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Schools back in session Tuesday

Students head back to the classroom Tuesday in Crittenden County. The 2014-15 academic year will be the first under the leadership of Superintendent Vince Clark, who took over in July for Dr. Rachel Yarbrough.

Today (Thursday), the elementary school will host its annual Sneak-a-Peek. Students with last names A-L should visit the school from 6 to 7 p.m., while those with last names M-Z are asked to visit from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Also today, both the middle and high schools will hold their annual Back to School Bash from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the middle school gym and multipurpose room.

Comer to run for governor in 2015

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner James Comer confirmed his entry into the 2015 governor's race on Saturday at the annual Fancy Farm Picnic. A Republican, Comer said he intends to defend coal and fight for smaller government. Comer joins former Louisville councilman Hal Heiner as candidates in the GOP gubernatorial field.

Next year's race to succeed Democratic Gov. Steve Beshear is wide open. Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway, a Democrat, is also running.

According to The Associated Press, Comer plans a formal campaign kickoff Sept. 9 in his hometown of Tompkinsville in southern Kentucky. He plans to name his running mate then.

Candidates have week left to file

While two candidates have filed for mayor of Marion – Mickey Alexander and Ken Floyd – as of press time Tuesday, no one had filed to run for Marion's six city council seats. Candidates for mayor, city council and school board have until 4 p.m. Tuesday to file their paperwork to appear on the Nov. 4 ballot.

July weather for county cool, dry

Last month was the coolest July on record with the Kentucky Mesonet weather and climate data station in Crittenden County. The station began monitoring local weather in 2009.

The average daily temperature in July was 72.2 degrees. In July 2012, the average was 84 degrees. The mercury has yet to break 100 degrees in 2014. In fact, as of Tuesday, the high temperature recorded this year was 91.3 degrees on July 13. A monthly low of 53.5 degrees was recorded on July 29.

But last month was as dry as it was cool. Less than an inch of precipitation was recorded for the month. The 0.82 inches that fell was just one-hundredth of an inch more than the driest July (2012) on record with the local Kentucky Mesonet station.

Public meetings

Crittenden County Board of Education meets for its monthly work session at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Rocket Arena.



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2 longtime Marion businesses undergo significant changes

STAFF REPORT

Two longtime Marion businesses have added a new chapter to their history.

Late last month, both Jones 88 Dip and Marion Dry Cleaners underwent significant changes.

Glenn Conger has purchased Jones 88 Dip from Melissa and Jat Tabor, making it the first time since the restaurant opened, according to Conger, that at least partial ownership does not belong to

the family of Raymond Jones, who started the 88 Dip in 1952 with Gene Cruce.

Conger, who has been leasing and operating the restaurant since June of last year, has purchased the business and the property.

"They have been absolutely wonderful to me throughout this process," Conger said of the Tabor's over the past 13 months. "It's been a great year."

According to local historian

Brenda Underdown, the name of the local institution can be traced to Detroit. In the 1950s, Cruce and Jones owned an Oldsmobile dealership when their families decided to open the 88 Dip adjoining property. The idea for the name of the new restaurant came from the 88 Rocket Oldsmobile.

In the downtown business district, another well-established business has moved.

Marion Dry Cleaners has relocated from its old home at

125 E. Carlisle St. to 220 S. Main St., adjacent to Mike's Barber Shop.

A dry cleaning business had been located in the East Carlisle Street building for the last 90 years, said

Mollie Thomas, who owns Marion Dry Cleaners along with her husband Marc, said the reasoning for the move was based on efficiency and exposure.

"We didn't need all that space," she said of the former

location on the side street.

The Thomases discontinued on-site cleaning when they purchased the business from Sharon Smith, her brother Barry Workman and his wife Donna in February of this year. That eliminated the need for space to accommodate bulky cleaning equipment. The dry cleaning is now done at Farmers Dry Cleaners in Princeton, which the Thomases purchased about a year ago.

Good showing



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS, THE PRESS

Katlin Young, Kaitlyn Hicks and Haylee Stinnett hang on to the Scrambler during a ride last week at the Crittenden County Lions Club Fair. Organizers said more than 2,500 people attended the final two nights of the weeklong event.

County fair closes out week strong

STAFF REPORT

About 1,500 people attended Saturday's demolition derby as the Crittenden County Lions Club Fair reached its annual climax on the final night of the weeklong event.

"We had a really good fair, and the weather was great all week," said John Robertson, first-year president of the Lions Club.

With fewer than 40 members, the Lions Club puts in almost 200 man-hours each year in the days leading up to the fair, preparing the grounds and stocking the concession stand.

Fair photos, results

For more images and results from the 2014 Crittenden County Lions Club Fair events and 4-H exhibits and shows, see pages 4, 8 and 9.

"We buy from all local vendors," said Robertson. "We get our food from local stores and try to buy everything else we need to put on the fair right here in the community, because we know it's Crittenden Countians who come out and spend their money at the fair."

The demolition derby, al-

ways a crowd favorite, drew a near-record number of entries, including about a dozen Power-wheels youth entries on battery-operated rigs.

Zac Greenwell, a longtime Lions Club member and active fair organizer, said the derby was the biggest crowd of the week, but organizers were very pleased with turnout of about 1,100 for Friday night's truck and tractor pulls.

Greenwell and Robertson had a great deal of praise for Tim Cosby and Shelby and

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School district billed \$69,000 for insurance

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS

Some school districts have started getting bills over the past couple of weeks to help offset insurance claims against the failed Kentucky School Boards Insurance Trust.

Crittenden County is among those school systems.

The trust announced last year that it would disband due to financial woes and school districts would have to pay off outstanding claims of about \$60 million. The trust offered insurance for worker's compensation, property and liability claims.

Vince Clark, superintendent of Crittenden County Schools, said the district has received a bill for \$69,003 for worker's comp. He said there was no bill for property and liability claims.

"It's a punch to the gut," said Clark. "You don't prepare for these types of expenditures."

He said the timing of the unbudgeted expense was unfortunate.

"It's a chunk of change, especially when fi-

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Atmos to begin replacing more gas lines in town

STAFF REPORT

Atmos Energy, the largest natural gas distributor in the United States, continues a multi-billion-dollar upgrade of its service lines, and will within the next few weeks be replacing about two miles of lines in Marion.

During the last couple of weeks, crews have been marking lines slated for replacement.

Kay Coomes, public affairs manager for the company's Kentucky/Mid-States Division, said the work is slated to begin in Marion on Sept. 1. Aged metal lines along West Bellville, Elm and Yandell streets will be replaced with synthetic polyethylene, or plastic, pipes. The work is expected to take four to six months to complete.

The modernization of its delivery system is part of Atmos' commitment to safety and reliability, said Coomes.

The upgrade is expected to create minimal disturbances to residents and customers along the affected area. Coomes said there could be some short-term street closures, perhaps for a couple of hours at most, and service to a few

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Contributing to countywide food drive neighborly thing to do

Keeping the hungry in our community fed is a daunting, never-ending job. Crittenden County Food Bank alone is responsible for feeding around 600 clients per month with non-perishables, bread and even fresh produce.

Contributions to the food bank come from many sources – city and county government, local churches, businesses and organizations and even individuals. The donations arrive in the form of money and direct food gifts that even include bread and fresh produce.

But when it comes to feeding the hungry, let's not forget the likes of Life in Christ Church's food pantry, the Victory Gardens and Community Christmas, as well as others. Hopefully, those not mentioned herein do not take offense and are doing good for



the sake of good, not glory.

One individual who deserves a bit of special recognition at this time is Dwight Sherer. It was his idea to start the countywide, summer food drive currently under way to help Crittenden County Food Bank stock its shelves.

As a city councilman and employee of Siemens, which has mounted its own food drives in the past, Sherer is tuned in to the needs of the community and knows just how far a little help from a

number of individuals can go.

That's why several weeks ago he hustled to start the current food drive that will culminate Friday and Saturday with donation boxes set up at both Conrad's and Food Giant. Shoppers are encouraged to keep in mind the less fortunate as they make their way down the grocery aisles, perhaps tossing in their cart a package or two of cereal and a couple of cans of vegetables for the donation box. Door prizes from local businesses are even being offered as a way to entice giving.

Boxes also have been set up at Marion City Hall and the courthouse to accept donations over the past month. Churches, businesses and organizations have taken it upon themselves to pitch in by establishing their own mini-drives to support

Sherer's brainchild.

Certainly, Sherer's concern is born of sincerity and not a desire to capture headlines or solicit a pat on the back. He, as so many others in the community, simply wants to help out his fellow man in need.

If you haven't given yet, there is still time.

If you are skeptical, thinking, perhaps, that people not truly in need will use the next food bank giveaway to take advantage of the generosity of others, you are right. Sadly, there are a few of those out there. But that is no reason to punish the elderly or disabled on fixed incomes or the single parents struggling to keep their children's bellies full.

It's easy to become jaded in a society where those willing to do so little have learned to work the system to seemingly get so much. I agree, it's

about as frustrating as it gets.

But, again, don't let the few bad apples spoil the entire cart, for there truly is a need in this community. Consider, more than 4 tons of food is distributed each month by Crittenden County Food Bank and more than \$14,000 was spent to purchase much of that nourishment over the last year.

So if you have gone to bed hungry, you know what hopelessness is born from that. Perhaps if you are now able, give a little bit so that others may have a respite from those same hunger pangs.

And if you've never gone to bed hungry, take a little time to thank God. Then, you might consider spreading around a tiny portion of your good fortune.

It's simply part of being a good neighbor.

NEWS BRIEFS

Eddyville Mall open, more stores coming

Eddyville Mall officially opened to shoppers Saturday, with several tenants occupying the long-vacant shopping center.

Shooters Supply of Eddyville; Avenue 550, a multi-merchant shop with booth rentals; Gamer's Paradise, which buys, sells and trades new and used video games, systems and accessories; Bone & Co. Realtors; Higher Power Full Gospel Church; Walnut Bowls Chicago Cutlery; and a Murray State University satellite campus are the initial occupants of the mall property.

"Saturday's opening went very, very, very well," said Tim Beck, the Graves County real estate broker serving as project manager for the mall development.

He said hundreds of people were there to shop when the doors opened and to listen to live music in the evening.

Soon coming to the shopping center, according to Beck, are Miss Kitty's Sugar House, an old fashioned candy store with a soda fountain; Core Fitness 24/7, a round-the-clock fitness center; and Cotton's Seafood and Restaurant.

The fitness center and restaurant are expected to open in October, according to Eddyville Mall's Facebook page.

Early 1970s CCHS class reunion slated

Crittenden County High School classes of 1973 and 1974 will be hosting an early 1970s 40-year class reunion to be held at 6 p.m. Sept. 20 at Fohs Hall. Magic Valley Bar-B-Q will cater a meal with music to follow.

Prior to the reunion, there will be an alumni tailgate party beginning at 5:30 p.m. Sept. 19 before the Rockets' homecoming football game.

There will also be a homecoming reunion golf tournament at Marion Country Club on the morning of Sept. 20. The cost is \$30 per person, and payments should be made to: Ron Beavers, Treasurer, P.O. Box 372, Marion, KY 42064.

More on the reunion can be found on Facebook by searching for "Crittenden's Early 70's 40th Class Reunion."

Smithland man dies in motorcycle crash

A Livingston County man has died from injuries sustained when a car collided with his motorcycle Saturday in McCracken County.

According to McCracken County Sheriff's Department, Bobby Story, 62, of Smithland died Sunday at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in



PHOTO BY JASON TRAVIS, THE PRESS

Grimes visits Marion on campaign trail

Alison Lundergan Grimes, the Democratic nominee for Kentucky's U.S. Senate seat up for election in November, paid a visit to Marion last week. On the campaign trail through western Kentucky leading up to Saturday's Fancy Farm Picnic, Grimes stopped by Just A Burg'r last Thursday to greet dozens of supporters. Above, Grimes shakes hands with Crittenden County Property Valuation Administrator Ronnie Heady as Jennifer Beverly looks on. In a hotly-contested race for the Senate seat, Grimes and incumbent Sen. Mitch McConnell, a Republican, are neck and neck in the polls.

