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AT THE PUMP

WINTER SNAP HAS RISING EFFECT ON GASOLINE PRICE

Kentucky gas prices have risen 10.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$2.41 a gallon on Monday. Gas prices in Kentucky are 18.9 cents per gallon higher than a month ago and stand 14.7 cents per gallon higher than a year ago, according to the price tracking firm GasBuddy, which gets information from a daily survey of 2,623 stations across the commonwealth. Nationwide, fuel was up by an even greater margin, according to the American Automobile Association. The reason is largely blamed on weather-related issues at refineries across the South, mostly in Texas.

HEALTHCARE OPTION

LEGISLATION WOULD GIVE TELEHEALTH TRACTION

During the pandemic, telehealth has become a key component of patient care at rural health clinics, according to the Kentucky Primary Care Association (KPCA). In this area, doctors and nurses practitioners have been regularly used telehealth options to see patients. Now, the Kentucky General Assembly will consider a bill to make telehealth part of the state healthcare environment. House Bill 140 would codify telehealth provisions put into place during the COVID-19 crisis. If passed, the legislation would regulate payment plans, licensing for telehealth providers and set forth rules and regulations on how and what types of visits would be allowed. It would also include a provision to allow audio-only visits in areas where broadband accessibility or personal expertise by the patient would limit other audio-visual options. The KPCA says 70 percent of the state's physicians have used telehealth during the pandemic and one in four community health visits in rural areas have been via telehealth.

ON THE CALENDAR

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., Monday, March 1 to discuss a handful of items, including a grant process for delinquent utility accounts and a closed session on the potential sale of county property.
- Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce's regular monthly meeting has been canceled for March. The Chamber's directors will convene next at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, April 6 at Marion City Hall.
- Reminder that outdoor burning is prohibited between the hours of 6 a.m., and 6 p.m., if the fire is within 150 feet of any woodland, brushland or field containing dry grass or flammable materials.



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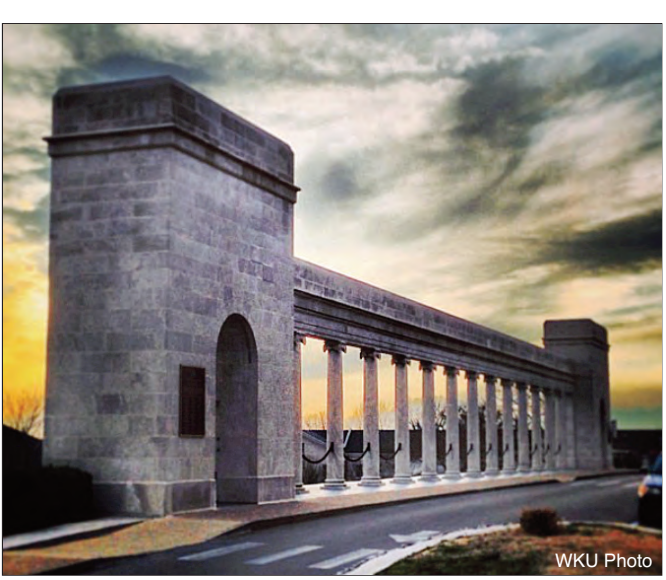
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Pogue Library at MSU



Winters Terry Lowry Franklin Blackburn Pogue



William "Gander" Terry Colonnade at WKU

Indelible Marks

Crittenden County has lasting legacy on education at Kentucky campuses

BY CHRIS EVANS
PRESS EDITOR

Corporations fork out a fortune for naming rights to buildings. Just look around professional sports and see how many complexes are named for something other than a person. Here in Kentucky, we have Rupp Arena, Churchill Downs, the Seelbach Hotel, the Muhammad Ali Center, the Irvin Cobb Hotel in Paducah and Reagan Field and Brooks Stadium, the namesakes of notable characters in our state's history. Try to come up with one in Marion? Fohs Hall or the Tucker House are the closest things to a historic sites we have associated with a family name. Did you know that there are six buildings on university campuses in western Kentucky that are named for Crittenden Countians? Four are in Murray. Let's start out elsewhere then circle back to Murray State to end our tour of facilities formally dedicated to some of the county's favorite sons. Yes, they're all named for men. So much for inclusiveness. At Campbellsville University the dining hall and meeting site for the board of regents is inside the Ken Winters Building. A former First District Kentucky senator, Winters grew up in Crittenden County before becoming an educator and later president of Campbellsville University.



