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CCHS Mission Launch divided into 2 groups

It's a good problem to have.

Because of overwhelming response by Crittenden County High School students who have said they and their families will attend the Monday, Aug. 14 Mission Launch night, CCHS will be doing two "waves" on that night, according to Principal Curtis Brown.

Students whose last names begin with A-K should come at 5:30 p.m.; those with names L-Z should arrive at 6:30 p.m. Each group will first report to Rocket Arena.

Students and parents should be prepared to pay a \$20 technology fee so they may take home Chrome-books that night. For parents with more than one child, the technology fee is reduced by \$5 for each additional child down to a \$5 minimum.

The entire school will be open that night and teachers will be available in their rooms for students to visit. Each student will also receive a free t-shirt of their respective "house." Student organizations and some community booths will also be dispersed throughout the building.

School starts back Wednesday, Aug. 16.

Sneak-A-Peek

Next Thursday at the elementary school, students and parents will gather for the annual Sneak-A-Peek at the elementary school. Students with last names A-G will be there 5 to 6 p.m.; H-Z from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Back to School Bash

On the same day of the high school's Mission Launch – Aug. 14 – the middle school will host a Back to School Bash for students and parents from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the school.

Leadership breakfast slated for Tuesday

There will be a community leadership breakfast next week. Presented by Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce and Crittenden County Economic Development Corp., doors at the Marion Ed-Tech Center open at 7 a.m. Tuesday with the program beginning 30 minutes later. Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom will bring a state of the county report, and Marion City Administrator Adam Ledford one for the state of the city.

Call the chamber by Friday at (270) 965-5015 for reservations. Tickets are \$7 each. Breakfast will be prepared by Conrad's Harvest Foods. The event is sponsored by Frazer & Massey Law Offices.

Public meetings

- **Crittenden County Democratic Committee**

will meet at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) in the fiscal court room at the courthouse.



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Country Club Drive shut

Disrepair leads to indefinite end to through traffic

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

Just two weeks before school starts, Marion City Council is closing Country Club Drive to through traffic at the site of a major repair of failing pavement. After that, though, the street will remain closed indefinitely at its junction with Chapel Hill Road, raising concerns with public safety and school officials.

At a special meeting Monday, the six-person council voted unanimously to declare fixing a failing area of the crumbling city street an emergency, bypassing the usual lengthy public bidding process for a project over \$20,000. Out of concern for the safety of motorists, particularly children being transported to and from the elementary school that lies off Country Club Drive, the council in a second

vote unanimously approved a proposed \$73,000 repair project from Allied Contracting Group in Madisonville.

The road will be closed beginning Friday, but repairs should be finished in time for buses and parents to deliver and pick up students when school starts Aug. 16. However, plans OK'd Monday to indefinitely dead-end the street at Chapel Hill Road following the fix have raised a few eye-

brows. It leaves Crittenden County Elementary School traffic access to Country Club Drive from only one route, forcing all transportation for 700-plus students and staff to use U.S. 60 West (West Gum Street).

Councilman Donnie Arflack proposed the resolution to close the city street following reconstruction. It passed 4-2, with councilmen Dwight Sherer and Mike By-

ford – the two most tenured on the body – voting no. Mayor Jared Byford votes only in the event of a tie.

At press time, the decision still stood. But following criticism on social media and around town Tuesday, the council may be rethinking its position. A special meeting is tentatively scheduled for 5 p.m. Tuesday to revisit the

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Bailey Barnes (third from right) was crowned Miss Crittenden County Tuesday during the Crittenden County Lions Club Fair Pageant. Pictured are (from left) Alexis Tabor, Miss Congeniality; Shea Martin, second runner-up; Daelynn Hardin, first runner-up; Alyssa Snow, third runner-up; Barnes; Brittany Minton, fourth runner-up; and RheaVynn Tabor, recipient of the Brent Croft Humanitarian Award. Chloe Culver of Paducah (not pictured) was crowned state winner of the pageant and will represent the county at the state fair. See more pageant photos on Page 3.

Lions fair concludes Saturday

STAFF REPORT

The county fair continues this week with events Friday and Saturday at the fairgrounds, but the midway will be open tonight (Thursday) through the final night of the fair during the demolition derby.

Friday's event is jackpot barrel and pole horse racing at 7 p.m. The gate is \$5 per vehicle. The derby wraps up the fair, starting at 7 p.m. Saturday with several special heats, including lawnmowers, all-female powderpuff, old school stock and powerwheels for the youth. Entry is \$10 for ages 16 and up, \$5 for ages 6-16 and free for any

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Solarfest
Keeping It Weird
Marion-Crittenden County Park
Saturday, August 19
5 p.m. to midnight
Wooden bat expedition games
NASA Solar Ambassador Becky Steele
Comedian William Justis Ray
Musician Michael Paul Castleberry
Costume contest • Scavenger hunt
Outdoor showing of "E.T."
Vendors • Concessions

Eclipse shadow growing nearer

By BLAKE SANDLIN
STAFF WRITER

On Monday, Aug. 21, the moon will pass over the sun in what will be the first solar eclipse in the United States in 26 years. But the moon won't be the only thing passing through, as Marion will see a flood of tourists and scientific minds pour in for the landmark event.

The celebration will start early in Marion, with the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce hosting an all-day festival titled



Steele

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Tax petition awaits certification; 'equivalent nickel' now 5.9 cents

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

While the board of education awaits word on certification of a recall petition to send a school tax increase to the ballot, the price for property owners asked to fund construction of a new school is now firm – 5.9 cents.

At press time Tuesday, Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford was still working to certify a petition with 1,056 names signed on to put the local board of education's tax increase from two months ago into the hands of voters countywide. From that petition, Byford's office must identify at least 408 registered Crittenden County voters in order for the school board to reconsider the so-called "equivalent nickel" tax or send it to an election next month.

Byford had initially hoped to get that done by Monday, 18 days after the petition was surrendered. But by the close of business Monday, her office had been unable to complete the process in time for Crittenden County Board of Education at its scheduled working session Tuesday to possibly set a special election for between 35 and 45 days (Sept. 5-15).

Byford was out of the office Tuesday, but said Monday afternoon that the regular duties of her office – recording legal documents, tending voter rolls, licensing motor vehicles, etc. – had prevented her



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Chris Adkins (right) of Air Source Technology in Lexington uses an air sampling calibrator Monday morning to test for mold inside a Crittenden County Middle School classroom as school district Maintenance Supervisor Greg Brinkley looks on. The testing was ordered by district officials last week after a complaint from a parent to the board of education about a smell of mold inside the 68-year-old school. Test results are expected back before the start of the new school year on Wednesday, Aug. 16.

and her staff from finishing petition certification as early as she wished. She still hopes to have it done this week, but has until Friday, Aug. 11 to complete the process.

While the date of certification remained unknown at press time, the final cost of the equivalent nickel to taxpayers has been set by the Kentucky

Department of Education (KDE). At Tuesday's board working session, Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark said KDE in July set the 2017 equivalent nickel rate for Crittenden County Schools at 5.9 cents per \$100 of real property assessment.