Nashville, Tenn.

The sheriff's department reports Story was thrown from his motorcycle Saturday night when he was struck by a car driven by Ronnie Baucum, 89, of Paducah. Baucum, driving a 2008 Kia Sedona, was southbound on John L. Puryear Drive and making a left turn onto Oaks Road when he apparently failed to see Story's motorcycle approaching in the northbound lane. Baucum reportedly pulled into the path of the bike, causing the collision that ejected Story from the motorcycle.

The accident occurred around 10:15 p.m.

Story was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash. He was transported to Baptist Health Paducah and then taken by helicopter to Nashville, where he later died.

Baucum was also transported to Baptist Health Paducah for possible injuries and released.

Fredonia festival starts with parade

The 50th annual Fredonia Summer Festival takes place Saturday, but will lead off with a parade beginning at 6:30 p.m. Friday.

The parade starts at the old Fredonia School and will honor residents of the city age 90 and older as grand marshals. There will also be a veterans float for any veterans who want to ride in the parade.

Parade line-up is at 6 p.m. The route will take the parade

to American Legion Park and back to the school.

For more information on the parade or to be recognized as a grand marshal, contact Michelle Travis at (270) 625-6936.

The all-day festival will feature traditional fun and games, plus \$50 will be given away each hour.

Fredonia Lions Club member Linda Bennett encourages people in the area to support the event, held at the ballpark. The Lions Club and other organizations will sell barbecue pork, chicken, tenderloin, burgers, homemade desserts, funnel cakes, ice cream and more.

Baseball games, a silent auction, a cake walk, children's games, a pet show, washer pitching, a cornhole tournament beginning at 3:30 p.m., arts and crafts booths and more will be offered throughout the day.

Music begins at 6 p.m. by the band Cottonpatch Express.

Livingston residents facing drug charges

Two Livingston County residents were arrested in McCracken County last week along with seven others over the course of a two-day drug-related investigation. The bust led to the seizure of about a half-pound of methamphetamine valued at nearly \$30,000.

Last Thursday evening, McCracken County Sheriff's deputies stopped a vehicle in

Lone Oak occupied by Betty Rogers, 42, of Salem and Eric McDowell, 33, of Smithland for traffic violations. During the course of the stop, deputies searched the vehicle and reportedly located quantities of meth and scales.

Both Rogers and McDowell were arrested and lodged in McCracken County Jail. Both were charged with possession of meth and drug paraphernalia. Rogers was also charged with traffic infractions.

Throughout the night and into Saturday morning, authorities went on to arrest seven more individuals on drug trafficking, possession and solicitation charges among others. Five of the suspects were from Paducah, one from Metropolis, Ill., and another from Union County, Tenn.

The investigation was a multi-agency collaboration, and continues with more arrests expected.

Marion Police activity report

The following is a monthly activity report for Marion Police Department, reflecting information from July 2014. The information is provided by Police Chief Ray O'Neal.

CATEGORY	JULY 2014
Miles driven/patrolled.....	3,588
Criminal investigations.....	17
Domestics.....	10
Felony Arrests.....	6
Misdemeanor arrests.....	5
Non-criminal arrests.....	5
DUI arrests.....	1
Criminal summons served....	4
Traffic citations.....	33
Traffic warnings.....	32
Parking tickets.....	1
Other citations.....	23
Traffic accidents.....	8
Security checks/alarms.....	75
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NEW SCHOOL SYSTEM HIRES

Carroll

Jacob Carroll has been named as the new band director for the Crittenden County School. Carroll succeeds former band director Jon Nash, who left to take over the band program in Caldwell County.



Carroll

Originally from Central City, Carroll previously taught three years at Allen County School District in Scottsville, Ky. Carroll went to Murray State University, where he received his undergraduate and graduate degrees.

He comes from a musical background. Both his grandfather and aunt were also band directors.

He said music has always been a part of his life and is something he is very passionate about.

Carroll expects his students to be hardworking and enthusiastic when it comes to practice and performance.

"Mr. Nash, the previous director, has really set a good standard and improved the program greatly. I'm hoping to come in and pick up where he left off and keep getting better day by day," Carroll said.

Cummins

Crittenden County School District has named Jessica Cummins as a new half-time agriculture education instructor. In July, Cummins was named the Extension agent for 4-H and youth development in Crittenden County. While

there, she oversaw 4-H entries in the county fair and chaperoned youth to Dawson Springs for summer camp activities. While she will miss her role as 4-H Extension agent, she said the opportunity to teach at the high school from which she graduated is a dream come true.

A 2006 graduate of Crittenden County High School, Cummins attended Murray State University and obtained a degree in agriculture education. She has taught ag education for five years, four years in Tennessee and most recently in Missouri.

Her husband, Chris, is an ag educator at Henderson County High School. The couple has an 18-month old son named Case.

Palmer

Neville Palmer will teach eighth grade social studies at Crittenden County Middle School. Palmer began his teaching career in Bourbon County near Lexington.

Palmer isn't unfamiliar to western Kentucky. He grew up in Paducah. His family later moved to Eddyville, where he graduated from Lyon County High School.

He attended the University of Kentucky for two years and was at UK when the basketball team won the NCAA Championship in 1996. He later transferred to Murray State University.

Palmer has been teaching for eight years and said he enjoys motivating students that aren't motivated to learn.

In addition to teaching social studies, he will also be an assistant soccer coach.

He and his wife are expecting their fourth child.

Croft

Melissa Croft will be teaching preschool. Croft previously has been a substitute teacher and has worked as an AmeriCorps representative in the school district.



Croft

A native of Crittenden County, Croft attended Murray State University and received her bachelor's degree in 2012 in elementary education.

Yates

Renea Yates will be teaching in the Learning Lab at Crittenden County Elementary School and will work with students, in part, on the Lexia Literacy program. The literacy program was implemented last year at the elementary school.



Yates

Originally from Sturgis, Yates, her husband Jason and their two sons, moved to Crittenden County almost three years ago.

Yates was a substitute teacher in Union County for 10 years and spent much of that time at Sturgis Elementary School before coming to CCES. She previously served as an AmeriCorps representative at the local school.

"I'm excited about this year and excited about this new adventure at the school," Yates said.

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County attorney hands out school supplies



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From left, Brenda Croft, Debbie Brown and Crittenden County Attorney Rebecca Johnson fill bags of free school supplies for distribution to parents or guardians who signed up for the Back to School Celebration held last week.

STAFF REPORT
A Back to School Celebration was held last week to help families with the cost of school supplies for the upcoming school year. The event was sponsored by Crittenden County Attorney Rebecca Johnson. This was the fifth year the event has been held.
Johnson said providing free school supplies is one way her office can give back to families who are struggling financially. She added that the cost of school supplies typically ranges anywhere from \$50 to \$75.
"If you have more than one child, it's just a huge household expense. We actually start early in the spring. We usually try to look locally for some of the best prices in school supplies. All of us – my two as-

sistants, Mary Rohrer and Wes Hunt – we all scour the area to try to get the best prices so we can get the most materials that we can for the kids," Johnson said.
A total of 112 bags were put together and filled with school supplies for those parents/guardians who signed up for the supplies before distribution day.
While there is work and expense involved, Johnson called the project worthwhile to help families in need and a project her office would like to continue every year.
"Debbie (Brown) and Brenda (Croft) do a wonderful job organizing it," Johnson said. "I think the people really appreciate that we are able to provide this service and help the kids here in Crittenden County."

USDA extends deadline for emergency assistance

STAFF REPORT
U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency (FSA) Administrator Juan M. Garcia announced last week that the enrollment deadline for the 2012 and 2013 Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) has been extended to Aug. 15, 2014. Originally, program sign-up was scheduled to end last Friday.
The new deadline gives livestock, honeybee, and farm-raised fish producers who experienced losses because of disease, adverse weather, wildfires or colony collapse disorder between Oct. 1, 2011, and Sept. 30, 2013, an additional two weeks to enroll in ELAP.
"Because ELAP is an important safety net for key sectors of American agriculture, we've provided this two week extension so that producers can submit required documentation and apply for program benefits," said Garcia.
Producers are encouraged to contact the local FSA service center in Salem or visit FSA's website at www.fsa.usda.gov for additional information regarding ELAP.
For more information on the Farm Bill, visit www.usda.gov/farmbill.

Reports to help producers prepare for Farm Bill

STAFF REPORT
Farmers should start receiving notices updating them on their current base acres, yields and 2009-12 planting history, according to a release from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The written updates are an important part of preparing agricultural producers for the new safety net programs established by the 2014 Farm Bill.
"We're sending these reports to make sure that farmers and ranchers have key information as they make critical decisions about programs that impact their livelihood," said Farm Service Agency (FSA) Admin-

istrator Juan M. Garcia. "It's important that producers take a few minutes to cross check the information they receive with their own farm records. If the information is correct, no further action is needed at this time. But if our letter is incomplete or incorrect, producers need to contact their local FSA county office as soon as possible."
Verifying the accuracy of data on a farm's acreage history is an important step for producers enrolling in the upcoming Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) program and the Price Loss Coverage (PLC) program. Later this summer, farmers and

ranchers will have an opportunity to update their crop yield information and reallocate base acres.
"We're working hard to prepare and educate farmers on the new programs created by the 2014 Farm Bill," added Garcia. "I encourage producers to bring their USDA notice to any scheduled appointments with the local FSA county office. This will help ensure they have the information they need with them to discuss the available program options."
By mid-winter, all producers on a farm will be required to make a one-time, unanimous and irrevocable election between price pro-

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Unemployment rates fall in counties across Commonwealth

STAFF REPORT
Unemployment rates fell in 117 Kentucky counties, including Crittenden and Livingston counties, between June 2013 and June 2014, while three county rates went up, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training.
Unemployment across the state and Pennyriple Region was up markedly in June 2013 compared to the latest county-level jobless figures available from the state. In Crittenden County, unemployment fell from 8.3 percent to 7.1 percent from June 2013 to June 2014. In Livingston County, the rate dropped 2 points from 8.5

percent to 6.5 percent during the same time period.
The jobless rate was also

down in both counties from May to June of this year. In Crittenden County, unemployment was at 7.4 percent in May. Meantime, Livingston County posted a 7.2-percent unemployment rate.
Boone County recorded the lowest jobless rate in Kentucky at 5.5 percent. Jackson County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate – 16.5 percent.
Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work.

AREA	JUNE 2014	MAY 2014	JUNE 2013
Kentucky	7.4.....	7.5	8.8
Pennyriple Region	8.1.....	8.4	9.8
Boone County (1)	5.5.....	5.2	6.7
Caldwell County.....	6.1.....	6.5	7.7
Livingston County.....	6.8.....	7.2	8.5
Lyon County.....	6.9.....	7.4	8.4
Crittenden County.....	7.1.....	7.4	8.3
Webster County.....	7.3.....	7.7	8.3
Union County.....	7.7.....	8.4	7.9
Jackson County (120)	16.5.....	17.8	16.0

FAIR

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Jared Belt, who organized the derby and pulls, respectively.
"The pageants did really well this year, too," Greenwell said.
Opening the pageants to girls from other counties boosted participation and attendance, he explained.
Greenwell and Robertson said Lions Club members are always looking for ways to improve the fair. For next year, they're hoping to add

some carnival rides attractive to older children and perhaps add a second Family Night to the lineup in order to provide more discount opportunities.
Natalie Parish, vice chairperson for the fair, said the pageants will continue to have open and closed divisions in the future.
"I am very pleased with the turnout of our pageants. We will have two pageants for each age division from 5 to 21," Parish said. "We realize we have some glitches to work out, but we are already making plans for next year's fair."

LINES

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customers could be off for an hour or two.
"Generally, people will not lose service during the line replacement," she said. "Each individual landowner would be notified well ahead of time."
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A look back...

