two types of citizens. There are those, who subconsciously, do not want to know the truth. They fear the truth. They are afraid that they will lose the security of the life buoy and fall back into the sea of uncertainty. These are the people "who wander into myth."

And then there are those who are deliberate in sifting through the evidence and slow to come to a conclusion until they are totally confident of the credibility of the source of information. Who is bearing this information? What bias do they bring? Are they fair and trustworthy? And even after reaching an opinion, they welcome a continual flow of new information and are not afraid to change their mind.

It's upon this latter group of citizens that the future of America depends.

Around the clock, we are bombarded with news blaring out from flat screens everywhere. And the media — especially television — is not interested in the truth. They are interested in the

ratings.They are interested in the profit margin. As my father said about a man who talked all the time, "a man that talks that much is bound to run out of truth." A television network spewing out news around the clock is certain to run out of truth.

The media is in the business to take information and select and parlay it along to the American public as entertainment. So, controversy is always their top billing. It is a reality of the childhood playground — a good fight always draws a crowd. So, the media — electronic primarily — agitates constant turmoil and friction, pitting race against race, men against women, Democrats against Republicans, liberals against conservatives...Americans against Americans. It draws a crowd to make more and more money by better ratings. It is human failing for us to be drawn, like the moth to the flame, to the sensationalized sex, racial strife, violence, and crime stories.

Senator John McCain recently recognized this. "Stop listening to the bombastic loudmouths on the radio and television and the internet...they don't want any-

thing done for the public good. Our incapacity is their livelihood."

MSNBC, CNN, ABC, CBS, Fox News. Quite frankly, I don't trust any of them. My proudest boast is my wife and five children. Next is that I've never written a check for cable television.

The toughest challenge for us today is not understanding information. It is obtaining truthful information. When television news was a service, ladled out in short, daily reports, and not entertainment — we trusted the messenger. Huntly and Brinkley, John Chancellor, Walter Cronkite, Douglas Edwards. They had a very short time in the evening to tell us what was important. And they did so and then got out of the way. We trusted them not to lie or deceive us. And, they didn't. At least, never intentionally.

So, we hack on through the dense undergrowth of media noise, trying to acquire enough knowledge of the world around us to make good decisions. It's not easy. But if we realize that the truth is elusive, and we are doing our best to track it down...that is a good start. Unfortunately, it seems that most of Americans never get that far.

**Justice Bill
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Kentucky Supreme Court

Benchmarks

Extension news

— A **budgeting and couponing class** will offer tips for saving money at the grocery store at 2 p.m., Aug. 30, at the Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 U.S. 60 E, Marion. Pre-register by calling (270) 965-5236. This class can count as a credit for Community Christmas.

— **Extension Homemaker**

— **Master Cattleman**

meetings will begin in September. These meetings offer informational lessons on various topics each month. Anyone interested in becoming a part of this organization is welcome. Dues are \$10/year. For more information, stop by the office located at 1534 U.S. 60 E, or call (270) 965-5236.

program will help your overall productivity and profitability. It will help you learn the ins and outs of marketing your beef cattle. For more information about this program please call Dee Brasher at 270-965-5236. Space is limited and classes will begin soon.

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Rocket band calling alumni

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Calendar

– **Burna American Legion** is collecting donated items for a yard sale to be held Oct. 5-7. Anyone needing to have items picked up may contact Terry Black at (270) 988-2865, Pat Peck at (270) 988-2278, Mary Black at (270) 988-3486 or Faye Gibson at (270) 988-2127. All proceeds will go toward upkeep of monument.

– **The Crittenden County Band** will host a cookout fundraising event from 10 a.m., to 4 p.m., Saturday at Conrad's parking lot. There will be pork chop sandwiches, hot dogs and drinks. The band will be performing at noon in the parking lot.

– **Marion's Carson Davidson National Guard Armory** will be having its annual reunion Sept. 9. All former and current members are welcome. For more information contact Rick Nelson (270) 704-5140 or Roger Lubben (270) 625-8867.

– **The Crittenden County Farm Bureau's** Annual Meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 12 at the Crittenden County Ed-Tech Center. Please call (270) 965-4624 or stop by the Farm Bureau office for reservations by Aug. 30.

– **The CCHS Class of 1964** will have a reunion picnic Sept. 9 at Riverview Park (formerly Dam 50) beginning at 1 p.m. A barbecue dinner will be served at 5 p.m. The cost is \$40 per couple or \$20 per single. RSVP along with remittance no later than Sept. 1 to Fred Brown, 351 Briarwood Drive, Marion, KY 42064. Please contact Minnie Brown at (270-) 704-2132 or minnielou45@att.net or Sandra Belt at (270) 704-1122 should you have additional questions.

– **The 61-year class** reunion of the **Crittenden County High School Class of 1956** has been scheduled for Sept. 2 at the Marion Cumberland Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 224 W. Bellville St., Marion. Doors open at 11 a.m. with a noon catered meal, cost \$20 per person. Please mail payment to Sarah Ford, 220 S. Weldon St. Marion, KY 42064. Deadline is Aug. 15.

– **In celebration of its 40-year reunion, Crittenden County High School Class of 1977** is organizing a multi-class reunion for the classes of 1975-1980 beginning at 6:30 p.m., Sept. 16 at Fohs Hall. Cost is \$20 per person payable at the door, which includes finger foods, soft drinks and music. Please RSVP for planning purposes by calling Phyllis O'Neal at (270) 556-3813 or Teena York at (270) 965-2749 by Sept. 5 or by posting on the Class of '77 Facebook page or the Multi-Class Reunion of '76, '77, '78, '79 and '80 Facebook page.

– **The 20-year class** reunion for **CCHS Class of 1997** is scheduled for 6 p.m., Sept. 9 at Drake Creek Golf Club, 1 Torrey Pines Dr., Ledbetter, Ky. Entertainment by Ridin Shotgun. Cost is \$30 per person. Please mail your payment in advance to Lee Anna Porter Boone c/o CCHS class of '97 P.O. Box 75, Crayne, KY 42033.

Submit your calendar item
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Wedding



Smiths exchange vows July 30

Stephen and Terri Smith were united in marriage July 30 at their home in Marion. Bro. Robert Woodring officiated the ceremony.

Mrs. Smith is employed by the Graves County Health Department and serves as a school nurse in the Crittenden County School District.

Mr. Smith is the owner of Mow Pro, Inc. and is employed by the Crittenden County School District.

Serving as attendants were the couple's children, Ellie Smith, Emmie Smith and Riley Smith and Travis Champion and Abigail Champion.

County applauded for eclipse atmosphere

August 21, 2017 allowed residents and visitors of Crittenden County to witness a seldom seen event. The day of the total solar eclipse has now come and gone but during the celestial show everyone that was privileged to witness the event was in awe!

I want to take this brief opportunity to offer my sincerest thanks to our law enforcement agencies, emergency management staff, emergency responders, state, county and city employees and all other volunteers of the airport board, park board, Chamber of Commerce and our local businesses and industries for your part in keeping our community safe and presentable during this historic event. It is not very often that we can host people not only from around the country but around the globe, and we did a great job!

Our community saw approximately 46 planes from around the country fly in to our airport, approximately 1,200-1,500 attended the City-County Park for viewing, we had approximately

40 vehicles and campers at Riverview Park and countless others with private viewings at their homes and hunting cabins. The courthouse lawn was full of eclipse watchers as was the library and city hall.

I was able to visit with people from Michigan, Ohio, Texas, North Carolina, South Carolina and Chicago Ill. I also spoke with others from our community that had the privilege to meet and speak with people from California, New Hampshire,

Pennsylvania, Florida, Georgia, Missouri, London, England and Indonesia. All seemed to enjoy our community and the quaint activities that were available which provided a more relaxed atmosphere for viewing the eclipse.

The common response from our visitors was they completely enjoyed our community and the fact that they did not have to deal with the mass crowds that were a part of the various concerts and Little Green Men eclipse events that were a part of other communities.



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Community Christmas classes required for participation

Anyone who plans to sign up for Christmas assistance through the Crittenden County Community Christmas Program, is required to complete three educational/enrichment classes by the end of September. Below are the credit classes that will be offered for August and September. Classes offered through September. Pre-registration is required to attend if listed. Community Christmas sign-ups for those with and without children will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Oct. 5- 6 at the Extension Office annex.