When the district began considering the nickel tax for school construction last

December, they were forced to work from KDE's 2016 rate of 5.8 cents. However, based on the historic rate of uncollected taxes in the county, KDE this spring projected the board would have to levy a 6-cent increase in order to achieve revenue equivalent to 5 cents if all property

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yard sale

FOR CONTRACTORS, farmers and woodworkers: Hand tool sale, Saturday at 215 E. Lion Dr., Salem, Ky. (270) 988-3782; also collection of one-of-a-kind wood canes and walking sticks, competitively priced. (1t-5-p)

YARD SALE, Fri. and Sat., 8 a.m.-?, 381 Coleman Rd., Marion. Lots of jr. girl clothes, men's and women's clothes, dishes, serving machine and lots of misc. Items, 5 ft. 3 pt. hitch grader blade. (1t-5-p)

YARD SALE, Fri. and Sat., 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 3770 U.S. 60 West, Marion. Payne residence. Furniture, couch and loveseat, clothes, etc. (1t-5-p)

MOVING GARAGE sale, Fri. and Sat., 7:30 a.m.-? each day. No early sales, 1163 Ky. 135, Marion. RCA surround sound system, furniture, treadmill, washing machine, bike with car carrier, treadle sewing machine, many many items too numerous to mention. (1t-5-p)

MULTI-FAMILY yard sale, 206 Sturgis Rd. (Bigham Masonic Lodge), 8 a.m.-?, Saturday. Clothes up to 4X, DVDs, treadmill, Chevy truck rims and tires, household items, tools, etc. (1t-5-p)

YARD SALE, 7481 U.S. 60 W. toward Salem, Thurs., Fri. and Sat., 3 families, everything from infant to women's 3X, high chair, toys and much more. (1t-5-p)

TWO FAMILY yard sale, Thursday only 8 a.m.-? and Friday 8 a.m.-1 p.m., located on Ky. 1668 approx. 2 miles from U.S. 60 West, watch for signs. New items added, sports equipment, Under Armour and Nike workout clothes and equipment, baseball bats; tons of project furniture, name brand boys' and men's clothes up to men's large including athletic clothes, tennis shoes and cleats, girls' size 6-8 and women's clothes all sizes, name brand athletic clothes, home decor, sheets, like new coffee pot, two small televisions and much more. (1t-5-p)

YARD SALE Aug. 4-5 and Aug. 11-12; Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 211 Fords Ferry Rd., Marion. (2t-6-p)

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services

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Bids will be due August 15, 2017, at 10:00 AM CST, at the Crittenden County Courthouse located at 107 South Main, Suite 208, Marion, KY 42064, and will be opened and read aloud. Proposals must be accompanied by a five percent (5%) Bid Bond. No bidder may withdraw a bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids. The successful bidder will be required to furnish the Owner with a 100% performance and material payment bond.

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An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Engage Allied Contracting Group to Repair Country Club Drive Under by Noncompetitive Negotiation Due to Emergency Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at a special called meeting held on July 31, 2017, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., pursuant to City of Marion Code of Ordinance §32.05(B) an emergency was found to exist by at least two-thirds of the City Council and the City Council passed and adopted an Ordinance related to an procurement. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

This Council having found that Country Club Drive had deteriorated given the recent rains and with

school beginning in the next few weeks causing additional traffic on the road, unanimously declared an emergency, and this Ordinance authorizes the engagement of Allied Contracting Group to repair Country Club Drive for the cost of \$72,800.00 by noncompetitive negotiation pursuant to KRS 45A.095(1)(a).
The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Ken-

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Holliman receives send-off for recent KSP retirement

New commander at Post 2 named

STAFF REPORT
Following Monday's retirement of former Crittenden County resident Capt. Brent White as commander of Kentucky State Police Post 2 in Madisonville, the law enforcement agency named his replacement.

Harrison County native Timothy "Tim" Adams is the new commander at the post that serves Crittenden, Caldwell, Webster and four other counties. He began his career at the Bowling Green Post in 2004 as a member of Cadet Class 82 and until Tuesday served as operations lieutenant at the post. The 14-year veteran of the KSP has spent his entire career at the Bowling Green post except for 2012-13 as a sergeant at Post 4 in Elizabethtown.

He currently resides in Glasgow with his wife and two children.



STAFF REPORT
When the community and peers came out last week to bid State Trooper Darron Holliman adieu, it turned from humorous to humble in a heartbeat.

Holliman has spent more than 20 years protecting the county and beyond as a deputy, sheriff and trooper. About three dozen lawmen, community leaders, friends and family showed up for a two-hour luncheon recognizing Holliman's service.

Holliman's boss, Post 2 Commander Capt. Brent White described him as "a good man, but intense." There was plenty of good-natured ribbing and genuinely heartfelt commentary about Holliman's career, and when it came time for him to speak, the trooper could hardly say a word.

"I don't know what to say other than that I have been blessed more than I deserve," he said before pausing and regathering his emotions and thoughts.

"This really hadn't hit me until right now," he said pointing out other troopers and former policemen who he had worked alongside many of times and often in high-

pressure situations.

Holliman said the community has been good to him and he always felt as though he needed to pay it back. The room was packed with those wearing gray, brown and blue uniforms. Troopers, detectives, county lawmen and city police from across the region were there.

A number of his peers spoke about Holliman's devotion to his job, his professionalism and willingness to help no matter the hour.

"On behalf of the school system, I want to say that no body in this community cares more about children and their safety than Darron," said School Superintendent Vince Clark. "He's always been there and is always connected to kids whether as a youth coach or volunteer in the community. We need more good men like him."

Cpt. White said Holliman, 48, has been a dedicated trooper and has been particularly committed to Crittenden County, the community he grew up in.

"His whole life has been about public service and we thank you for that," said White, who also retired effective Monday.



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS, THE PRESS
Former Kentucky State Trooper Darron Holliman (left) shares a laugh at his public retirement celebration last Wednesday with Capt. Brent White, who retired Monday as commander of Post 2 in Madisonville. The men were joking over the cardboard cutout of President Donald Trump seen in the photo.

SCHOOL

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taxes were paid.

The board voted 4-1 on June 1 to increase its 46.3-cent levy on real property to finance an \$8 million plan to build a new high school and give middle-schoolers the current high school. The equivalent nickel would generate \$3.4 million in new bonding potential added to the current \$4.75 million. It would also be matched with \$3.1 million from Frankfort.

The need for the new school is to allow junior high students to vacate the 68-year-old middle school that carries myriad problems, including outdated heating, cooling, electrical and plumbing systems; under-sized classrooms; and air quality concerns. Just last week, a complaint about possible mold in the building by Tracye Newcom, the mom of a middle school student, prompted the district to order air samples be taken to determine if the contami-

nant – or others – may be at dangerous levels for students and staff. Lexington-based Air Source Technology took the readings Monday and results are expected before school starts back Wednesday, Aug. 16.

Air Source technician Chris Adkins said it is not uncommon, though, for schools idled for the summer to become dank. Extra dehumidifiers and floor fans have been brought in to remove moisture from the air inside the school and increase circulation prior to students returning to classrooms in two weeks.