Crittenden County Lions Club Fair

For more on the county fair, see Pages 8-9

Pull results

- 12,000-pound Non-turbo Tractors**
- 1st: Brystin Prowell
 - 2nd: Rhett Parish

- Street Diesel Trucks**
- 1st: Klay Southern
 - 2nd: Jared Yates
 - 3rd: Jeff Budd

- 10,500-pound Tractors, 10 mph**
- 1st: Jamie McDowell
 - 2nd: Craig Jameson
 - 3rd: Aaron Berry

- Pro Street Trucks**
- 1st: Terry Miller
 - 2nd: Randall Miller
 - 3rd: Hunter Atchison

- 10,000-pound Tractors Under 600cu**
- 1st: Tyler Sandefur
 - 2nd: Jared Belt
 - 3rd: Jay Travis

- 12,000-pound Tractors, 10 mph**
- 1st: Goose Graves
 - 2nd: Gene Hunt
 - 3rd: Craig Jameson

- 2.6 Diesel Trucks**
- 1st: Adam Krom
 - 2nd: Blair Beyer
 - 3rd: Chris Woodall

- 11,000-pound Open Tractors**
- 1st: Matthew Glen
 - 2nd: Jamie Hunt
 - 3rd: Barry Sandefur

- 14,000-pound Tractors, 10 mph**
- 1st: Goose Graves
 - 2nd: Vernon Jennings
 - 3rd: Jonathan Dunbar

Derby results

- Truck Class**
- 1st: Billy Johnson
 - 2nd: Ryan Russelburg

- Compact Class**
- 1st: Zachary Sullivan
 - 2nd: Donald Smith
 - 3rd: Joe Smith
 - Maddog: Joe Smith

- Stock Class**
- 1st: Sean Dennis
 - 2nd: Scott Gentry
 - 3rd: Jacob Hunt
 - Maddog: Scott Gentry

- Feature Class**
- 1st: Wes Gargus
 - 2nd: Jesse Gargus
 - 3rd: Duce Lovell
 - Maddog: Duce Lovell

- Lawnmowers**
- 1st: Leana Riley
 - 2nd: Tyler Bayless
 - 3rd: Alex Yates
 - Maddog: Skyler Elliot

- Most Aggressive Crittenden County Driver**
- Jake Tinsley

- Powerwheels (youth) participants**
- Haylee Jackson
 - Hunter Jackson
 - Jason Millikan II
 - Will Gentry
 - Gavin Catt
 - Sean Brown
 - Luke Travis
 - Gracie Sullivan
 - Paxton Sullivan
 - Addyson Cooper
 - Braxton Manning
 - Jaisen Lineberry
 - Leauna West



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Clockwise from top left, tractor pulls were part of Friday night's events at the county fair, helping to draw the second largest crowd of the week at the fairgrounds. Motorcycle and four-wheeler races were the featured event on the night of July 29 at the fairgrounds. The second night of dirt drags featured truck racing. Hannah Mott and Gracie Wilkerson, both of Marion, enjoy one of the rides at the midway on Family Night. Chris and Heather Penn of Rochester Avenue in Marion get their car ready for Saturday night's demolition derby. Andy Walton of Marion, who has competed in dozens of demolition derbies over his life, and his grandson, Jaisen Lineberry, 6, await the power-wheels heat for children to open the derby, which also featured a heat of lawnmowers. Derby organizers inspect entries into what is always the most popular event of fair week. The driver of Mattoon Migrain makes a run during the truck pulls, which were coupled with tractor pulls last Friday, drawing about 1,100 people to the fairgrounds.

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Every town has its historical anecdotes handed down from generation to generation, stories the first settlers liked to tell on themselves as well as stories on other folks and items that they found interesting or humorous. Here are a couple of interesting ones. They help keep the history alive and remembered.

Nathan R. Black was indeed a colorful and forceful person. He was appointed county attorney in 1854, and was a noted lawyer on the Marion bar in the 1860s and 1870s. The Marion bar has always been rated as one of the best in the state. Among the early members of this bar were such lawyers as Manton Marble, Chester C. Cole, John W. Blue Sr. and Black. In the early days of which we write, there seemed to have been more lawsuits in the courts as well as more trespassing on the "majesty of the law" and the "dignity of the commonwealth" than at the present time. The lawyers, therefore, had more opportunities to display their powers of oratory and to show their abilities to argue a case before a jury. Rarely was there a circuit court of less than three weeks duration. It was a rich harvest for the attorneys and, of course, the competition was great. Among all the members of the bar at that time, none, perhaps, possessed greater power before a jury than did Black. Like some poets, he was born, not made. He was one of the pic-



turesque figures of that day, caring little for dress or personal appearance. He rarely had an office up town, and when a client wanted his service, he would have to go out to the little farm, near town, where he would likely find the attorney out plowing in a field. When the client's business was made known, the lawyer would unhitch his horse from the plow, remove the harness, get on the animal's back without a saddle, and in his plow shoes, ride to town, prosecute his case in court and return home. Judge Black was perhaps the first in this county to advocate the cause of prohibition, at a time, too, when a prohibitionist was looked upon as little less than a lunatic. He was also a Republican, when Republicans in the county were not so plentiful as now. In the midst of a political campaign, Judge Black would never decline to measure his oratory on the stump with any Democratic speaker who might come along, often with Judge Caswell C. Bennett, and others. There lived, at the time of which we write, a few miles east of town, a man by the name of Phillip Thurmond. Thurmond was a good man and a fine neighbor, but seemed to have a fondness for litigation. Rarely was there a circuit court that Thurmond didn't have a case or two on the docket. On one occasion, Thurmond was plaintiff in a case. When the case came up in circuit court, Black was attorney for the defendant. When the evidence was given, Judge Black made a strong appeal to the jury, flayed Thurmond from away back and gained the suit for his client. After court adjourned, Thurmond came to the attorney and said to him, "Black, by heck, I'm gong to whip you the first opportunity I get for what you said about me." "Oh, certainly, that's all right Phil," was Black's reply. A few days after this, late one afternoon, the attorney was riding home from town, enjoying the satisfaction of a good chew of tobacco, when a short distance along the road he met Thurmond going to town. "Hello, Black," said Thurmond, stopping his horse. "By heck, there will be no better time or place for me to mop up the earth with your ugly carcass than right here and now. I dare you off your horse." Thurmond proceeded to alight from his own steed. "Very true, Phil," replied Black. "It would be hard to find a better occasion or a more fitting place than right here and now, in this public road, for me to maul you into pulp, which ought to have been done years ago." Black, too, proceeded to get down off his horse. Unfortunately – or fortunately, as the case might have been – the attorney, in his effort to dislodge

himself from his horse, accidentally swallowed his rather large quid of tobacco. By the time his feet struck the ground, he was a very sick man in the region of his stomach. This severe sickness was quickly followed by copious results like unto the results of all such accidents. Thurmond looked on the scene for some time in silence, then finally said, "Well, Black, if thinking about having to fight me goes that hard with you, get on your horse and go home." And Thurmond mounted his horse and rode away. As Thurmond rode away, Judge Black was too busy with other matters to make any response to his near antagonist's farewell words. But as soon as he was sufficiently recovered from the effects of the misplaced quid of tobacco, he, likewise, mounted his steed and went home. This incident seemed to have quelled all resentment between the two men, and the lawyer and his adversary became fast friends. Judge Black died Oct. 9, 1881, at his farm near Repton and was buried in the Old Marion Cemetery in the family plot. There is no stone for him now. It is such a shame that no picture of this early Marion pioneer lawyer and citizen has ever been found, but I have a clear picture of him in my mind. **The Panther** In the early days of our county, the panther and catamount silently roamed our virgin forests, every once in a

while making themselves known to an unsuspecting traveler. Sometimes the story would be handed down through the family. The following is another wonderful story from the Dean family collection. *** It was a dark afternoon in early February, about 1875. A few snowflakes fluttered through the air but not enough to stop John Lamb from chopping out fence rows and cutting bushes. In the shelter of the big family room warmed by a log fire, Sara Ann was knitting. Annie Maria, now more than 4, had been playing with her brothers, Bob and Edgar, until suddenly their activities were not in accord with her mood. So she pulled up a stool at her mother's feet and said, "Ma, tell me about the panther." "Well," said Sara Ann, "when your grandmother, Evaline Phillips, was a young woman, she had to ride quite a distance one afternoon on horseback to take care of an errand for her father. She was riding through a thickly wooded section, and before she reached home, the shadows began to lengthen. Then, all of a sudden it seemed almost night. "Oh, well! She wasn't afraid, or was she? For there on the branch of a tree just ahead, she saw a darkish figure sprawled. It was not a raccoon, nor a possum, nor a mink. "No, no, it was much too large. It looked more like a cat had it not been quite so big. "She would have preferred to turn her horse and ride back in the other direction, but there was no

other way home. "Suddenly she had no choice. The horse wheeled and changed directions. At the same moment, the animal disappeared. Although she had difficulty persuading her horse to right about face, she finally did. But what was that touching her from behind? It felt soft. Then she felt nothing. In both mind and body, she seemed to become numb." Sara Ann continued. "What light there was had now faded into darkness. Her horse took the initiative now and galloped off. "When he reached the big gate that led into the barn lot, he stopped short. Evaline came to herself in time to hear a thud behind her. Looking quickly, she thought she saw something shiny and black slink away into the night. Just then, she saw her father coming toward her carrying a large lantern." "Evaline, Evaline! What happened?" he asked. "Why are you so late?" "Father," she said, "I think a panther rode behind me all the way from Dawson's Wood." Annie Marie said, "Oh, Ma! Do you think it really did?" Sara Ann replied, "Well, we'll never know for sure." (Note: Little Annie Maria Lamb grew up and married J.N. Dean. This article was written by Ruby Dean, daughter of J.N. and Annie Dean.) (Brenda Underdown is Crittenden County's historian and serves on the board of the historical and genealogical societies in the county. She is also active in maintaining Crittenden County Historical Museum.)

Paris presented Historic Preservation Recognition Award

By **PAM FAUGHN**
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR
On July 3, the General John Caldwell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) presented a Historic Preservation Recognition Award to William Ralph "Rodney" Paris of Fredonia. Rita Oldham, chapter historic/preservation chair for the chapter, compiled the information and submitted the nomination for the award. The award certificate and pin were presented at the July meeting of the Fredonia Valley Heritage Society by DAR Regent Marty Presler and Oldham. Several other members of the local DAR were present. The Historic Preservation Recognition Award is available for DAR members and non-members and is designed to recognize worthy local individuals and groups for outstanding achievements in all areas of historic preservation. The recipients are expected to have contributed to their community in an outstanding volunteer manner. The national vice chair of the DAR Historic Preservation Recognition Award must approve the award. Paris has made outstanding achievements in many areas of historic preservation, and he has contributed to his community in a significant volunteer way. He has a lifelong interest in local, state and world history. He minored in history at Centre College in Kentucky, where he earned an associate's degree. He later earned a bachelor of science in land surveying at Purdue University. As a professional land surveyor, Paris has traced the

lands he surveys back to the land grants issued to veterans of the Revolutionary War. He perpetuates the old corner markers of these original surveys by placing monuments with tablets stating the name of the original corner. In many cases, the old trees, stones, creeks, bluffs and other markers are still in place with blazed trees to reference them. He has led programs for local historical societies detailing the land grant process. Paris is a member of the Caldwell County Historical Society and served as president several times. He participated in the Night Rider outdoor pageant that educated the public about the Tobacco War in the early 1900s, when the Tobacco Trust tried to obtain all the tobacco at a price less than it cost to produce the tobacco. During his years of surveying, Paris developed information in Caldwell, Crittenden and Livingston counties about the location of the Trail of Tears route taken by the Cherokee Indians as they were relocated to the West. He shared this information with the Caldwell County Historical Society, the Fredonia Valley Heritage Society and the Princeton Rotary Club. He marked U.S. Geological Survey topographic maps with the path taken, showed slides of the campground locations and creeks and gave lectures on the Trail of Tears. Paris is a member of the Fredonia Valley Heritage Society, taking an active role in all its projects. He helped in the development of the book "The History of the Fredonia Valley," published by the her-



William Ralph "Rodney" Paris of Fredonia recently earned a Historic Preservation Recognition Award. In attendance at the presentation were Paris and other members of the General John Caldwell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Pictured above (from left) are Kathy Campbell, Betty Ralph, Regent Marty Presler, Nancy Paris, William Ralph "Rodney" Paris, Chapter Historic/Preservation Chair Rita Oldham, Pam Faughn, Connie White and Barbara VanHooser-Schiltz.

itage society in 2010. This book, together with other 2010 projects of the society, was nominated for and won the Kentucky Historical Society's Thomas D. Clark Award of Excellence in 2011. After the Fredonia Valley history book was published, Paris suggested to the heritage society that a book containing a collection of art works by Fredonia artist John F. Rice would be a good project. He served as chairman of the committee that developed this book, "In Pursuit of Art: The Talent of John F. Rice," which was published in 2013.

