

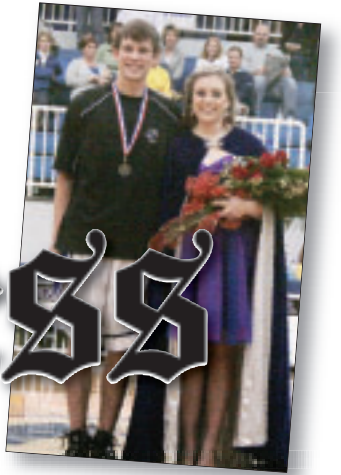


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City apologizes for 'overdue' notices

February water bills sent out for a second time by the City of Marion had some water customers seeing red. But City Administrator Mark Bryant on Monday apologized to residents who took the mailing as an overdue notice threatening to cut off water service.

The invoices, mailed on cards imprinted with red ink and typically set aside for overdue notices, were sent for quite the opposite reason, he said. They were mailed simply as reminders that customers have until Feb. 28 to pay their February bills without the assessment of late fees.

The initial bills were mailed amid the chaos of the Jan. 27 ice storm. Bryant said the city felt the courtesy follow-up was necessary because of the disruption to normal City Hall operations and the lives of city residents.

Shoe-fitting for diabetics slated

A diabetic shoe fitting will be conducted by a professional at 11 a.m., Feb. 26 at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion, according to Mona Manley, Pennyrie Allied Community Services Director for Crittenden County. Diabetics who need the therapeutic shoes to prevent complications related to the disease may qualify for assistance from Medicare.

Project Grad hosts comedy routine

Tickets are on sale for a dinner and comedy show hosted by Project Graduation at 6 p.m., March 21, in the multi-purpose room of the high school.

The show will feature the clean comedy antics of entertainer Rik Roberts of Nashville. Roberts will present hilarious comedy delivered with a little southern flavor, featuring fresh stand-up comedy, a few original comedy songs and possibly a visit from America's favorite deputy, Barney Fife.

The cost of admission is \$20 and includes a meal and entertainment. Tickets may be purchased at the Crittenden County Board of Education. Ticket information can be obtained by calling 704-1546 or 704-1104.

Online survey

The most recent Crittenden Press Online survey asked visitors: "How did you survive the ice storm and power outage?" Two-thirds of respondents indicated they rode out the outage at home. Another 20 percent stayed in town with friends or family. One stayed at a local shelter. Only 19 of the 150 voting evacuated. The results of where people stayed:

In place at home.....66%
Locally with friends, family.....21%
Outside of county.....12%
In local public shelter.....1%

Check The Press Online for the weekly survey, as well as breaking news.

Ice storm update a collector's item

Due to demand for copies of The Crittenden Press' special two-page storm supplement published Jan. 30, we will have the leaflets available at The Press office free of charge on a limited-supply basis.

Public meetings

- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 7 p.m., Monday at the district office in Salem.
- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Rocket Arena.

Online

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By DARYL K. TABOR

MANAGING EDITOR

The City of Marion's plans for a new fire station were put on ice earlier this week.

Council members voted unanimously Monday to surrender a \$5,000 option on a corner lot held by Martha Kurtz-Williams, opting to postpone indefinitely any further talk of building a new home for the city's fire department.

The council could have accepted Williams' offer to extend the option on the

property which expired Feb. 1 for a nonrefundable penalty of \$100 per day. As of Monday, the city would have owed Williams an additional \$1,600 on top of the \$5,000 in order to hold the asking price at \$90,000.

In the wake of the devastating ice storm that hit the city and county on Jan. 27, the council didn't appear to have the resolve to move ahead with plans for a new city project.

"When you consider what we've been through the last

few weeks, we need to wait and see what the finances look like," Councilman Mike Byford said. "We don't even know what the last three weeks is going to cost us."

City Administrator Mark Bryant was still waiting on an environmental assessment of the property at the corner of Main and Bellville streets, though he had received U.S. Army Corps of Engineer clearance just before Monday's meeting. He anticipated the environmental study to be

clean, but until confirmation, the council would not make a decision on purchasing the lot.

Until that time, the penalty tacked onto the option for the lot would have continued to grow by \$100 per day. By voting Monday to neither purchase the land nor extend the option, the council lost \$5,000 with nothing to show for weeks of discussion related to the new firehouse. However, it also cut its losses tied to a property that had become a point of contention among the

council and community.

"If we walk away right now, it's only \$5,000," Bryant said.

He explained that expenses related to the ice storm will likely spill over into the city's next spending plan that begins July 1 and advised against purchasing the lot at this time.

Councilman Darrin Tabor took that a step farther, advising against any new projects in the near future.

"We don't need to look at purchasing any property right now," he said.

Chipping away



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

The City of Marion on Monday began curbside pick-up of limb and brush debris created by the Jan. 27 winter storm. Above, Troy McNeely (left) and Roy Todd at East Elm Street finish off one of the last stops for one of the two city crews working with industrial-size, pull-behind chippers. Pick-up will continue until all limbs are removed from properties inside the city.

Winter storm debris pick-up begins along city curbsides

STAFF REPORT

The City of Marion has begun the monumental effort of removing debris from last month's winter storm piled at curbsides.

Street department crews began on Monday picking up and chipping trees, limbs and brush accumulated in piles since the ice melted. Troy McNeely, Roy Todd and B.J. Yates, one of two crews tossing limbs into industrial-size shredders this week, said the number of debris piles seems endless.

"They are at almost every home," Todd said.

McNeely said the task is going to take a lot longer than first anticipated, despite the speed at which the pull-behind chippers fill the dump beds of the city trucks. Initial estimates had crews spending a week in each of the quadrants the city has been divided into for pick-up scheduling. After only a half-day of work Monday, both Todd and McNeely felt certain the week-per-quadrant estimate was a bit of a long shot.

City Utilities Director Brian Thomas said Monday evening, after the first day's progress, that it's more likely to take twice the time than was first planned. He said clean-up could even eclipse two months despite having two crews of three working full-time each day until the job is done.

"It's a lot harder work than most people think," he said.

Still, planners will have the two crews working in one quadrant per week starting with Section 1 this week and ending with Section 4 the second week of March. (See map and schedule in ad on Page 4.) If more time is needed for removal of limbs, crews will return to each quadrant to finishing removing limbs already accumulated.

To hasten the process, Marion City Council approved additional overtime and the hiring of tempo-

rary help to assist with debris removal. Thomas said extra hours and workers are necessary so that the city can move ahead with other utility projects such as finishing improvements to Fords Ferry Road and installation of sewage lines to homes in the Rudd-Hart subdivision.

Thomas will look to current city employees seeking overtime work on weekends or other off days before hiring outside of city staff. If that becomes necessary, he said he can staff each debris crew with a city employee to direct the temporary workers.

"If crews want to work on Saturday, I think we'd be wise to use them," City Administrator Mark Bryant told council members.

As of Monday, the City of Marion had already incurred almost 385 overtime hours related to the disaster at a cost of \$10,900. Thomas alone accounted for 94 of the additional hours. Police Chief Ray O'Neal

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Deals for Kimball property completed

STAFF REPORT

The sale of Kimball International's 11,759 acres in Crittenden and Union counties was closed the first week of this month and the deeds were recorded at clerks offices in the two counties early last week.

Three buyers completed deals for the property – Forestland Group, LLC, doing business as Heartwood Forestland Fund VI Limited Partnership of Chapel Hill, N.C.; Don Hines of Caseyville, Ky.; and M&K Woodlands, LLC of Sturgis, operated by Martin R. Smith and Kathryn L. Smith.

The land was auctioned in November by Woltz & Schrader Auctions for a reported \$24.5 million. It was broken into 70 tracts so that it might appeal to numerous buyers; however, Forestland Group – a timber management company – was initially the high bidder for the entire property.

The two other buyers apparently entered the equation after Forestland secured its successful bid.

Kentucky legislators have said that the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife

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Fiscal court dominated by storm talk

STAFF REPORT

Much of Tuesday's regular meeting of the Crittenden Fiscal Court was consumed by discussions of the recent winter storm, the community's initial response to the disaster and the long-term physical and financial effects it will have on the county.

Virtually every magistrate spoke out in praise for the general reaction and execution of disaster plans by everyone from emergency workers to average citizens.

Magistrate Helen McConnell said, "everybody did a great job under the circumstances. I don't know how we could have reacted any better."

Judge-Executive Fred Brown said the financial burden of dealing with the storm

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Crittenden Grand Jury indicts five on various charges

STAFF REPORT

A Crittenden County Grand Jury indicted five individuals last Thursday on a variety of charges. A grand jury does not determine innocence or guilty, it simply decides whether evidence in a case warrants further prosecution in Crittenden Circuit Court.

Indicted last week were:
■ Jackie Lee Beasley, 18, of Frances Road in Marion on two counts of theft by unlawful taking, over \$300. Beasley was indicted for his role in the alleged theft of two vehicles last July. Police records charge that Beasley stole a 1998 Ford Expedition from Kara Hatfield's home and a 1994 Ford Ranger belonging to William Sanders from the

Conrad's Food Store parking lot.

■ Anthony J. Crawford, 47, of Lewis Street in Marion was indicted on operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or drugs, first offense, with an aggravator; possession of marijuana; possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle; resisting arrest; tampering with physical evidence; and for being a persistent felony offender.

The case against Crawford was brought by Marion police officers George Foster and Bobby West. According to court records, a complaint was called in to central dispatching on Nov. 28, 2008, about a possible DUI at McDonald's parking lot. Officers responded to the scene and stopped Crawford, who reports

said was weaving his car on Main Street across the yellow line.

When Crawford stopped his vehicle on Lewis Street, he allegedly began to verbally abuse officers and had to be forcibly arrested. The complaint also says that Crawford swallowed some potential evidence. The report did not say what that evidence might have been. It also says that he refused to submit a blood alcohol test.

■ Janice Nesbitt, 37, of Jacob Drive in Princeton was indicted on one count of flagrant non-support. Court documents allege that she is in arrears by the amount of \$7,459 on child support payments. She was also indicted for being a persistent felony offender.

■ Roberta Marshall Parish, 54, of Ky. 297 in Marion was indicted on one count of theft of a controlled substance

for allegedly stealing 60 Lortabs from an individual in Crittenden County on Oct. 13, 2008.

■ Zack Anthony Woodall, 34, of Hickory Hills Avenue in Marion was indicted on a misdemeanor count of possession of marijuana and a felony count of possession of drug paraphernalia, second offense.

According to court documents, policeman Bobby West went to Woodall's home at 11:19 p.m., on Dec. 5, 2008, regarding a complaint of loud noise and the smell of marijuana. There, West's report said a strong odor of burnt marijuana was emitting from the home when Woodall answered the door. Inside, officers allegedly found a marijuana "roach," a bag of loose marijuana, rolling papers, a marijuana grinder, pipe and a brass container.

From the mayor's desk...

Response to disaster gratifying

I would like to share some thoughts about the ice storm that pummeled our community along with a good portion of the state. Once we have had an opportunity to do a complete evaluation of the events and the response I will do a follow up.

In spite of planning and preparation for emergencies, there are always things you haven't thought of. In the case of this disaster, I don't believe anyone could have conceived that it would be as bad as it was. In my years, I have seen ice storms and snow storms, but by all accounts, this ice followed by snow was the worst in more than 100 years. In spite of this, the response was equal to the task.

The city and county Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was immediately set up at City Hall. The Emergency Management team began the task of setting up a shelter and gathering the resources to support it. With help from the National Guard, they sought to help those in need. In addition to those whose job it is to respond to emergencies, a steady stream of volunteers came by the EOC and asked what they could do to help. Most of these individuals had their own personal emergen-



Alexander

cies that needed attention, but knowing that their friends and neighbors were in need, put their community ahead of their own well being. I won't try to name names at this time because the list is too long, and the probability of omitting someone is high. I just want to say that I am proud to live in a community where people care about each other and are willing to sacrifice their own comfort to help others.

With the loss of almost all communications, except for limited local telephone service and emergency radios, the challenge and frustration was the same for us as for the people huddled in their homes. We could not get information to the people in the

community. Tom Diaz's letter last week was pretty much on the mark. Since we could not call local long distance within Kentucky and WMJL was without power, the only news sources we could speak with were the ones who called us. Unfortunately they did not start calling until later into the event. Daily updates were faxed to every radio station in the area, but we had no way of knowing if they were actually receiving them.

Just so everyone knows, the Marion Police Department is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. You can always call 965-3500. Once the EOC was expanded to utilize the entire City Hall, 965-5313 was used as the

Invitation extended

Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant urges any resident of Crittenden County still in need of assistance related to the ice storm to call his office at 965-5313 so that help can be arranged.

Again we will be evaluating the details of this event, so that any areas of concern can be addressed prior to a future emergency. I want to stress however, that without the personal sacrifice of so many community volunteers, the results may have been

number for general information. Unless announced otherwise later, that will be the number you should call in the future if an emergency has been declared.

more devastating. These people didn't wait for someone else to come and help, they stepped up, because they knew that this storm was so widespread that help couldn't come soon enough to wait.

Thank you again for all you did. Help did come from outside the community from individuals, churches and other government agencies. Much of their aide came just when local resources were being exhausted. Please join me in thanking them. Many with ties to our area are still arriving to aide in cleanup. You are truly appreciated.

I am extremely proud to live in Marion and Crittenden County.