CROCHETING 101

A beginner class for those interested in learning to crochet. Presenter: Becky Zahrte, first and third Wednesday, Noon – 1 p.m., Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 US 60 E, Marion. Pre-register and get a supply list by calling (270) 965-5236.

BUDGETING/COUPONING

We will be discussing ways to save money at the

grocery store. Presenter: Sue Parrent, EFNEP, Aug. 30 2 p.m., Crittenden County Extension, 1534 US 60 E, Marion. Pre-register by calling (270) 965-5236.

RESUME BASICS

Learn how to format your resume for the best results! Presenter: Regina Merrick, Director of CCPL, Sept. 7 at 1:30 p.m., Crittenden County Public Library, 204 W Carlisle St. Pre-register by calling (270) 965-3354.

BABY SAFETY 101

Learn basic safety tips including: baby proofing your home, safe sleep for babies, car seat safety, poison control, medication safety and fire safety. Presenter: Renee Sizemore, RN and Kathy Thompson, RN, at 1 p.m., Sept. 11 at the Crittenden County Health Department, 190 Industrial Drive. Pre-register by calling (270) 965-5215.

WOMEN, HPV & CANCER

This program explains Human Papilloma Virus

(HPV) and the five (5) cancers and other diseases that are related to it. Presenter: Joan Lang, Sept. 12, 10 a.m., Crittenden County Extension Office, 1534 US 60 E, Marion. Pre-register by Sept. 8 by calling (270) 965-5236.

QPR TRAINING

We can all save lives, QPR Training can help you recognize the warning signs of suicide, know how to offer hope to someone in crisis and know how to get help and save a life. Chris Sparks, Sept. 13 at 10 a.m., Crittenden County Extension Office annex. Pre-register by Sept. 11 by calling the Extension Office at (270) 965-5236.

H2O WHAT TO KNOW

Learn what is in your favorite drink of choice and how to make better decisions. Presenter: Sue Parrent, Sept. 21 2 p.m., Crittenden County Extension, 1534 US Hwy 60 E, Marion. Pre-register by calling (270) 965-5236.



McDonald's awards technology grant

Neal Bryant, a sixth- and seventh-grade science teacher at Crittenden County Middle School (back center) received a \$2,000 Ronald McDonald House grant from McDonald's for the purchase of a classroom set of iPod shuffles and charging stations. The device will be used for kinesthetic learning, allowing students to hear content and instruction as they physically complete tasks inside and outside the classroom. Pictured front from left are McDonalds manager Stephanie Maness, students Payton Maness, Jalynn Hackney, Logan Bailey, Seth Guess, Alex Smurawa, (back) Anna Fesler, McDonald's executive Michelle Leech, Bryant, Kara Fulkerson, McDonald's owner Joe McEnaney and Chase Wesley.

Senior Menu

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. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

– Thursday (today): Menu is ham and bean soup, hot spiced beets, pear crisp and cornbread.

– Friday: Menu is baked spaghetti, broccoli salad, mandarin oranges, garlic breadstick.

Birthday cake will be served for August birthdays. Bingo with Penny from Humana begins at 10:30 a.m.

– Monday: Menu is beef stew, brown rice, cole slaw, cornbread with margarine and pineapple delight. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m.

– Tuesday: Menu is barbecue pork on bun, au gratin potatoes, cucumber salad and oatmeal raisin cookie.

– Aug. 30: Menu is beef pot roast, mashed potatoes with

brown gravy, squash casserole, wheat roll and peach cobbler. Bingo will begin at 10:30 a.m.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day.

Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center. The center is a service of Pennyrile Allied Community Services. Every day, the center at 210 N. Walker St. in Marion offers billiards, card games, Wii games and the use of exercise equipment. Call (270) 965-5229 for more information.

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Experts weigh in on what’s in store for football ‘Cats

Kentucky opens the football season Sept. 2 at Southern Mississippi with high expectations after a 7-6 season and bowl bid last year. The Wildcats have been picked as high as third in the Southeastern Conference Eastern Division by some college football analysts.

Kentucky coach Mark Stoops has said he expects the team to be better, and his players agree.

That’s why I asked a variety of in-state media members who cover Kentucky football what would be their biggest concern going into the season. In fairness, most answered before the season-ending injury to offensive lineman Cole Mosier.

Question: What’s your biggest concern for this team going into the season?

Tom Leach, Leach Report/UK Radio Network: “(Offensive lineman) Nick Haynes’ issue with keeping his weight up is a bit of a concern, given that I thought he was poised for a big year. Otherwise, the defensive line is the obvious one but I think replacing the experienced production of J.D. Harmon, Blake McClain and Marcus McWilson (in the secondary) is a question mark until we see players step up and assert themselves there.”

Freddie Maggard, Kentucky Sports Radio/UK Radio Network: “Identifying and utilizing offensive home run hitters to replace Jeff Badet and Boom Williams will be the common answer. Another is replacing center Jon Toth. However, all my legitimate concerns surround the defense but there are far fewer points of worry than years past. The defensive line is an open ended doubt, but the closer to Sept. 2nd we get, the more confident I’m becoming in the Wildcat’s front seven. I also think that replacing veteran secondary members J.D. Harmon, Marcus McWilson, and Blake McClain will be a more difficult chore than most are expecting.”

Rob Bromley, WKYT-TV sports anchor: “I think this staff has done a tremendous job and really looking ahead to not just this season but there is probably more hope for UK football long range than at any time since I’ve been here ... I’ve seen 40

seasons.

“Defensive line has to be the biggest concern along with punting which was inconsistent last season. There just isn’t a lot of experience returning up front. Denzil Ware and Adrian Middleton are proven players. Naquez Pringle and Matt Elam need to man the nose guard spot. It very much depends on how T.J. Carter, Kengera Daniel and Tymere Dubose can develop. They all have game experience. It’s hard to say how players red-shirted last season will help but they could. This is a position that UK has to keep recruiting heavily year after year.”

Mary Jo Ford, Mary Jo & Dan Radio Show host on ESPN Radio: “Oddly, my biggest concern is that this team will think too highly of itself. While last year ended up being very positive, and all the offseason talk has been positive, there’s still a ton of improvement that needs to happen for this team to keep moving up and trying to accomplish its goals. It’s so cliché to say ‘stay humble and hungry’, but that’s what this group needs to do.”

Ryan Lemond, Kentucky Sports Radio: “Underachieving. This could be a really special season. We have better coaches, better players, and a better schedule. The BBN is super excited about the upcoming season. That’s why they can’t underachieve this year. They HAVE to win the games they are supposed to win. They CAN’T lose to Vandy, Missouri or Southern Miss. The UK football team has come too far to take a step backwards this year.”

Keith Taylor, Kentucky Today: “The biggest concern I see going into the season is lack of experience on the defensive line and the ability to handle prosperity. Hopefully a couple of newcomers can contribute on the defensive line early and make an immediate impact. The Cats had a good season last year and have been very confident in fall camp, totally different vibe from the previous four preseason camps under Mark Stoops.”

Shawn Smith, gobigblue-country.com: “The major concern I see at this point would have to be the defensive line. That group struggled mightily last season, ranking 11th in the SEC in rushing yards allowed per game, while putting very little pressure on opposing quarterbacks. That has to change if Kentucky wants to climb the SEC ladder. Depth



Quade Green has already impressed Alabama freshman point guard Colin Sexton. (McDonald’s All-American Photo)

at that level is a question mark and they cannot afford injuries. Naquez Pringle and Adrian Middleton will be looked to as leaders up front, along with Matt Elam. Senior Jacob Hyde could also see some reps at nose guard, which would provide some much needed depth. If that group can be consistent, Kentucky could be in for a breakout season in the SEC. The D-line doesn’t have to be great; they just can’t be a liability like years past.

“The only other concern I see going into the season is the quarterback battle between Stephen Johnson and Drew Barker. All signs point to Johnson getting the nod to start the opener, but how long is the leash? I think Johnson deserves some wiggle room to begin the season, but it will be interesting to see his reaction if he struggles. I like the calmness and leadership Johnson brings to the offense and that should be enough to solidify him as the starting quarterback.