Rice painted and sketched many historical images in Fredonia, Mississippi and in Europe. Paris portrayed Rice in "A Walk through Fredonia's Past," a ghost walk through the Fredonia Valley Cemetery in the summer of 2013. He also portrayed Rice on the Fredonia Valley Heritage Society float promoting the book in the annual Fredonia Parade. Paris has participated in many community events to share his love of old folk tunes. He played traditional youthful songs on his stringed instruments includ-

ing guitar, dulcimer and fiddle for Caldwell County third-graders for several years at an annual event at the Wilson-Blair African-American One-Room School in Fredonia. He performed a similar program for fifth-graders at an outdoor venue in Hopkins County. In October 2010, he played some old Revolutionary War tunes on his fiddle at a Grave Marking Service to honor Revolutionary War patriots buried in the Old Fredonia Cemetery. He has shared the old folk tunes with all ages of people at the historical societies as well.

Paris has donated time to the maintenance of two Caldwell County cemeteries: Dollar Cemetery and the Old Fredonia Cemetery. He also serves as president of the Paris Cemetery and the Duval-Gilbert Cemetery in Crittenden County. Both are associated with his family. His restored antebellum log home and the furnishings therein evidence Paris' respect for historical preservation. He is active in many other activities and organizations and continuously serves his community as an interested volunteer.

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The following comes from an article by John Hayward found on Human-Events.com:

“Back in the Sixties, Marxists Richard Cloward and Frances Fox Piven came up with a great strategy for overloading and collapsing democratic welfare states, paving the way for socialist tyranny. Basically, the idea was to hit the system with a tidal wave of demands it couldn’t refuse, and couldn’t possibly fulfill.”

How clever, planning that children by the thousands would pour into our country, knowing that the faces and plights of children would be such a moral issue that it would overpower all complaints. They knew that those who were against it would be called unloving and calused.

Hayward’s article continues:

“The Left would then insist that the moral argument for the system remained intact, so the only way to meet those impossible demands was to scrap every vestige of Constitutional restraint and republican self-government...”



This would allow the government take over in all of life, which is Communism. This is what Cloward and Piven both taught and Obama was one of their prize adherents, as he went through the atheist colleges of his, his atheist grandparents’ and mother’s choices.

Does the statement “Destroying America will be the culmination of my life’s work,” from George Soros – one of Obama’s hidden controllers and financiers who is an atheistic, communistic, Jewish Hungarian billionaire – make more sense now?

What is his reasoning? He says Americans have too much, and it needs to be destroyed so all the rest of the world can prosper.

What a warped, evil and sociopathic mind. He is anti-God, anti-family, anti-American and brags that he is an elitist world class philosopher. He despises the American way, yet sucks up all of America taxpayers’ cash he can, living like a king. He loves doing social engineering and changing cultures, and one of the saddest truths is, he has five sons coming along in his footsteps, helping him control 50 other countries.

Soros’ illgotten wealth totals nearly \$5 billion, which he uses to undermine America’s traditional Western values. His giving has provided funding for

abortion rights, atheism, drug legalization, sex education, euthanasia, feminism, gun control, globalization, mass immigration, same-sex marriage and other radical experiments in social engineering.

How did same-sex marriage become so common in the past five years?

Soros, in one of his speeches, called for the big failed stimulus package to be put in as soon as Obama was elected. He calls all the shots. His money and evil power put Obama in office.

Check it all out: it is common knowledge, but the media, which he owns, won’t tell it. But Google it all.

When our national media won’t inform and warn us, and if the God-called ministers – the Watchmen on the Wall – won’t inform and warn us, where is our hope?

Why are our borders still open? Soros demands it so we will be overrun with foreigners and terrorists. America will no longer be America, and he will have more voters for his hijacked political party, so we will be controlled by a one-party dictatorship.

He wants one-world foreign policy and a one-world government called the New World Order to destroy our sovereignty.

Soros is an atheist Jew who is an evil control freak. He wants to go down in history as not only the 14-year-old who led his fellow Jews to the gas chambers in Hungary, but his ego demands that he also take down the two most powerful nations in the world – Israel and America. Thus, he is systematically turning Americans against both nations so it can

come to pass.

Jesus was constantly casting out demons living in people while on earth, and we think Satan does not totally control millions now who are out to destroy Christianity in the world?

Why do you think Obama is so against Israel as is John Kerry? The Palestinians continue to bombard Israel with rockets, and the administration wants Israel to cease trying to stop them?

How stupid! Like we would stand by and let Russia do this to us? Well, with Obama in, that might not be a sure thing either.

Soros has been packing the Democratic Party with radicals, and ousting moderate Democrats for years. He has his tentacles also reaching into the Republican Party, and that is why he hates the Tea Party and works to destroy Americans’ support for it. His minions in the Republican Party work to help him, as do the Democrats.

Why do you think he helps Obama put radical members of the Muslim Brotherhood into more than seven important leadership rolls in our government – one being in National Security Department?

Yeah! They are going to protect us against other radical Muslims and see to it we have religious freedom when their stated goal is to destroy Israel and all Christians?

One more question: Can it get any more stupid or frightening than this?

We ignore all of this at our own peril!

(Rev. Lucy Tedrick of Marion shares her views regularly in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper.)

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will preach. All are invited to attend.
■ Bro. Ed Nicholas and his wife will be ministering at Miracle Word Church in Salem at 7 p.m., Saturday and 11 a.m., Sunday.
■ Deer Creek Baptist Church will screen the movie “God’s Not Dead,” at 6 p.m., Aug. 10, at the church. For more information call (270) 965-2220.

■ Sturgis Baptist Church will hold homecoming services at 10 a.m., Aug. 17. Bro. Brady Rochester from Boiling Springs, S.C. will preach. His family will provide a special musical program. For more information or bus transportation call (270) 333-7597. Pastor Joey Durham and the congregation invite everyone to attend. The church is located at 620 Adams St. in

Sturgis.
■ The Ohio River Baptist Association, which is comprised of 42 Southern Baptist churches in Crittenden and Livingston counties, will host an On Mission Celebration Rally at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 27 at Livingston Central High School in Smithland.
■ Mexico Baptist Church’s clothes closet is open 9-11 a.m., each Monday.

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—Matthew 18:20

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Sunday and Wednesday evening services, 6:30 p.m.

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College and Depot streets, Marion • 965-5232
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• AWANA: 5:45 p.m.
• Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.
• Sunday contemporary service: 8:15 a.m.
• Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Evening 6 p.m.
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Crayne Cemetery Road
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Marion, Ky.
965-2477

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Sunday Night Bible Study 6 p.m.
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Sunday Discipleship Training 6 p.m. • Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m. • Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Pastor Tim Burdon
Minister of Youth Robert Kirby
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 6 p.m.

Crooked Creek Baptist Church

261 Crooked Creek Church Road, Marion, Ky.
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Sunday worship: Morning, 11 am | Evening, 6 pm
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Barnett Chapel General Baptist Church

• Sunday school: 9:45 a.m. Bro. Steve Tinsley, pastor
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OBITUARIES

Ordway

Marvin Duane Ordway, 79, of Crayne died Aug. 2, 2014, at his home.

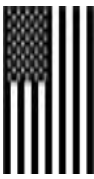
He was retired from the U.S. Air Force and was a member of Crayne Community Church.

Ordway is survived by a son, Michael Ordway of Sweetwater, Texas; a brother, Carl Ordway of Marion; a sister, Mary Ordway of Marion; three grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Virgil and Iva Scott Ordway.

A celebration of life service was held Wednesday at Crayne Community Church.

Myers Funeral Home in Marion is in charge of arrangements.



Cornish

Marcus Eugene Cornish, 78, died Aug. 3, 2014, at Danville Centre Health and Rehabilitation in Danville, Ky.

He served in the U.S. Army and was a member of St. William Catholic Church in Marion.

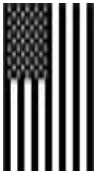
He was a former superintendent of mines at Kentucky Stone Co.

Cornish is survived by two sisters, Mary Lee Holbert of Lawrenceburg, Ky., and Louise and husband Jim Thompson of Harrodsburg, Ky.; two brothers, Jimmy Ray Cornish of Lawrenceburg; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Brenda Sue Catlett Cornish; a son, Marcus Brent Cornish; two brothers, Earl Cornish and Davis Cornish; and his parents, Clay and Margie Peavler Cornish.

Funeral mass will be held today (Thursday) at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Lawrenceburg. Burial will be in Lawrenceburg Cemetery.

Gash Memorial Chapel in Lawrenceburg is in charge of arrangements.



Rorer

Robert D. Rorer, 70, of Marion died July 28, 2014, at his home.

His is survived by a sister, Frances Rorer of Marion; three stepdaughters, Misty White of Marion, Christy Tramble of Marion and Heather Kirk of Marion; and eight grandchildren.

Rorer was preceded in death by his parents, Robin Ray Rorer and Mary D. Adams; a brother, James T. Rorer; and a sister, Mary Cathrine Rorer.

Funeral services were Saturday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was in Chapel Hill Cemetery.

Tremper

Bettie June Tremper, 74, died Aug. 1, 2014, at St. Mary's Hospital.

She was born June 14, 1940, in Marion. She was a hairstylist and taught at beauty school.

Tremper is survived by a daughter, Lisa and husband Lee Etheridge; a son, Shawn and wife Ramona Tremper; two brothers, Steve Duvall and Donald Duvall; a sister, Carolyn and husband Gerald Casper; eight grandchildren; a great-grandchild; nieces; and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Tremper; her parents, Charles and Nelda Lowey Duvall; three brothers, James Duvall, Charles Duvall and Richard Duvall; and a sister, Verlie Franks.

Funeral services will be at noon today (Thursday) at Titzer Family Funeral Homes in Newburgh, Ind. Rev. Kevin Reed will officiate. Burial will follow at 2:30 p.m. in Rosebud Cemetery in Crittenden County. Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

Sympathy wishes may be made to the family at Titzer FuneralHomes.com.



Tremper

Munsch

Donna K. Munsch, 70, of Salem died Aug. 5, 2014, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Paducah.

Arrangements are incomplete at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem.

Public hearings look at fiscal health of rural hospitals in Ky.

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

Kentucky's rural hospitals are in critical condition.

That's the message Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts Adam Edelen is receiving from health care professionals as he continues a series of public hearings across the state in order to assess the fiscal health of these critical facilities. That series brought Edelen to Princeton last Thursday where he heard from several western Kentucky health care providers, including Crittenden Health Systems CEO Greg McNeil.

McNeil, who has spent more than three decades in health care administration, believes the current situation is dire for the 66 of 130 hospitals in Kentucky that lie in rural areas.

"I think right now is the worst I've ever seen," McNeil said of the financial struggles of hospitals, particularly those nestled in rural areas like Crittenden County.

Rural hospitals are a driving force in the economy of the communities where they are located. In fact, in many counties across the state, hospitals are the largest private employer, making them critical to that community's survival.

In Marion, CHS employs 200 people and has a \$9 million annual payroll, according to McNeil. In terms of payroll, that makes the hospital one of the top two employers in Crittenden County along with the school system.

"Closing would be very devastating to the community," McNeil said last week to the crowd crammed inside a meeting room at Caldwell Medical Center in Princeton.