Mickey Alexander
Mayor of Marion, Ky.

Ice a warning from God, chance to show kindness

We have seen bravery, loving sacrifice and going the second mile by many in this county the last several weeks. That has been shown by those who helped long and tiring hours with such grace at the shelters, with the rescue squad and through the dangerous and strength sapping work the electrical people did for us from here and so many places.

Many people in this county took people into their homes, cooked for others and checked on people showing the very basic nature of our people. My hat goes off to the businesses that helped the rescue and electrical workers and gave to the shelter.

The only outside electrical workers I was fortunate to meet were the Pike Electrical



Rev. Lucy Tedrick
Religious Views
Crittenden Press guest columnist

crew from North Carolina. What a bunch of real Americans and gentlemen. Talk about Southern hospitality, they were chock full of classic examples.

The real and brotherly concern they displayed at our home was something to behold. It shall never be forgotten by us, and I made sure their superiors heard about it.

We don't see near enough of the kind of genuine concern and work ethics their

crew leader, Scott Baker, showed me and our need without my asking. All his crew were men that you would be proud to have as brothers.

For all these companies to send their people here to help in such desperate times just boggles my mind. May we reciprocate in any way we can when they and others are in need. And you can take God's word for it, many more are going to be in need.

God loves all of us and wants all of us to follow Him into Heaven so very much that He sent His only son to heal, love and forgive, only to suffer such atrocious pain inflicted by those He gave life and love to, be nailed to a cross He also created and left to die a slow, agonizing death.

He still shows His love to a

nation that has been walking away from Him. He moved everything into place so America could become the greatest, freest, most affluent, blessed nation in history, by sending smaller, then larger, but sure warnings to wake us up.

Just looking back in this county alone, let us recount some of the warnings that could come only from God. Starting in June of 1993, a tornado hit our area - especially in the Tolu area on one side of Marion - and no one was killed. Then in March of 1998, an unmanned large aircraft just missed Marion and landed in a field again with no deaths. Then in January of 2000, another tornado wrapped itself around the other side of Marion and did a lot of damage, and again no deaths. The last

two years we've had too much rain in the spring, then a drought in the summer. Last Sept. 14, we had high, dangerous winds form Hurricane Ike, but before that in the winter of same year, a bad ice storm.

Just as 9/11 has not done much, if anything, to make Americans turn to God, neither have all these warnings done much to cause Crittenden Countians as a whole to turn to God and away from sin. So this last warning of a massive ice storm is just an example of how He is intensifying His warnings. If He did not love us, He would not even warn us.

Paul tells us that all scripture is given to us for doctrine, for reproof, for correction and for instruction in righteousness. Let us take warning from the fol-

lowing He gave to the Jews who had left Him, which they ignored and paid with their nation's destruction: Amos 4:6-12 (paraphrased) "I have given you hunger, I've withholden the rain, then caused it to rain too much, I've sent pestilence, and have killed some of you, yet have you not returned unto me, so prepare to meet your God."

How many will He have to kill before we come to our senses, or will that even work? It didn't for the Jews.

(Editor's note: Rev. Tedrick is a Marion minister. She shares her views weekly in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper. Rev. Tedrick can also be heard on WAVJ 104.9 FM at 9 a.m., Friday and Tuesday.)

The Crittenden Press Letters to the Editor

Community came together in storm

To the editor:

As with most people, this 2009 ice storm has been the worst I've ever seen since I moved here in 1983, and by far worse than any other in Crittenden County history. I want to thank, from the bottom of my heart, all of the workers out there who took their time to help get water back on, remove trees and limbs out of the roads so power companies could get to the line, so AT&T could replace phone lines and cable companies could replace cable lines.

To everyone who had a part in any way whatsoever, to anyone that cooked food, provided shelter to families without heat and lights and to workers who came from Alabama, Michigan, Georgia, North Carolina or wherever, thank you.

Davey Reed, owner of Reed Construction from Carbon Hill, Ala., parked his truck in our driveway on Feb. 3 so he could go to his hotel in Cookeville, Tenn., the closest one he could find. He told me of all the places he's worked, (during Hurricane Katrina, etc.), the people of Crittenden County were the nicest and most appreciative he's ever seen. That touched my heart deeply.

And foremost, I want to thank everyone in Crayne - our neighbors who helped each other out in this time of need, especially Paul Malcom, Roger and Pam Tinsley, Tom and Kathy Omer and Cathy and Joey Oliver and family. There are so many more, particularly our postmaster Rose Ann Bebout and family who will always be a part of our community even if they do live in Eddyville now.

Rose Ann was here every day except Jan. 27, driving through the ice to get here. She walked to each house supplying water, snacks and friendship to see if she could help out in any way. And yes, she stayed at the post office with no lights and heat, freezing - and she definitely got sick from it - to make sure everyone got their mail. She also took care of her mother and her sick dog in the process. Now, that's what I call an angel with wings. Thank you for everything, Rose Ann, you are dedicated to Crayne.

I also want to thank every-

Columns from state legislators found online

Due to limited space in this week's edition of The Crittenden Press, weekly columns from state Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) and Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) have been posted on our Web site, www.the-press.com.

Both lawmakers discuss key measures passed last week in Frankfort, including a revenue-generating tax bill and education reform.

one at Akridge Farm Supply in Eddyville for keeping the needs met to Crittenden County and other counties supplied, working seven days a week to do that. I know you are worn out from it, but you've been a lifesaver to many.

Also, a special thank you to Allison Evans and Angel McDonald for bringing food to Crayne.

Thanks again to everyone who has had any part in helping out in any way. God will bless you all.

Carla Tinsley
Crayne, Ky.

Goalie Club goal of dugouts done

To the editor:

Four years ago, the Crittenden County High School Goalie Club set a goal to build dugouts at the Lady Rocket Soccer Field. Thanks to the effort and tireless work of many individuals, the final touches were completed on the dugouts last month, just before the ice storm. Special thanks goes to Dave Schnitter for coordinating the project and doing the major portion of the work to design, organize and complete the dugouts.

All of our sports organizations rely on the local community for support, and it is greatly appreciated by the parents and players. We have tremendous gratitude for the many individuals and businesses who helped with equipment, materials, manpower and funding needed to construct the dugouts. Without their support, our dugout project would not have been possible.

The CCHS Goalie Club would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their support: City of Marion, Conrad's Food Store, Crittenden County

Road Department, Crittenden County Board of Education, former Superintendent John Belt, Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough, Greg Binkley, David Perryman, Brian Kirby, Dairy Queen, Barry Nasser, Food Giant, Fugate Lumber, David Beverly, Gary Cruce Hauling, Marion True Value, Paul Belt, Masonry and Steel Supply Inc., McDonald's, Meuth Concrete Services, Pamida, Pizza Hut, Salem Food Market and Gordon and Carole Guess.

These dugouts have greatly improved the soccer field and will be a great asset to the Lady Rockets for many seasons in the future. When you have a chance, stop by the Marion-Crittenden County Park and admire the new dugouts.

Dawn Holloman
Marion, Ky.

Seniors grad caps cannot be painted

To the editor:

I'm a proud parent of a Crittenden County High School Class of 2009 senior. I'm writing today about the painting of their caps for graduation. Some of you may think this is petty or silly.

It was announced early in the 2008-09 school year that the seniors would not be allowed to paint their caps for graduation. My son was somewhat disappointed by this and went to Mr. Merrick to ask why. Mr. Merrick was not principal during the 2008 graduation but remains against allowing students to personalize their mortar boards.

I was at the 2008 graduation. I was very pleased with the way the class looked and acted. There were very few dry eyes in the auditorium when one of the valedictorians gave her speech. How could that be an embarrassment?

The students or their parents pay for the cap and gown. I personally think it's great if they want to paint their caps, as long as it's nothing obscene or vulgar. We, after all, in educating our children, teach them to be creative and use their imagination.

One suggestion might be for the principal to set some guidelines as to what they could not put on their caps. They could also have students bring their caps in for

the principal to see before graduation.

Silly or not, this means a lot to a large number of students.

Elizabeth Ann Allcock
Marion, Ky.

(Editor's note: Principal Merrick on Tuesday said no final decision has been reached on whether students will be allowed to decorate their mortar boards.)

In disaster, don't rely on Capitol Hill

To the editor:

After the worst catastrophe in Kentucky history, we have survived! We have banded together, borrowed and lent to get through this great tragedy (with some discomfort), but we have done so with our heads held high.

We searched high and low, and sometimes came up short, but we are still here, standing strong, doing what it takes to see the end. My utmost appreciation goes out to those who worked long, cold days and nights to restore our power. And I apologize if any of us complained to you.

Just a few days ago I heard on the radio, "How come no one is making a fuss on Capitol Hill about FEMA's response in Kentucky where people are dying from no electricity?" My heart goes out to anyone who lost a loved one due to this storm, but no one's fussing on Capitol Hill because we know not to wait on the government to save us. The government is like molasses, slow and sticky. We have fended for ourselves, and we continue to do so; for we are true-blue, hard-working, compassionate Kentuckians.

And Matt, thanks for the heater, you can have it back.

Nathan Graham
Marion, Ky.

Community strength overcame adversity

Adversity certainly can cause a community to become stronger as a result of our reliance on shared resources and a common experience of hardship. We have been through adversity together over the past several weeks and have come out on the other side a more thankful and united community.

On behalf of the Crittenden County Board of Education, I want to thank all county and city officials responsible for emergency management procedures in the county. The school district certainly felt supported on so many fronts in the attempt to get school started for our students as soon as it was safe and feasible:

- Safe shelter transition of citizens,
- Prioritization of bus transportation routes,
- Utilization of National Guard resources,
- Assistance with debris removal,
- Radio contact for school employees, and
- Availability of generated power.

As you know, the Crittenden County Elementary School served as a shelter for many citizens who needed food and shelter during this weather event. In times like this, there were so many individuals who stepped up to the plate and went "above and beyond" to help their neighbors. Each day when I encountered shelter volunteers, I was reminded that selfless service often goes unnoticed and unrewarded - but how critical it became for people in tremendous need. On a daily basis, people (local Red Cross volunteers, school custodians, food service staff, National Guard units, the maintenance team,



Boy Scouts, community leaders, school staff, etc.) just rolled up their sleeves and did anything that needed to be done. If one needed a definition of service to others, it was easily found in Crittenden County during this disaster.

To acknowledge some of these selfless community servants, the Crittenden County Board of Education has established the "Exceptional Service" certificate. This certificate and recognition will be given to those individuals who exhibited extraordinary personal character and service to others in our school and community throughout this disaster. We will be presenting several of these certificates at the regular board meeting next Tuesday.

We hope that our school district will find ways to support this community in as many ways as possible. After all, we are all in this together!

(Editor's note: Dr. Yarbrough is superintendent of Crittenden County schools. Her guest column will appear periodically in The Crittenden Press.)

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Community Spotlight

Jewell named to Transy Dean’s List

Transylvania University junior Amanda Jewell, a 2008 graduate of Crittenden County High School, has been named to the Dean’s List for the 2008 fall term. To be named to the Dean’s List, a student must achieve at least a 3.5 grade-point average during the term.

Jewell, a drama and art history double major, is the daughter of Eddie and Y’donna Jewell of Marion.

Phelps will intern this summer in D.C.

Leigha Phelps, a sophomore at Northern Kentucky University, has been awarded a Henry Clay Internship in Public Policy in Washington, D.C.

The Kentucky Society of Washington sponsors the internship. According to the society of Washington’s Web site, internships provide an opportunity for students from Kentucky colleges to be placed in an office of a member of the Kentucky congressional delegation or an office of the executive branch during the six to eight week summer internship.

Phelps, a 2007 graduate of Crittenden County High School, began the application process over Christmas break and was one of only three interviewed for the position last month. She is one of two students at the Highland Heights, Ky., university to be selected this year for the internship.

Phelps is the daughter of Curt and Sharon Phelps of Crittenden County.

Philosophy degree awarded to Hart

Robert John Hart, son of Pat Hart of Crayne and the late George Hart, will be awarded a doctorate of philosophy from the Department of Tourism Management of Paichai University in Daejon, South Korea today (Thursday).

The topic of his Ph.D. dissertation was motivations of Korean and Japanese recreational anglers and promotion of angling tourism in South Korea. A former writer for The Crittenden Press, Hart also has a B.A. in journalism and creative writing and an M.A. in British and American literature from Murray State University. He is currently a faculty member of the Department of Tourism Management at Keimyung University in Daegu, South Korea, where he lives with his wife Mi Gyun and daughter Sara.

Nine locals named to MCC Dean’s List

Madisonville Community College has named more than 330 students to its fall 2008 Dean’s List, including nine from Crittenden County. Those students are Jessica L. Binkley, Mandy R. Dodson, Chasity Leigh Doom, Denise Wheeler Guess, Evan F. Head, Kevin Lee King, Donna Jean Starrick, Christina N. Stratton and Marc A. Tabor. Several students from Caldwell County were also recognized, including Ricky Joe Allen, Christopher Ryan Baird, Christy Dawn Baker, Dwayna Lynn Bruce, Chris Lee Cotton, John D. Graham, Juanita S. Grayum, Candace



Lynn Haney, Sara Elisabeth Ramage, Douglas Dean Shepherd and Erin Beth Winters.

To be named to the Dean’s List, a student must complete at least 12 credit hours and earn a 3.5 or higher Grade Point Average for the semester.