The air quality concern at the middle school seems to underscore the district's urgency in getting a tax increase OK'd for construction. But a special election, should the petition be certified, would cost the school system about \$20,000 according to a revised estimate from Byford, the county's top election official.

The timing of certification now puts another decision before the board, should the tax be approved by the county's 6,700 registered voters: when to place the 5.9-cent levy on tax bills.

Since a special election must be held on a Tuesday, according to Byford, Sept. 12

is now the earliest a vote could be held should the board decide to move forward. Sept. 19 would be the latest.

All county taxing district levies – school, general, library, Extension and health – must statutorily be set and in the hands of the sheriff's office by Sept. 15 in order to be included on tax bills mailed in the fall. It now appears unlikely that election results could be certified in time for the board of education to call a special meeting and set a 2017 tax rate by the sheriff's deadline.

That would mean either the school district would have to foot the bill for mailing out a second round of about 6,500 tax bills in 2017 at a cost of another \$5,000 or more, or they could simply wait until 2018 to assess the new tax. The latter, said board Chairman Chris Cook, would not likely delay actual construction since design, approval of plans and other legalities would likely take a year before the first shovel of dirt could be turned.

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Armbands good for all night at the midway are \$10 in addition to the gate fee. The midway will be open tonight, though no event is slated for the fairgrounds.

4-H exhibit viewing continues at Marion Woman's Club from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today, with awards presented at 2:30 p.m. There is a youth goat show at 9:30 a.m. today and pet show and dog agility course at 10 a.m. Saturday. Both are at the fairgrounds.

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EDITORIAL

Great American Eclipse great day to be in school

From many, you might think the sky will be falling on the day of the Great American Eclipse. But it won't. The sky will only be getting dark early that afternoon – Monday, Aug. 21.

Cultures throughout history have associated total solar eclipses as harbingers of doom. Aztecs engaged in human sacrifice to appease the gods in order to stave off the end of world. It worked, but in retrospect, all the bloodshed was unnecessary.

Here, on the third Monday of this month, a total solar eclipse – talked about almost daily for the last two years –will darken the skies over Marion for 152 seconds. There will be no human sacrifices and it's not likely to be followed by any doom. Anything outside of human folly will only be coincidental. And the traffic along major arteries so feared to be a congestion nightmare by transportation and emergency officials, is not likely here.

That's why we commend the local school district for keeping kids in school that day. It will be only the fourth day of classes for the new school year, but a tremendous learning experience from the most wide-eyed kindergartner to the teen who already seems to know it all. For them, there is no better place to experience the Great American Eclipse than in school.

Children will have guaranteed supervision for safety, not to mention a free pair of NASA-approved eclipse-viewing goggles to protect their eyes. Left to their own devices, we can imagine many students might still be in slumber at the time of the total solar eclipse at 1:24 p.m. A large portion who made it out of bed might otherwise be engrossed in video games or buried in their smartphone. And still others may not have the foresight to don protective eyewear.

On average, an eclipse such as this rolls around for an area once every 375 years or so. This marks the first total solar eclipse in human history viewable from only the United States. It's a historic day. It's a day to be in class when school is in session.

Is there a possibility that traffic could become cumbersome here? Certainly. As Emergency Manager David Travis said, anything is possible, so Crittenden County is preparing for the worst and hoping for the best. But the likelihood of children being trapped on buses for hours on their ride home is remote at best.

Most of the half-million eclipse tourists anticipated to converge on western Kentucky won't be hitting the road – mostly interstates – from their viewing spots like the lake, LBL or the epicenter at Hopkinsville until the moon's shadow totally escapes the sun just before 3 p.m. Some will use U.S. 641 and U.S. 60 in the county as they make their way, but by that time, kids should already be headed home to share with Mom and Dad one very unique learning

Intern eclipses expectations

If you like a buffet, this installment of Write Now is for you. It's a little bit of this and a little bit of that.

Attaboy, Blake
Let's start with a huge attaboy to our summer intern, Blake Sandlin.
First off, choosing an intern is like choosing a piece of candy from an assortment box of Russell Stovers chocolates. You can look at it and give it the smell test, but you don't know if you're going to like it until you're already committed and take a bite.
Our Kentucky Press Association supplies a list of potential interns in late spring and tells publishers to have at it – start calling, interview a few. Sounds easy enough, but you have no way of knowing how well they will fit into your community or how valuable they will be to your staff until



Allison EVANS
Staff writer
Write Now

they're on site and on the clock.
Blake Sandlin almost didn't accept the internship with us this summer, because he had only completed his freshman year at Murray State and, to be honest, he thought he might just lifeguard this summer.
But, boy, are we glad he chose us over the pool in Marshall County.
Blake's age fooled us and his work ethic amazed us. He's the youngest intern we have ever had, and quite possibly the best.
He definitely raised the bar for interns to follow, and we will certainly miss him when he returns to Murray to begin his sophomore year.

Bellville is not a runaway
At least a few times a day, the street in front of our office sounds like the starting line of a drag strip. It was a

thing on Frazer Flats and the river bottoms back in the day; pulling out of the Five Star parking lot is not the place to test a vehicle's ability to go from zero to 60. What is it about flying out of there heading east that prompts some behind the wheel to hammer down on the accelerator? There is an intersection one block from the stoplight, made dangerous by vehicles with the hammer down as they exit Main Street or the convenience store parking lot. Anyone have a radar gun I can borrow?

Eclipsing opinion
I'm interested in hearing opinions from parents about the Crittenden County Schools' decision to hold school on Monday, Aug. 21, the day of the solar eclipse. I know some prefer their children be home – which is well and good if they will be home with them.
I, for one, know that by being in school, my children will be able to share their knowledge of the celestial

event with me that evening rather than camp out on a Bellville Street sidewalk, which will be the extent of their experience if they hang out with me at work that day.
I know keeping protective eyewear on young children – and ornery older kids – is a concern for some; however, hopefully, there will be plenty of parents volunteer to view the eclipse at the school and help ensure kids keep their eyes properly protected while trained at the historic event.
I think it will be a safer environment – and certainly more educational – if kids witness the eclipse with their teachers and administrators than many would find at home, potentially sans adult supervision. Just my 2 cents worth.
(Allison Evans is the advertising manager and an editorial contributor at The Crittenden Press. The newspaper has been in her family for more than a half-century. She can be reached at (270) 965-3191 or by e-mail at allison@the-press.com.)