To prevent that from happening, McNeil, since starting



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Crittenden Health Systems CEO Greg McNeil speaks last Thursday in Princeton at a public hearing on the fiscal health of rural hospitals in Kentucky as the state's auditor of public accounts, Adam Edelen, takes notes. The hearing was one in series held across the state by Edelen in order to gather information for a report expected to be issued this fall.

his position at CHS in November, has been forced to make cut after cut, including a reduction in the workforce and wages of employees. He said CHS has slashed a little more than \$2 million from its budget in 10 months, adding that "it's still not enough."

One of the primary reasons for the financial pinch put on hospitals in Kentucky, claimed health care professionals last Thursday, is the payment reductions from Medicare and Medicaid programs under the Affordable Care Act and Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs).

Hospitals are being challenged by Frankfort and Washington, said Mike Rust, president and CEO of the Kentucky Hospital Association.

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nances have been so tight the last eight years," Clark said.

It could have been much worse, however. Carlisle County School District owes nearly \$300,000 for workers' compensation, property and liability claims. Clark said the cost to the local school system can be absorbed, probably from the district's general fund.

"We're not looking at cutting a program, personnel or

anything like that," he added.

Districts are being asked to pay 25 percent of the workers' compensation claims by Aug. 31. That would amount to \$17,251 for Crittenden County. The rest would be paid in annual payments over six years.

Clark said there are two other long-term options, each of which delays the first payment but adds interest. At 10 years, repayment would ultimately cost the district \$85,240. At 15 years, that would swell to \$100,530. The first payments would not be

due until 2015.

The ultimate decision on choosing a payment plan and determining where the money will come from is up to the board of education. Clark said board members will discuss the matter Tuesday at their monthly work session and make decision during the board meeting on Aug. 26.

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For more on the county fair, see Page 4



Sweepstakes winners from 4-H exhibits during this year's fair include (from left) Pate Robinson, Jessi Brewer, Emily Hendrix, Hailey McCann and Maegan Potter. Not pictured are Shelby Robinson, Abbigayle Haire and Mauri Collins.



Jessica Cummins, the former University of Kentucky Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Service agent for 4-H and Youth Development, writes down entry information for Hailey McCann during check-in for 4-H exhibits last week at the Woman's Club of Marion building. The exhibits are held in conjunction with the county fair.



Before poultry can be entered for competition, testing must be conducted to make sure they are healthy. Amanda Brasher of the Kentucky Department of Agriculture performs a quick blood test on a rooster held by Pate Robinson during last week's youth poultry and rabbit show during the county fair.

STAFF REPORT

Sights and sounds of the midway aren't the only attractions at the annual Crittenden County Lion's Club Fair. Youth get the opportunity to show their creativity, interests and skills at 4-H exhibitions. Exhibits were entered and on display at the Woman's Club of Marion building last week.

Sweepstakes winners include exhibitors who earn a blue or red ribbon on 12 or more project exhibits. The winners receive a plaque the first year they receive that honor. After that, they receive plates for each year they win the sweepstakes award that can be added to the plaque.

Sweepstakes winners this year include Pate Robinson, Jessi Brewer, Emily Hendrix, Hailey McCann, Maegan Potter, Shelby Robinson, Abbigayle Haire and Mauri Collins.

Youth also participated in youth poultry and rabbit show, youth pet show and youth goat show. Results from 4-H competitions are as follows:

EXHIBIT HALL	
Arts	
- Leather Crafts	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
- Original Design Ceramics	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Ceramics	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Acrylic/Oil Painting	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Color Drawing	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Black and White Drawing	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon

Home Environment	
- Simple Cloth Item for Home	Taylor Belt: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Emily Hendrix: blue ribbon
- Decorative Item for Home	Taylor Belt: champion, blue ribbon
- Cloth Item: Sewing Machine	Taylor Belt: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Emily Hendrix: blue ribbon
- Invitation/Thank You	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Piece of Furniture-Refinished	Taylor Belt: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Ashley Croft: blue ribbon
- Discarded Item Reused in New Way	Megan Sherrell: champion, blue ribbon
- Home Accessory Made by Member	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Heritage Item Refinished	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Purchased Article to Solve Problem	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon

Trends	
- Duct Tape Art	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Upcycling Project	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon

Needlework	
- Quilting: Creative Design	Emily Hendrix: champion, blue ribbon

Sewing	
- Non-Clothing	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon

Foods	
- Homemade Brownies	Dannnon Wilson: blue ribbon
- Chocolate Chip Muffins	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- 8-inch Round Chocolate Cake	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
- Three Pretzels	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
- Rolled Baking Powder Biscuits	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Double Crust Apple Pie	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Catered Dish	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Brownie Experiment	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Foodworks Jelly	Ashley Croft: champion, blue ribbon

Crops	
- Sweet Sorghum	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon

Entomology/Honey	
- Light Amber Extracted Honey	Will Tolley - champion, blue ribbon

Horticulture/Plant Science	
- Environmental Awareness	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
- Terrariums	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Dish Garden	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Annual Container Garden	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
- House Plants	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
- Hanging Basket	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
- Garden/Orchard Display	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Jessi Brewer: blue ribbon
- Tomatoes	Jessi Brewer: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Peppers	Jessi Brewer: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Cucumbers	Jessi Brewer: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Beans	Jessi Brewer: champion, blue ribbon
- Sweet Corn	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
- Cantaloupe	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon

- Largest Tomato	Jessi Brewer: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Largest Watermelon	Abbigayle Haire: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon

Horticultural Photography	
- Single Black/White	Emily Hendrix: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Single Color	Taylor Belt: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
.....	Mauri Collins: blue ribbon
.....	Emily Hendrix: blue ribbon
.....	Ashley Croft: blue ribbon
.....	Megan Sherrell: blue ribbon
- Sequence of Four	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
- Collection of Six	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon

Photography	
- Single: Personal Interest	Maegan Potter: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
.....	Ashley Croft: blue ribbon
.....	Megan Sherrell: blue ribbon
- Single: Still Life	Maegan Potter- champion, blue ribbon
- Single: Animal	Emily Hendrix: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Ashley Croft: blue ribbon
.....	Megan Sherrell: blue ribbon
- Collection of Three Points	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Emily Hendrix: blue ribbon
- Single: My Community – Building	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Megan Sherrell: blue ribbon
.....	Abbigayle Haire: blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
.....	Ashley Croft: blue ribbon
- Five Photos: Event	Mauri Collins: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Maegan Potter: blue ribbon
- Single: Portrait	Emily Hendrix: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Brennan Jones: blue ribbon
- Single: Landscape	Brennan Jones: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Emily Hendrix: blue ribbon
- Collection: Three to Five Photos	Brennan Jones: champion, blue ribbon
- Single: My Community	Brennan Jones: champion, blue ribbon
- Digital Collage	Brennan Jones: champion, blue ribbon
- Digital Illustration	Emily Hendrix: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Brennan Jones: blue ribbon

POULTRY/RABBIT SHOW	
Chickens	
- Pure Bred Hen	Pate Robinson: champion, blue ribbon(6)
.....	Jeremiah Brantley: blue ribbon
.....	Allie Brantley: blue ribbon
.....	Matt Papineau: blue ribbon(6)
- Pure Bred Rooster	Matt Papineau: champion, blue ribbon(3)
.....	Pate Robinson: blue ribbon(10)
.....	Shelby Robinson: blue ribbon(7)
.....	Jeremiah Brantley: blue ribbon
.....	Will Tolley: blue ribbon
- Mixed Breed Hen	Pate Robinson: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Hailey McCann: blue ribbon
- Mixed Breed Rooster	Pate Robinson: blue ribbon
.....	Matt Papineau: champion, blue ribbon

Other Poultry	
- Pure Bred Female	Allie Brantley: champion, blue ribbon
- Pure Bred Male	Pate Robinson: champion, blue ribbon
- Mixed Breed Female	Hailey McCann: champion, blue ribbon

Rabbits	
- Pure Bred Doe	Matt Papineau: champion, blue ribbon
.....	Pate Robinson: blue ribbon(3)
.....	Shelby Cooper: blue ribbon
- Pure Bred Buck	Pate Robinson: champion, blue ribbon(2)
.....	Eli Herrin: blue ribbon
- Mixed Breed Doe	Kasey Herrin: champion, blue ribbon
- Mixed Breed Buck	Pate Robinson: champion, blue ribbon

PET SHOW	
Dogs	
- Smallest Dog	Grace Driskill: Sammy, champion
.....	Emma Herrin: Buffy
- Largest Dog	Hollynn Renfro: Chompers, champion
- Dog with the Most Spots	Hailey McCann: Jesse, champion
- Dog with the Longest Tail	Taryn McCann: Maddie, champion
.....	Hollynn Renfro: Chompers
- Dog with the Shortest Tail	Abbott Renfro: Juicy, champion
.....	Taryn McCann: Maddie
.....	Grace Driskill: Sammy
- Best Purebred Dog	Emma Herrin: Buffy, champion
.....	Abbott Renfro: Juicy
.....	Taryn McCann: Maddie
.....	Grace Driskill: Sammy

Cats	
- Cutest Kitten	Grace Driskill: Elliott, champion
- Most Attractive Short Hair Cat	Grace Driskill: Elliott, champion

Other Pets	
- Any Pet But Dogs, Cats	Davis Perryman: Carter, champion
.....	Taryn McCann: Speckles
.....	Eli Herrin: Freddie
.....	Shelby Cooper: Freckles
.....	Kasey Herrin: Patches
.....	Allie Brantley: Quacky
.....	Jeremiah Brantley: Dove
.....	Hailey McCann, Quackers
- Largest Pet	Davis Perryman: Carter, champion
- Smallest Pet	Jeremiah Brantley: Turbo, champion
.....	Taryn McCann: Speckles
.....	Hailey McCann: Quackers
.....	Eli Herrin: Freddie
.....	Shelby Cooper: Freckles
.....	Kasey Herrin: Patches
.....	Allie Brantley: Woody
.....	Davis Perryman: Carter

GOAT SHOW	
Market Goats	
- Market Goat: Light Weight	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Jessi Brewer
.....	Ethan Stewart
.....	Aaron Johnson
- Market Goat: Medium Weight	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Audree Harper
.....	Jessi Brewer
- Market Goat: Heavy Weight	Matt Papineau: champion
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Jessi Brewer
- Grand Champion Market Goat	Audree Harper
- Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat	Audree Harper

Breeding Classes: Meat Goats	
- Buck 12 Months and Over	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Pate Robinson
- Grand champion Buck	Audree Harper
- Reserve Grand champion Buck	Pate Robinson

Does	
- Doe over 24 Months	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Audree Harper
.....	Jessi Brewer
.....	Matt Papineau
- Doe 12-24 Months	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Pate Robinson
.....	Jessi Brewer
- Doe 6-12 Months	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Audree Harper
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Pate Robinson
.....	Ethan Stewart
.....	Aaron Johnson
- Doe Under 6 Months	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Audree Harper
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Jessi Brewer
- Grand Champion Doe	Audree Harper
- Reserve Grand Champion Doe	Audree Harper

Dairy Goats	
- Buck 12 Months and Over	Jessi Brewer: champion
- Grand Champion Buck	Jessi Brewer
.....	Jessi Brewer
- Doe Three Years and Over	Pate Robinson: champion
.....	Jessi Brewer
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Audree Harper
- Doe Two Years and Over	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Pate Robinson
- Doe 12-24 Months	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Pate Robinson
.....	Audree Harper
- Doe Under Six Months	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Pate Robinson
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Matt Papineau
- Doe 6-12 Months: No Milk	Jessi Brewer: champion
.....	Pate Robinson
.....	Matt Papineau
- Grand champion Doe	Jessi Brewer
- Reserve Grand champion Doe	Jessi Brewer

Showmanship	
- Junior 9-13	Pate Robinson: champion
- Senior 14-19	Audree Harper: champion
.....	Matt Papineau
.....	Jessi Brewer



Enjoying a good laugh with friends is part of what makes the county fair so special. During 4-H exhibit check-ins last week at the Woman's Club of Marion building, Abbigayle Haire is assisted by University of Kentucky Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources Meredith Hall with the various projects Haire brought for entry. In addition to photography, duct tape craft and garden orchard entries, Haire created leather tabs around her grandfather's boot. The tabs each contain the initials of his grandchildren.