“Fans should have confidence in either guy, regardless of which one leads the offense. I just hope the fans don’t show their disapproval of Johnson or Barker if they make a mistake early in the season. Having quarterback depth is never an issue, unless the fans turn it into one by calling for a change. Kentucky has two games against Southern Miss and ECU to figure it out. The last thing Eddie Gran wants and needs is uncertainty surrounding the position heading into week three at South Carolina.”

Curtis Burch, Big Blue Insider/WLAP: “The biggest concern for the team is defensive line play, specifically stopping the run. The coaching staff have said them-

selves that is a major key to a successful season.”

Next week: Media members share their predictions on the key game for UK and what is a realistic record for fans to expect this season.

During his first season at Kentucky, Drew Barker had a few off-field moments he would rather forget — and he did put them behind him with his work on and off the field.

Now the junior quarterback is coming off back surgery and competing for playing time with Stephen Johnson as UK gets set to open the season. However, his maturity as a person is even more obvious than his improved play on the field coaches and teammates have been talking about.

“I try to hang out with younger guys and show them we do this, we don’t do that. Stay after practice with them and just show them the ropes a little bit. Maybe take them under my wings. I have really developed some good relationships,” Barker said.

“Once you see the opportunity you are being given and see regular students talk about how much student loans are, you really got to take advantage of this amazing opportunity. I have been trying to tell that to these young guys. Sometimes you just come in and get caught up with all football and SEC and all that stuff. But you need to take advantage of academics, too.”

Barker’s parents, Ellie and Terry, certainly have noticed the transformation since he arrived at UK at age 17 after graduating early from Conner High School in



Kentucky Sports Radio’s Ryan Lemond worries that UK football players like Benny Snell could celebrate too much and underachieve after having prosperity last season. (Jeff Houchin Photo)

December to enroll early in college.

“The change that has taken place in him watching him grow as a person and become a man in front of our eyes has been something. It has been neat,” Barker’s father, Terry, said. “He seems more relaxed, more confident right now. He had a heck of a struggle with his back.”

Terry Barker said the back issues started last summer before preseason practice. Some days were worse than others. His father said the mental stress at times wore on Barker as much as the physical pain.

Now he’s fine. His father knew that when they were playing golf this summer and his son “crushed the ball 300 yards” off the tee.

“All the torque you have to use is about the same as football,” Terry Barker said. “People kept asking him how he felt and he said he didn’t have one twinge of pain. Kudos to his doctor that did a wonderful job relocating the nerve that was causing down his left leg. I am just so happy for him. He’s winning in life now and that’s what really counts.”

John Calipari will be counting on freshman Quade Green to be his point guard this season and lead his inexperienced team.

One player he’ll face is Alabama signee Collin Sexton, another of the top point guards in the 2017 recruiting class. He was on the same team as Green at the McDonald’s All-American Game.

“Quade is a very good point guard. Always calm

and poised. You can’t rattle him. I feel like he gets up under you (on defense). We pushed each other in practice and we will get after each other next year, too,” Sexton said.

Sexton had played against Green before at Team USA camps.

“He is a very high motor player and is always talking out there. That’s what I like most about him. He’s a great leader,” Sexton said. “He plays very good defense all the time. If he scores or doesn’t, he is going to play defense. With Quade, that’s never going to change because all he really cares about is winning. That’s what makes him so good.”

Quote of the Week: “He is one of those guys who came to work every single day. Not only will we be missing his size, but his leadership. You could trust him anywhere. His time here is not over. He will still lead even though he cannot play,” Charles Walker on UK senior offensive lineman Cole Mosier after a knee injury ended his season.

Quote of the Week 2: “I have tried forever. I have tried different scenarios on how to do it. I just can’t do it no matter how hard I try or how I try to do it,” UK senior volleyball libero All-American Ashley Dusek on not being able to whistle.

Quote of the Week 3: “We’re our own worst enemy sometimes. We got to get through that. We can’t do that crap. We’ve got to fix those things. We’re mature enough to make sure that those things don’t happen,” UK offensive coordinator Eddie Gran on his offense.



Quarterback Drew Barker has impressed his parents with his maturity since arriving at UK.



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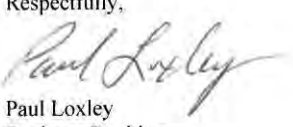
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Rockets blast Tennessee team to open season

STAFF REPORT

DOVER, Tenn. – If anything is going to slow down this Rocket offense, it’s going to have to be something from outside the Volunteer state and a bit more creative than Stewart County’s effort Friday night.

In its season-opener on the road, Crittenden County dispatched the Rebels 62-27 in their first ever meeting. And it really wasn’t that close.

“We felt like we were prepared and that’s a testament to our coaches,” said Rocket coach Al Starnes. “The execution of this group is great and it’s a fun group to coach. They are so enthusiastic and excited. And sure, it’s easy to be excited when you have success but Stewart County scored first. Then, we answered and scored on every offensive possession of the game.”

Junior quarterback Hunter Boone continued his assault on the Rocket record book with a single-game-tying five touchdown passes and he piled up 290 yards passing. He completed 14 of 20 passes and even his receivers would admit that a few of the misses should have been caught.

Crittenden fans were excited when their Rockets piled up 42 points in a pre-season scrimmage against 4A Calloway County. They are surely amazed with what the offense did against a Tennessee 3A team – scoring on every offensive series and ripping the Rebel secondary with wide open receptions and tackle-breaking moves after catches.

Junior Ethan Dossett, who missed part of last season after a broken collarbone, is making up for lost time. He caught two touchdown passes and finished with 128 yards on five receptions. The athleticism in Crittenden’s receiving corps is better and deeper than at any time in recent memory and their prowess flips over to the defensive side, too. Stewart County is a traditional ground-oriented team and had hoped to be a bit more versatile this season. However, the Rocket defense made sure that didn’t happen in week one. The Rebels got just 21 yards through the air.

Boone never has to look far for



PHOTO BY JESSI BREWER

Rocket junior running back Devon Nesbitt gets what is becoming a rare rushing opportunity during last week’s win. Crittenden ran the ball just 14 times to beat Stewart County. The rest of the offense was via air.

a set of capable hands with junior Gavin Dickerson catching balls out of the backfield and punishing would-be tacklers. He scored twice, once on a run and once after a reception. Junior Branen Lamey caught two touchdown passes and senior Cody Belt grabbed two receptions and nearly had a diving catch in the end zone for a score, but it rattled loose.

Another junior, Devon Nesbitt – the returning player of the year in the district – scored on the ground, and when his young backups came in to clean up the fourth quarter, freshman Lathen Easley broke a 41-yard carry then punched it across the goal line on the next play. Classmate Xander Tabor looked equally impressive running the ball late in the game.

Crittenden will get a week off to further explore its offensive genius and get ready for Trigg County to kickoff Labor Day weekend on Sept. 1 in Marion.

Follow the Rockets online each week at The-Press.com. The Rocket Football Website includes podcasts, detailed statistics, school records and much more.

SCORE BY QUARTERS	
Crittenden Co.	7 28 13 14
Stewart County	7 0 7 13
SCORING PLAYS	
S-Willie Reynolds 1 run (Cameron Jiminez kick) 3:48, 1st	
C-Branen Lamey 37 pass from Hunter Boone (Cody Belt kick) 3:48, 1st	
C-Devon Nesbitt 34 run (Belt kick) 11:12, 2nd	
C-Gavin Dickerson 11 pass from Boone (Belt kick) 7:18, 2nd	
C-Ethan Dossett 46 pass from Boone (Belt kick) 4:43, 2nd	
C-Boone 38 run (Belt kick) 1:25, 2nd	
C-Dickerson 16 run (Belt kick) 10:36, 3rd	
S-Reynolds 4 run (Jiminez kick) 4:17, 3rd	
C-Dossett 28 pass from Boone (Belt kick) 3:18, 3rd	
C-Lamey 26 pass from Boone (Belt kick) 9:54, 4th	
S-Dalton Stamper 16 run (kick failed) 6:39, 4th	
C-Lathen Easley 2 run (Noah Perkins kick) 1:14, 4th	
S-Landon Clark 76 kickoff return (Jiminez kick) :59, 4th	
TEAM TOTALS	
First Downs: Crittenden 11, Stewart 13	
Penalties: Crittenden 7-50, Stewart 4-20	
Rushing: Crittenden 14-190, Stewart 50-232	
Passing: Crittenden 14-20-0, 329 yds., Stewart 2-5-0, 21 yds.	
Total Yards: Crittenden 507, Stewart 253	
Fumbles/Lost: Crittenden 0-0, Stewart 2-2	



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Rocket junior Gavin Dickerson celebrates following one of his two touchdowns Friday night at Stewart County.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	
Rushing	
Crittenden: Nesbitt 4-38, Caden McCalister 1-(-1), Dickerson 2-28, Xander Tabor 4-32, Lathan Easley 2-43, Boone 1-38. Stewart: Stamper 18-122, Shaheem Davis 16-87, Reynolds 10-43, Jacob Wallace 1-2, Joshua McDonald 5-(-22).	
Passing	
Crittenden: Boone 12-18-0, 290 yds.; Nesbitt 1-1-0, 39 yds. Stewart: McDonald 2-5-0, 21 yds.	
Receiving	
Crittenden: Dossett 5-128, Cody Belt 2-51, Lamey 2-63, Dickerson 4-43, Mason Hunt 1-44. Stewart: Elijah Smith 1-6, C.J. Gale 1-15.	