Several locals on Western’s top lists

Western Kentucky University has named its Dean’s and President’s List for the fall 2008 semester. Included are seven area students, including one from Marion.

Named to the Dean’s List were Jessica R. Mathieu of Marion; Morgan L. Orange and Elizabeth A. Story, both of Fredonia; and Kerry J. Markham, Kristen A. Callaway, Jordan S. Dossett and Caleb M. Jenkin, all of Sturgis. Story and Jenkin were also named to the President’s List.

Students making the Dean’s List have a grade-point average of 3.4 to 3.79 in a 4.0 scale. Students on the President’s List have GPAs of 3.8 to 4.0. To be eligible for the either list, students must have at least 12 hours of coursework that semes-

Crittenden graduate on BCTC Dean’s List

Bluegrass Community and Technical College’s recently-announced Dean’s List for the 2008 fall semester included Susan Smith of Crittenden County. The Lexington college recognizes academic excellence by naming to the Dean’s List full-time students who have earned an overall semester grade-point average of 3.5 or better in courses numbered 100 or above.

3 locals honored on MSU Dean’s List

According to records submitted by the registrar’s office at Murray State University, three Marion residents are among a total of 1,903 undergraduate students who have earned recognition on the Dean’s List for their scholastic achievements during the fall 2008 semester.

Daniel F. Duncan, Melissa Croft and Leanna Christensen, all of Marion, were recognized on the Dean’s List, which requires a student to have a grade-point average ranging from 3.5 to 4.0.

Duncan is majoring in economics and is the son of James and Anna Duncan. Croft is majoring in elementary education and is the daughter of Garry and Janna Croft. Christensen is majoring in criminal justice and is the daughter of Jim and Susan Christensen.

Established in 1922, MSU has consistently been ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of the top public universities in the nation for its quality and affordability in education.

James named to Who’s Who edition

The 2009 edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges includes one graduate student from Crittenden County.

Janet James is among five Murray State University graduate students selected for the honor. James, a former reporter

for The Crittenden Press and employee of Crittenden Health Systems, is studying public administration. She is the wife of Tony James and mother of Janson, a senior at Crittenden County High School, and Paxton James, a seventh-grader at Crittenden County



James

Middle School. The five students were nominated by faculty based on superior scholarship ability, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to Murray State and potential for future achievement. These students join an elite group of more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the directory since it was first published in 1934.

PVA office adds two employees to staff

B.J. Minton and Sherry Tinsley have joined the Crittenden County Property Valuation Administrator’s office. The two deputy PVAs will be working part time.

They replace Jodi Perryman, a full-time employee who left last fall. PVA Ronnie Heady said that a three-month state hiring freeze prevented him from hiring Perry-

man’s replacements until recently. Minton and Tinsley are deputy PVAs concentrating on data entry and field work. They began working at the courthouse office on Jan. 31.

The two new employees join Heady, chief deputy Pam Champion and Libby Hodge in the PVA’s office.

Heady said the office will be moving downstairs in the courthouse in the near future. The PVA will be moving into the former Extension offices. Heady said the downstairs offices will provide his staff with double the space it has on the main floor in the courthouse.

Coffin graduates USAF basic training

Air Force Airman Bryan A. Coffin has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. He is the son of Lisa Rich of Marion and Robert Coffin of Binghamton, N.Y.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, core values and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremonial marches and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate in applied science degree relating through the Community College of the Air Force.

The airman is a 2008 graduate of Binghamton High School.



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Thanks to a new titanium hip, Jim can use his lead foot again.



ORTHOPEDIC SURGERY

Among the many benefits of his hip replacement is the pressure Jim Lingle can put on the gas pedal of his '68 Chevelle.

JIM LINGLE IS AN ACTIVE GUY. So he didn’t take kindly to the damper that his bad hip put on his lifestyle. For example, he had trouble working on his prized 1968 Chevelle. “I’m certified as a GM Master Mechanic,” he says. “I like to take care of things myself.”

Jim sought the help of Dr. Reid Wilson, an orthopedic surgeon at Methodist Hospital. According to Dr. Wilson, a hip replacement was the best option. “This gentleman is really full of life, and there was just no way for him to maintain his vigor without a new joint.”

In addition to the total hip replacements like Jim’s, Dr. Wilson performs leading-edge procedures that use only partial implants. “Many adults in their fifties, even forties, have hips and knees that keep them from doing the things they love,” he says. “But at that age, their joints are not so diminished that we’d consider a total replacement. Using the latest techniques, however, we can repair it with only a partial replacement. Their pain is gone, their mobility’s restored and they get back to the activities that make their lives complete.”

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ORTHOPEDIC SERVICES



PROVIDED PHOTO

Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) is shown with his former teacher in Caldwell County and present constituent Dale Faughn. Faugh, a leading Fredonia resident who teaches at Caldwell County High School, was inducted into the Kentucky Teachers’ Hall of Fame on Feb. 10.

Six sentenced in circuit court

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden Circuit Judge Rene Williams sentenced six people on a variety of charges last Thursday.

■ Billy W. Holland, 50, of Old Salem Road was sentenced to four years in prison on eight counts of possession of matter portraying a sex performance by a minor.

Holland pleaded guilty to the charges and received a sentence of four years on each of the eight counts. The sentences run concurrently and Commonwealth Attorney Zac Greenwell opposed probation for Holland, who was facing a possible sentence up to 20 years if convicted at trial.

The charges stem from incidents in February 2008 at his home. Holland was accused of convincing juvenile girls to pose for photographs depicting actual sexual acts, court records say. Marion Police Officer George Foster was the lead

investigator in the case.

Holland was indicted on the eight felony counts by a Crittenden County Grand Jury last June.

■ Leonard Tolley 33, of Keeling Street in Marion pleaded guilty to owing more than \$16,000 in child support. He was indicted in May of 2008 on one count of flagrant non support and a bench warrant was issued for his arrest.

Tolley was located in Marion in December and arrested. He was sentenced to five years in prison and given credit for 75 days served.

• Jimmy Dale Rose Jr., 19, of 114 Lewis Street in Marion pleaded guilty to stealing copper wire valued at more than \$400 from property owned by Mike Perryman.

Rose was sentenced to five years probation and given credit for 19 days served. He was also ordered to pay restitution.

■ Morgan T. Crayne, 33, of Ky. 902 East in Fredonia pleaded guilty to an amended charge of second degree criminal mischief for causing damage to a 1999 Chevrolet Tahoe with a key during an altercation at a home on Brookcliff Street in Marion last year.

Crayne was sentenced to 12 months in jail with 45 days to serve. He was given credit for 19 days served and the balance was probated for two years. He was also ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$1,363 to the vehicle's owner.

■ Glenda Barnes, 52, of View Road in Marion pleaded guilty to an amended charge of facilitation to second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance, three counts; and trafficking in a legend drug by complicity. The charges stemmed from an incident in June of 2008 and the case was brought by the Pennyryle Area Narcotics Task Force.

Barnes was sentenced to 12 months with 30 days to serve on weekends. The balance of the sentence will be probated for two years. Part of her plea agreement calls for Barnes to truthfully testify against co-defendant Mark Hanor.

■ Jeffery D. Vinson, 45, of Flynn Ferry Road in Marion pleaded guilty to a charge of driving on license suspended for DUI, third offense. The charge stemmed from his arrest last year and a December indictment. He was ordered to serve one year in prison.

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Perry Newcom (right) walks away from the scene as Gary Cruce points out last Wednesday how a portion of Newcom's roof at Crittenden Farm Supply ripped off from winds might be removed once gusts as high as 70 mph die down. The two men climbed atop the store shortly after the winds tore off an overhang at a loading dock and dumped it upside down on top of the retail section of the store. Below, a house on U.S. 60 east of Marion has its shingles torn away as the easterly winds whip an American flag to tatters.

Near hurricane-force winds damage roofs, farm supplier

STAFF REPORT

A severe wind storm that whipped across Kentucky last Wednesday finished off trees damaged in the ice storm, ripped shingles from roofs and left another 150,000 Kentuckians without power. Little municipal damage was incurred other than the panels of the Marion Commons sign at City Hall being blown out.

“I was just asking someone... what else could go wrong. I guess I got my answer.”

– Perry Newcom



Gusts clocked as high as 70 mph also left Perry Newcom looking for a portion of his roof at Crittenden Farm Supply in Marion. Newcom was working with employees Rickey Davidson and Brad Greenwell about 100 yards away at the time the roof over the loading dock was torn off and flipped upside down on top of the retail area of the store.

"It was a big pop," Davidson said of the noise when the wind did its damage.

The noise that preceded the snap, he said, was of metal flapping up and down as the gusts whipped it like a flag.

Helen Wilson, a 15-year employee of the farm store, said the noise was terrifying. She also said she's never seen anything in her time there quite like last week's winds.



"We just got it repaired," she said of a leaky roof.

Newcom, trying to get things back to normal after last month's ice storm, said the roof just adds another thorn to an already-woeful couple of years in agribusiness.

"I was just asking someone the other day what else could go wrong," he said last Wednesday after checking out the damage atop the roof. "I guess I got my answer."

Besides the sign at city hall, the portion of the facility occupied by The Peoples Bank also had some soffit torn from the ceiling, according to City Administrator Mark Bryant.

Judge-Executive Fred Brown reported no damage to county property, other than more downed tree limbs along county roads.



Crittenden Health Systems is pleased to announce the addition of Cardiologist, Dr. Ralph Millsaps to our visiting physicians. Dr. Millsaps joined The Heart Group of Paducah in 2007 after practicing in Evansville, IN. Patients will be seen at the clinic located inside Crittenden Hospital by appointment only and all new patients will be seen upon referral from their private medical doctor. For appointments call 800-969-5997.

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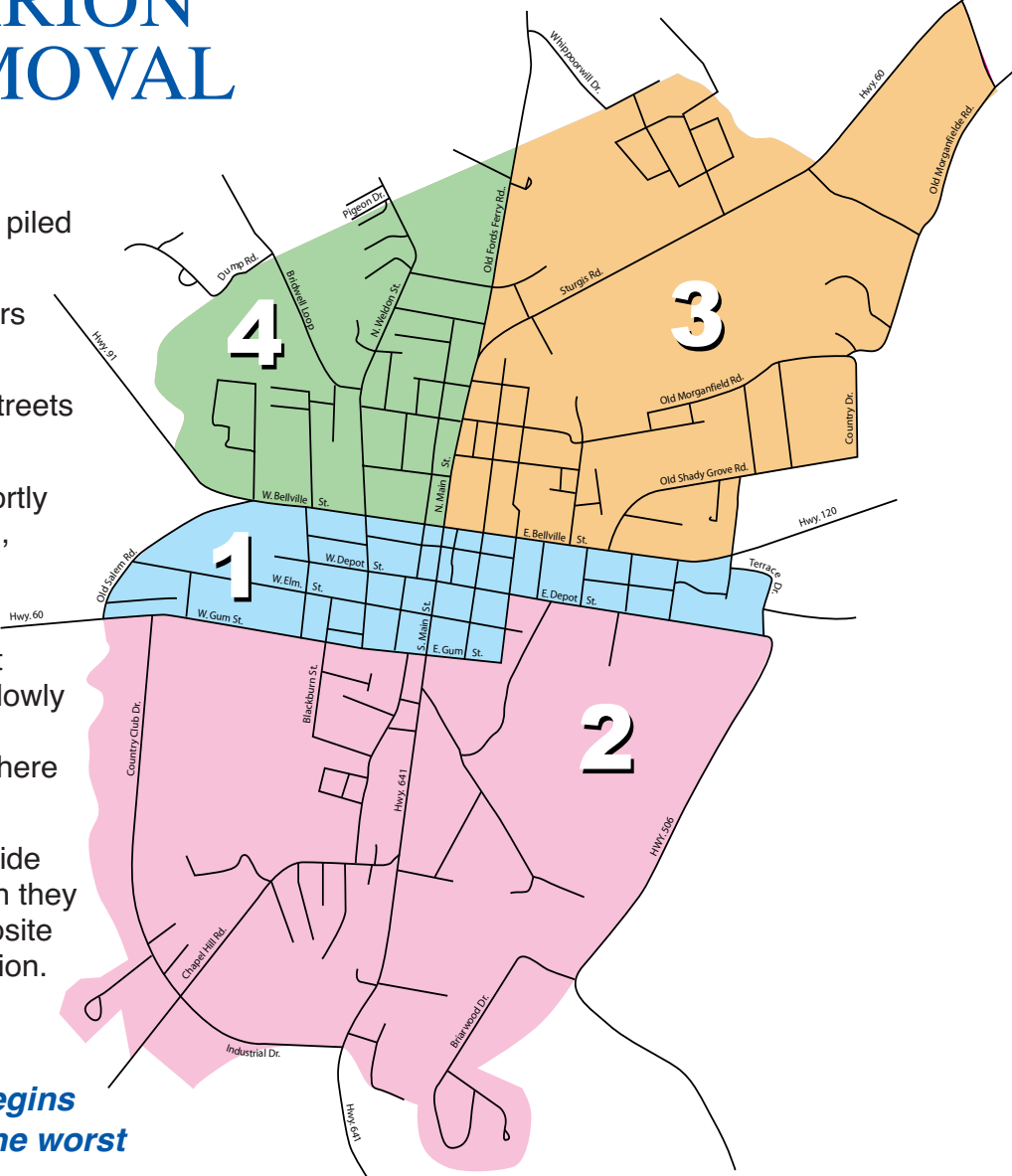
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CITY OF MARION
DEBRIS REMOVAL
Map & Schedule

- The City of Marion will be removing storm debris piled at curbsides. This includes limbs and brush only.
- The city has acquired two industrial sized chippers to help perform clean up.
- Please do not block sidewalks, storm drains or streets with debris.
- Crews will be picking up debris starting on or shortly after Feb. 17. Debris will be picked up by section, starting with section 1 and ending with section 4 on accompanying map.
- Crews plan to spend one week in each zone, but work could be completed more rapidly or more slowly than anticipated. Please have your debris ready ahead of time in case our crews are able to get there early.
- On boundary streets, crews will pick up on one side of the street only – the side in the section in which they are working. Crews will remove debris from opposite side of street when working in its respective section.