Kasey Herrin introduces Jeremiah Brantley, 8, and Allie Brantley, 6, to her Dutch-mix rabbit before the youth poultry and rabbit show held last week during the county fair. Herrin raises rabbits and is expecting a new litter very soon.



Davis Perryman, 5, pets his pony, Carter, before judging begins at the youth pet show last week during the county fair.

Grilling options abound for late summer meals

Grilling is one of many people's favorite parts of summer, but it doesn't always have to involve hamburgers, hot dogs and barbeque. There are plenty of creative ways to grill that can be healthier for you too.

We all know, to be healthier, we should choose healthier foods. When grilling, you can think beyond the staples by preparing more nutrient-dense



foods on the grill. You can successfully grill a variety of fruits. Peaches and pineapples both work exceptionally

well on the grill as they can be used with meat as a main dish or with some cinnamon and low-fat whipped topping as a dessert.

Numerous vegetables can be grilled including zucchini, squash, eggplant, tomatoes, onions and peppers. Some of these you can place right on the grill, but for others, you might want to purchase a grilling basket. These are relatively in-

expensive and usually available at any large grocery or hardware store.

While grilling fruits and veggies may sound simple enough, remember that you can make any food healthy or unhealthy by the way you prepare it. Good examples of this are fried chicken compared to baked chicken and a raw apple versus an apple pie.

Hamburgers, chicken and

steak are great grilling options, but so are fish and pork chops. If you're worried about your family turning up their noses at fish that is not breaded, try grilling fish they may be already used to, like catfish or cod. They may end up liking it more than the fried version.

Many of you are interested in getting the most from your food dollars, and you can grill on budget. Look for

Woman's Club of Marion holds planning meeting

STAFF REPORT

Fifteen members and one guest attended the annual planning session of the Woman's Club of Marion July 22 at the Woman's Club headquarters on East Carlisle Street in Marion.

Following a salad supper which was hosted by Sandra Belt, Ginger Boone, Brenda Buskirk, Linda Schumann and Judy Winn, members discussed the upcoming year and planned several events and activities which included the 94th anniversary and membership event scheduled for 6 p.m., Sept. 11.

Members will sell flower bulbs as a fundraiser and

brochures will soon be available from which to order. Anyone interested can contact club president Rebecca Zahrte or any member of the Woman's Club.

The club will also have a booth set up at the Shoppe Next Door at Christmas in Marion on Oct. 18 to be held at the Crittenden County High School. Also scheduled is the Election Day Lunch, to be held Nov. 4.

Woman's Club officials said it's shaping up to be a busy and productive year. New members are always welcome. Contact Zahrte for more information at rebecca.zahrte@gmail.com.



Blazina recognized as young business leader

STAFF REPORT

Tara Blazina, a Marion native, has been recognized in the August edition of the Four Rivers Business Journal as a "Young Leader" in the regional business world.

Blazina, 25, is a senior staff accountant for Kemper CPA Group LLP in Paducah.

According to the Business Journal, she earned an associate in arts degree from West Kentucky Community & Technical College in Paducah and a bachelor of science in business and master of business administration from Murray State University.

She has been appointed a



Blazina

Kentucky Colonel by Gov. Steve Beshear and serves as a member of the United Way board of directors.

"The biggest challenge for young leaders is maintaining a division between personal and work life," Blazina told the publication. "Technology has brought many positive changes, but with those changes, worklife balance is a sacrifice we all have made."



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Press visits Alaska

Charlie and Nancy Hunt took an edition of The Crittenden Press along when they took an Alaskan vacation to celebrate their 35th anniversary. The trip included flying over Mt. McKinley and landing on a glacier.

Danny and Elaine York of Fredonia will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception hosted by their children from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Aug. 10 at Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church activities building.

The couple was married Aug. 22, 1964, at the home of Rev. Ray Wiggington in Fredonia. Their attendants were Sarah Winters-McDowell and the late Kelly Sullivan.

York is the son of the late Milton and Mable York. He is a minister at Oakland Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Paducah.

Mrs. York is the daughter of the late Floy and Betty Winn. She is a homemaker and former beautician.

The couple have three children, Wendy Hall and husband Steve, of Union, Mo.; Wes York and wife Nikel of Fredonia; and Josh York and wife Natasha of Fredonia.

The couple has nine grandchildren: Jessica, Jim Ed and Jacey Gill; Hannah, Kylie, Laynie, Laila and Tyson York; and Hunter Staggs, all of Fredonia.

The public is invited to the reception. Only out of town invitations are being sent.

SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

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

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

This week's activities and menu include:

- Today: Menu is ham salad sandwich on wheat bread, marinated tomato salad, potato salad and pineapple upside-down cake.
- Friday: Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. Menu is beef vegetable soup, egg salad on wheat bread, crackers and fruit cobbler
- Monday: Ladies' exercise by Full Body Fitness begins at 9:45 a.m. Menu is chicken and dressing with gravy, green beans, Mandarin oranges and wheat roll.
- Tuesday: Family Feud with Todd County begins at 11:30 a.m. Menu is Philly cheesesteak on wheat bun, whole kernel corn, coleslaw and snickerdoodle.
- Wednesday: Menu is franks and kraut, mashed potatoes, black-eyed peas, cornbread and fruit cobbler.
- Next Thursday: Menu is spaghetti, meat sauce, California veggies, wheat garlic bread and peach crumble. The monthly fellowship dinner will feature beans and cornbread and begins at 5 p.m.

Rinse and return program scheduled at fairgrounds

STAFF REPORT

The annual rinse and return program will take place from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Aug. 14 at the Crittenden County fairgrounds.

This is a free service. Empty farm chemical containers for recycling will be accepted. Containers must

be triple rinsed and free of any chemical residue. Labels must be removed from containers.

Container caps will not be accepted.

For more information contact the Crittenden County Extension Service at (270) 965-5236.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Propane power

Wayne Winters (above) was the guest speaker and invited to serve on the Kentucky Clean Fuels Coalition panel to educate officials about propane gas as a source of transportation fuel across the Commonwealth. Winters is the lead vehicle mechanic in Crittenden County Schools' transportation department. He also serves as Region 2 Director for the Kentucky Association for Pupil Transportation. He is a state certified inspector and a driver training instructor. He was part of a group of school district officials that traveled to Frankfort and requested Crittenden County Schools be allowed to pilot propane buses for the state. By this fall, the school district plans to have seven propane-fueled buses in its fleet transporting students.

Community CALENDAR

Thursday, August 7

- The next Crittenden County MAPP meeting will be held at 1 p.m., at the health department.
- Woodmen of the World will host Pennyroyal Appreciation Day at 9 a.m., at the Caldwell city-county park.
- Woodmen of the World will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m., at Pagliai's in Princeton.

Friday, August 8

- The Mustang Mafia of western Kentucky will hold its next Downtown Cruise-in at 6 p.m. at 520 N. Adams St. in Sturgis.

Saturday, August 9

- American Legion Post 217 in Burna will host an all you can eat breakfast from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. at its post headquarters near the Livingston County Middle School. Cost is

\$6. Help support local military members and veterans.

- The Crittenden County Genealogy Society will meet at 10 a.m., in the meeting room at the Crittenden County Public Library. The program will be a group sharing on "How you became interested in genealogy."
- The annual Miss Black Patch Princess and Junior Miss Black Patch Beauty Contest will be at 7 p.m. Aug. 9. Rehearsal is at 6 p.m. Aug. 8. Entries are now being taken for the pageants, which are open to girls age 8-12 and 13-15, respectively. The contest is open to entries from Caldwell County and surrounding counties. For further information, call (270) 365-9813.

Sunday, August 10

- A retirement reception for former Crittenden County Sheriff's Deputy Greg Rushing

will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., in the fellowship hall of Calvary Baptist Church in Crayne. The public is invited to attend.

Monday, August 11

- Crittenden Health Systems will sponsor a blood drive with the West Kentucky Regional Blood Center from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the CHS education room. All donors will receive a T-shirt.

Tuesday, August 12

- Crittenden County Extension District Board will meet at 5:15 p.m., at the Extension Service.
- Salem Garden Club will meet at 6:30 p.m., at Salem City Hall. Jerry Barnes will present a class on proper care of hydrangeas.

Saturday, August 16

- An international Belt family reunion will be held in Crittenden County Aug. 16 and 17.

Anyone who shares a connection with the Belt name from around the world is invited to Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Aug. 16 and Marion-Crittenden County Park beginning at 10 a.m. Aug. 17. There is a Facebook page set up for Belt descendants. To find the page, search for "Belt Team (Humphrey Belt descendants)" on Facebook. For more information, contact Mike Copsy at (217) 254-4357.

Monday, August 18

- Crooked Creek Baptist Church will host GriefShare, a 13-week program for help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. The program begins at 6 p.m. The cost is \$35.

Tuesday, August 19

- Crooked Creek Baptist

Church will host DivorceCare, a 13-week program for individuals recovering from the pain of separation or divorce. The program begins at 6 p.m. The cost is \$35.

Saturday, August 23

- The Crittenden County Youth Triathlon will be held at the Marion Country Club. Register by Aug. 11 for a T-shirt. Race day check-in and late registration begins at 7:30 a.m.
- The Coterie Dance Club invites the public to the Scottish Rite, located in Evansville. For reservations call Shala Smith at (812) 449-1895.

Saturday, September 27

- Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce's Pumpkin Festival Car Show will be held from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. This year the show will also feature an-

tique tractors. To register for booth space, contact the Chamber at (270) 965-5015.

On-going events

- All veterans are invited for coffee and breakfast at 7:30 a.m. each Tuesday at the VFW building in Marion.
- Veterans in Crittenden County looking for benefit information can contact Renita Duff with the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weekdays at (270) 322-9087.
- The use of addicting drugs is on the rise. Narconon urges families take steps to protect themselves from drug use. Call for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. Narconon also offers free screenings and referrals for counseling. Call (800) 431-1754 or visit DrugAbuseSolution.com.



FOOTBALL

Junior pro registration

Junior Pro Football registration will be held at the Crittenden County Elementary School Sneak-a-Peek from 6 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday (today) and at the Crittenden County Middle School Back to School Bash from 4:30 to 6 p.m., also Thursday. Youth tackle football is for players in grades three through six. Anyone who wants to play, but cannot attend one of the above referenced registration events, contact Chad Mott at 270-704-1458. The pre-season jamboree will be at Morganfield on Aug. 23. Practice details will be provided at registration.

Flag assessment Aug. 16

Registration for flag football will be during Sneak-a-Peak at Crittenden Elementary School on Aug. 7. Assessments will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 16 (this is a new date) at Rocket Stadium. Participation is free.

Rockets scrimmage

The Rocket football team will scrimmage Trigg County next Friday, Aug. 15 at Hopkins Central. This will be the team's only pre-season scrimmage. The Rockets open the regular season Friday, Aug. 22 at home against Fulton City.

CCMS hosts Trigg Co.

Crittenden County Middle School's football team will open its season Tuesday at home against Trigg County. The boys will also play next Saturday, Aug. 16, at home against Massac County.

GOLF

QB Club winners

The team of Dickie Hardin, Rudy Adams, Bill Ruch and Randy Davidson won the annual Victor "Pippi" Hardin Quarterback Club Benefit Golf Tournament last week with an 18-hole score of 14-under-par at Marion Country Club. The runnerup team was Phylis Hardin, Vicki Hatfield, Stefanie Shoulders and Kayla Gachoka at 13-under par. All of the winners donated their prizes back to benefit the Rocket football team. The tournament is named for longtime football booster and golf enthusiast Pippi Hardin, who passed away a few years ago. The two winning teams were full of his family and friends who support the event every year.

CCHS home opener

The Crittenden County High School golf team will host Trigg and Caldwell in a match today (Thursday) at Marion Country Club.