Defense: Beavers 9 solos, 4 assists, TFL, caused fumbled, fumble recovery; Belt 4 solos; Birk 13 solos, assist, 2 sacks, TFL, caused fumble; Castiller solo, assist; Estes 5 solos, 4 assists, TFL, fumble recovery; Dickerson 7 solos, 7 assists; Dossett 2 solos, assist; Joyce 2 solos, 10 assists, TFL; O’Leary solo, 5 assists; Lamey assist; Nesbitt solo, 2 assists; Gobin 3 solos, 3 assists; Jones 6 solos, 2 assists, sack, McCalister solo; Winders solo, assist.

Players of the Game: Defense Brady Birk, Offense Ethan Dossett and Hunter Boone, Line-man Adam Beavers and Special Teams Cody Belt. **Records:** Crittenden 1-0, Stewart 0-1

Crittenden Fall Sports



PHOTO DARYL K. TABOR

The Lady Rockets dropped their volleyball match at Rocket Arena last week to Madisonville. The girls won their home-opening match Aug. 15 against Union County. Pictured are (clockwise from bottom) Kaitlyn Hicks, Brandy Book and Kristen Perryman.

Volleyball girls drop three in tournament

Crittenden County’s volleyball team lost all three games in Saturday’s Cardinals Classic at Smithland. In pool play, the Lady Rockets lost in straight sets to Mayfield and Webster County. In the single-elimination tournament portion of the event, Crittenden was defeated by host Livingston Central in three sets. The girls are now 1-4 on the season. CCHS played in the All A Classic Tuesday night at Caldwell County. Results were unavailable at press time.

Middle School Rockets fall in opener

The Rocket middle school football teams lost a doubleheader at Calloway County to open the season last Thursday. The Lakers beat Crittenden County 14-0 in the feature game with two long touchdown runs in the fourth quarter. Crittenden’s defense held firm until the 5:15 mark in the final period when Calloway broke a 53-yarder. The hosts scored with just over two minutes to go on an 85-yard breakaway TD. The Rockets lost 28-12 in the developmental game. The Rockets jumped ahead 12-0 in the first half behind touchdown passes from QB Seth Guess to Logan Bailey and Luke Mundy. However, Calloway had a quick running back that scored the Lakers’ next 28 unanswered points.

Feature Game Statistics: Rushing: Keifer Marshall 16-41, Preston Morgeson 2-1, Sammy Impastato 5-16, Tanner Beverly 5-7, Bryson Baker 2-1, Luke Crider 8-(-32). Passing: Crider 5-7-0, 19 yds. Receiving: Morgeson 1-10, Maddox Carlson 1-5, Marshall 1-(-2), Trace Derrington 1-1, Hayden Adamson 1-5. Tackles: Morgeson 8, fumble recovery; Bailey interception, Coleman Stone 2; Ben Evans 5, sack; Dylan Yates 5; Dalton Wood 4, Kaleb Nesbitt 1, Impastato 4, TFL, sack; Carlson 3, interception; Seth Guess 1, Derrington 1, Mundy 2. **Developmental Game Statistics:** Rushing: Nesbitt 9-63, Rowen Perkins 15-53, Guess 3-(-32). Passing: Guess 9-13-0, 143 yds. Receiving: Mundy 2-11, Baker 6-79, Bailey 1-53. Tackles: Guess 1, Zach Counts 1, sack; Case Gobin 4, 3 sacks, Brayden Hill 1, Beverly 1, Briley Berry 1.

Soccer girls fall by one in season-opener

The Lady Rocket soccer team lost 4-3 at Union County last week to open its season. The girls were scheduled to play Lyon in the All A Classic Tuesday.

SPORTS NOTES

YOUTH FOOTBALL Junior Pro Schedule Crittenden County Games

Aug. 26 Jamboree at Trigg Co.
Sept. 10 Union County Blue
Sept. 23 at Union Co. Black
Sept. 30 at Caldwell Co. White
Oct. 7 Trigg County Black
Oct. 21 at Webster County
Oct. 28 Caldwell County Gold

■ **Crittenden County Ducks Unlimited** will host its annual fundraising banquet and auction on Oct. 28. More details will be provided as the event nears.

■ **The Heritage at Marion Country Club** will host its signature medal play tournament, The Sycamore Hills Invitational, on Saturday and Sunday.

Crittenden County Middle School eighth-grade running back Keifer Marshall finds a little running room between blockers during last week’s season-opener at Calloway County. CCMS’s scheduled contest for Tuesday of this week was postponed until Thursday. It will be at Trigg County.



Members of the Crittenden County Rockets junior varsity golf team are (front from left) Asa McCord, Avery Belt, Jaxon Hatfield, Carsen Brown (back) coach Teresa Foster, Seth Riley, Jeremiah Foster, Evan Belt, Addie Hatfield and coach Vicki Hatfield.

Volleyball hosting camp for CCES students

Crittenden County High School’s volleyball team is hosting a youth volleyball camp Aug. 28-29 after school from 3:30 to 5 p.m., at Crittenden County Elementary School’s multi-purpose room. The camp is for grades 3-6. Campers will receive a T-shirt that gets them in free to the CCHS volleyball game Sept. 12 against Livingston Central. Campers will perform between the JV and varsity contests. Snacks will be provided during the camp. See a camp registration form on The Press Facebook page or ask for one at CCES.

Hunting Seasons

Squirrel	Aug. 19 - Nov. 10
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Archery Deer	Sept. 2 - Jan. 15
Canada Goose	Sept. 16 - Sept. 30
Wood Duck	Sept. 16 - Sept. 20
Teal	Sept. 16 - Sept. 24
Raccoon Hunt	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Crossbow	Oct. 1 - Oct. 22

Youth Deer	Oct. 14 - Oct. 15
Muzzleloader	Oct. 21 - Oct. 22
Crossbow	Nov. 11 - Dec. 31
Rifle Deer	Nov. 11 - Nov. 26
Fox	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Squirrel	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Rabbit	Nov. 13 - Feb. 10
Raccoon Trap	Nov. 13 - Feb. 28
Quail	Nov. 13 - Feb. 10

Duck	Nov. 23 - Nov. 26
Dove	Nov. 23 - Dec. 3
Canada Goose	Nov. 23 - Feb. 15
Bobcat	Nov. 25 - Feb. 28
Duck	Dec. 4 - Jan. 28
Muzzleloader	Dec. 9 - Dec. 17
Dove	Dec. 23 - Jan. 14
Free Youth Deer	Dec. 30 - Dec. 31
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 3 - Feb. 4

No Labor Day triathlon

There will be no youth triathlon held this year on Labor Day weekend. The organizers of the event have decided to only host it every other year. Therefore, 2017 will be the off year and plans are to have one in 2018.

Monday final day for delinquent properties to avoid potential lien

STAFF REPORT

Local real estate owners with a delinquent 2016 county property tax bill have until 9 a.m., Monday to pay what they owe or possibly face paying a third-party purchaser an inflated amount to satisfy a lien placed on the associated property. In some cases, this may end up costing the property owner hundreds of extra dollars above the over-due tax and penalties.

To avoid the potential sale of a delinquent tax bill on real property, owners must make payment to the county clerk before the sale takes place. That sale is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. Monday in the Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford's courthouse office.