Marion surprising experience for intern

By BLAKE SANDLIN
STAFF COMMENTARY
When my journalism professor, Leigh Wright, approached me about an opportunity to intern in Marion, Kentucky, at the conclusion of last school year, I was skeptical at best. I'd driven through the town of 3,000 people a few times before, a place where the gas station, McDonald's, grocery store and other small, miscellaneous shops encompass the quintessence of the town. I didn't believe a place so small could have such a big impact on my aspiring career in journalism – that is, until I came here.
Countless trips passing through Marion previously couldn't attest to the experience I had with their weekly paper this summer, The Crittenden Press. What may seem to some as a boring way to spend a summer–driving nearly an hour from my home



Sandlin

in Calvert City, Kentucky, just to sit in a cubicle and transcribe dozens of stories on topics readers in larger cities deem trivial– became for me a rewarding opportunity.
What might be newsworthy in Marion isn't newsworthy in Louisville; and that's just fine. That's one of the biggest lessons I've learned over the course of this eight-week internship. Just because a story in a local newspaper may be deemed insignificant in comparison to one in The Courier-Journal doesn't minimize its impact on that particular community.
I spent my summer in Marion writing stories covering a rural youth camp that prohibited technology, a column on my experience at a local high school reunion and another reporting on the intentions of motorists who travel across the Ohio River by way of a local ferry. Read-

ers elsewhere would hardly bat an eye to stories like this, but not those in Marion. Sure, sometimes it was boring, and sure, oftentimes it took me out of my comfort zone, but what matters was that it meant something to this community.
And that's why we're in this business. It's definitely not for the money, despite the more than generous sum paid by the Kentucky Press Association. (Mad props, by the way). It's the countless emails and compliments I received from members of the community, simply for bringing a spotlight to things they cared about. It's moments like that that compensate for the grueling hours spent in front of a computer, boiling over because you can't think of the perfect closing and coming to the realization that you'll be dealing with carpal tunnel syndrome for the rest of your life. Those moments make me proud that I'm pursuing journalism, and make me proud

that I chose The Crittenden Press as a stepping stone.
So thank you to the readers of The Crittenden Press who invigorated me any chance they got, allowing me to bring a unique perspective to their paper. Thank you to KPA for providing such a tremendous internship program for passionate journalism students to pursue. Most of all, I'm indebted to the staff of The Press – Chris, Daryl, Allison and Alaina – for being so encouraging and lending a helping hand whenever needed. You all made coming to work fun, and I won't forget you all and the invaluable lessons and experience I've gained interning as I return to Murray State for my sophomore year.
(Blake Sandlin, a student at Murray State University from Marshall County, is in the midst of a 10-week internship at The Crittenden Press. He can be reached at (270) 965-3191 or bsandlin1@murraystate.edu.)

CCEDC facing difficult decisions

Joseph Heller himself couldn't have written a more perfect script for Crittenden County Economic Development Corp. (CCEDC) as it faces a undeniable crossroads in its mission to improve the economic condition of the community.
Of course, Heller was made famous by the 1961 novel he authored named "Catch-22." The title itself – "Catch-22" – has become an expression enameled onto the America lexicon. The phrase is indeed much more recognizable than the book or its plot. It has come to represent a dilemma, a circumstance from which there is no apparent perfect answer because of conflicting dependent conditions.
Bear with me, because once you wring the wash out of this story, it is as simple as the proverbial chicken or egg question.
For the better part of 20 years, Marion and Crittenden County have deployed their own mechanism for promoting, fostering, facilitating – whatever you want to call it – an economic development program in the community. It has been funded by government and some key financial participation from local banks, businesses and industry. It has survived embezzlement, shame and sharp criticism. Its accomplishments have at



Chris EVANS
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About Town

times seemed to trump all negatives, yet the program was never the same after a former director scammed tens of thousands of dollars from its coffers. Even though the money was paid back, the damage was permanent. Investors bolted or cut back on their contributions. Cash contributions from government, manufacturers and banks have carried the torch through tough times, yet there still isn't enough money to do the job adequately. The group has been without a full-time director for several years. Among its volunteer directors, a passion exists for the mission, but there has been little action in recent years.
The community at large, business leaders and even elected officials have privately – if not publicly – questioned the value of such an organization or its effectiveness here. Skepticism has metastasized in the last few years as CCEDC has failed to demonstrate any great accomplishment beyond keeping the doors open to the Marion Ed-Tech Center – even though that achievement alone is quite meritorious considering the climate.
With a scoresheet that some perceive as unremarkable, CCEDC is now facing a do-or-die situation. With some of its traditional support teetering on the verge of collapse,

there is an impetus to think broader or die. For the last several weeks, there have been meetings and discussions about Crittenden, Lyon and Caldwell counties joining forces for a regional economic development partnership. CCEDC leaders are trying to decide whether they want to be part of the movement. Most are starting to understand that they either do it, or lose some of their key support around Marion.
Here comes the catch-22. CCEDC has financial commitments it must meet. It barely has enough cash flow to meet those needs, and to join the broader regional team would require even more money. To survive, the group will need to raise cash from an already exhausted base or lure new private investors. At this point, local government appears to be saying it's giving all it can. City and county representatives have said the CCEDC can expect nothing beyond their combined \$20,000 contribution each year.
Some suggest that the onus is on the local business community to invest more.
Is it reasonable to expect that those folks will find value in furthering their investment?
It would be interesting to know what Crittenden County wants because as it appears, the community's formal, organized economic development program is either going to sink or swim in the coming days. There is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday,

Aug. 16 in Marion where representatives from all three counties will gather once again to hash out what some hope are the final details of a collaborative unit with each paying an equitable share. For Crittenden County, the financial expectations are \$42,000 a year to join the regional concept.
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 last week, 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.
CCEDC owes about \$280,000 on property it bought in 2005, hoping to attract industry to open 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.
Its current condition – the group's debt for undeveloped

property and its commitment to operate the Marion Ed-Tech Center – is a bit suffocating for a group wanting to expand into a broader market with its neighbors.
To do nothing may mean its demise. The consequences of which would likely mean defaulting on a loan guaranteed by two of its main investors – the banks – and turning operation of the Ed-Tech Center over to the City of Marion, as is required through an agreement set in place when it was built.

Liquidation of all other assets would likely follow.
As it stands, there are two paths the CCEDC can take – two roads equally treacherous and uncertain. Is it crazy to think bigger at this point? To do nothing would be insane, right Mr. Heller?
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Honored contestants in the Tiny Miss division were (from left) Harbour Camp, fourth runnerup; Melina Keller, Prettiest Eyes; Isabella Bailey, winner; Sydney Keller, Prettiest Hair; Adley Sutton, Prettiest Smile; and Korie Bloodworth, first runnerup. Not pictured third-runnerup, Kaomi Riordan and second-runnerup Aaliyah Butts.



Asher Paul Blake (above) won the Tiny Mister division and (at right) are Little Mr. and Miss Crittenden County winners Zavian Bell and Kylee Stallions.



Honored contestants in the Couples division were (from left) Max Robinson and Averiel Crawford, winners; Cade Melton and Zoey Hall, first-runnersup; and Nile Harmon and Briley Garrett, second-runnersup.



Honored in the Wee Miss division were (from left) Peyton DiMaggio; McKinna Antkowiak; Tintley Ann Smith, fourth-runnerup; Miya West, winner; Audrey Smiley, first-runnerup; and Grace-lyn Norah Prow, Miss Photogenic.



Honored in the Baby Miss division were (from left) Skyla Grace Hansen, second runner-up; Lauren Boone, winner; and Kendall Buell, first-runnerup.



Honored in the Ms. and Mrs. division were (from left) Stephanie Camp, second-runnerup; Haley Franklin, winner; and Erica Spillman, first-runnerup.