RUNNING

Triathlon Aug. 23 for kids

The annual Crittenden County Youth Triathlon will be held Saturday, Aug. 23 starting at 8 a.m., at Marion Country Club Pool. The event will include swimming, biking and running. Registration is at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$10. For information, call 270-704-1871. Distances vary by age. The event is for participants aged 5-18. The event distances are as follows for swimming, biking and running, respectively:

5-6	25 meters, half mile, quarter mile
7-10	50 meters, 1 mile, half mile
11-14	100 meters, 2 miles, 1 mile
15-18	200 meters, 5 miles, 2 miles

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Bullfrog	May 16 - Oct. 31
Squirrel	Aug. 16 - Feb. 28
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Early Goose	Sept. 1-15
Crow	Sept. 1 - Nov. 7
Deer Archery	Sept. 6 - Jan. 19
Turkey Archery	Sept. 6 - Jan. 19
Wood duck, teal	Sept. 17-21
Deer Crossbow	Oct. 1-19
Turkey Crossbow	Oct. 1-19
Raccoon, Opossum	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Deer Youth Rifle	Oct. 11-12
Deer Muzzleloader	Oct. 18-19
Turkey Shotgun	Oct. 25-31
Deer Rifle	Nov. 8-23
Deer Crossbow	Nov. 8 - Dec. 31
Turkey Crossbow	Nov. 8 - Dec. 31
Squirrel	Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Rabbit	Nov. 10 - Feb. 10
Quail	Nov. 10 - Feb. 10
Bobcat	Nov. 22 - Feb. 28
Dove	Nov. 27 - Dec. 7
Turkey Shotgun	Dec. 6-12
Deer Muzzleloader	Dec. 13-21
Dove	Dec. 20 - Jan. 11
Deer Free Youth	Dec. 27-28
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote Daytime	Year Round
Turtles	Year Round

Rocket Football Ironman Competition

Crittenden County High School football coach Al Starnes has announced results of the Rocket football team's annual pre-season Ironman competition. The competition involves all varsity and junior varsity players and tests their strength, agility, speed and other qualities when pre-season camp begins. Following is the top 10 by rank after the competition was complete:

OVERALL RANKING

1. Lane Wallace
1. Seth Birdwell
3. Noah Dickerson
4. Nick Castiller
5. Nick Greenwell
6. Dylan Hicks
7. Travis McKinney
8. Alex Cosby
9. Travis Fitzgerald
10. Tyler Coleman

OTHER TOP PERFORMANCES Bench Press

1. Lane Wallace, 240
2. Tyler Coleman, 225
2. Travis McKinney, 225
2. Dylan Hollis, 225

Squat

1. Travis McKinney, 330
2. Austin McKinney, 310
3. Nick Castiller, 300
3. Tyler Coleman, 300

Clean

1. Lane Wallace, 225
2. Travis McKinney, 200
2. Noah Dickerson, 200

40-Yard Dash

1. Seth Birdwell, 4.94
2. Lane Wallace, 4.98
3. Alex Cosby, 4.99
4. Noah Dickerson, 5.00
5. Dylan Hicks, 5.03
6. Dylan Hollis, 5.12

1.5-mile Run

1. Nick Castiller, 9:56
2. Aaron Lucas, 10:39
3. Dylan Hicks, 11:18
4. Seth Birdwell, 11:36
5. Nick Greenwell, 11:40



Top 10 Rockets

The top 10 Rockets in the annual Ironman competition were (top from left) Travis Fitzgerald, Nick Castiller, Tyler Coleman, Alex Cosby, Travis McKinney, Nick Greenwell, Noah Dickerson, Dylan Hicks, Lane Wallace and Seth Birdwell. Pictured at left (from left) are Birdwell and Wallace, who tied for the overall championship. It was Wallace's second straight year to win the competition. Former Rocket Rodney Robertson holds the record with three straight Ironman titles.

8u Champs!

Crittenden County's 8-under all-star baseball team recently completed its post-season play with two runnerup trophies and one championship to its credit. The boys were second place at tournaments in Lyon and Caldwell counties. They won the championship Saturday at Dawson Springs. Team members were (front from left) Quinn Summers, Levi Piper, Brady Belt, Evan Belt, Casey Cates, (middle) Kaleb Nesbitt, Jeremiah Foster, Tyler Belt, Chase Conyer, Case Gobin, (back) coaches Tony Belt, Stephen Cates and Aaron Summers.



The Lady Rocket volleyball team held a team camp recently at the Crittenden County High School gym with special instructor Darla Edwards of Mt. Vernon, Ind. The girls worked on a variety of volleyball skills. Crittenden's high school team is scheduled to start its regular season on Aug. 19. Participating in the camp were (front from left) Diana Bradford, Emily Roman, Paige Winterheimer, Chloe Mackenzie, (middle row) Hannah Bell, Kaitlyn Myers, Kaitlyn Hicks, Sage Winterheimer, Emily Hall, Megan Sherrill, Ellie McGowan, Amanda Estes, Arry Schofield, (back) Darla Edwards, Maria Dossett, Allie Geary, Alyssa west, Catherine Hutchinson, Taylor Belt, Paige Gilbert, Kenlee Perryman, Kyron Hicks and new CCHS coach Cara Merrick.

Youth dove field in Carrsville

Registration for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources mentor-youth dove hunts opens Monday. There will be two area opportunities for these hunts – one in Union County at Boxville and the other in Livingston County near Carrsville. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife conducts the mentor hunts as an avenue for adults to introduce youths to the joys of dove hunting. The department limits the number of participants to avoid overcrowding. Hunters interested in reserving a space for these unique hunts must register by calling Kentucky Fish and Wildlife at 1-800-858-1549 weekdays from 7 a.m., to 3:30 p.m. Hunting reservations will not be accepted prior to Monday. Limited spaces are allotted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration is open through Aug. 22, or whenever all the slots are filled. Most mentor-youth hunts will be held this year on Monday, Sept. 1 (Labor Day), the opening day of dove season

Squirrel hunting

Kentucky's squirrel season opens one week from Saturday on Aug. 16, officially starting the fall hunting season. Hunters who intend on hunting squirrels should be armed with insect repellant as well as a gun.

statewide. Clarks River National Wildlife Refuge in McCracken County will conduct mentor/youth hunts on Sept. 6 and 7. These fields open to public hunting Sept. 8. The mentor-youth dove hunts offer adults an opportunity to initiate youth aged 15 years and under into the enjoyment of an early-season dove hunt. Each adult may take one or two youths, but only two shotguns are allowed per stake. Hunter education and licensing requirements apply to those participating in these hunts. Hunting hours run from 2 to 7 p.m., local time on Sept. 1. Hunters must be out of the field by 7:30 p.m.

Hunt groups must check in prior to hunting and check out before leaving the field with Kentucky Fish and Wildlife staff members. Mentor-youth fields located on private land open to public hunting Sept. 6 through Oct. 24. Mentor-youth fields located on wildlife management areas are open to public hunting Sept. 2 through Oct. 24. This year's mentor-youth dove fields include hunting at Union County at Higginson-Henry WMA and in Livingston County on private property. The Livingston field is six-tenths of a mile east of Carrsville on Ky. 135. Information regarding dove hunting and publicly-accessible fields will be contained within the 2014 Kentucky Hunting Guide for Dove, Wood Duck, Teal, Woodcock, Snipe and Crow. This guide will be published later this month. Information on dove regulations and fields will also be posted soon on the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife webpage at fw.ky.gov.

Phillips is hired to coach baseball

STAFF REPORT Donnie Phillips will take over the head coaching job next spring for the Crittenden County High School baseball team. Phillips, 45, will succeed Denis Hodge, who skipped the team last season as the Rocket baseball club went 14-17, won the regular-season district championship and advanced to the regional tournament after a runnerup finish in the Fifth District Tournament. Phillips, who has been an assistant high school football coach and head football coach at the middle school for seven years, will work as a paraprofessional. He has a day job, too, working as a lineman for Kentucky Utilities. Phillips said his work schedule is flexible enough to allow him to coach in the evenings. Phillips has been a paid paraprofessional assistant on the Rocket baseball team the past two years and volunteered as a coach prior to that. Coaching and developing young players in various sports has long been one of Phillips' passions. He was a standout football player at Crittenden County where he was a member of the 1985 Class A state championship team. He graduated in 1987 and earned a football scholarship to Southeast Missouri State. Phillips' son, Brenden, completed his high school career last spring as one of the club's best players. He is playing collegiate baseball starting this fall at Brescia University in Owensboro. "We have a good core group of kids coming back next year and more coming later," said Phillips. "Baseball is on the upswing" in Crittenden County. Crittenden County's high school team has played in the Fifth District Tournament championship game the past eight seasons and has gone 2-8 in regional tournament play over that same time frame. Phillips said a growing interest in travel baseball and increased opportunities on summer recreational, legion and independent teams has helped improve the quality of the sport in Crittenden County. A few of the Rocket high school players will participate on fall league teams this year, too, the coach said. Otherwise, scheduled workouts for next year will begin after the Christmas holiday break.



Phillips

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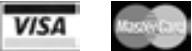
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animals

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yard sales

Yard sale, Fri. and Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m., many unusual items, radios, luggage, massages, garden items, no clothes. 1972 U.S. 60 East, Salem, Ky., look for balloons on mailbox. (1t-06-p)

Garage sale, Fri. and Sat., shop tools and supplies. 803 N. Weldon. (1t-06-p)

Half price, moving sale, St. William

Parish Hall, Sat., Aug. 9, 9-11 a.m.; Crafts, toys, stuffed animals, Halloween costumes. All sizes boy clothing, bag sale, \$2 and \$1. (1t-06-c)dm

Yard sale, 240 Country Dr., Sat. only, little girls' clothes-size newborn to 3 year old, teen jeans-size 0 to 5, women's clothes, TV, AB lounge, highchair, dishes, boy jeans-size 36 to 38, jewelry and jewelry box, pictures, etc. (1t-06-p)

Public notice: Estate sale, 3 generations at Stephens farm, 2425 Dalton Rd., Providence. All must go, Fri.-Sun., 10 a.m.- 3p.m. Antiques: Victorian and country furniture, old store case; clocks, linens, lamps, glass, piano, etc.; Outdoors: Plow, mower, yard cart, farm junk and garden décor, etc.; Household: Furniture, kitchen, sewing, décor, clothes/jewelry, etc., plus appliances, building materials, useful home goods...come see! Cash, no earlies, ½ off Sunday. See Craigslist for pictures and info. (1t-06-p)

Yard sale, Thurs. and Fri., 7 a.m.-4 p.m., 114 Maddux Ave., Salem (near old Salem School). Adult and children's clothing, home décor, etc. Held by Christy James, Janet Owen and Lisa Nelms. (1t-06-p)

Going to try it again! 5-family yard sale, girls' clothes 10-14, boys' newborn-5T, women's S-XXL, great back to school clothes, lots more added, Fri. and Sat., 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 4111 Ky. 654 South, (270) 871-0935. (1t-31-p)

Yard sale, Fri., Aug. 8, 8 a.m.-?, 32" TV, misc. items, some clothes, toys. 547 Fords Ferry Rd. (1t-06-p)

agriculture

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notices

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In accordance with Chapters 65 and 24 of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, the fiscal year 2014 financial report and supporting data may be inspected by the general public at the Crittenden County Conservation District located at 118 East Bellville Street, Marion, KY, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Citizens serving on the Crittenden County Board are: Brigham Kirk, Chairman, 7501 SR 506; Larry Duvall, Vice-chairman, 2927 SR 70; Margaret Parish, Secretary/Treasurer, 1391 Caldwell Springs Road; Adam Barnes, 605 O B McDaniel Road; Carol Hendrix, 1911 SR 654 South; Jody Herrin, 540 J P Howerton Road; Helen Hunt, 2199 US 60 East. (1t-06-p)

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION 14-CI-00042
FIFTH THIRD MORTGAGE
COMPANY PLAINTIFF vs.
KEITH A. MATEJA, ET AL
DEFENDANTS
NOTICE OF SALE

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Property Address: 540 East Bellville Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064.