There were more than \$49,000 in unpaid county property taxes from the 2016 tax year, cheating each of the county's five taxing districts out of thousands of dollars of operating revenue. The school district's portion of the lost revenue is almost \$33,000, enough to employ a teacher.

Byford said she has seen worse years for uncollected taxes.

"That's really not too bad," she said of the

\$49,190 in delinquent tax bills published last month in The Crittenden Press.

If delinquent taxes are not paid before that time, Kentucky law allows any individual or company to purchase tax bills. The third-party purchaser then has 50 days to give notice that the tax bill has been purchased. Payment must be sent directly to the purchaser, along with the associated penalties, fees and interest assessed by them after their purchase. If payment is not received, the third party can ultimately force a sale of the property.

Byford said she has seen delinquent tax bills double to satisfy the lien held by the third-party purchaser. Potential purchasers had to register with Byford's office and pay registration fees and a deposit before they could be eligible to buy delinquent tax bills next week.

"They have to cut a check for 25 percent of tax bills they want, and most of them list all of the tax bills, which could amount to \$10,000," Byford said.

The portion of that deposit not spent at the sale next week will be refunded to buyers.

Lost revenue

Last month, more than \$49,000 in unpaid 2016 county taxes were published in The Crittenden Press. Delinquent taxes cheat taxing districts – including the school system and fiscal court – out of revenue used to carry out their duties. A sale of delinquent tax bills scheduled for Monday will help each government entity recover some of their share.

SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT	APPROXIMATE DELINQUENT TAX SHARE
School.....	\$32,800
County	\$8,100
Library.....	\$3,600
Extension.....	\$2,600
Health	\$2,100

While the third-party purchases can create a burden for delinquent taxpayers, next week's tax sale benefits the local taxing districts who might otherwise miss their share of the revenue.

For tax bills not purchased by a third-party on Monday, the county retains the lien on the property. That lien, which continues to accrue penalties, must still be satisfied by the property owner. If not satisfied, the county attorney can force an eventual foreclosure on the property.

Juvenile birds make up majority of dove season's opening take

The morning fog we've seen a few times lately portends that fall hunting seasons are right around the corner. For many Kentuckians, the best time of year begins on Sept. 1, the traditional opener for dove season.

Dove hunting is a social event as old friends reunite while standing on the edge of a field, telling stories and keeping their eyes peeled for incoming birds. A plate of bacon wrapped grilled dove breasts finishes a great day afield.

"The good news is we had fewer violent storms this past summer, so dove reproduction was really good," said John Brunjes, migratory bird program coordinator for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "It should be a good season this year. I expect a rebound from the past two seasons."

Hit or miss hunting describes the last two dove seasons for many in Kentucky. "The last two years, certain fields were good, but others had few or no birds. We had poor reproduction. Those great fields were still great, but during good years, those other fields got a lot of spillover. But, during average or poor years for reproduction, those fields don't have birds."

The opening weekend is the dove season for many hunters. Brunjes explained that between 60 and 70 percent of the opening weekend harvest consists of juvenile birds.

"Young birds are more susceptible to harvest," he said. "When we have fewer young birds in the population, we harvest fewer birds on opening weekend."

Rain fell at the appropriate times for fields to thrive this year. "Sunflowers are looking great, so is corn," said Wes Little, migratory bird biologist for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. "The birds should have plenty to eat this coming season."

Scouting is primal for dove hunting success. "Ken-

tucky is a big state and things are not uniform," Brunjes said. "You must scout and see if the field you plan to hunt has good flowers and birds. Sometimes, you have a beautiful field, but no birds or the field looks great in July, but not so good by the end of August. It is worth your time to go a couple days ahead of the season to see."

Study how doves use the field you plan to hunt when scouting. Anyone with dove hunting experience knows the feeling of standing dejectedly along the edge of the field with a cold shotgun, while hunters on the other side of the field quickly get their limits.

"Watch where doves fly, if they are cutting across a field corner, following a powerline or landing in a particular tree," Brunjes said. "Doves also are drawn to patches of bare dirt in the field itself. On opening day, set up accordingly."

Doves on opening weekend are not yet acclimated to hunting pressure, but that does not mean hunters should wear a white t-shirt and brightly colored pants.

"I wear drab colored pants and a camo t-shirt for opening day," Brunjes said. "If you have something to hide behind such as a hay bale, use it. They can flare on you on opening day. As the season progresses, camo up more."

Brunjes also warns dove hunters using dogs to retrieve birds to make sure they do not overheat them. "Opening day is usually hot and dogs may not be used to working in such heat," he said. "Make sure to provide shade and plenty of water for your dog. Dogs perish every year from heat stroke on the opening weekend of dove season."

Hunting pressure and food availability push doves into new areas later in September and into October. "Silage corn fields should be good later in the season," Brunjes said. "They usually won't cut silage until we are

into September."

Brunjes also likes woolly fields laden with pokeberry, the purplish plant with berries that stain clothes. "Those weedy fields that you wouldn't think hold anything will draw lots of doves in the late season," he said. In addition to pokeberry, doves eat the seeds of foxtail and pigweed in overgrown fields.

Hunters in the field pursuing other species should look and see if these fallow fields draw doves later in the season. They could provide furious hunting in the last two segments of dove season.

The first segment of dove season closes Oct. 26. The second segment opens Nov. 23 and closes Dec. 3 while the final segment of dove season opens Dec. 23, 2017, and closes Jan. 14, 2018.

"Remember all migratory bird hunters must complete the Harvest Information Program survey and obtain their confirmation number before they are legal migratory bird hunters," Brunjes said.

The process takes less than 5 minutes. Log on to the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at www.fw.ky.gov and click on the "My Profile" tab to begin. In addition to the Harvest Information Program (HIP) confirmation number, dove hunters must possess a valid Kentucky hunting license as well as a Kentucky Migratory Game Bird-Waterfowl Permit to be legal hunters.

The 2017-2018 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Dove, Early Waterfowl, Woodcock, Snipe and Crow lists fields on public and private land open for public dove hunting. Paper copies of this guide are available free wherever you can buy hunting licenses. You may also view a printable version of this guide on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife website at www.fw.ky.gov.

Record high potential exists for 17 beans

The August Crop Production report from the USDA shows soybean production is forecast to be higher than 2016, make record high output of the crop. But winter wheat and hay production is anticipated to be way down.

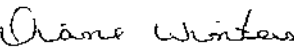
"Prospects for corn, soybeans and tobacco look promising at this point in the growing season," said David Knopf, director of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) Eastern Mountain Regional Office in Kentucky. "Favorable weather conditions have provided adequate soil moisture, heat

and limited disease pressure. With the start of harvest still a couple weeks away, it's too early to get really excited about the yields, but crop condition ratings have been as good or better than last year throughout the growing season."

Soybean production for Kentucky is forecast at 98.3 million bushels, an increase of 10 percent from 2016.

"Conditions remain favorable for soybean production," Knopf said. "If the yield forecast holds, it will be a record high yield and production."

CRITTENDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

REVENUES		
Revenue from local sources:		
Taxation revenue	2,642,198	
Investment earnings	1,727	
Other revenue	187,605	
Total revenue from local sources		2,831,530
Revenue from state sources		6,456,701
Revenue from federal sources		1,787,559
Transfers and on-behalf payments		3,177,542
 TOTAL REVENUES		 14,253,332
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries by category:		
Instructional	4,295,017.00	
Student Support Services	391,173.00	
Instructional Staff Support Services	458,130.00	
District Administrative Support	229,245.00	
School Administrative Support	587,338.00	
Business Support Services	97,872.00	
Plant Operations and Maintenance	402,802.00	
Student Transportation	376,483.00	
Community Service	63,072.00	
Day Care Operations	25,649.00	
Food Service	240,703.00	
Total Salaries		7,167,484.00
Vendor payments		2,993,036.00
Transfers and on-behalf payments		4,053,276.00
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES		 14,213,796
 NET INCREASE/DECREASE IN NET ASSETS/FUND BALANCES		 39,536
 All of the information in theis report is a true and accurate account of the revenue and expenditures of the school district as of June 30, 2017.		
		