Thank you for your patience as the city begins the task of cleaning up following perhaps the worst disaster in local history.



Marion sawmill owner hurt Monday in accident

STAFF REPORT

The owner of a Marion sawmill was seriously injured in an accident Monday morning, but is expected to recover.

Bobby Martin, 63, of Marion was pinned between a semi and a trailer as the driver of the truck backed up to hitch onto the fifth wheel, according to Martin's son, Turner Martin, who also works at the mill on the west side of town.

"He was very lucky. The good Lord was looking after him," Turner Martin said about his father.

Martin was taken to Crittenden Hospital then transferred to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville where he was treated for six broken ribs and a broken shoulder. Martin was kept at the hospital for observation for a couple of days, but his son says doctors expect him to fully recover.

"He's going to be okay, but he's going to be very sore for a while," Turner said.



B. Martin

STORM

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and its aftermath will continue to create problems for the county, which was already struggling to make ends meet. Brown said the community's response to the late January disaster was "near perfect." The judge said that community leaders will meet in the coming months to discuss the overall reaction to the storm and to improve emergency plans.

"This thing could have been a whole lot worse," he said pointing out that no one in this county was killed or seriously injured from the storm.

The clean up will last for months, Brown said. The county is renting large wood chippers and will put two crews on roads, clearing right-of-ways. Brown said Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) assistance has not been accepted at this point, because by accepting it, the county would be promising to pay 13 percent of the funding for roadside debris collection. Additionally, Brown said the county would lose 12 percent of its yearly state road aid funds – which would be diverted toward contract clean up – if it accepts FEMA's help.

"This county cannot stand to pay \$250,000 for clean up," Brown said. "We're going to have to do it ourselves."

The state has let a contract and crews will be clearing right-of-ways on state highways in the coming days, the judge added. Also, the Crittenden County Detention Center will be organizing a crew to start cleaning up county road right-of-ways.

"Our road crews will be cutting down hanging trees and doing what ever needs to be done," Brown said. "Eventually, we will get someone from FEMA in here who can tell us what it will pay for. We have two conference calls scheduled for later this week with FEMA."

There was discussion of backup generators for the water systems in the county and for WMJL's radio stations. Brown said those issues will need some serious attention from various agencies as the storm response is reviewed.

Donnie Beavers, superintendent of Crittenden-Livingston Water District, said his plant supplies water to more than 3,700 individual customers in Crittenden and Livingston counties, and to five cities and part of Lyon County. The system needs 14 backup generators to produce and push water along on its supply lines. The cost estimate for those generators is \$380,000, Beavers said.

The water district's board of directors will meet at 7 p.m., Monday at its headquarters in Salem. The issue of backup power generation will be discussed, Beavers added.

When the water plant lost electricity during last month's



Wood

Phone, cable bill credits given

Council members say adjustments related to storm outages made

STAFF REPORT

Some AT&T and Mediacom customers may be eligible for account credits related to service outages from last month's ice storm. In fact, many local residents have already reported requested credits have been granted by both companies, though neither appears to have set a policy for issuing adjustments.

Marion City Councilmen Don Arlack and Dwight Sherer both said during Monday's council meeting that each had received a credit from AT&T Mobility for the time wireless service was unavailable in the

first days after the Jan. 27 storm damaged fiber optic lines. However, their pleas for credits, as well as those reported by constituents, have resulted in a range of adjustments from \$50 to the addition of rollover minutes, despite similar plans.

Arlack, who on Monday still had no service through his AT&T land line, said he also understands that some of the phone company's customers have received no credits despite their requests.

"It depends a lot on who you talk to when you call," he said.

Meantime, pockets of Mediacom subscribers across the county join a dwindling number of phone and electrical customers who were still without service earlier this week. As with AT&T, some have requested credits through customer service that have been granted.

But Randy Hollis, government liaison for Mediacom, told The Crittenden Press on Monday that no credit amount or policy had been set by the cable television, Internet and phone provider.

"We are still doing damage assessment across the region," he said. "There were hundreds and hundreds of individual service drops affected."

It is unclear when services will return to all customers in the county. Mayor Mickey Alexander said, though, the communications company has stepped up its efforts to restore services. Besides its own workers, the mayor said Mediacom has contracted other crews to restring lines and make other network repairs.

Credits from Mediacom and AT&T may be requested by calling customer service numbers on respective statements.

CRITTENDEN COUNTY CLERK CAROLYN BYFORD, CLERK FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT/STATEMENT FOR: JANUARY 1, 2008 – DECEMBER 31, 2008

RECEIPTS:	
FEES FOR STATE SERVICES	\$3,931.46
STATE REV SUPPLEMENT FUND	60,610.20
FEES FOR COUNTY SERVICES	9,001.60
VEHICLE & BOAT LICENSE	331,695.26
USAGE TAX	526,827.90
ADVALOREM TAX	716,772.93
FISH & GAME	7,176.00
DOCUMENT RECORDINGS	76,805.00
MISC.(COPIES, LIEN FEES, ECT).....	17,827.57
DEED TRANSFER TAX	29,227.00
DELINQUENT TAX PAID	50,150.55
INTEREST	1,389.95
SHORTAGE/OVERAGE	160.47
CANDIDATE FILING	560.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 1,832,136.89

DISBURSEMENTS:	
KY ST TREAS (VEH & BOAT LICENSE)	232,711.95
KY REV CABINET (USAGE TAX)	514,988.99
KY STATE TREAS (ADVALOREM)	263,113.50
FISH & GAME	6,964.50
PAYROLL FUND	158,224.43
KY ST TREAS. (DELINQUENT TAX)	7,105.61
KY ST TREAS (LEGAL PROCESS TAX)	10,716.63
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	12,726.00
CRIT CO TREAS. (ADVALOREM)	64,435.45
CRIT CO TREAS (DELINQUENT TAX)	7,220.27
CRIT CO TREAS (REAL ESTATE TRANSFER TAX)	27,749.95
ADVALOREM TO OTHER DISTRICTS...	
(school, library, health, extension, city of Marion)	360,550.49
DELINQUENT TAX TO OTHER DISTRICTS..	
(school, lib, health, ext., co. attorney, sheriff)	30,661.19
RECORD BOOK BINDING, COMPUTER MAINT, ETC	34,704.95
MISC., OFFICE MAINTENANCE, EQUIP. ETC	27,175.86
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,759,049.77

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For more updates, being prepared & maps of where our crews are working today check out www.kenergycorp.com

God doesn't need our advice through prayer

Do your prayers have power? That's the question we are addressing in this series of articles. What makes prayer work the way the Scripture says it will work—releasing the power of heaven into the circumstances of earth? Last week, we started examining misconceptions about prayer that keep us from experiencing prayer the way God intends for us to experience it. This week we'll consider misconception number two: Some pray as if prayer will give God new information or inspire in Him new ideas.

Some approach prayer as if it is the responsibility of the petitioner to decide what God needs to do and then talk Him into doing it. This kind of prayer sees himself as constantly having to overcome God's objections, or His inertia, or His procrastination. This person feels that God always starts out against him and has to be won over. Prayer of this kind pits the prayer against God. It feels like a battle of wills.



Jennifer Kennedy
Dean of Soul Desire
Guest columnist

As with every misconception about prayer, this error causes the praying person to expend spiritual energy, needlessly, on the wrong target. The person who prays in this way tends to look for the right formula, or the right words to say, or the right order in which to say them. This person is always on a quest to find the approach to God that will finally get Him to act.

This person believes the myth that it is hard to get God to answer prayer. The truth is that God longs to do His work on earth in response to prayer. Prayer is His idea. God thought up prayer, not us. God put prayer into the equation as

the means by which my need could find His supply. E. Stanley Jones says it this way, "Prayer is ... the opening of a channel from your emptiness into God's fullness." (Abundant Living)

God answers prayer, but He doesn't follow instructions. God reprimands those who attempt to instruct Him. "Who has understood the mind of the Lord, or instructed him as his counselor? Whom did the Lord consult to enlighten him, and who taught him the right way? Who was it that taught him knowledge or showed him the path of understanding?" (Is. 40:13-14).

God has established prayer as the conduit through which His power and provision flow out of heaven and into the circumstances of earth. Jesus prayed like this: "Let Your will that has been done in heaven, now be done on earth." I'm paraphrasing Matthew 6:10. Why would Jesus pray the will of God from heaven onto the earth unless He knew that prayer

was necessary to seeing God's will activated in the earth?

He doesn't need our advice, or our suggestions, or our ideas, but He loves our prayers. He rejoices in them. They bring Him pleasure. His heart is attuned even to our sighs and groans, never missing the most inarticulate cry that rises from the hearts of His people.

You don't have to win God over. You don't have to convince Him. You don't have to inform Him. You don't have to perform empty rituals to get His attention. Just open your life to His power and provision.

(Editor's note: This installment of Soul Desire is the second in a four-part series about misconceptions about prayer. Dean is the author of numerous books on prayer and a popular speaker and conference leader. She is a resident of Crittenden County. Her column will appear monthly in The Crittenden Press. The preceeding was adapted from "Live a Praying Life" by Dean.)

The Press Calendar & Church Notes

Friday

■ Bingo will be played at 10:30 a.m., Friday at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion.

Saturday

■ Western Kentucky Quilters Guild meeting will be held from 1 to 3 p.m., Saturday in the Fellowship Hall in the First United Methodist Church in Morganfield. The hall is handicap accessible.

■ Tolu Methodist Church will be showing the movie Fireproof at 6 p.m., Saturday, with refreshments being served afterwards.

Sunday

■ Mission of Love will be singing at 6 p.m., Sunday at Unity General Baptist Church in Crayne.

■ The Inspirations of Bryson City, N.C., will appear in a southern gospel concert at 2 p.m., Sunday in the Fine Arts Theatre at the Caldwell County High School. Tickets at the door are \$12 for adults, children 12 and under are free.

Monday

■ Crittenden County High School SBDM council will have a meeting at 5:30 p.m., Monday in

the high school library.

■ Jim Pearce Camp 2527, Sons of Confederate Veterans will hold their monthly meeting at 7 p.m., Monday at the George Coon Public Library in Princeton.

Tuesday

■ There will be an adult agriculture class FSA and NRCS at 7 p.m., Tuesday at the Caldwell Vocational School (located behind the school). Learn about new programs and changes resulting from the Farm Bill. For more information call Dee Brasher at 839-9791.

Wednesday

■ Bro. Rob Ison will speak at 10:45 a.m., Feb. 25 at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion.

■ Free tax help to those in need is available from 9 a.m., to 1:30 p.m., Feb. 25 at the Senior Citizens Center in Marion. An IRS-certified tax professional will be on hand to provide assistance to walk-ins in the order they arrive.

Next Thursday

■ Crittenden County Elementary School SBDM council will meet at 3:30 p.m., Feb. 26. All SBDM meetings are held in the CCES li-

brary.

■ There will be an adult agriculture class NRCS and FSA at 7 p.m., Feb. 26 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. Learn about new programs and changes resulting from the Farm Bill. For more information call Dee Brasher at 839-9791.

Upcoming

■ Crittenden County Elementary School's Family Fitness and Literacy Night will begin at 6 p.m., March 5. Learn about healthy snacks and heart health, make trail mix and participate in sessions including dance, yoga and pilates, Jump Rope for Heart, "Take 10." Everyone who attends will have an opportunity to win a door prize.

■ Author Linda Hawkins will be visiting Crittenden County Elementary School March 2 to celebrate "Read Across America." She will have her books on sale in the CCES library and will to autograph those books that are purchased.

■ Sturgis General Baptist Church will be having ITS 60th annual homecoming beginning at 1:30 p.m., March 1. The River City Quartet from Henderson will be the featured singers.

■ Miracle Word Church in

Salem will host its Valentine's Day Steak Dinner to 5 to 8 p.m., Feb. 28. The cost is \$15 single or \$30 couple. Dine in or delivery to Salem or Marion. Dinner includes salad, ribeye steak, baked potato, dessert and drink. Contact a church member or call 836-9048 for more.

■ Crittenden County School District substitute teacher training will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., March 5 at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. Training will focus on effective classroom strategies and current issues for substitutes in the county's school district. Training will be for all current substitute teachers that do not have a Kentucky teaching certificate. Retired teachers and substitutes that hold a Kentucky teaching certificate are not required to attend. For more information, contact Vince Clark at 965-3525.

■ Hao Yuan, an admissions counselor at Western Kentucky University, will be visiting area high schools to discuss with prospective students the opportunities offered at WKU. Yuan will visit Caldwell County High School on from 10:30 a.m., to 11:10 a.m., March 5, as well as Crittenden County High School on the same day from 11:50 a.m., to 1 p.m.