DESCRIPTION:

A certain lot or parcel of land lying and being in W.P. Wilson's heirs Addition to the town of Marion, Kentucky, and being a part of Lot No 14 in said Wilson's Addition and bounded thus:

BEGINNING at the N.E. corner of said lot on Bellville and Clark Street; thence West with Bellville Street 85 feet; thence southward 250 feet to Ray's line thence eastward with his line 85 feet to Clark Street; thence northward with Clark Street 250 feet to the beginning. This being the same lot upon which the brick residence of A.M. McConnell now stands.

THERE IS EXCEPTED HOWEVER, FROM THE ABOVE BOUNDARY AND NOT CONVEYED BY THIS DEED a certain lot sold by Ralph C. Hamilton and his wife, Louise Hamilton, on the 17th day of September, 1951, see Deed Book 81, Page 47, also less another lot conveyed by May Belle Hamilton, a widow, to R.C. Hamilton et ux on the 14th day of July,

continued on page 13

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1957 by Deed now of record in Deed Book No. 87, Page 306 and this lot is 85 feet by 60 feet. SOURCE OF TITLE: This being the same property conveyed to Keith Mateja and his wife, Beverly Mateja, by Terry Pinson and his wife, Patricia A. Pinson, by Deed dated August 12, 1995 and recorded in Deed Book 172 at page 160 in the Crittenden County Court Clerk's Office.

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

THE DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY CONVEYED HEREIN WAS PROVIDED TO THE DRAFTSMAN BY THE PLAINTIFF AND THE DRAFTSMAN DOES NOT CERTIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE SAME NOR ANY EXISTING EASEMENTS.

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Only delinquent property taxes will be paid from the proceeds of the sale.

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 30th day of July, 2014.

Brandi D. Rogers
Master Commissioner
Crittenden Circuit Court
(3t-08-c)

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Crittenden Circuit Court
Civil Action No. 14-CI-00014

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VS.

CHRISTOPHER K. DAVIDSON, ET AL
DEFENDANTS

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Property Address: 324 West Bellville Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064.

DESCRIPTION: A certain house and lot in the town of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, and said lot being bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a stone in the center of the public road leading toward Salem, known as the Old Salem Street, thence N. 89 W. 50 feet and 4 inches to a stone, in the center of said road, thence S. 1 E. 348 feet to a stone, thence N. 89 E. 50 feet and 4 inches to a

stone, thence N. 1 W. 348 feet to the beginning.

Less and except, the following described tract conveyed by Beulah F. Perry to Jewell Penn and his wife, Shelby Jean Penn, by deed dated June 8, 1966, and recorded in Deed Book 101, Page 494, Crittenden County Court Clerk's Office: A certain lot in the town of Marion on the north side of West Carlisle Street and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the north right-of-way line of West Carlisle Street corner with Lee O. Wiggins; thence in a westerly direction with the north right-of-way line of West Carlisle Street 52 feet, more or less, to a point in the line corner of John Vaughn; thence in a northerly direction with the line of John Vaughn 160 feet to a stake a new corner this day established; thence in an easterly direction parallel with Carlisle Street 52 feet, more or less, to a stake in the line of Lee O. Wiggins; thence in a southerly direction with the line of Wiggins 160 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Christopher K. Davidson and his wife, Shelley Davidson, for their joint lives with the remainder to the survivor in fee simple from Sharon D. Halsey, single, by deed dated November 12, 1998 and recorded November 13, 1998, of record in Book 182, and Page 103, in the office aforesaid.

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This the 28th day of July, 2014.

Brandi D. Rogers
Master Commissioner
Crittenden Circuit Court
(3t-08-c)

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HOMES & SMALL ACREAGE
WEST ELM...well maintained 4 BR, 2 BA brick home. Several updates. Large fenced in back yard w/ln ground pool, large 2 car detached garage. Large rooms, lots of closets, central H/A, Kitchen & dining area. **SALE PENDING**
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UPCOMING AUCTIONS
SAT. AUG 9, 9: AM—269 Acres, Farm Equip, Tools, Misc.

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Absolute Estate AUCTION

Sat. Aug. 9, 9:AM 852 Eagle Mine Rd., Marion, KY
DIRECTIONS: From Marion, take Hwy. 60 West 7.8 miles. Turn left on View Road, then right on Eagle Mine Rd. & go .8 mile.

SELLING: 269 ACRES in 2 Tracts



TRACT 1: 57 +/- ACRES situated in a scenic, private setting at the end of Eagle Mine Road. It has a 3 BR, 2 BA mobile home. Approx. 1/3rd of the land is pasture & remainder in timber. Property includes barn, outbuildings, 3 ponds and county water.

TRACT 2: 212 +/- ACRES This tract has 100 acres in CRP program through 2018 the remaining approx. 100 acres is in timber and the balance in open pasture. Super Hunting land w/good area for food plots. Farm has a pond & access to utilities with many beautiful scenic view building sites.

TERMS: Buyer will sign a Purchase Contract and pay 10% down (cash or good approved check) day of sale with balance in 30 days. **POSSESSION:** With deed. **TAXES:** 2014 Advalorem taxes will be pro-rated date of deed. Announcements made day of sale take priority over advertisements. All description & information contained herein was obtained from sources deemed reliable, however, it is not guaranteed, therefore prospective buyers should inspect property prior to auction. Tracts will be offered separately and in combination at the auctioneers discretion.

Farm Equip., Auto, Tools, Misc.



FARM EQUIPMENT: Ford 600 Tractor, good rubber; New Holland 851 Round baler; New Holland square baler; (2) Hay Rakes; sickle mower; Broadcast spreader, pull type; PTO seed/fertilizer spreader; Vassar post hole digger PTO; Chiesel drag; Two 3 ph hay spears; 5 ft. Pull type rotary mower; Pull type rotary mower; 3 ph pond scoop; **AUTO:** 1990 Dodge Ram Pick-up; **TOOLS / MISC.:** Cub Cadet LX1045 Riding mower 20 hp, 46" cut; Murray Riding Mower 36" cut; Coleman Generator; Craftsman tool box w/bottom rolling chest; Craftsman 3 1/2 HP Air Compressor; Air tank; Small pulleys; Large pipe wrenches; Assort. Wrenches, Screwdrivers, Sockets; Carpenter belt; Chains; Wire Cable; Elec. wire; Potato fork; Metal wheel barrow; Table saw; Wood tool box; Craftsman yard cart; Woven wire; Wire baskets; Hydraulic cylinder; Barb wire; Extension ladders; Yard tools; Step ladder; Fence post; Metal saw horses; Metal cart wheels; 2 Wheel dolly; Post hole diggers; Hay fork; Pitch fork; Carbide lights; Craftsman Socket set; Sledge hammers; Hatchet; B & D circular saw; LG socket set; Framing square; Schumaker 14/40 Battery Charger; C Clamps; Grease guns; Impact wrench; Oilers; Welding hood; Goggles; Post vise; Vise grips; Welding rods; Axes; Pulley; Hand Sickle; Pick Axe; Misc. shop tools; Hand Electric grinder; Solder Iron; Old Spanner wrenches; Tools boxes; Paint Sprayer; Vise; Acetylene tanks; Come A Long; Chain Boom; Cross Cut Saw Blades; Metal Work Bench; Electric Chain Saw; Brazen Bit Drills; Hand Saws; **MISC. ITEMS:** BOOK COLLECTIONS: Louis Lamoure, Catherine Coulter, Max Brand & Jon Sharpe Books; The Valentine papers Vol. I-IV; Cavaliers & Pioneers Vol. 1-VI Nugent; Coleman thermos; PC Railroad rail; 4 Wheeler (racing type); Coal bucket; Scrap iron; Sled; Bird feeders; Wood porch swing; Old horse shoes; Hames; Stirrups; Rock Specimens; Schiltz Clock; Garden Planter w/plates; Ammo boxes; Sealtest Milk Crate; Old Lanterns; Plus items too numerous to mention.

TERMS: Cash or approved check. **OWNER:** Phyllis Hunt, ESTATE

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Warbirds keep World War II history alive



PHOTOS BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Last week, three vintage World War II aircraft paid a three-day visit to Barkley Regional Airport in Paducah as part of the Wings of Freedom tour that takes the planes across the country for public viewing. Clockwise from above, visitors line up to take a walk through the amenity-poor quarters of a B-17 Flying Fortress. An in-flight view from the open canopy inside the B-17 shows the Tennessee River and the old Ledbetter Bridge below. Symsonia resident Daniel Johnson, who flew 35 missions as a belly gunner on a B-17 during World War II, discusses his experiences in the war as his wife Freda looks on. Standing beside the same B-24 Liberator on which his brother-in-law flew bombing missions during World War II, Chuck Heyduck of Paducah talks with reporters about his time in the Korean War as a sailor in the U.S. Navy. A P-51 Mustang fighter aircraft making the Wings of Freedom tour rumbles down the airstrip before takeoff. The Liberator sits on the tarmac as crews prepare the plane for public tours.



Trio of warplanes makes stop in western Kentucky

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

As World War II fades further into history, the machines that helped bring an end to the conflict are keeping the past alive for the descendants of the Greatest Generation.

The Wings of Freedom tour landed in Paducah last week, bringing three warbirds from the greatest conflict in human history to Barkley Regional Airport for the public to explore. The trio of World War II-era planes included a Boeing B-17 Flying Fortress and Consolidated B-24 Liberator, both heavy bombers, and a North American P-51 Mustang, a sleek fighter. All three are among the last remaining aircraft of their type to be restored and still taking to the air.

Living history is what B-17 pilot Matt McCauley, a volunteer with the Wings of Freedom organization, calls the vintage planes. He is proud to be a part of the project to preserve history and share it with the public, as is his co-pilot Dennis Kochan. The two are part of a crew that maintains one of the fewer than 10 Flying Fortresses still aloft in the United States.

While the aircraft serve as museums – a chance to take a look into the past for the thousands who explore the planes as they tour across the country 10 months out of the year – they also serve as a tribute to veterans who come out to rekindled memories along each of the 110 stops annually.

McCauley says talking to those veterans is what makes his effort behind the Wings of



Freedom tour rewarding.

“They were truly the greatest generation,” he said of the World War II-era soldiers, sailors and airmen.

One of those airmen is 91-year-old Daniel Johnson of Symsonia. Sporting a white T-shirt with an image of a Flying Fortress and the words “351st Bomb Group,” Johnson recalls his service during the war as a belly gunner on a B-17. He flew 35 missions over Europe crammed into the ball turret slung below the plane, spending as long as eight hours manning the guns that protected the plane from enemy fighters rising into the skies to greet his squadron of bombers.

“You had to be small like I am now to fit in there,” Johnson said, pointing to his undersized stature and lean frame.

The spunky veteran takes a glance across the tarmac at the fading olive drab and gray aluminum skin of the B-17 given the nickname “Nine-O-Nine” in

Press seeking World War II vets

The Crittenden Press would like to honor all World War II veterans living in Crittenden County in an upcoming issue of The Crittenden Press. If you are a veteran of the war or know of someone who is, contact Editor Daryl K. Tabor at (270) 965-3191 or thepress@the-press.com.

in the world pays homage to the Pacific Theater of the war.

The four-engine bomber was used in anti-shipping runs against the Japanese as well as on resupply missions. On the fuselage is painted the name Don Geary. It’s joined by the names of dozens of other crewmen who flew aboard “Witchcraft.”

But Geary’s name is special to Paducah resident Chuck Heyduck. He was Heyduck’s brother-in-law.

Heyduck was too young for action in World War II, but he saw combat in Korea aboard the destroyer USS Rooks. He and his wife of 62 years, Marj, are no strangers to Crittenden County. They have visited the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum and Amish community and have even stopped for a bite to eat at The Front Porch.

With about 400 passing away each day, Heyduck knows time is not on the side of World War II veterans. But he hopes the three vintage aircraft of the Wings of Freedom tour will serve as a bridge to history for generations to come.



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