Diane Winters, Finance Officer Crittenden County Board of Education		

Vendor Payments Exceeding \$1000 for 2016-2017		
Vendor Name	YTD Purchases	
AAEC, INC.	1,740.40	
ACADEMIC SUCCESS CENTER OF KY, LLC	2,399.00	
ACHIEVE 3000	5,000.00	
AMERICAN BUS & ACCESSORIES	9,151.92	
APPLE COMPUTER INC	6,160.65	
ASBRIDGE SEALING	2,720.00	
ASSET GENIE, INC.	2,830.00	
AT&T MOBILITY	1,109.22	
ATMOS ENERGY	23,740.77	
AUDUBON AREA HEAD START	7,649.42	
B&H PHOTO VIDEO	8,131.39	
BALFOUR	2,920.39	
BANK OF NEW YORK TRUST CO.	408,270.07	
BARREN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	17,500.00	
BLACK EQUIPMENT CO.	1,039.85	
BRAINPOP, LLC	1,995.00	
BRIDGEFIELD CASUALTY INSURANCE CO.	41,750.96	
CARDINAL WORKPLACE SOLUTIONS	5,626.69	
CCHS PROJECT GRADUATION	1,000.00	
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	34,129.60	
CENTRAL STATES BUS SALES, INC.	3,111.32	
CMi HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING	35,391.91	
COMMERCIAL DOOR AND HARDWARE	5,308.63	
COMMUNICATIONS INC.	1,431.44	
COMPETITIVE ACTION SPORTS, LLC	1,478.00	
CONRAD'S FOOD STORE	2,230.75	
COOLE SCHOOL	1,026.80	
CREATIVE IMAGE TECHNOLOGIES	4,239.50	
CRITT.CO. FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM	1,339.61	
CRITTENDEN CO. ED TECH CENTER	2,500.00	
CRITTENDEN COUNTY SHERIFF	73,143.04	
CRITTENDEN HEALTH SYSTEMS	16,162.27	
THE CRITTENDEN PRESS	3,616.00	
CRS OSOURCE	278,076.16	
CURRICULUM ASSOCIATES, INC.	46,705.42	
DENNIS DRIVER	12,650.00	
DIANA LUSBY	1,685.16	
DICK BLICK	1,874.77	
DIGITAL RIVER, INC.	2,496.00	
EDGENUITY, INC.	5,000.00	
EDMENTUM	10,094.70	
ENSITE, LLC	3,867.00	
EXTREME NETWORKS, INC.	22,096.79	
FASTANEL COMPANY	1,031.70	
FIFTH THIRD BANK	234,443.68	
FIRE SAFE HOOD CLEANING	1,632.00	
FIRST LINE FIRE EXTINGUISHER COMPAN	2,690.05	
FLEET ONE	5,687.24	
FOOD GIANT	1,214.93	
FREEDOM WASTE SERVICE	23,320.99	
FREY SCIENTIFIC	1,171.18	
FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES	6,055.20	
GCS SERVICE, INC.	1,382.89	
GEAR UP CYCLES, LLC	1,603.00	
GO GREEN LAWN CARE	12,250.03	
GRAVES COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH	70,000.00	
GREENWELL, FRAZER & PEEK LLC	18,889.04	
GREG BINKLEY	1,495.88	
GRREC	10,747.63	
H & H SUPPLY	51,710.10	
HAULERS SUPPLY INC	3,888.39	
HEARTLAND PAYMENT SYSTEMS, INC.	3,040.09	
HILLYARD CO.	4,235.60	
HOBBY LOBBY	1,281.63	
HOLLY WHITE	1,292.04	
HOME OIL & GAS COMPANY	27,897.40	
HOUGHTON MIFFLIN	2,740.63	
HOWARD D. HAPPY COMPANY	17,686.20	
HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK	157,061.30	
INFINITE CAMPUS	19,938.76	
INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP	3,920.00	
JACKSON KNOB FIREARMS	2,500.00	
JEANNE KIRK	1,032.78	
JOHNSONS	1,534.95	
JOHNSTONE OF PADUCAH	3,296.24	
K A S A	4,857.33	
KY ASSOC. OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS	3,500.00	
K9 RESOURCES	8,856.00	
KAGAN	13,253.88	
KAPLAN SCHOOL SUPPLY CORP	1,669.16	
KENTUCKY STATE TREASURER	3,500.00	
KENTUCKY STATE TREASURER	2,000.00	
KENTUCKY STATE TREASURER	1,923.00	
KENTUCKY UTILITIES COMPANY	243,727.29	
KENWAY DISTRIBUTORS	52,255.22	
KHSCA	1,740.00	
KIMBALL MIDWEST	4,715.81	
KSBA	14,259.56	
KSBIT-WORKERS COMPENSATION FUND	8,625.00	
KY ASSOC OF SCHOOL COUNCILS	1,750.00	
KY FCCLA	1,047.00	
KY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION	1,200.00	
KENTUCKY RETIREMENT SYSTEMS	2,235.30	
KYSTE	1,632.00	
LAKESHORE CURRICULUM MATERIALS	1,485.76	
LEARNING RAILROAD	2,307.34	
LENSING BUILDING SPECIALTIES, INC.	1,148.75	
LEXINGTON CHILDREN'S THEATRE	1,407.00	
LINWOOD CHEVROLET	18,385.00	
LOUISVILLE ZOO	1,400.00	
M AND MAC AUTO PARTS	9,651.08	
MADISONVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	4,496.66	
MARION CRITTENDEN CO PARK BD	6,500.00	
MARION TRUE VALUE HDW.	11,089.60	
MARION WATER & SEWER DEPT.	25,021.21	
MARK'S PLUMBING PARTS	1,112.51	
MARTIN FLOORING CO., INC.	2,285.00	
MASTERY CONNECT, INC.	7,057.50	
MAZANEC, RASKIN & RYDER CO., LPA	1,200.00	
MEDCO SUPPLY COMPANY	2,504.38	
METCALFE LANDSCAPING	1,771.50	
MIDWEST SECURITY SERVICES	31,453.99	
MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY	3,646.32	
MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY	11,478.00	
MUSIC CENTRAL INC	1,114.30	
N2Y	1,437.00	
NASCO	8,070.61	
NATIONAL AIR & SPACE EDU INSTITUTE	4,750.00	
NETCHEMIA	1,004.38	
OFFICE DEPOT CREDIT PLAN	2,399.73	
ORIENTAL TRADING	1,904.46	
PADUCAH POWER SYSTEM	11,400.00	
PEARSON EDUCATION	6,859.24	
PEOPLE ADMIN	10,810.00	
PERMA BOUND BOOKS	4,661.65	
PERRYS FLOORS AND MORE	1,747.00	
PHP LOCKER COMPANY	2,548.00	
PITNEY BOWES INC	3,230.26	
POMERROY COMPUTER RESOURCES	141,829.49	
POWER MACHINERY AND IMPLEMENT, INC.	1,761.55	
PRAIRIE FARMS, INC.	47,167.50	
PREMIER AGENDAS, INC.	2,794.60	
PREMIER FIRE PROTECTION, INC.	2,770.40	
PRINCETON LUMBER COMPANY, INC.	2,750.00	
PROVEN LEARNING	2,782.50	
PSST, LLC	1,475.30	
PURCELL TIRE CO.	10,428.35	
QUILL CORPORATION	19,956.24	
R.J. ROBERTS, INC.	54,333.33	
RBS DESIGN GROUP	24,794.89	
REALITY WORKS	1,944.35	
REALLY GOOD STUFF	1,855.89	
RICOH USA, INC.	4,208.70	
RICOH USA, INC.	9,162.90	
RIVER REGION PROPANE GAS, INC.	18,643.12	
ROBY'S COUNTRY GARDEN, INC.	11,460.34	
SAFETY KLEEN	1,060.67	
SCENARIO LEARNING, LLC	2,145.00	
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUBS	11,161.73	
SCHOLASTIC MAGAZINES	1,739.77	
SCHOOL SPECIALTY	1,785.58	
SCHOOLDUDE.COM	4,296.05	
SHOPKO	3,632.88	
SIGNS ON MAIN STREET	2,975.00	
SIMPLEXGRINNELL LP	13,543.43	
SIMPLIPH, INC.	3,216.37	
SKEETER KELL SPORTING GOODS	2,827.88	
SPORTABLE SCOREBOARDS	1,600.00	
STACEY OWEN CONSULTING	1,708.14	
STEM TEACHING KITS LLC	2,152.52	
STEMFINITY, INC.	15,251.85	
SUPER DUPER SCHOOL CO	1,407.37	
SUPERIOR TROPHIES & SCREEN PRINTING	1,629.92	
SUPPLY SOLUTIONS	1,103.82	
TCI	2,646.00	
TEACHING STRATEGIES, INC.	2,149.00	
TERMINIX INTERNATIONAL	4,104.00	
TONY FRANKLIN COMPANY	1,495.00	
TONYA DRIVER	1,519.80	
TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	2,760.68	
TRAVIS SCHOOL EQUIPMENT	12,544.76	
TRI-RIVERS HEALTHCARE, PLLC	2,830.00	
TRI-STATE INTERNATIONAL TRUCKS	12,248.13	
TRU COLOR GRAPHICS	2,118.00	
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	5,967.23	
US GAMES	2,126.43	
VARSITY SCOREBOARDS	3,292.50	
VERITIV	10,892.64	
VINCE CLARK	2,585.88	
WEBSTER COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION	16,392.92	
WEST KENTUCKY EDUCATIONAL COOP	12,289.33	
WEST KY COMM & TECH COLLEGE	2,911.63	
WHAYNE SUPPLY	5,935.65	
WRITE BRAIN LLC	5,033.98	