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OBITUARIES

Stalion

Vera I. Stalion, 90, of Myrtle Beach, S.C., formerly of Marion, died Monday, Feb. 9, 2009 at Myrtle Beach.

Survivors include a daughter, Vera Lois Winders of Paducah; a brother, Paul Ingram of Marion; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James L. Stalion, and three brothers.

Stalion was the daughter of Evan and Bertha Riley Ingram.

A private family service was held Sunday, Feb. 15 at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem with Bro. Tony Alexander and Bro. David Winders officiating. Burial was at Love Cemetery.

Belt

Ellie Mae Belt, 84, of Marion died at 5:38 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 14, 2009 at Crittenden County Health and Rehab. She was a member of Seven Springs Baptist Church.

Survivors include her children, Donald and wife Dorris Martin of Elizabethtown, Ky., and Reita and husband Jerry Lovern of Morganfield; sisters, Lois-teen Canada of Princeton, Betty Glenn of Dycusburg and Thelma Brown of Marion; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Belt was preceded in death by her first husband, Willie Ray Martin; second husband, James Clifton Belt; daughter, Patricia Mae Martin; three brothers; and two sisters. Her parents were Bedford and Mayme Blake.

Funeral services were Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Gilbert Funeral Home. Burial was at Frances Cemetery.

Stallion

Dallas "Dick" Stallion, 86, of Leesburg, Fla., died Monday, Feb. 16, 2009 at Cornerstone Hospice in Leesburg.

Formerly of Marion, Stallion was retired from Island Coal Company.

Arrangements were incomplete at Gilbert Funeral Home at press time.

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Henry

Charles Homer Henry, 67, of Marion died Saturday, Feb. 14, 2009 at Livingston Hospital.

He was an automobile mechanic, was of the Baptist faith and a member of the Eagles and Masonic Lodge 192 F&AM of Westville, Ind.

Survivors include his sons, Shaun Henry of San Antonio, Texas and Timmy Henry of Plainfield, Ill.; daughters, Cindy Call of Portage, Ind.; Devon Kovacic of Hobart, Ind., and Sherry Nordengreen of Chicago, Ill.; a sister, JoAnna Stone of Marion; 10 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer Rex and Ethelen Schafer Henry, and a sister.

A memorial service was held at noon Tuesday, Feb. 17 at Myers Funeral Home in Marion.



Howard

Betty Mae Howard, 78, of Salem, died Thursday, Jan. 29, 2009, at Crittenden Hospital.

She was retired from Burkhart Rural Health Systems.

Survivors include her husband of 60 years, Billy C. Howard of Salem; two sons, Michael Howard of Gilbertsville and Mark Howard of Salem; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Billy Richardson and Jack Richardson; and her parents, William "Bill" and Fannie Wring Richardson.

Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 2 at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem with Bro. Tim Fouts and Dr. Stephen Burkhart officiating. Burial was at Tyner's Chapel Cemetery in Crittenden County.

McDonald

Verna J. McDonald, 71 of Salem died Monday, Feb. 16, 2009 at her residence. She was a member of Carrsville Pentecostal Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Rebecca Ann Franklin of Marion; a son, Anthony McDonald of Marion; a sister, Willa McDonald of Carrsville; four grandchildren, a great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe McDonald; and her parents, J.O. and Anna Slayden Workman.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 19 at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem with pastor Chris McDonald officiating. Burial will be at Carrsville Cemetery. Visitation was scheduled for after 6 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 18 at the funeral home.

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Linemen injured in 902 wreck

Two out-of-state utility linemen assisting with the recovery after last month's ice storm were hurt Feb. 6 in an accident in southern Crittenden County. They were treated and released from Crittenden Hospital.

Two North Carolina electrical workers were hurt when their bucket truck wrecked around 7 p.m., on Ky. 902 near Dycusburg. Kentucky State Police said 35-year-old Shane T. Heltsley and 43-year-old Johnny G. Shepard, both of Jacksonville, N.C., were hurt in the crash.

Heltsley was behind the wheel of the 2008 International bucket truck, southbound on the highway, when the vehicle ran off the roadway for an unknown reason, according to the Princeton Times-Leader newspaper. Heltsley overcorrected in an attempt to get the vehicle back on the roadway, causing the truck to turn over on its side, the Princeton newspaper reported.

Crittenden County EMS transported Heltsley and Shepard to the Crittenden Hospital for treatment.

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Library hosts writing workshop tonight

Crittenden County Public Library is launching another season of writing workshops with instructor Bob Yehling. A special story-writing workshop and a general meeting on the formation of a working writer's club in the county will take place today (Thursday) from 6:30 to 9 p.m., at the library.

"Our workshop will focus on stories and experiences from winter storm '09, and also on building a daily writing life," Yehling said. "The stories we all possess and share from the recent storm are unforgettable to us and irresistible to readers. By writing them down, we can use them in our works-in-progress - or keep for memory's sake."

Following the workshop, a discussion on a writer's club, its purpose and advan-

tages will take place. The evening is open to all active or aspiring writers.

"We have an eventful year planned for 2009," Yehling said. "The Crittenden County Writing Workshop Series will be augmented by Meet the Authors Night, a

community open-mic reading, book signings by guest authors, and much more."

For more information, call Rose Kirk or Regina Merrick at the library at 965-5433 or Yehling at (917) 826-7880, or email bob@wordjournеys.com.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank my sister, my family, neighbors and friends for all the cards, food, flowers, phone calls and most of all for your prayers. Thank you to my pastor, Bro. Roger and his wife for all you have done for me.

May the Lord bless each one of you. Please continue to pray for me as I continue my chemotherapy.

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Citizens in action

FCCLA represented in state government

Participating in the 8th annual Student Organization Leadership Day in Frankfort on Feb. 10 were three members of the Crittenden County High School FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) student organization. Approximately 800 students and advisors from across Kentucky attended the day-long event.

CCHS students Kari Joyce, Sandra Winn and Mary Hollamon were recognized at the House Education Committee and visited with Representative Mike Cherry. Later in the day, the group was also recognized on the Senate floor as State FCCLA President Mary Hollamon was given the proclamation for Career and Technical Education Month by Senator McGaha. Accompanying the students



Pictured with Rep. Mike Cherry are (from left) FCCLA member Sandra Winn, advisor Dawn Hollamon and members Kari Joyce and Mary Hollamon.

was CCHS FCCLA Advisor Dawn Hollamon.

Student Organization Leadership Day is presented by the KY Association for Career and Technical Education and is held during national Career and Technical Education Month. The 2009 theme is CTE: Building Blocks for a Successful Career.

The program featured State Representative Derrick Graham, State Senator Vernie McGaha, assisted by Mary Hollamon, and Bryan Alvey, KY Farm Bureau Federation, each of whom spoke to the students about the various roles citizens can take in the legislative process.



December students of the month at Crittenden County High School are (front from left) Jordan Croft, Piyanat Ongknikal, David Walker, Brody Bruns, Dominique LaPlante and Logan Harris; (second row) Sarah Harvey, Jordan Millikan, Layten Maxfield, Torey Baker, Nancy Maclin and Shannah Williams; (third row) Chris Harvey, Hannah Peek, Brittany Phillips, Brandon Deboe, Jordan McMackin and Austin Russell. Not pictured Madison Travis, Matt Artist, Ryan Guess, Brennan Cruce, Jordan Doom, Matt Thurby, Casey Knox and Cassie Vinson.

Cancer-free, Moore needs more testing

A Crittenden County girl is winning her battle over Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia, but she still suffers from effects of the disease.

Alivia Moore, daughter of Jamie Myers and granddaughter of Micky and Debbie Myers, was diagnosed with the disease over three years ago. The cancer treatment was complicated due to the presence of the Philadelphia Chromosome, which makes Moore's case very rare. Only 12 children worldwide had this form of leukemia in 2006. Moore had a bone marrow transplant on June 2006.

"For this, we are thankful to God," her grandfather said. "But Alivia suffered a series of strokes and we are now finding out the long term effects."

Moore has traumatic brain injury and will need proper evaluations and testing to determine treatment, Myers said.

"My daughter has transferred her case to Vanderbilt Children's Hospital but her medical card does not cover some of the tests. The initial cost will be around \$2,500, and we have exhausted our resources at this point."

Myers hopes to raise \$25,000 to help his daughter get reliable transportation and enable Alivia to have needed testing.

To help in this fundraising effort please send your check to: Alivia Moore Fund, c/o Jamie Myers, 104C Creekside Cr., Marion, KY 42064.



Moore



Shuecraft

Sean and Christie Shuecraft celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary on Feb.13, 2009. They were married at New Union General Baptist Church with Rev. Dan Shuecraft, father of the groom, officiating.

Mr. Shuecraft graduated from Crittenden County High School in 1989 and joined the U.S. Army.

Immediately afterward, he served an extended tour in Korea working on relaying and coding classified messages in an underground bunker. He is self employed.

Mrs. Shuecraft is an RN employed at Salem Springlake Nursing Home. They have two children, Summer Nicole and Cameron Clay.

CCES Honor Roll

The following students were named to the honor roll for the fall 2008 grading period at Crittenden County Elementary School.

Third grade All As

Kyle Castiller, Trent Champion, Cruce Collyer, Clay Croft, Madison Champion, Marylinda Sisco, Alyssa Snow, Adam Beavers, Matthew Spannuth, Clay Stevens, Kim Mast, Texas Young, Mauri Collins, Logan Belt, Madison O'Dell, Carsen Easley, Hayley Stinnett, Sam Winders, Dayton Simpkins.

Third grade All As and Bs

Ricky Adkins, Emmalea Barnes, Ryan Belt, Leah Eggleston, Eric Elder, Baylee Priest, Luke Smith, Ashlyn Webster, Kyle Collins, Joseph Estes, Tyson Steele, Bailey Barnes, Dawson Doyle, Jessie Payton, Rachel Acker, Nicole Gray, Corbin Wilson, Meighan Koon, Rachel Butler, Thomas Jacobs, Cheyenne Ward, Ross Crider, Makensie Simpkins, Megan Tabor.

Fourth grade All As

Regan Frazer, Kiana Nesbitt, Bristen Holean, Cassidy Moss, Katie Wheeler, Carrie Peek, Emily Tinsley, Hannah Hardin, Cheyenne Burris, Landry McKinney, Audrey Smith, Tyler Smith, Adam Wright, Jacob Hackney, Emily Hall.

Fourth grade All As and Bs

Jessi Brewer, Jake Ellington, Kassidy Flint, Anna Hazel, Ethan Hunt, Nadia Hutchings, Brennan Jones, Amanda Lynch, Francesca Pierce, Nathan Piper, Colton Poindexter, Paxton Riley, Evan Stone, RaShawna McDowell, Christin Freeman, Isaiah Yates, Sydney Wynn, Macye Shoulders, Courtney Beverly, Kyle Smith, Darren Paris, Will Tolley, Tania Thompson, Bobby Glen Stephens, Emily Robertson, Daniel Riley, Cali Parish, Gage Moore,

Maddye Mink, Ian McKenzie, Matthew Gezelman, Ashley Croft, Ben Brown, Morgan Gerhardt, Chris Overfield, Michaela West, Dylan Rushing, Tyler West, Alexis Tabor, Daniel Bricken, Alice Blaisdell, Kaylee Graham.

Fifth grade All As

Mattie Campbell, Nick Castiller, Morgan Cinkovich, Travis Fitzgerald, Casey Freeman, Jacob Greenwell, Dylan Hicks, Kortni Jones, Austin McKinney, Raj Patel, Tate Schroeder, Elysia Thaxton, Caelyn Clark, Maria Dossett, Jerri Ann Duncan, Braden Locke, Cameron Shuecraft, Benny Tucker, Reid Baker, Rece Diles, Sadie Easley, Cody Godwin, Dylan Hollis, Kaitlyn Myers, Megan Sherrell, Josh Tabor, Christina Tidwell, Kali Travis, McKenzie Cartwright, Mason Haire, Jacob Henry, Jayden Willis

Fifth grade All As and Bs

Cassie Adams, Allison Arflack, Seth Birdwell, Tristian Knight, Ivan Parente, Margaret Sitar, Nicole Shuecraft, Dylan Burt, Josh Hardin, Cody Harris, Kasey Herrin, Bailey Howard, Ryan James, Autumn Jones, Madisyn Jones, Travis McKinney, Dakota Watson, Charity Sitar, Katelynn Tidwell, Randi Williamson, Courtni Conger, Nate Stariwat, Haley Sisco, Andrew Rodgers, Taylor Belt, Brianna Bivins, Alex Cosby, Jantzon Croft, Dixie King, Lauren McKinney, Sydni Nesbitt, Kristen Perryman, Kayla Roberts, Elizabeth Tosh, Candie Adams, DJ Baker, Makaley Davis, Megan Hunt, Breanna Lanham, Chelsea Long, Warren Martin, Jessica McConnell, Elizabeth Price, Logan Shuecraft, Chelsea Tramel, Marcus Tinsley, Alexis Watkins.

HOMEMAKER CLUB NEWS

Evening Belles

A few days after the 2009 ice storm Myrle, Pat, Anne, Anna, Nancy and Helen met for their regular monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m., Feb. 12 at the Marion Baptist Church. Each member brought items for lunch and enjoyed the fellowship once again. Pat read the thought for the day, gave a mini lesson on Lincoln's birthday "My Childhood Home."