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Honored in the Baby Mister division were (from left) Weston Gilkey, first-runnerup; and Heaton Lee Davis, winner.



Honored in the Little Miss division were (from left) Adaline Morries, first-runnerup; Sofia Brek Rose Fitch, second-runnerup; and Kylee Stallio

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Public library getting new roof

STAFF REPORT

Before summer officially ends, the books, computers and other materials inside Crittenden County Public Library should be safe from Mother Nature.

The library's board of trustees last Thursday approved a bid to have the leaking roof on the 41-year-old building replaced. Pride Industries Inc. of Clay was awarded an \$81,850 base contract to remove the asphalt shingles and replace them with standing seam metal. Any necessary repairs to the decking under the current roof will be an additional charge.

Pride Industries was the only company to submit a bid on the publicly-advertised project. However, the bid was in line with an informal estimate offered by Swift Roofing of Murray.

For years, the 8,410-square-foot roof on the public library has leaked during rain events. The leaks were never consistent, popping up in different locations during heavy, driving rains. The water has ruined

Library soon tobacco-free on facility grounds as well

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Public Library will go completely tobacco-free beginning next month. Tobacco and e-cigarettes were already prohibited inside the facility, but last Thursday, the board of trustees voted to make the entire property, including the grounds, tobacco-free starting Friday, Sept. 1.

shelved materials, threatened computers and shown up in storage areas.

Local contractors have tried to locate the leaks for repairs, but short of removing the entire roof, no fix has been found.

The library should remain open during most of the work, which could begin as early as next week. However, short-term closures may be necessary for the safety of patrons entering

The five-member board chose to prohibit smoking and all tobacco outside the building for the health of patrons entering the facility as well as to maintain the cleanliness of the entryway. Despite an ash tray and smoking urn, cigarette butts have been repeatedly tossed onto the walk or in flowerpots and landscaping near the front doors.

and exiting the building. Any necessary closures will be made public. Work is expected to be completed before summer ends on Sept. 21.

Placing a new roof on the facility became a priority after an expansion grant was denied last year by the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives. The new roof will be financed using money set aside for capital projects.

Magistrates decline only bid for mineral museum work; seeking new proposals

STAFF REPORT

County magistrates have refused the only bid for a job to renovate the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum. It will restart the competitive bid process with hopes of attracting more interest.

Crittenden Fiscal Court met in special session Monday to discuss the only bid received for the project, which will be completed with federal community development block grant funding. Preferred Construction of Henderson

submitted a base price of \$306,409 with additional costs for optional add ons.

Magistrates said they had sought recommendations on the company and were not pleased with their findings. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the bid price was a good bit higher than the architect's estimate of \$260,000. Based on those factors, magistrates unanimously rejected the bid and have opted to re-bid the project.

Plans are to replace a

leaking roof at the museum, shore up the building's structural integrity, make it compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and fix the exterior flatwork. The flat roof on the former school building was initially damaged in the 2009 ice storm. The museum has been located inside the former elementary school since 1995. The last time classes were held at the building was 1981.

The building belongs to the county.

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"SolarFest-Keepin' It Weird" starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19 at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

Although the festival is scheduled two days prior to the celestial anomaly, that's not stopping places like Marion, which lies in the path of totality for the eclipse, from celebrating accordingly. SolarFest will include activities like a costume contest, wooden bat exhibition games, inflatables, vendors, musical and comedic performances, a movie screening and perhaps the most alluring, a presentation by NASA Solar System Ambassador Becky Steele.

Steele is a volunteer for NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab headquartered in Pasadena, Calif. She is one of fewer than 10 Kentucky ambassadors spending her time volunteering across the state at outreach and educational events centered around the importance of the solar system, robotics and space exploration.

"My job is all about inspiring people to look up and enjoy the universe," Steele said.

She will bring that same inspirational message to Marion when she educates festival guests on the signifi-

cance of the eclipse. Steele plans to speak on what to expect during the eclipse, explore the science behind the sun's corona and even pass out solar glasses to participants.

While total eclipses generally occur fewer than once yearly, Steele explained this eclipse is significant because it's covering the United States – a rare phenomenon that won't occur again for a long time.

"It's likely that the next time eclipse totality passes through the United States is in around seven years, so it'll be awhile," Steele said.

By that time, in 2024, most of the Commonwealth will experience only a partial eclipse, so Kentuckians and outside tourists alike are taking advantage of the unique circumstances.

Overnight guests from outside the United States and closer to home have booked rooms at Marion Inn for nearly two years, reports owner Rosalind Hillis. Hillis said all seven rooms and 17 beds will be occupied by people converging on the area for the eclipse. She has reservations for two or three nights each from tourists seeking to enjoy the weekend's festivities, including some from Kentucky, Pennsylvania and

outside the United States.

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Pride Industries was the only company to submit a bid on the publicly-advertised project. However, the bid was in line with an informal estimate offered by Swift Roofing of Murray.

For years, the 8,410-square-foot roof on the public library has leaked during rain events. The leaks were never consistent, popping up in different locations during heavy, driving rains. The water has ruined

Library soon tobacco-free on facility grounds as well

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Public Library will go completely tobacco-free beginning next month. Tobacco and e-cigarettes were already prohibited inside the facility, but last Thursday, the board of trustees voted to make the entire property, including the grounds, tobacco-free starting Friday, Sept. 1.

shelved materials, threatened computers and shown up in storage areas.

Local contractors have tried to locate the leaks for repairs, but short of removing the entire roof, no fix has been found.

The library should remain open during most of the work, which could begin as early as next week. However, short-term closures may be necessary for the safety of patrons entering

The five-member board chose to prohibit smoking and all tobacco outside the building for the health of patrons entering the facility as well as to maintain the cleanliness of the entryway. Despite an ash tray and smoking urn, cigarette butts have been repeatedly tossed onto the walk or in flowerpots and landscaping near the front doors.

and exiting the building. Any necessary closures will be made public. Work is expected to be completed before summer ends on Sept. 21.

Placing a new roof on the facility became a priority after an expansion grant was denied last year by the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives. The new roof will be financed using money set aside for capital projects.

Magistrates decline only bid for mineral museum work; seeking new proposals

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County magistrates have refused the only bid for a job to renovate the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum. It will restart the competitive bid process with hopes of attracting more interest.

Crittenden Fiscal Court met in special session Monday to discuss the only bid received for the project, which will be completed with federal community development block grant funding. Preferred Construction of Henderson

submitted a base price of \$306,409 with additional costs for optional add ons.

Magistrates said they had sought recommendations on the company and were not pleased with their findings. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the bid price was a good bit higher than the architect's estimate of \$260,000. Based on those factors, magistrates unanimously rejected the bid and have opted to re-bid the project.

Plans are to replace a

leaking roof at the museum, shore up the building's structural integrity, make it compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act and fix the exterior flatwork. The flat roof on the former school building was initially damaged in the 2009 ice storm. The museum has been located inside the former elementary school since 1995. The last time classes were held at the building was 1981.

The building belongs to the county.