Winters Dining Hall at Campbellsville

Winters has the distinction of being the only living person for which one of these buildings is dedicated. The rest have long since passed. So what does it feel like to have a campus building with your name on it? "It is an honor for sure," Winters said last week from his home in Murray where he resides in retirement with his wife Shirley, also a Marion native. Winters was a member of the faculty at Murray State for several years and later became dean of the College of Industry and Technology. From there, he was hired as president of Campbellsville, serving for 12 years.

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New normal just routine for Annie

It's amazing how quickly we can adapt to change. Sometimes we do not give enough credit to the resilience of human nature, especially when something unpredicted takes place – like a pandemic – especially when it's one of the scariest times in history. Recently, I've been looking back at photos taken just days before we were all put in quarantine last year. Right before this true crisis began our daughter, Annie, had just begun rolling over onto her belly from her back and she didn't have a single tooth. She was not talking, only making loud coos. She was just shy of seven months old.



Kayla MAXFIELD
Press Columnist
MAX-ED OUT

From the time of her birth, I had been battling postpartum depression and I had just become comfortable with leaving her for eight hours a day to work at my relatively new job in healthcare, a job I felt was stable and safe. And then, what seemed to be overnight, our lives changed forever. A mystery virus shows up out of nowhere. Mass confusion was followed by a wave of fear. So Annie's first Easter was spent at home. Her new little blue gingham dress I bought while I was still pregnant, never worn to church. Quarantine was only supposed to last a few weeks, which turned into months. Now, we potentially face another year in this new way of life that was once so foreign none of us knew how to react. Yet now, here we are, almost a year into the pandemic, and we've all adapted into it. We have made the changes, the sacrifices. The losses, counted as just that. With utmost respect and sheer horror in our eyes, we all watched last year's senior class lose their final year of youth. Graduating from a distance.

My heart breaks for the families who have lost loved ones, and also for those who have been left to sit helplessly alone in nursing facilities or at home. Fortunately, it appears things are beginning to loosen up, the world is reopening and families can begin to see their loved ones from a safe distance. Do you realize how quickly we adapted into this? Those rules: Masks on for what feels to be 24/7. Constant hand washing. Don't touch your face! Don't leave your house unless it's an absolute necessity. Make sure you have enough toilet paper. Nursing homes on lockdown, places of worship forbidden to congregate without repercussions. The phrase, "Hopefully next year" a constant coax to children around the world. It all happened so quickly, and it still doesn't seem real. But we made it through perhaps the toughest part, and are now hopeful it will come to a screeching halt as the "miracle vaccine" continues to be distributed all over. But, as for the wasted time. Well, was it? My daughter will be two in just a few months. The older she gets, the quicker time seems to fly, and when I look into her little eyes, I see true peace and perseverance. She is running around now, and almost making full sentences. She laughs out loud and runs to the sink to wash her hands



For the Birds

Marion's Shelia Truitt had birds eating out of the palm of her hands – and even off the top of her hat – last week. She and her husband Orville commonly care for birds in the winter, supplying feed to 19 feeders on their rural Crittenden County property, but she's never seen birds so eager for suit cakes to eat right out of her hands. At least four inches of snow had blue birds, wrens and tufted titmouse eager for fresh, easy-to-find food early last week at the Truitt place.

Landlines to the Rescue

911 net lower for old-fashioned phoners

STAFF REPORT

There's good news for penny pinchers. The new countywide Emergency 911 fee that will go into effect late this year is going to cost some local residents a bit less than originally expected. For more than a year, Crittenden County leaders have been working to develop a plan that would properly fund the community's 911 dispatching center, which pages out ambulances, police, rescue and other first responders in times of need. A few months ago, a committee formed to explore options to improve the center's financial operations settled on a mandatory \$36 fee on every dwelling or commercial building in the county. Other ideas were bantered around, but the annual fee, which will be included on

tax bills, emerged as the best option. Now, it looks like the cost will be \$12 less, if you have a landline phone. That's because the county's \$1 tax on every landline will be lifted. That tax has typically been charged as part of your phone bill. It will disappear at some point in the future as the new fee system, which will be included on

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Deaths Head

Eugene Head, 81, of Marion, died Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021 at Salem Springlake Health and Rehab.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Head of Marion; two sons, Frankie (Helen) Head and Don Head, both of Marion; two brothers, Frankie Head and Randy Head, both of Henderson; two sisters, Donna Smith of Georgia and Alger Prow of Clay; three grandchildren, Jennifer Congenie, Nicole Bebout and Evan Head; and five great-grandchildren, Grayson, Jaxson, Beckett, Sawyer and Emma.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Cecil Head; two brothers, Jerry and Kenneth Head; and a sister, Mary Ayers.