Each one present

expressed their thanks having experienced the recent disaster with much thankfulness for everything. Things could have been much worse.

Nancy Lapp gave the lesson Whole Food for Whole People. Have you been looking for low fat nutrition foods that satisfy your hunger? Whole grain foods are a great choice. Would you be willing to eat more whole grain foods if they

would help reduce your risk for heart disease and cancer? Whole grains can readily be included in your daily diet. Delicious, easy to prepare and affordable.

The culture arts display will begin at 9 a.m., Feb. 24 at the UK Research and Education Center in Princeton. Our next meeting will be at 11:30 a.m., March 12 at the Marion Baptist Church. Visitors always welcome.

Southern Crittenden News

By Michelle Henderson and Matthew T. Patton

People are still cleaning up from the ice and wind storm that hit the state a few weeks ago. Several people reported broken bones, strep throat and all sorts of ailments and maladies. This is a winter storm that we won't soon (though we'd prefer to) forget.

Our sympathies are extended to the family of Joann Chaney, 76, of Dycusburg who died last week in Nashville. She was retired as substitute Dycusburg postmaster, was a former sales representative for Avon in the Crittenden County area and was a member of Dycusburg Baptist Church.

We also send our thoughts to the family of Ellie Mae Blake-Martin-Belt, 84, who died Feb. 14. She was a member of Seven Springs.

Alina Lambert sang with Joe Bennett at the Dycusburg Grocery recently. Owner Star Mahns says anyone who wants to come "pick and grin" at the store on Friday nights is welcomed. Call 988-3004 to confirm.

Josh and Star Mahns have been visiting family in Indiana.

Several from this area attended the National Farm Machinery Show at Freedom Hall in Louisville, including Larry, Margaret, Philip, Natalie, Rett and Calie Parish; Craig Boone; Chris Watson; Sean Wesmoland; Crystal Watson; Jared Belt; Floyd Turley; Nicky and Jonathan Waters; Chris Hooks and family; Jonathan Millikan; Jenny Patton and Travis Sosh. Snagging first place in the 10,200-lb. pro stock tractor division was Philip Parish driving "El Niño," pulling 244.49'.

Share your news. E-mail dycusburg@yahoo.com or call Michelle at 988-2758.



Madisyn Jones and Ethan Hunt took The Press to visit their cousin Meighan Jones and visited Fort Necessity National Park in Pennsylvania and Maryland on Christmas break.



Rick, Sandra and Justin Hargrove; Josh, Crystal and Bentley Hargrove; Eugene, Belinda, Kelly and Whitney Williams, Whitney Kinnis; David, Betty, Ashtan and Daniel Williams; Stephanie Tinsley, Jason Weldon, Brandon Jackson, and Mason Stinnett took a mid-winter vacation to Paoli Peaks Ski Resort in Indiana Jan. 24.



The Crittenden Press went to Ft. Bliss, Texas where Shirley Hinchee visited with her son, Lt. Col. Jeff Holloman and wife, Yonchu. The picture was taken in the office of Col. Cary Westin, Director of the Air Defense Artillery Test Directorate. Lt. Col. Holloman will leave Ft. Bliss for Ft. Stewart, Ga., Home of the 3rd Infantry Division. The 3rd ID and Lt. Col Hollamon are headed to Iraq in April.

Local youth turn trash to treasure

STAFF REPORT

Local winners of the Regional Recycle Corp., Inc.'s annual trash sculpture contest for western Kentucky youth were awarded prize money recently.

During last month's Crittenden County Board of Education meeting, Crittenden County Judge-Executive Fred Brown and Bonnie Baker, County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development, distributed \$635 among the youngsters. First-grader Ellie McGowan, winner at both the lower elementary and county levels as well as on the regional level, took home a check for \$260 from the contest.

"If you are like most people, when you think about trash the only thing that comes to mind is the garbage you have to make sure gets out to the curb to be picked up by the nice garbage man," said Baker. "However, some find art in trash."

This year, 88 students from Crittenden County participated in the event. All children who participated received a gift from the Re-

gional Recycling Corp., Inc.

There are four categories based on grade level – lower elementary for grades K-2, upper elementary for grades 3-5, middle school and high school. The top three winners for each of these categories automatically win the county contest for their division, as the county has only one school system. Those winners then go on to compete in the regional contest. The school division winners receive \$25, \$15 and \$10, respectively, for first- through third-place; county winners receive \$35, \$25 and \$15; and the regional winners receive \$150, \$100 and \$50. This year, the overall county winners received \$50.

"Each year the kids get more and more creative making the judging quite difficult, yet rewarding," Baker said. "It is wonderful to see how imaginative our youth can be."

Winners and prizes were as follows:

■ Lower Elementary: First place, Ellie McGowan, \$60; second place, Hannah Cooksey, \$40; and third place, Kaiden Hollis, \$25.



CRITTENDEN PRESS PHOTO

Crittenden County winners in the Regional Recycle Corporation Inc.'s annual trash sculpture contest pictured above are (from left) Hannah Cooksey, Anna Schnittker, Ross Crider, Annabelle Stringer, Ellie McGowan, Kaiden Hollis, County Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development Bonnie Baker, Judge-Executive Fred Brown and Meredith Evans.

■ Upper Elementary: First place, Meredith Evans, \$60; second place, Ethan Hunt, \$40; and third place, Ross Crider, \$25.

■ Middle School: First place, Anna Schnittker, \$60; second place, Annabelle Stringer, \$40; and third place, Cole Foster, \$25.

■ High School: First place, Derek Burns, \$60.

■ Overall County: McGowan, \$50.

■ Regional: McGowan, \$150.

Crittenden County also did well at the regional level. All county winners from across western Kentucky come together at the regional contest. New judges weigh all the entries in each category, and this year three kids from Crittenden County took home top prizes.

McGowan won first place in the regional Lower Elementary category, while Cooksey won second. Anna Schnittker won second place in the Middle School category. All of the regional winning sculptures are on display at the UK Research Station in Princeton.

Crittenden graduate to go ‘across the pond’ for summer at Oxford

STAFF REPORT

If you need some information on protein chemistry and the drug delivery system, John Brantley will be a good source by summer's end.

The Crittenden County native has been selected as the first student from Western Kentucky University to study this summer overseas in the Ben Davis Lab at Oxford University. Brantley is a junior chemistry major at WKU and is honored to have the chance to work in a well-known chemistry laboratory at the prestigious university in Oxford, England.

The lab specializes in the study of sugars and proteins in a biological context, Brantley explains.

"They explore how carbohydrates (i.e., sugars) are involved in infection, certain cancers, etc. They also explore new ways of delivering therapeutics to patients;

that is, they use protein analogues to see if they can increase the efficacy of therapeutic agents."

Brantley's opportunity is the result of a relationship between WKU's director of scholarly development with Dr. Ben Davis, an Oxford professor.

"(WKU's) new director of scholarly development used to work at the University of Pittsburgh, and one of the students she used to advise is getting his Ph.D., at Oxford under Dr. Ben Davis," Brantley explained.

Davis has agreed to allow one student from WKU to work in his lab every summer, and Brantley will be the first.

Though he will not receive monetary compensation or college credit for his time at the Oxford lab, he says the experience he will receive will be payment enough.

"I am hoping that some of my work will



“I am hoping that some of my work will be published while I am there.”

– John Brantley on summer studies in England

be published while I am there," he said. "I have been told this particular lab publishes work quite frequently, and the director of scholarly development is confident there is a good chance I will get something published."

Brantley is the son of Del and Betty Brantley of Crittenden County.



CRITTENDEN PRESS PHOTO

Schools begin mentoring

Crittenden County School District is beginning a mentoring program that will match adults in the community with local students. Potential mentors were sought by Vince Clark, coordinator of the program for the school system, and the group went through a training exercise last month at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. Pictured are (clockwise from left) prospective mentors Jamie Brown, Denette Wynn, Jim Christensen, Nancy Hunt (partially hidden), Stuart Collins, Ann Newcom, Joe Swab, Jan Gregory, training facilitator Pat Hammuck and program coordinator Clark. Other prospective mentors were involved in the training, and Clark is identifying others in the community who might make good mentors.

Consumer price of natural gas falls in Ky.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Kentucky Public Service Commission has approved rate cuts for natural gas.

Cost adjustments approved for the five largest distributors in the state have an average decline of \$1.10 per 1,000 cubic feet of gas.

The Courier-Journal reported the PSC estimates the typical household will pay about \$11 less for 10,000 cubic feet of gas than it did at the start of the heating season.

Public Service Commission Chairman Dave Armstrong said customers should see further rate declines if wholesale gas prices remain low in the coming months.

Crittenden County Detention Center Report

Crittenden County Detention Center Jailer Rick Riley provides a weekly report of the jail's inmate count and work release program. Inmates are supervised and carry out a variety of labor regularly undertaken by local municipal departments.

Work-release for the week of Feb 2-8:

1. Six men at 56 hours each cleaning up storm debris.
2. Six men at 70 hours to county road department.
3. One man at 48 hours to the county animal shelter.
4. Three men at 44 hours each to Marion Convenience Center.
5. Three females at 32 hours to Senior Citizens Center.
6. Two females at 12 hours each to Crittenden County Courthouse.
7. Five females at 10 hours each cleaning shelter at elementary school.
8. Eight men at 6 hours each setting up cots and cleaning the shelter at elementary school.
9. Ten males at 56 hours inside jail trustees (janitor, kitchen duties, etc.)

Note: This week's saving to the county was \$11,225.90, based on minimum wage of \$6.55 per hour.

Work-release for the week of Feb 9-15:

1. Six men at 40 hours each cleaning up storm debris.
2. Six men at 32 hours to county road department.
3. One man at 40 hours to the county animal shelter.
4. Three men at 44 hours each to Marion Convenience Center.
5. Two females at 40 hours to Senior Citizens Center.
6. Two females at 40 hours each to Crittenden County Courthouse.
7. Ten males at 56 hours inside jail trustees (janitor, kitchen duties, etc.).
7. One man at 40 hours to the National Guard Armory.

Note: This week's saving to the county was \$8,934.20, based on minimum wage of \$6.55 per hour.

Shea Holliman, Class D Coordinator

Inmate count as of Feb. 15, 2009 (female count):

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LOTS OF SPACE - On this +/- 20 acres with 2 homes, 2 barns and 1 building that could be used for anything you want. Call for all the details. wm

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BURNA AREA - 3 br, 2 bath, eat-in kitchen, hardwood floors, new appliances, needs some tlc. Property is \$20,000.00. jg

COUNTRY LIVING - 21 +/- acres fenced and crossed fenced, 2 barns and a 1997 28x80 double wide, 3 br, 2 bath, 2 car garage attached w/breezeway, lots of extra. hb

SPACIOUS - 4 bedroom, 3 bath open kitchen and dining room. Large living rm, utility rm, 2 car garage, 2 out buildings. Nice patio in back, well landscaped, 2 1/2 acres +/-, \$165,000.00. vt

MOVE IN - 4 year old 3 br, 2 bath, all electric beautiful home with paved drive sitting on 9.5 +/- acres. Call for more details.bs

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IMAGINE HAVING IT ALL - Must see this 3 br, 2 1/2 bath brick home on 2.37 +/- acres. open foyer, living room, fireplace, dining room, kitchen with breakfast area, sunroom/office & large master bedroom. Attached 2 car garage, 30x40 detached garage, inground pool & screened pool house with 1/2 bath. Wilson Farm Rd. pt

CRAYNE AREA - Very nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath 16x80 mobile home on 2 +/- acres, large front porch, central heat & air, 24x30 insulated workshop wired for 220 electric county water, VERY PRIVATE. jt

GREENWOOD HEIGHTS - 3 bedroom, 2 bath family room with brick fireplace and nice basement. Also has a 16x32 2 story outbuilding, fenced backyard, central heat & air, ready to move into. jh

SAVE YOUR GAS - With this 14x60 mobile home and large lot located just walking distance from anywhere. Price Reduced to \$16,500.00. jc

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RELAX - In this 2 br, living rm, kitchen, dining rm and bath. All rooms are nice size. Stove and refrigerator included. Call for more info. jh

NICE - 3 br, 2 1/2 bath, dining room, living room, den, 3 1/2 +/- acres. Great location, sc

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION - 3 br, bath, kitchen, 2 car garage, 3 +/- acres. Reduced to \$49,000.00.

BRING YOUR HORSES - Remodeled Ranch home with 2 large bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, basement, carport, barn, fenced & cross fenced on 3 acres. Ready to move into! Call for more info. jn

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100 X 200 LOT - Utilities, kitchen, dining area. 2 car garage. mh

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QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD - 3.37 beautiful acres in Grand View Estates on the corner of Hwy. 506 & Country View Dr. County water, underground electric, restricted area. Ready for you to build your new home. \$25,000.00. mr

LOT IN TOWN - With city utilities available. \$3,000. dk Owner want's offer.