ECLIPSE

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"SolarFest-Keepin' It Weird" starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 19 at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

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Steele is a volunteer for NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab headquartered in Pasadena, Calif. She is one of fewer than 10 Kentucky ambassadors spending her time volunteering across the state at outreach and educational events centered around the importance of the solar system, robotics and space exploration.

"My job is all about inspiring people to look up and enjoy the universe," Steele said.

She will bring that same inspirational message to Marion when she educates festival guests on the signifi-

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While total eclipses generally occur fewer than once yearly, Steele explained this eclipse is significant because it's covering the United States – a rare phenomenon that won't occur again for a long time.

"It's likely that the next time eclipse totality passes through the United States is in around seven years, so it'll be awhile," Steele said.

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issue on Country Club Drive. The indefinite closure is aimed at preventing heavy industrial traffic – which some city officials blame for destroying the roadway – from using Country Club Drive as a U.S. 60-U.S. 641 connector. Together with Industrial Drive, trucks hauling rock, asphalt, logs and other heavy materials currently use the street to avoid city traffic and a cumbersome stoplight. The move leaves access to CCES compromised, a concern for Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal. He knows all too well the snarl already created along U.S. 60 West before and, especially, after school. "I say you need two ways into the school," he told the council. "One way, is going to be a mess." Crittenden County Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark was out of town early this week on school-related business. Contacted Tuesday morning by phone, Clark told The Crittenden Press he was unaware of any discussions about the potential for closing the road to through traffic. The superintendent said

closing the road would create a big problem for school transportation and logistics. "I have great concerns about the impact this would have," he said. "It's an inconvenience," said Wayne Winters, lead bus mechanic for the school district who oversees bus routes, "not a catastrophe." Another concern is for EMS traffic to and from the hospital at the corner of Country Club Drive and U.S. 60 West as well as fire trucks with Crittenden Volunteer Fire Department on Industrial Drive. Closing Country Club Drive at Chapel Hill Road forces emergency vehicles to negotiate the stoplight and Main Street traffic if dispatched to an area where the street offers the most direct route. O'Neal also worries about big trucks, particularly tractor-trailers, that mistakenly turn up Country Club Drive and discover there is no exit. "Where are they going to turn around?" he questioned. Marion City Administrator Adam Ledford said he and city staff, including Utilities Director Brian Thomas, were busy Tuesday morning notifying school, hospital, state

transportation and law enforcement officials and residents along the street about the plan to close the roadway. Signage will be placed at U.S. 60 West and U.S. 641 to indicate the closure to through traffic. Ledford also answered questions from Clark and other school officials at Tuesday's board of education working session. He told them the council may alter their plans after discussion at next week's tentative meeting. "I believe they want to reevaluate what they're going to do," Ledford said. "I don't believe (closing the road long-term) was their intention." A history of issues Country Club Drive has been in disrepair for years, and the council has talked about an array of options – from weight limits to a million-dollar rebuild of the road – to find a solution. The city cannot afford to rebuild the half-mile street and an ordinance restricting heavy traffic was deemed next to impossible to enforce and tabled a few months ago. So Monday, the council opted to declare it an emergency, claiming recent rains have

exacerbated problems just days before students return to class. Some council members seemed aware of the problems closing the road at Chapel Hill Road may cause. As a whole, the council has been resistant to take such action in the past. Sherer has expressed multiple times his concern about forcing more tractor-trailers to navigate difficult turns at the four-way U.S. 60/U.S. 641 stoplight. But a majority of the council apparently believed Monday that there is little choice. "We get no severance tax on limestone to fix this road, yet those trucks are tearing it up," Councilman Darrin Tabor said Tuesday, pointing to the limestone hauling operations from Rogers Group's quarry on Ky. 1668. He would like to see that get changed in Frankfort similar to the way coal companies pay a severance tax to offset the damage their trucks do to roads in mining counties. For years, the council has toyed with the idea of restricting heavy traffic along the road in hope of coercing the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) to take over maintenance of Country

Club Drive or at least reworking the cumbersome intersection at the U.S. 60-U.S. 641 stoplight in town. "I'm wondering if we put a weight limit on it if the trucking industry would put more pressure on the state to take it over or redo the stoplight," Tabor said during a September 2015 public meeting. Though Councilwoman D'Anna Sallin on Monday seconded Arflack's motion to close the road indefinitely and ultimately backed the resolution, she questioned before the vote as to whether creating the dead-end was permanent. As it appeared at press time, the closure would indeed be permanent unless the state takes over maintenance of the road. Ledford has repeatedly told the council that KyTC is open to the idea of trading Country Club Drive for Ky. 981 (Old Salem Road), but adds it could be two to three years before that might happen.

is compromised, according to Thomas – is about 0.2 miles from the junction with U.S. 60 West. While the road will be closed to all through traffic, no residents along the street will be hindered during the construction, say city officials. Kent Withrow, president of Allied Contracting Group, said his company could be able to start taking up pavement Saturday along a 275-foot section. Removing and replacing 8 inches of sub-base materials under the existing roadway and pouring 8 inches of 24-hour concrete should be done by Monday, Aug. 14, he explained to city officials over speakerphone following Monday's meeting. "We can get it done by then," Withrow said, referring to the Aug. 16 start of school. However, Ledford told school officials at Tuesday's board working session that weather is always an uncertainty with construction, and rain could push the timeline beyond the first day of school. Other action Tanner Tabor was appointed to fill an unexpired term on Marion-Crittenden County Park Board.

Baity sees better season coming for UK

Experience normally proves invaluable for Southeastern Conference football players at any school. Kentucky certainly is no exception. Just ask junior cornerback Derrick Baity, a three-star prospect from Florida. He played all 12 games as a true freshman in 2015, and started four. Last season he started all 13 games and had three interceptions, seven pass breakups and 42 tackles. "From my freshman year to sophomore year I didn't really understand what was going on. So my sophomore year I got a grip of what is going on. Who is valuable. What is everyone's role," said Baity. "From sophomore to junior season, everybody wants the team to be good rather than I am going to make this selfish play for myself and stuff like that. We all want to be good. It's really scary what that can do for us." Baity feels he's got "smarter" and is now able to help younger players with their understanding of the game. He also understands why coach Mark Stoops felt his secondary underperformed last year when it was regarded as the strength of the defense going into last season. Safety Mike Edwards was the best player but Baity and cornerback Chris Westry didn't match the lofty expectations Stoops and others had for them. "I feel like at the beginning of season last year it

(the secondary) was not good. We were embarrassing him (Stoops) because he is a great DB coach. He holds us to a high standard and we didn't meet that standard," Baity said. "But we have the potential to be a good DB group and I think we are going to prove that this season. "We could have had more interceptions last year. We could have had more takeaways rather than like batted balls. Just making plays on the ball. We should have done that a lot more." Baity has extra motivation to do even more now. "The only motivation I have is that I want to be a great player in the SEC. But my biggest motivation is my son. He is five months old," Baity said Sunday at UK's Media Day. "That has changed my life in a big way. I was one of the leaders on the team who played around a lot. But now since he has been here, I feel like I have matured in a sense of wanting to get better and I have someone to do it for." He says he gets photos sent to him almost daily of his son, who is in Tampa, and also watches him on FaceTime. "He can't talk obviously, so I am just like watching him sleep. Sometimes I feel like he is here," Baity said. Maybe that's part of the reason Baity is so optimistic about this season. Kentucky went 7-6 after an 0-2 start last year and played in the TaxSlayer Bowl. Baity sees

PHOTO BY LARRY VAUGHT
Derrick Baity (right) has extra motivation this season and believes Kentucky can win eight or more games on the gridiron.

an even better season coming. "I think we can get nine games just on our talent alone. As far as us working hard and like getting in games where it is close and we have to grind out and win, that can give us 10 or 11 wins," he said. Being a Florida native, he would love to see UK end a 30-year game losing streak to Florida in late September at Kroger Field. He says players do talk about games and make predictions, but they also have to focus daily and not look ahead.