Sun's hiatus brings Marion into full view

Visitors sought out smaller crowds with totality in mind

BY CHRIS EVANS
PRESS PUBLISHER

Most of the visitors who converged upon Marion for Monday's solar eclipse had one thing in common. They were looking for total darkness and smaller crowds.

"We thought about Hopkinsville, but we wanted something a little more low key," said Charlie Drubert of Warsaw, Ind.

Shade-tree astronomers, some called themselves. One woman from Albany, Ind., was a retired science teacher. She and her husband had driven most of the way here on Sunday then stayed overnight in Princeton, Ind.

"We left at 6 a.m., to beat the rush of traffic," said the woman.

A few hundred people set up their observation stations at Marion-Crittenden County Park, including about 15 graduate students from Indiana University. They chose Marion because the



Hundreds of people showed up in Marion Monday to watch the eclipse, most went to the park (at top). A couple of adventure seekers found a quiet spot on the new highway south of town and the airport was packed with people.



length of totality of darkness and what they had hoped would be smaller crowds, said Samantha Brunker.

"We were going to set up in the Food Giant parking lot until we saw the sign pointing to the park," said Ryan Lambert, one of the grad students. "This is perfect. Just what we were hoping for."

Phil Halper of London, England and his sidekick Amr El-Shafi, an Egyptian who now lives in Arkansas, found a quieter spot to set up their cameras and video equipment. The roadbed of the new U.S. 641 provided a perfect venue for their sophisticated operation. They're adventurers who met chasing storms in Oklahoma. They travel the globe looking for excitement. Next stop will be the Galápagos Islands.

Halper is a former financial consultant and real estate entrepreneur and El-Shafi a cardiologist by profession.

"Experiences stay with you. That's what we're looking for – an experience," said Halper. "Studies show that we

should spend our money on experiences, not toys."

The two also have had their photography published in National Geographic, The Guardian and on BBC.

"But we don't do it for the money. Fifty pounds for a picture isn't income," Halper said.

At Marion-Crittenden County Airport about 47 planes landed and their crews and passengers were on the ground for a few hours to watch the eclipse.

"It was interesting to listen to air traffic control (out of Memphis)," said Daun Yeagley of Ohio, who flew in from Ohio. "It was like going into LaGuardia Airport."

Chamber of Commerce official said people from Israel, France, Scotland, Germany and Australia were here.

As far as anyone knows, there was no serious mishaps, injuries or major transportation issues during the brief influx of people.

SolarFest

Keeping it Weird



PHOTOS BY ELLIOT EVANS

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce hosted an event it billed as SolarFest: Keeping it Weird at the park Saturday. There was a big crowd and lots of interesting opportunities for the whole family. Pictured at top is palm reader (aka Kathleen Guess from the public library), in the middle photo are volunteer firefighters giving some youngsters a chance to handle the high-pressure hose and (at bottom) are H&H Supply representatives manning a costume contest booth and showing off some aliens made out of PVC pipe.

Reflecting on lasting last assignment

Internship, BIG3 solidify cub reporter's role

BY BLAKE SANDLIN
PRESS INTERN

Over one weekend in early August, I somehow maneuvered my way into receiving press credentials for the BIG3 in Lexington, a professional 3-on-3 basketball league featuring former NBA players. I had no business being there, being an unseasoned 19-year-old college student from Marshall County, inept at the inner-workings of the big-league journalists. But being the basketball fan I am, I couldn't pass up the opportunity.

While there, I got to sit in press conferences with NBA greats like Mike Bibby and Gary Payton, meet my favorite current player Rajon Rondo, and even come face-to-face with the league's creator, Ice Cube. While all of that was great, and trust me, I was star-struck the whole time, what I valued most from the experience was the assurance it gave me.

People don't expect college students to know what they're doing with their lives, and for many, their journey through college is plagued with storms of uncertainty and doubt. My friend, for example, changed her mind on a major almost daily, even conducting polls on Twitter in hopes of realizing her passion for a potential field of study. If you've been in college yourself, it's basically mandatory to have indecision about your future, no

matter how passionate or knowledgeable you are.

"Will I make enough money in this field?" "Will I be able to find a job after college?" or "Am I even qualified to pursue this major?" are all questions that circle your head throughout college. But for most people, there comes a point in their quest through higher education where they have THAT moment. The moment where all the doubts fade away, the anxiety cripples and the stars begin to align. For someone in the medical field, it might be seeing healing in a patient at the hands of their treatment. For a construction worker, seeing their labor materialize at the completion of a building.

I had my moment at this event. Seeing my infatuation with sports, journalism and professional athletes and entertainers culminate in the BIG3 spectacle gave me all the affirmation I needed for the direction of my life. But this feeling of assuredness in the direction of my life wasn't born that particular weekend, it's a feeling that has been blossoming ever since I began my internship in Marion. Being in a place so reliant on their weekly newspaper has given me a renewed perspective on the role of journalism in the lives of readers and helped me to realize how rewarding it is to tell the captivating stories of others.

No one wants to wake up one day discontent and unfulfilled because they chose to pursue a career they weren't passionate about, so to find assurance and conviction so early in life is such a fortunate and invaluable



Marshall County native and Murray State journalism student Blake Sandlin completed his summer internship at The Press by covering a "big league" basketball event in Lexington.

experience that I hope everyone can find. After my experience in Lexington, I know what my desired destination looks like, and I'm thankful

to places like The Crittenden Press that are all a part of the ride.

FARLEY

Continued from page 1

older days when they were younger and the hard times that they had," said Farley. "It's all interesting to me."

Farley and her husband, Kenny, have two children

and four grandchildren, but says the people she serves on the job are like family, too.

There is a waiting list to enroll in these types of PACS services and clients must qualify based on need, West said.

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HERE WE GO girls. I haven't had a yard sale in three years. Got to get three buildings cleaned out. Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m.-?. Lots of home decor, nice, tall flower pot, vintage and antiques, rocker, chairs, bench and other furniture, big metal Tonka trucks and digger. Nice clothes priced to sell and much more. Take U.S. 641 to Ky. 70, turn and go one mile to Mexico until you see white fence on left. Start slowing down and turn onto Mill Road on the left. House is second house on left. There will be signs. Valerie Roberson, Don and Ross will meet you there. (1t-8p)

MOVING SALE, 114 N. College St., Marion. Saturday only, 7:30 a.m.-? Patio furniture, grill, dishes and numerous other items. (1t-8p)

Saturday 7 a.m.-? 168 Nipper Rd., off Chapel Hill, Marion. Children's and adult clothes, toys, decor, accessories, misc. (1t-8p)

YARD SALE 313 East Belleville Thursday, Friday and Saturday 9am to ? Men's, women's and baby items all sizes! Also lots of misc. Clothes, shoes, furniture! No early birds. (1t8ame)

services

VALLEY VIEW Windows, custom built vinyl windows for new construction and replacement; pole barns, re-roofing, decks and doors; free estimates. See Aquila A. Yoder, 1240 Valley View Rd., Marion, KY. (19t-25-p)

Dozer and backhoe work, ponds, clearing, Bluegrass Vinyl and Dozing, Marion, Ky., (270) 965-5803. (tfc)