30 +/- ACRES - 30 +/- acres with creek, excellent for hunting. Reduced to \$51,000. jh

GOOD ROAD FRONTAGE - 1 Acre +/- located on Hwy. 60 W. \$19,900.00. dw

APPROX. 1 ACRE - Hwy. 506. \$5,900.00. dh

GOOD LOCATION - Lot across from Crittenden Farm Supply on Gum St. \$8,000.00. rd

VERY NICE BUILDING LOT - In Penn Estates, Lot size 150x200, close to town. Price reduced to \$6,500.00. jg

NICE CORNER LOT - This nice 1+/- acre lot is located on the corner of Chapel Hill Rd and Oak Hill Dr. It adjoins the golf course property, has city water & sewer and is nicely shaded with lots of mature trees. \$15,000.00. jn

3 BEAUTIFUL LOTS - On Hillside Rd. off of Christopher Rd. in Fredonia, KY. Lots of big oak & hickory trees on these lots. Priced to sell at \$12,500.00

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Let’s take a trip to the northern section

Gervas M. Russell worked for The Crittenden Press from around 1885 to 1900. He would write interesting articles about people and places he visited, sharing them with the readers of the local newspaper. Through his articles, we can visit alongside the reporter some of our old communities, the people who lived there and some of the activities that were taking place. Mr. Russell would sign his articles "Nemo."

In this article we visit Nunn's Switch, Rosebud Church and the Baker-Bells Mines area.



without any fence around it, adjoining the garden on the north, and a small fenced field of beautiful yellow clay opposite the house. I learned that the farm of some 200 acres was originally purchased by the county for \$2,200, that some \$500 or \$600 worth of timber has been realized from it, and that 150 acres were sold to Eli Nunn for \$450.

The land purchased by Mr. Nunn lays well and is the only part of the farm worth shucks. Mr. Phillips tells me that Mr. Nunn offered two mules for the remainder of the farm, including the buildings. The dwelling on this land is beautifully located, and appears to be in a fair state of preservation.

Saturday ended with us being at the home of our old friend Robert C. Lucas, or "Uncle Bob" as his friends call him. Sunday morning we attended Rosebud Church with Uncle Bob and his two daughters, Miss Ida and Mrs. Wayne Phillips.

There are two churches in this section, Rosebud and Meadow Creek, Meadow Creek belonging to the Cumberland Presbyterians. The two churches are working together as one band of brothers and sisters.

After church service we returned to the residence with our old friend for some more visiting. Uncle Bob owns a beautiful farm of some 170 acres, which he and his sons literally hewed out of the wilderness. He has been living on it about 48 years, and there still stands in his yard the original small, hewn log cabin in which he first lived after his marriage nearly half a century ago. The tail of the big cyclone of 1890 brushed his farm and its effects are still visible.

On to the east, I noticed a bare trail, like a public road, winding up the side of a steep hill or mountain, rather, and was told that

was where the tail of the cyclone dragged itself along, and that since then no green thing had ever grown along that pathway.

Uncle Bob has been a mighty hunter during his day, and has slain many a deer and turkey in those hills. He showed me the gun with which he killed his last deer. It is a double barreled muzzleloader, stub and twist, of English make, and is still in fine condition.

A mile or so from his farm lies the old Sneed's Mines tract, containing some 400 acres. I am told this entire tract is under laid with a four-foot vein of the finest coal in the state, besides a large body of valuable timer. More than 40 years ago my brother-in-law, Dr. Wm. C. Sneed, and his brother, James Sneed of Frankfort, Ky., purchased this property and my sister, Mrs. Sarah H. (Russell) Sneed of St. Louis now owns the controlling interest in it.

For a great number of years this property has been considered the legitimate "spoil of the Egyptians," and large quantities of valuable timber have in late years been cut and sold from the tract, while free mining for coal is now being constantly carried on, no one knowing or caring who owned the property.

Uncle Bob showed me through his fine garden and I selected at random two turnips from his patch, one of them weighing 11 and the other nine pounds.

Another old-time veteran of this section is Mr. John W. Phillips, who is still hale and hearty in the 79th year of his age.

Mr. Phillips at one time owned a large body of land in Bells Mines. He told me that 60 years ago he hauled coal from the Sneed tract to the old Lamb blacksmith shop and to old Salem. The coal cost 12½ cents a bushel at the mine and he was paid the same for hauling it. Mining in those days was evidently in its infancy. The dirt was first dug from the top of the coal with a pick, and the coal then cut out with an ax and measured up in a bushel basket.

While the weather was



Kit and Jack Mine

This rare photograph is of one of the oldest known coal mines in Crittenden County. Known as the Kit and Jack Mine, it was located in the Bells Mines area. The two miners and their mule coming out of the mines are unidentified. On the left, the two young girls standing are Mable and Nelle Nunn, the older ladies are Eva Nunn, their sister, and Eva Phillips. The gentleman on the right with his arm in a sling is Elmer Gagahan. Next to him is Eli Nunn, well-known and respected farmer and businessman of the Rodney area, and the next two old-times are unidentified. Don Foster of Burna, Ky., great-grandson of Eli Nunn, shared this wonderful old picture with us.

still fine we made a short trip to Pinnacle Point, where we could behold all of Crittenden and the hills of other counties more remote.

On this point and under the rocks we found many names that were written many years ago. We also found here many kinds of plants and greens; for instance the persimmon tree, and also the Jimpson weed, which seemed to flourish on top of the point, which was almost solid rock, with now and then a crevice which allows the growth of the things above mentioned.

Our day ended with a glorious view from the apex of pinnacle ridge, with the sun slowly sinking amid a bank of fire, a soft fleecy haze shrouding the earth like a bridal veil, and a stillness as



This is the old Baker School that Mr. Russell talks about in the article. It was located where the Baker Church is situated today on Ky. 365.

of death surrounding all. I will close with the remark that our visit to the Nunn's Switch, Rosebud and Baker, Bells Mines area was one of pleasure and enjoyment. We hope to visit again soon.

Nemo.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

From The Crittenden Press Archives

News from 1959:

•County Judge Earl C. McChesney was pictured posing with FFA reporter Bruce Arflack after signing a proclamation designating Feb. 21-28 National FFA Week in Crittenden County.

•Tribune News - There were 111 in Sunday School. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Belt and children were dinner guests of Mr.

and Mrs. Johnny Maxwell. Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Travis and family are moving to the Mrs. Burl Orr place near Tribune. Mrs. Annie Corley and Lois spent Wednesday with Mrs. Leva Travis. Miss Juanita Travis spent the night with Mrs. Lela Hunt and children. Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Matthews of Marion were at Tribune one day last week. Mrs. Annie Corley and Lois had been in Marion.

•Mrs. Byron Jay, chairman of the annual Girl Scout Fund drive, announced that a total of \$227 had been given for Girl Scout work from local businesses and individuals. Women helping in the fund drive were Mrs. Eddie Bruce Nunn, Mrs. F.W. Watson, Mrs. Charles Runyan, Mrs. F.M. Babb, Mrs. Sidney Edelstein and Mrs. Sam Gugenheim. •Nancy Biggs gave a skating party in honor of the 14th birthday of Nancy Beth Baker. Mrs. Eddie Biggs drove the

following girls to Kuttawa for the event: Vickie Harmon, Sharon Joy Clark, Sue Tabor, Jeannie Phillips, Nancy Beth Baker and the hostess.

News from 1984:

•Carole Guess and Phyllis Garrett were pictured on the front page of The Press working to set up a display in the window of The Coffee Shop featuring some of the articles to be auctioned in the PTO celebrity auction at Crittenden County Elementary School.

•Ruth Cooper was pictured sharing her Valentine's Day cake with her friend Marie Robinson as the two enjoyed the festivities at the Best Care Nursing Home Valentine's party.

•MMFA Perry Newton Brookshire had been named an honor graduate upon completion of Machinist's Mate Class "A" School at Service School Command, Naval

Training Center in Great Lakes, Ill.

•Webelos Larry Collins and Jason Curtis were pictured performing first-aid on "victim" Jerry Kinnin during a demonstration at their Blue & Gold Banquet.

•Six 4-Hers from Crittenden County were eligible to compete in the Area Demonstration Contest. They each had received champion ribbons in a local contest held at Crittenden County High School. Champions were Vicky Holloman, Vahona Russell, Keith Belt, Joe Williams, Jason Rushing and Chris Holloman.

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BASKETBALL

Upcoming games
Crittenden County High School
THURSDAY
Rockets at Hopkins Central
FRIDAY
Rockets host Fort Campbell
Lady Rockets at Caldwell County
SATURDAY
Rockets host McLean Co., 2 p.m.

OUTDOORS

Hunting season dates
Here are hunting season dates for this fall and winter.
Squirrel Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Raccoon Trapping Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Opossum Nov. 10 - Feb. 28
Crow Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Coyote Year Round

Wild game at Mexico
Mexico Baptist Church will host its annual wild game dinner on Saturday, Feb. 28. The event is open to the public, and free. Doors open at 6 p.m. There will be giveaways and entertainment. About 350 people attended last year's event.

Coyote deadline Friday
Hodge's Sports and Apparel is hosting a coyote hunting contest Saturday. Deadline to enter the contest is Friday. Cost is \$20 per contestant and hunters must participate in two-person teams. For more information, stop by Hodge's on Sturgis Road in Marion.

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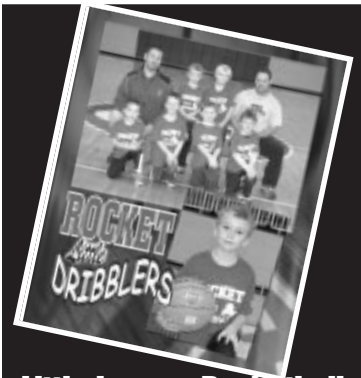
Online soccer sign up
Registration is under way for Crittenden County Youth Soccer Association's spring season. Go to The Crittenden Press Online at The-Press.com for a registration form. For more information call, 969-0777.

RUNNING

Rocket Into Spring 5K
The inaugural Rocket Into Spring 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run will be held at Marion-Crittenden County Park on Saturday, March 21. The event is open to all ages and includes a Full Body Fitness Expo to promote greater health and fitness. Early registration by March 10 is \$15 for the 5K or \$20 for later payment. There are discounts for multiple family members. For more information about entering the event, or joining it as a sponsor, call Serena Dickerson at 704-1871 or 965-2386.

BASEBALL

Dugout meeting, sign up
Crittenden County Dugout Club will meet at 2 p.m., Sunday at First Baptist Church. New board members will be elected and the group will finalize plans for the upcoming season. Registration is 9 a.m., until noon March 21 and 28 at the middle school gym. Registration forms will be sent home with children from school on Friday.



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Stretch Run
Rockets win three straight as district tournament approaches

BY CHRIS HARDESTY
PRESS SPORTS WRITER
After getting thumped by Caldwell County earlier this season, the Rockets earned a measure of revenge Monday night at Princeton, winning 67-54.
The Tigers had demolished Crittenden 69-58 in late December in a game that was not as close as the score might have indicated. Since then, however, Caldwell has lost its coach and seven straight games. At 2-13, the Tigers have the worst record in the Second Region.
Rocket power forward Gaike Courtney, who managed just 11 points in the first matchup, more than doubled that output Monday, scoring 26 and grabbing 10 rebounds.
Casey Oliver, who only had two points in the first half, exploded for 18 in the last two periods to help fuel the triumph.
Crittenden (7-10) also had its lowest turnover count of the season, committing only five.
"I was very pleased with how the kids played down the stretch," Rocket coach Rob Towery said after his team's third consecutive win.
Towery, who was an assistant coach at Caldwell from 1992-99, found himself matching wits against associate head coach Robin Scott, one of the coaches he served under during his tenure there. Scott has taken over the team while head coach Michael Fralix is on suspension pending a prescription drug investigation by state police.
Heading into next week's Fifth District Tournament at Trigg County, the Rocket coach is pleased with the senior leadership that Courtney, Cody Holzer, Cody Dunham and Brandon DeBoe have demonstrated the last few games.
Caldwell interim coach Brian Phelps credited the Rockets for taking it to his team and being the

Crittenden 71, Dawson Springs 56
Crittenden County 17 33 53 71
Dawson Springs 18 32 44 56
Crittenden - Dunham 13, Oliver 15, Porter 8, Courtney 21, Holzer 5, DeBoe 5, Clark 4, Berry, Pierce. FG. 22. 3-pointers 4 (Dunham, Oliver, DeBoe, Holzer). FT. 15-25. Fouls 12.
Dawson Springs - Scott 8, Duke 8, Mitchell 14, Reed 8, Patton 2, Cobb 14, Budey 2. FG. 24. 3-pointers none. FT. 8-10. Fouls 21.

Crittenden 55, St. Mary 48
St. Mary 14 25 32 48
Crittenden County 19 26 38 55
St. Mary - Averill 19, Thompson 6, Love 14, Gilland 4, Vaughan 2, Blackwell, Farrell. FG. 14. 3-pointers 4 (Thompson 2, Averill 2). FT. 8-13. Fouls 16.
Crittenden - Oliver 13, Courtney 15, Holzer 18, Porter 4, DeBoe 5, Dunham, Clark. FG. 14. 3-pointers 6 (Holzer 4, Oliver, DeBoe). FT. 9-13. Fouls 13.