However, he knows a win over Florida likely would lead to UK fans storming the field no matter what the SEC fine might be for the crowd violation. "I would love to be part of it. If we were in Lexington last year and beat Louisville, they would have went crazy on us after the game," Baity said. "We still got a little taste of it in Louisville. I want to be part of one of those victories that no one thought we could win and we pull it out. It would be a great feeling, and we could do it this year."

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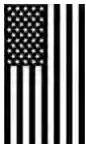
Area Deaths

Robinson

Verna Louise Robinson, 88, of Marion died Tuesday July 25 at Salem Springlake. She was a member of the Deer Creek Baptist Church. Surviving are her son Scott (Debra) Robinson of Marion; two brothers, James and Bobby Belt both of Marion; and two grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Silas D. Robinson; a son, David Robinson; parents, James and Ollie Mae Belt; two brothers, Buddy and Billy Belt; and two sisters, Dorris McDonald and Faye Belt. Services were Friday, July 28 at Gilbert Funeral Home. Burial was at Deer Creek Cemetery

Jackson

Joseph David "Joe" Jackson, 50, of Salem died Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at Livingston Hospital. He was of the Catholic faith and a veteran of the United States Army, where he served for nine years. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, loved horses and was a great storyteller.



Surviving are his wife of 25 years, Sandra Tharp Jackson; a son, Jeffrey Jackson of Morganfield; his mother, Janis Gerardy Jackson of Bettendorf, Iowa; three sisters, Lisa Bauer of Maryland, Darlis Fite of Bettendorf, Iowa, and Darla Ramirez of Bettendorf, Iowa; two brothers, John Jackson of Deland, Fla., and Virgil Jackson of Davenport, Iowa; two grandchildren, Liam Jackson and Khloe Jackson, both of Wickliffe; a nephew, Austin Tharp of Salem; and several other nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Virgil Jackson; and a nephew, Ethan Fite. Services were Saturday, July 29 at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Rev. Mike Grimes and Rev. Matt Grimes officiating. Burial will was at Lola Cemetery.

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Ballard man seriously hurt in bike crash

A Kevil man was seriously injured in a motorcycle accident Monday night on Ky. 855 South in rural Crittenden County. According to the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department, Travis Johnson of Ballard County was traveling on the rural highway when he lost control of his bike and crashed into a ditch. The victim was taken by Crittenden EMS to the nearby Frances School where he was airlifted to a trauma center in Evansville. He apparently suffered serious head injuries. The crash happened around 8 p.m.

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DNA match leads to arrest in 2016 McDonald's robbery

STAFF REPORT

A DNA match has led to the arrest of a convicted felon on first-degree robbery charges. Marc Hocking, 30, of Benton, formerly of Marion, was arrested Tuesday for a 2016 armed robbery of two McDonald's restaurant employees in the parking lot of the Marion restaurant. Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal said Hocking was served a warrant and taken into custody this week when he showed up for an unrelated court case at Crittenden County Courthouse. Hocking was convicted in 2013 on felony drug charges in Crittenden County. He received a five-year sentence. If found guilty of armed robbery, a Class B felony, Hocking could face 10-20 years in prison.

The police chief said DNA from a pair of sunglasses allegedly worn by the robber and recovered near the scene by police helped solve the case. Hocking had been a suspect in the hours following the alleged robbery. He was questioned by police because he was witnessed at McDonald's later that night wearing clothes that fit the description of the person who allegedly committed the crime. "He'd come back to pick up a girlfriend who was working at McDonald's," the police chief said. Hocking voluntarily al-




Hocking

lowed officers to take a DNA swab when he was questioned. The robbery occurred on April 20, 2016, over 16 months ago. More than \$1,300 was taken in the robbery that occurred just before midnight when an armed man dressed in black robbed the two employees at gunpoint while wearing black pants, a black hooded sweatshirt, black gloves and sunglasses. O'Neal said a backlog of evidence at the state forensics lab often leads to long waits like this one. He said evidence in more violent crimes is usually dealt with first before evidence in cases such as this one are tested. Police say the case remains open and charges may be filed against an alleged accomplice in the case.

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Open House

Dr. Rebecca Werner visited with new clients and saw a few patients on her first day in Marion Thursday. The dentist office is located inside Health Quest Wellness Center in the space formerly occupied by retired dentist Steve Crider. Pictured visiting with Werner during a late-afternoon open house are (from left) Reagan Parrent and Sue Parrent.



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Local barrel racing competitors who performed last week at the National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Championships in Georgia were (from left) Caitlyn Lynch, Karsyn Potter, Haylie Hunt, Macie Hunt and Addy Kirby.

Local cowgirls kick up heels at World event

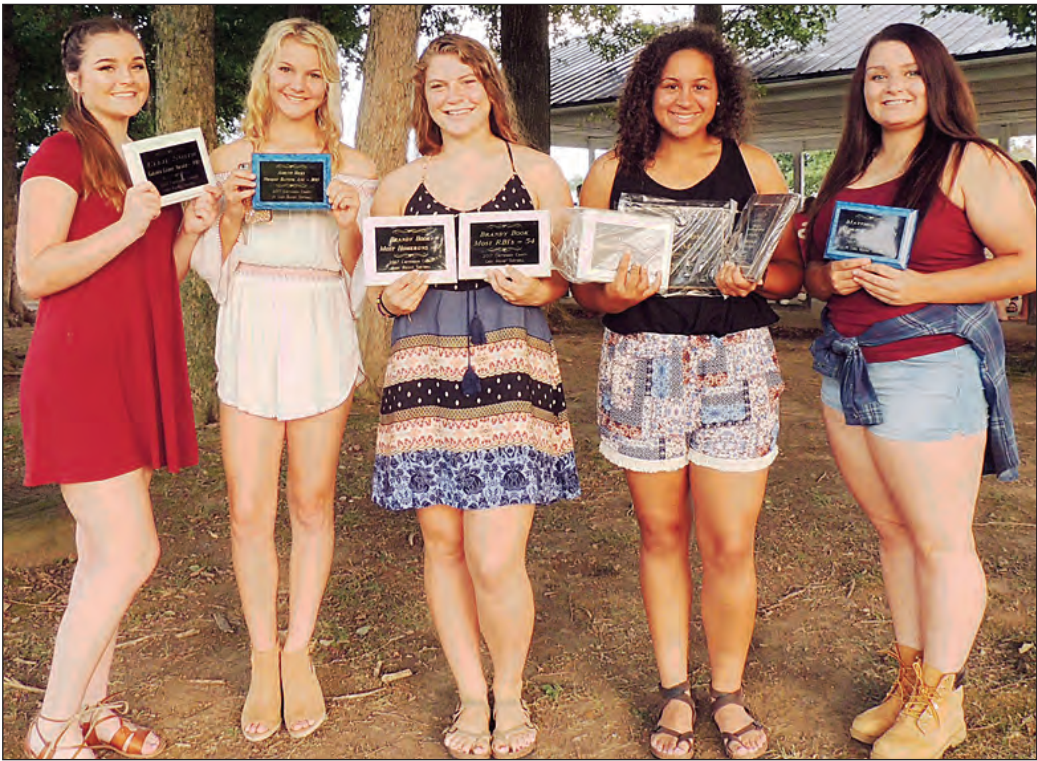
STAFF REPORT
A group of local cowgirls showed big in the National Barrel Horse Association Youth World Championships last week at Perry, Ga., including Caitlyn Lynch, Karsyn Potter, Haylie Hunt, Macie Hunt, Addy Kirby.
And, those same competitors will be among dozens of others at the NBHA show Friday as part of the Lions Club Fair at the Crittenden County Fairgrounds.
The Hunt girls, Potter and Kirby competed in the youth division at the Georgia event along with 630 entries. They each qualified for finals in the first round. Kirby qualified her second horse in the second round.
Lynch competed in the teen di-