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legal notice

Notice is hereby given that on August 16, 2017, Nicholas Johnson of 110 Arleen Street, Marion, Ky. 42064 was appointed executor of Laura Conrad, deceased, whose address was 301 West Bellville Street, Marion, Ky. 42064. Rebecca Johnson, attorney.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executor before the 16th day of February, 2018 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-8-c)

I, Melissa Guill, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, Ky. do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Jaretta Haire of 378 Meadow Creek Road, Sturgis, Ky. 42459, administratrix of Toby W. Knoth, deceased, whose address was 201 Watson Street, Marion, Ky. 42064. The foregoing Settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on September 20, 2017. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once. Melissa Guill, Clerk Crittenden District Court (1t-8-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION 16-CI-00113
DITECH FINANCIAL, LLC
PLAINTIFF
VS.
PATTY GREGORY
AKA PATTI GREGORY
SPOUSES OF UNKNOWN
HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATESS OF LEONA GREGORY

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF LEONA GREGORY
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF LEONA GREGORY
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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the August 10, 2017, I will on Friday, September 1, 2017 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: 202 North Main Street, Marion, KY 42064
Parcel No.: 058-20-29-022.00
A tract of land in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, on the east side of North Main Street, south of First Street, and more particularly described in Deed Book 186. Page 536, Crittenden County Court Clerk.

SOURCE OF TITLE: This being the same property conveyed from Leona Gregory, single to Leona Gregory and Patty Gregory, husband and wife, for their joint lives, with remainder in fee simple to the survivor of them by virtue of a deed dated September 21, 2005 and recorded January 30, 2006 at Deed Book 204, Page 172 of the Crittenden County, Kentucky real estate records.

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 14th day of August, 2017.

Robert B. Frazer
MASTER COMMISSIONER
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
(3t-10-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION 17-CI-00041

CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC
PLAINTIFF
VS.
WOMPIE STEWART
TIFFANY STEWART
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

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Property Address: 165 Oak Hill Drive, Marion, KY 42064
Parcel No.: 058-30-10-012.00
A certain lot or parcel of land lying and being in Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows:
Lot #12 of the Oak Hill Subdivision as reflected and described on a Plat of Oak Hill Subdivision of record in Deed Book 128, at page 360.

Being the same property conveyed to Wompie Stewart, no marital status shown who acquired title by virtue of a deed from Bank of American, N.A., dated May 14, 2014, recorded May 23, 2014, at Deed Book 255, Page 486, Crittenden County, Kentucky records.

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Pet B&B success no surprise

Watson quit job to roll out red carpet for dogs

BY BLAKE SANDLIN
STAFF WRITER

When Linda Watson quit her job as a medical lab technician in 2012 to open up a daycare service for dogs, her friends thought she was crazy.

"I just woke up one day and decided I didn't want to do that anymore," Watson said of her decision to quit her job after 30 years. "I had always wanted to do something with animals but I had given that dream up a long time ago."

Not many people would entertain the thought of quitting a good-paying job to pursue their childhood passion, but not many people have the work ethic and determination that Watson does. In the months following her departure from the workforce, she began working for Crittenden County Animal Clinic and volunteering at the Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter.

But while she was cultivating her kind-hearted obsession with animals, she was also doing research. Watson began studying and visiting countless "doggy daycares" in the area, and while most of the prospering businesses she visited were in larger areas, she never lost faith in bringing her idea



Linda Watson visits with one of the guests at her pet boarding facility in rural Crittenden County.

to a smaller community like Marion.

"I didn't have a lot of support," Watson said. "A lot of people thought that in a small town there was no way, but I thought 'I don't think so.' Everybody has a pet just about, and we love ours just as much as city people. I just always felt that I could make it work because it just wasn't a service that was right here in this area."

Watson's unwavering faith in herself led to her childhood dreams coming true. In 2013, she became the proud owner of Buddy and Sissy's Bed and Biscuit, a boarding and daycare service for man's best friend.

The goal behind her business was simple: Watch and

care for dogs when their owners were unable to. Owners who previously were forced to leave their canine companions alone during a work day or vacation, now could leave them at Buddy and Sissy's, where they could receive care, companionship and lots of exercise.

"I've had so many clients that have said they could never take a vacation because they couldn't leave their pet, until I did this, because they felt comfortable with their pet being with me, which means a lot," Watson said.

Once a dog arrives, it receives food and is given time to nap. Guests also receive time to interact with other canine guests, each given

outside time every two hours to frolic with others and to go for walks around Watson's farm. While some may laugh at the thought of doggy daycare, the benefits speak for themselves. Not only are they a resource for families on the go, they also serve to potty train puppies, provide much-needed exercise and develop social skills.

"I have one little dog that is very shy, scared of her own shadow, dogs and all of the people," Watson said. "She just hides behind the couch. She started coming here one day a week, and she just pulled out. She's right out there in the middle of the dogs. It makes the owners feel so good that she's come out of her shell."



Lindsey Phelps is giving Miles a break in the activities area.

During the summer months, Buddy and Sissy's receives around 21 dogs daily, with nearly half of them coming at least several times a week. Added services like grooming and bathing on-site ensure dogs receive lavish treatment while away from home. All of this is welcomed with open paws in the canine community, and as Watson said, keeps them barking for more.

"Most of my customers say when they turn that curve on the road on the way here, the dogs are going crazy," Watson said. "They can't wait because they know where they're going."



Crittenden County Public Library and The Crittenden Press have teamed up to provide library patrons with electronic archives that are searchable, providing convenience for researchers. Pictured are (from left) Press reporter Miroslava Burns, Librarian Regina Merrick and Press owner Allison Evans.

Press, library offer e-archives

BY MIROSLAVA BYRNS
PRESS REPORTER

Citizens of Crittenden County who are looking for previously published content of The Crittenden Press are able to do genealogy research and examine the rich newspaper archives that are now available digitally on three computers at the Crittenden County Public Library.

Until now, the library had old editions dating from 2008 back into the 1800s on microfilm. Now, the public can view the 2008-2016 editions in PDF format. The files are searchable and printable.

Library Director Regina Merrick said using the PDF files provided by The Crittenden Press will save the facility hundreds of dollars a year microfilming contemporary editions of the newspaper. The savings will be

redirected toward the preservation of old microfilm files that are cracking and becoming difficult to use.

It costs \$200 to put a year's worth of local newspapers on microfilm.

Merrick said the library has partnered with The Crittenden Press to make these PDF files available at virtually no cost to the library.

"By letting us download the PDFs of back issues of the paper to our server, The Crittenden Press saved us hundreds of dollars that we could use to digitize some of our old microfilm that is starting to get brittle with age," Merrick said.

"This is saving us a lot. The editions will be available only to the visitors of the library in the genealogy section where they can pull them up and look at them. We have the hard copies of

the newspaper as well," Merrick said.

She hopes this action will better serve the people of the community since they often come and search for previously published articles, obituaries or other content in back issues of The Press that can be found only at the library. She is equally excited that the printouts of the newspaper pages are of high quality from the PDFs, compared to the lower quality printouts from microfilm.

Chris Evans, publisher of The Crittenden Press, said the newspaper is pleased to offer these files.

"We are happy to be able to partner with the library and to offer quality archives of The Crittenden Press for research and to simply preserve the community's history for posterity," Evans said.



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Marion Fire Department recently improved its fleet of response vehicles by more than 30 years. The addition of a 1992 E-One pumper allowed the city-funded department to cycle out a 1962 model Ford and sell it for surplus. The truck was purchased for \$28,000 from the City of Aroma Park, Ill., just south of Kankakee in northern Illinois. Fire Chief Ronald "Red" Howton said the truck is being paid for through annual state aid awarded from Frankfort, not from the City of Marion's general fund. The 25-year-old pumper joins a 1977 Chevy and 1996 Freightliner pumper, a 1992 E-One ladder truck and a 1984 GMC box truck used to transport turnout gear to fires. This vehicle is next in line to replace, the fire chief said. Pictured with the newly acquired pumper during a recent Thursday night drill with the new pumper are (from) Capts. Brian Kirby and Gary Cruce, Assistant Chief Jim Johnson and Chief Howton. Johnson flew Howton and Cruce to Aroma Park in his personal aircraft to first look at the truck, and Cruce contributed some of his own money to help outfit the pumper.

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