Crittenden 67, Caldwell 54
Crittenden County 19 27 47 67
Caldwell County 15 28 42 54
Crittenden - Courtney 26, Oliver 20, Holzer 11, Dunham 6, Clark 2, Porter 2, DeBoe, Mitchell. FG. 15. 3-pointers 7 (Dunham, Courtney, Oliver 4, Holzer). FT. 16-23. Fouls 11.
Caldwell - Choate 10, Sigler 14, Gray 11, Wimbleduff 9, Grace 4, Hooks 2, Kilgore 4. FG. 17. 3-pointers 4 (Sigler 2, Gray, Choate). FT. 8-11. Fouls 11.

more aggressive squad.
"I just thought we did a poor job of rebounding," he said.
Rockets knock off St. Mary
The Rockets played some of their best defense of the season Friday night in a 55-48 homecoming win over St. Mary (11-15).
After the hosts opened up a nine-point advantage in the fourth period and seemingly had things well in hand, the Vikings fought back to cut it to one with about 1:30 left in the game.
But the Rockets did not panic down the stretch, making enough free throws to preserve the win.
Three players scored in double



Rocket senior Cody Dunham makes a pass under heavy pressure from a St. Mary defender during Friday's game at Rocket Arena.

figures as Holzer had 18, Courtney 16 and Oliver chipped in 12.
Despite committing 17 turnovers, Towery still liked the way his squad played and kept its focus on homecoming night.
"I just liked the way that game felt," he said.
Rockets beat Dawson
After getting off to a sluggish start last Thursday against Dawson Springs and trailing 18-17 after the opening quarter, the Rockets got things going and upended the Panthers 71-56. Due to a water leak that damaged the gym at Dawson Springs High School, the game was played at South Hopkins Middle School at Nortonville.
Realizing his team was flat, Tow-

ery got a technical foul in the first half for the sole purpose of getting them fired up, he said.
The play worked as the Rockets took a 33-32 lead at halftime and carried the momentum over into the second half. They outscored the Panthers 38-24 after the break. Courtney led the way with 21 points and Oliver scored 15.
While the Panthers connected on two more two-point field goals than the Rockets, it was the free throw line and shots from long range that made the difference.
Crittenden made four treys compared to none for Dawson. Although making just 15-of-25 free throws, it was seven more than the hosts managed.

Lady Rockets finish 9-1 at Rocket Arena

BY CHRIS HARDESTY
PRESS SPORTS WRITER
After falling behind by 17 against visiting Central Hopkins Tuesday night, the Lady Rockets went on a tear and came back to win 37-33 on senior night at Rocket Arena. Jessica Cozart and Nancy Maclin are the team's only 12th graders.
With the victory, the Lady Rockets (10-6) finished the regular season with a very impressive 9-1 mark at home and also ensured themselves of a second straight winning season.
However, it did not look very promising early on as the Lady Storm jumped out to a 10-1 lead, taking advantage of some poor Lady Rocket defense. The hosts did not score their first field goal until the 4:23 mark of the first quarter when Jessi Hodge managed to break a long dry spell. Then, the Lady Rockets ran off 10 unanswered points to get back into contention.
After knotting the game at 30-all, Lady Rocket reserve forward Summer Courtney gave her team its first lead of the night in the early stages of the fourth quarter, connecting on 1-of-2 free throws.
The victory gave Crittenden its best home record for a Lady Rocket basketball team since the 1996-97 season when the girls finished 17-9 overall and went 12-4 at home.
Heading into next week's Fifth District Tournament, the Lady Rockets have been well tested as the last three contests have been decided by a total of seven points.
Crittenden is aiming for its first district championship since 1984 when Lady Rocket coach Shannon Hodge was a junior forward.

Victory over St. Mary
Leading 44-36 heading into the fourth quarter Friday, the Lady Rockets survived a serious charge from St. Mary, holding on for a 50-49 victory to cap homecoming.
Jessi Hodge led the way with 19 points while Jessica Cozart and Whitney Johnson narrowly missed getting into double digits with nine apiece.
Girls almost get Tilghman
Although coming up on the short end of the stick last Thursday night at home, the Lady Rockets still put a scare into First Region kingpin Paducah Tilghman before falling 56-54.
In a game that had remained

close until the very end, the Lady Tornado seemed ready to take command late in the third period, gaining their largest lead 50-40.
However, Crittenden went on a 14-4 run to tie the game at 54.
With the game still knotted, the Lady Tornado called a timeout with nine seconds remaining to set up a potential game-winning shot.
The Lady Rockets were whistled for a foul after the inbounds play with 5.3 seconds to go, sending Tilghman to the charity stripe. At that point, Lady Rocket coach Shannon Hodge called a timeout to set up the game's final strategy.
Despite the Lady Tornado struggling from the free throw line the majority of the night - going 11-for-22 - they got the two that counted, giving them a slim 56-54 edge.
On the ensuing inbounds play with five seconds left, Jessica Cozart brought the ball the length of the floor, but by the time she dishd to Summer Courtney, the buzzer sounded and Crittenden failed to get off the shot.
Newcomer Lakin Tabor and Whitney Johnson led the way with 12 points apiece. Meanwhile, Natalie and Chelsea Shumpert - nieces of former major league baseball player Terry Shumpert - combined for 31 points.

Crittenden 37, Central Hopkins 33
Central Hopkins 21 27 30 33
Crittenden 8 18 28 37
Central Hopkins - Coakley 11, Orten 7, Wells 5, Flener 3, Murphy 2, Snodgrass 3, Matchem 2. FG. 10. 3-pointers 3 (Orten 2, Wells). FT. 4-5. Fouls 14.
Crittenden - Hodge 9, Cozart 9, Johnson 5, Wallace 3, Brantley 4, Maclin 2, Courtney 2, Tabor 3. FG. 11. 3-pointers 1 (Tabor). FT. 12-21. Fouls 10.
Crittenden 50, St. Mary 49
St. Mary 10 21 36 49
Crittenden 15 26 44 50
St. Mary - Vaughan 17, Tinchner 10, Word 7, Reil 6, Cochran 2, Guess 3, Durbin 2, Miller 2, Belt. FG. 13. 3-pointers 3 (Reil 2, Word). FT. 14-20. Fouls 17.
Crittenden - Hodge 19, Johnson 9, Cozart 9, Tabor 5, Brantley 6, Courtney 2, Maclin. FG. 13. 3-pointers 4 (Hodge 3, Tabor). FT. 12-23. Fouls 16.
Tilghman 56, Crittenden 54
Paducah Tilghman 9 37 50 56
Crittenden County 13 33 42 54
Tilghman - Shumpert, N. 16, Shumpert, C. 15, Parker 7, Bunte 6, Skinner 2, Flowers 10, Prather, Coleman, Iliakse. FG. 18. 3-pointers 3 (N. Shumpert, Flowers 2). FT. 11-22. Fouls 20.
Crittenden - Tabor 12, Johnson 12, Hodge 11, Cozart 10, Maclin 8, Courtney 1, Wallace, Brantley. FG. 18. 3-pointers 3 (Tabor 2, Hodge). FT. 9-14. Fouls 20.



Crittenden County's Jessi Hodge (11) keeps pressure on the ball as a St. Mary player pushes up the floor during Friday's homecoming matchup at Rocket Arena.



Farmers Hall of Famers

Markeata Brown Daniels (left) and her half brother Nicky Brown (right) were inducted into the Farmers Bank & Trust Co., Marion-Crittenden County Basketball Hall of Fame Friday night. Pictured with the two new inductees is Andy Hunt of Farmers Bank. Daniels played in the 1970s and Brown in the 1980s.



Homecoming royalty



Seniors Mary Hollamon and Cody Dunham (left) were crowned queen and king of the 2009 Crittenden County High School homecoming court Friday. Pictured above are the court: freshmen Bryce Willis and Jenna Odom; juniors J.R. Adams and Kelly Williams; seniors Brandon Deboe and Nancy Maclin, flower girl Morgan Johnson, 2008 Queen Breanna Cozart, Dunham, Hollamon, 2008 King Josh Ipock; crown bearer Cameron Ison, seniors Jeramie Sorina and Jenna Copeland; and sophomores Terry Werne and Shelby Dunham.

Western Baptist partners with Crittenden EMS



Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah has partnered with Crittenden Emergency Medical Services to place new life-saving technology onboard the local ambulances.

SUBMITTED ARTICLE

Crittenden County residents with chest pain now benefit from new life-saving technology in their ambulances that sends their electrocardiograms, or EKG results, to Western Baptist Hospital even before they get there.

The hospital's auxiliary donated money to upgrade Crittenden Emergency Medical Services ambulances to transmit 12-lead portable EKG results to Western Baptist via a new Web-based system.

While the ambulance is still en route, the hospital's chest pain team can see exactly what is happening with the patient's heart and be prepared for immediate treatment, even in the cardiac catheterization lab. Expedi-

ing treatment reduces what doctors call "door to balloon time" – or the time from the onset of heart attack symptoms to treatment, usually the placement of a stent or balloon angioplasty.

"This new system enables us to better meet the national guidelines of treatment in 90 minutes or less, as recommended by the American Heart Association and the American College of Cardiology," said cardiologist J. Kenneth Ford, M.D.

He referred to a recent article in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology, saying people receiving EKGs in ambulances en route to the hospital have improved outcomes.

James Ivy, Crittenden EMS director, said the new system is a tremendous asset for

healthcare in Crittenden County.

"The new system will save lives in our rural setting," said Ivy. "Speeding care isn't just convenient, it's imperative. We very much appreciate this service provided by Western Baptist for our residents."

Western Baptist plans to add the portable diagnostic-quality EKGs in other counties.

Fred Mushkat, M.D., an emergency room physician at Western Baptist, said the system allows paramedics in the field and physicians and nurses in the hospital to focus on treatment decisions with life-saving results.

"Expediting patient care is crucial in an emergency," said Dr. Mushkat. "Minutes can make the difference in survival."

Switch to digital TV signal delayed

STAFF REPORT

Television viewers not ready for the conversion to digital broadcast got a break this week after the federal government pushed back the date for the mandatory switch by stations from analog. After months of prepping TV owners for a nationwide switch from analog broadcast signals to digital, the fed delayed the change until June 12. The original switchover was slated for Tuesday.

Those still using conventional antennas, or "rabbit ears," to receive signals will still need converter boxes in order to watch TV beginning June 12. However, cable or satellite subscribers in Crittenden County should already be prepared for digital broadcasts, according to Randy Hollis, a government liaison for Mediacom.

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registered another 74.

Mark Bryant, city administrator, said reimbursement for as much as 87 percent of those hours through the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Commonwealth of Kentucky is likely.

Thomas is asking those intending to pile their debris along the curbside to have it placed there ahead of the scheduled dates for each quadrant in case crews make headway faster than expected. Residents and business owners are asked, however, to not block sidewalks, storm drains or streets with debris. Only foliage will be accepted, as other debris must be taken to the county's convenience center or otherwise properly disposed of.

Bryant said he has heard

from several property owners who prefer not to wait, opting to clear their own land of limbs. For those, the city has now made its brush dump off Mill Street available for disposal. Located behind the city's maintenance department on Elm Street, dumping is for Marion residents only.

However, any resident of Crittenden County is invited to bring their trees and limbs to the county's brush dump off Bridwell Loop. The site is open around the clock, seven days a week.

Both brush dumps offer free disposal.

Keith Todd, a Marion resident and spokesman for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, said authorities have received a number of reports of motorists encountering roadways blocked by limbs that have fallen off of trucks or trailers. Anyone hauling ice

storm debris should assure that loads are properly secured and that limbs do not protrude into oncoming traffic lanes during transit.

"If limbs fall off your truck or trailer or protrude into neighboring travel lanes and cause a crash, you can be held liable for the damage to vehicles involved," Todd said.

County road crews have also begun clearing trees and limbs from the right-of-ways of its 360 miles of roads. Crews will be cutting overhanging limbs and debris in ditches, but not piles collected from private property.

Burning of storm debris is also allowed, but not during daylight hours now that the spring forest fire hazard season has started. Burning is allowed across the state only between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. Violators face fines and/or possible jail time.

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Resources will have a hand in managing the property purchased by Forestland Group; and eventually will buy it from the North Carolina company.

Those close to the deal said last fall that the state's fish and wildlife department had no interest in the entire piece, just a large part of it. That piece, which comes to nearly 10,000 acres, is apparently the large section purchased by Forestland Group.

Deals were apparently struck to sell off the two other smaller tracts before the transaction was closed between Forestland and Kimball. The two other buyers got about 2,100 acres of the former Kimball property.

Heartwood Forestland paid

just over \$8.8 million for its Union County tracts and just over \$11.3 million for its Crittenden section for a total of \$20.1 million. Heartland ended up with about 9,594 acres.

Hines, a Caseyville area farmer, purchased a Union County parcel for \$1.4 million, which appears to be around 359 acres and includes a great deal of farmland.

M&K Woodlands paid \$3 million for a section in Crittenden County that is largely forestland. The limited liability corporation was formed Jan. 12, 2009, and uses an address just across the Crittenden County line on McGraw Hill Road near Sullivan. M&K Woodlands appears to have purchased around 1,806 acres on the east side of Ky. 365, including the former Phoenix Coal Company area.

PVA offices in the two coun-

ties have not plotted the deeds on maps in order to provide exact acreage totals.

M&K Woodlands has also leased from Forestland Group a lodge and facilities off Ky. 365 formerly used by hunting outfitter Game Trails, according to state Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson), who has been closely watching the land deal.

Ridley, like other area leaders, hopes Kentucky can create an attractive recreation area on a large portion of the land bought by Forestland Group. Ridley said the buyer has agreed to let the state manage the land until the fish and wildlife department buys it.

The two counties took in a good bit of revenue from the deed transactions last week. Crittenden County received \$15,028 in taxes and recording fees and Union County took in \$10,928.



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