Each girl received a finalist buckle.
vision with over 1,123 others from around the globe. She also qualified in the first round for the finals of her division.
Haylie Hunt and Kirby placed in the finals. Hunt finished 12th and Kirby was ninth.
All of the local girls earned finalist buckles and paychecks for their performances.



The Rocket baseball team held its post-season award ceremony this week. Among those honored were (front from left) Shelby Robinson, 4-Year Senior; Maeson Myers, 4-Year Senior, All District, Best Teammate Award and Best Glove Award; Ethan Hunt, 4-Year Senior, All District, Most RBIs (17), Best Bat (.348) and Hustle Award; Bobby Stephens, 4-Year Senior and Best Attitude Award; Taylor Yancy, 4-Year Senior Award, Strikeout Award (31 Ks), Lowest ERA (0.24 qualified for state record book); (back) Pate Robinson, letterman; Jayden Carlson, letterman; Cody Belt, letterman; Logan Belt, letterman; Noah Sallin, letterman; Paxton Riley, letterman; Kyle Castiller, letterman; Payton Riley, letterman; and Jacob Hackney, letterman.



Crittenden County Lady Rockets softball team held its annual award celebration recently at the park. Among those honored were (from left) Ellie Smith, Golden Glove Award (.900 fielding percentage); Ashlyn Hicks, Highest Batting Average JV (.800); Brandy Book, Most Home Runs (7) and Most RBIs (54); Cassidy Moss MVP and Highest Batting Average (.526); and Matthia Long; Golden Glove JV (.969 field percentage) and Most RBIs JV (15). Not pictured were Jenna Potter, Freshman MVP; and Jessi Brewer, Most Improved and Leadership Award.

ROCKET GOLF Rockets tee it up with early action

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County sophomore golfer Lauren Gilchrist has teed off on the 2017 season with a major victory at the Christian County Invitational.
Gilchrist, who was the No. 2 golfer in her age division on the summer youth circuit, opened school play with a 3-over-par 75 and first-place finish on Monday at Hopkinsville's Western Hills Country Club.
The Lady Rocket golfer played Tuesday in a tournament at Bowling Green. Results were unavailable at press time.
The boys squad is also getting some great play from young golfers. On Monday at the Christian County Invitational, freshman Sam Greenwell shot an 82 to capture fifth place. Eighth-grader Peyton Purvis carded a 90 and freshman Tate Roberts finished at 94. Senior Logan Belt carded a 101 and freshman Landen Crider had a 120.
At Mineral Mound Golf Course's Best of the West Tournament on Friday, Purvis and Roberts led the team with 85s and Greenwell fired an 86. Belt was at 104 and Crider 112. Their team score of 360 (top four cards) was good for seventh place out of 13 teams.
"It was our first invitational of the season and we had trouble with the weather," said coach Vicki Hardin. "It rained on them for a few holes and affected their game."
"I look forward to this season even though we are a young team. We have a lot of potential, and I know we can be successful," Hardin said.



Gilchrist



All Star 10s

The 10-under Crittenden County all-star team finished second in last weekend's tournament at Marion. Players are (front from left) Tyler Smith, Landon Curry, Caden Brothers, Ethan Thomas, Caleb Riley, (back) Kaiden Travis, Quinn Summers, Jonah Reddick, Zach Purvis and Andrew Candelario. Not pictured were Travis Bull and Bennett McDaniel.

All Star 12s

The 12-under Crittenden County all-star team finished second in last weekend's tournament at Marion. Players are (front from left) Jeremiah Foster, Levi Piper, Tyler Belt, Evan Belt, Gatten Travis, (back) Seth Blackburn, Chase Conyer, Travis Champion, Kaleb Nesbitt, Seth Guess and Casey Cates.



All Star 8s

The 8-under Crittenden County all-star team finished second in last weekend's tournament at Marion. Players are (front from left) Hudson Stokes, Colt Bailey, Isaac James, Eli Herron, Drake Young, (middle) Avery Thompson, Logan Shaffer, Jake Rich, Braden Walton, Jaxton Duncan, Gunner Topp, (back) coaches Sonny Duncan, Chris James, Joey Rich and Shane Young.



This foursome won last week's Victor "Pippi" Hardin Quarterback Club Golf Tournament. The event is a major fundraisers for the football team. Pictured are (from left) Brian Hunt, Tim Capps, Jeremy Shoulders and Ryan McDaniel.



JHF Wiffle Ball Tourney

The annual Jake Hodge Foundation Wiffle Ball Tournament will begin Friday night and runs through Sunday at Princeton's Little Bush Stadium. The tournament is the primary fundraising event for the foundation, which provides scholarships to area college students. There will be food, a home run derby and other activities for the family during the three-day event. See Little Busch Stadium's website for more informaiton.



Fall baseball action

There will be opportunities for fall baseball. Princeton is organizing the league, and Crittenden can enter a team in any of the age divisions: 8-under, 10-under or 12-under. For more information about organizing a team in Crittenden County to play in the Princeton league, contact Dugout Club President Tanner Tabor at (859) 333-9751



Gilbert wooden batter

Marion native Travis Gilbert (left) has spent much of the summer playing baseball in the Central Ohio Independent Wood Bat League where his team finished 30-4-1, winning the league championship, Central Ohio Championship and the Braves Classic mid-season tournament. The league is for college baseball players age 18-25.

Flag Football registration

Registration for Flag Football will be held at Sneak-a-Peek Aug. 10 at Crittenden County Elementary School. Cost is \$25 per player. Teams will begin practicing on Aug. 26. An assessment day for all players will be set ahead of the first practice.