Private services will be held at a later date. Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Sisco

Geneva G. Sisco, 83, of Marion, died Friday, Feb. 19, 2021 at Crittenden Community Hospital. She was a member of Marion Second Baptist Church.

Surviving are three children, Donald Sisco of Marion, Brenda (Stewart) Whitt of Coloma, Mich., and Lisa (Mike) Smiley of Marion; seven grandchildren, Matt Sisco, Jennifer Sisco, Jason Sisco, Josh Sisco, Miranda Smiley, Evan Smiley and Shera Culp; five great-grandchildren, Audry Smiley, Harper Martin, Maddison Smiley and Noah and Addison Culp; and a sister, Wanda Hastie.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Sisco; a son, Doyle Sisco; a grandson, Addam Whitt; a daughter-in-law, Lana Sisco; and several brothers and sisters.

Services were Wednesday, Feb. 24 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Mapleview Cemetery.

Ramage

Phyllis Marie Ramage, 84, of Hampton, died Saturday, Feb. 13, 2021 at Livingston Hospital.

She attended Central Baptist Church in Burna and was a cashier for many years at Gee Jays

Market in Burna.

Surviving are two daughters, Dianna Poindexter and Lisa Allcock, both of Hampton; three sons, Kendal Ramage of Lyon County, Jeff Ramage and Doug Ramage, both of Smithland; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ivus Ramage; a sister, Dorothy McReynolds; and a brother, Neal Day; her parents, Ora Marrs Day Chandler and Courtney Day; and step-father, Edgar Chandler.

Graveside services were held at Hampton Cemetery Wednesday, Feb. 17 with Bro. Bill Baker officiating.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Hampton Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 22 Hampton, KY 42047.

Myers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Funeral services were Sunday, Feb. 21 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial was in White's Chapel Cemetery in Crittenden County.

Ford

Many have mused over the dash separating the birthdate and death date on a grave marker, but one man, over the course of his dash, loved fiercely enough for a thousand lifetimes. That man is Larry Wayne Ford, 51, who entered into his temporary slumber on the morning of Thursday, Feb. 18, 2021.

Larry was a tried and true Crittenden Countian. Raised in Marion, Ky., since his birth in 1969 to James "Dude" a n d Charline "Charlie" Ford, Larry took after his father and became an avid outdoorsman. He took great joy and immense pride in a simple country life marked by a passion for firearms, four-wheelers, monster trucks, fishing and working hard. What escapes description, however, was the sheer force of his love for his family.

His family and friends loved him widely and robustly, proud each and every day just to know him. His children, especially, walk with pride to call him their father. His only living sister will remember him as her best friend. He was a jokester seemingly by trade, never afraid to tease and joke with others to make them laugh. Truly, his joy was bringing others joy.

Larry was also no stranger to hard, sometimes back-breaking work, holding a number of jobs over the course of his 51 years. Humility followed him everywhere



he went. There are few people as hardworking as he was. That was never more evident than his time at Walmart and Treehouse Foods (formerly Bremner), both in Princeton. Simple, less glamorous jobs to many, Larry signed each day with pride when he knew he had put in an honest day's work.

Larry is survived by a son, Derrick Collin Ford; a daughter, Kennedy Mariah-Kathryn Ford; two grandchildren, Aria Lily-McKenah Ford and Phoenix Ray-Daxton Ford; and a sister, Reta Gail Ford-Riley.

He was preceded in death by his father; mother; sister, Judy Carolyn Ford; and brother-in-law, James "Jay" Riley.

Funeral services were Monday, Feb. 22, 2021 at Gilbert Funeral with

burial at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Paid obituary

York

Bonnell York Love, 86, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 2021 in Waco, Texas.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 27 at Mapleview Cemetery.

York was born in Crittenden County to the late Robert Marvin York and Lorene James York. She was married for 52 years to Charles A. Love, who preceded her in death May 10, 2001.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Kristine (Wayne) Love Aiello Ca-



sey of Lorena, Texas; one grandson, Jacob John (Jennifer) Aiello; and two great-grandchildren, Jordyn Eve Aiello and Jacob John Aiello, Jr., of Waco.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by her brother, Robert William York and sister Opal York Eskew.

Arrangements are under the direction of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Service in Salem.

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BIG FREEZE ONE FOR THE BOOKS

Sunday was the first day in two weeks that the average temperature in Crittenden County was above freezing.

The county's lowest recorded temperature during that 14-day period was zero degrees on Tuesday, Feb. 16 and the highest during that stretch was 36.

The temperature did not get above freezing during 12 of those 14 days and during a four-day stretch - from Feb. 13-16 - the temp didn't rise above 18. It was one of the coldest, most wintry periods in recent memory.

JANUARY IS CITY'S TOP BOOZE MONTH

January is sizing up as the heaviest drinking month nearly two years into the legal sale of alcohol in Crittenden County since Prohibition.

Last month, the City of Marion collected \$8,913.91 in taxes on the sale of beer, wine and distilled spirits. That's based on a five percent up-charge on alcohol sold at convenience stores, liquor stores and by the drink



at restaurants. It also includes any new licenses sold or license renewals; however, some license fees have been waived because of the pandemic.

In 2020, the only other year with legal alcohol sales in the county, the city collected \$8,050.47 in taxes and fees. No other month since the first can of beer was sold in August 2019, has the city collected more than \$7,650. In the 18 months since alcohol has been sold here, the city has taken in \$93,192.18 in taxes and fees. The money is used for policing and enforcing local liquor laws.

COUNTY FARMERS GETTING GRANT

A few dozen Crittenden Countians stand to benefit individually from part of the Kentucky Agriculture Development Board approval of \$1.6 million for agricultural diversification and rural development projects

across the commonwealth. The announcement was made late last week and very soon there will be more than \$45,000 released for use in Crittenden County.

Larry Duvall of the Crittenden County Conservation District said a local committee will meet Thursday night to determine the precise plans for the money, which comes from what many refer to as the state's "tobacco settlement funds."

Crittenden has amassed \$17,808 in county funds over the years and the state is allocating an additional \$27,356 which will be used to benefit local producers in a variety of ways, Duvall said. It could include funds to get started bee keeping, improving energy efficiency on the farm or seeding or conservation practices to name a few. Applications will begin being accepted within a few weeks at the local Conservation District. Each applicant can receive up to \$1,000 for an approved practice.

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Alcohol Beverage Control Officer Heath MARTIN

Police Sgt. Heath Martin serves as a city law enforcement officer, is the planning and zoning code enforcement officer for Marion and the Alcohol Beverage Control (ABC) officer. He is also a baptist minister at Cave Springs Church.

Q: What do you do as ABC and Code Enforcement Officer?

A: ABC: Alcoholic Beverage Control. Primary duties are to issue licenses, send out monthly reports to all license holders, investigate complaints and maintain city ABC records.

Code Enforcement: Primary duties are to investigate complaints, identify violations, contact property owners found in violation, work with property owners to bring properties into compliance, issue citations for violations, meet with Code Enforcement Board to keep it up-to-date of concerns, meet with City Council to keep it updated as well, and to maintain code records.

Code enforcement encompasses zoning and



planning as well as the Board of Adjustments. Each of those have boards to keep informed, complaints to investigate and records to maintain.

Q: How did you get involved to take this position?

A: I volunteered for both positions. ABC in August 2019 and Code Enforcement in June 2020.

Q: What kind of training was involved to be where you are today?

A: No formal training for any of these positions.

Q: Why do you feel this position is something important for our community to have?

A: ABC is obviously important for the fact that the sale and use of alcoholic beverages must be regulated. That job is much easier because of the businesses we have here in Marion. We don't have any that try to bend the rules. They've all been very responsible in their sales and operations.

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Code Enforcement is important for many of the same reasons. The city is safer, more appealing when residents and businesses abide by the codes.

These are codes such as keeping your grass mowed, trash and other junk disposed of correctly, buildings maintained in good condition, to name a few.

It gets very overwhelming, Policing takes priority over all these other positions. If a call for police response comes in on my shift, I must take that and deal with it accordingly. This can mean that ABC, code enforcement, zoning and planning duties get pushed to the back burner until police duties are caught up.

Q: How would you describe Marion?

A: I love Marion and Crittenden County. It is what I proudly call home. I've served its citizens since I was 16 (roughly 1995) in varying jobs starting at Crittenden Farm Supply, Kentucky Department of Highways, Pastor of Cave Springs General Baptist Church and City of Marion Police. God has blessed me far beyond what I deserve.



Magistrates discuss plans for vacant National Guard building

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Fiscal Court dealt with a full agenda last week during its regular monthly meeting at the courthouse.

Among other matters, the court discussed purchases of equipment, its recent snow removal process and approved a variety of routine expenditures.

The court discussed at some length its plans for the former National Guard Armory and approved the purchase of a keyless entry system at the facility that will be installed on two of the building's five walk-in doors. Plans are to make the armory a community center with recreational opportunities being the primary focus. The project is a collaboration between the county, City of Marion, Crittenden County School District, Marion-Crittenden County Park Board and Marion Tourism, Recreation and Convention Bureau.

School sports teams are already utilizing the gymnasium in the former armory for winter workouts. Plans are for the facility to be open to the public for a variety of activities, which could include batting cages, recreational basketball, indoor archery and fitness programs. Groups or individual will be able to apply for access to the facility once the keyless entry system is installed and other security measures are in place.

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Fiscal Court

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The court approved Don Henry of Paducah as an official electrical inspector for the county. Jerry Thompson, who had been a county inspector, died several months ago.

Jailer Robbie Kirk presented the Crittenden County Detention Center's monthly financial report and jail census. Kirk said revenue is down because the jail's population is down. Both are due to the pandemic. Magistrate Dan Wood asked Kirk if there had been any COVID-related issues in the jail and Kirk said there had not been any outbreaks here. He acknowledged that other area jails have had serious issues during the pandemic.

Kirk said any inmates that show symptoms of illness are isolated for a period of time. The jail has a contractor that provides nurses and medical care for inmates.

50 YEARS AGO

February 25, 1971

■ Jeanne Carol Shewmaker, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Vervil Shewmaker, was on the Dean's List at Central Methodist College in Fayette, Mo.

■ Several were honored by the Crittenden County Soil District for their contributions to conservation during the previous year. They were J.R. Brown, Miss Brenda Croft, William E. Hunt, Charles Alexander and George L. Patmor. Patmor also received the title of Master Conservationist.

25 YEARS AGO

February 22, 1996

■ Troy Harris of Salem was crowned state champion in the intermediate division of the Kentucky State Wild Turkey Calling Contest held at Crittenden County High School. Nearly 800 people attended the state calling contest and convention. This was the first time the event was held in western Kentucky.

■ Crittenden County High School Academic Team won first place in the Kentucky Governor's Cup District competition held at Dawson Springs. In the written assessment part of the competition, the following students received individual awards: Stacie Holder, 4th place language arts; Jenny Crowel, 1st place math; Shanna Moore, 1st place English composition; Wesley Belt, 2nd place general knowledge; Jamie Myrick, 1st place social studies and 4th place science.

NORMAL

Continued from page 1 after we get home from anywhere, because she's seen us do it so many times - a toddler with sanitary skills. She has been raised in this pandemic lifestyle longer than the world we knew before it. She no longer pulls the masks off of people out of curiosity. It's just a new normal. She might not ever know the difference between our old and new ways. I am thankful for the sweet memories we've made over the course of this pandemic.

For some, I know it's hard to think about, but, do you remember life before this pandemic?

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	State Inmates	93.5	98	93.5
	Federal Inmates	71.0	75	71.0
	Other County Inmates	18.5	15	18.5
	Critenden County Inmates	12.5	13	12.5
	TOTAL INMATES	195.5	201	195.5
	Weekenders	5.5	5	5.5
	Work release	0.0	0	0.0
	Out to Court	0.0	0	0.0
	Actual Inmate Bed Count	117.0	206	117.0
	REVENUE	January 2021	December 2020	2021 AVERAGE
	State Housing Payments	\$87,281.90	\$84,743.36	\$87,281.90
The Crittenden County Detention Center report is provided monthly to magistrates during Crittenden County Fiscal Court meetings. The inmate count was accurate for the day the report was created.	Federal Housing Payments	\$124,502.98	\$127,442.83	\$124,502.98
	Federal Transport Payments	\$9,279.48	\$11,263.83	\$9,279.48
	Other County Housing Payments	\$18,990.00	\$18,504.00	\$18,990.00
	Weekend/Work Release	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL HOUSING	\$160.00	\$0.00	\$160.00
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	ANALYSIS			
	Last Month			
	Cost of Crittenden Inmates	\$15,104.00	\$15,488.00	\$15,104.00
	Numbers of Co. Housing Days	472.0	\$484.00	472.0
	Daily Housing Rate	32.0	\$32.00	32.0
	Avg Daily Population Co. Inmates	15.2	\$15.61	15.2

- Federal Inmates \$49 Per diem
- State Inmates \$31.34 Per diem
- Lyon County Inmates \$36.00
- Other County Inmates \$32.00

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Schools were among the first in Kentucky to re-

Crittenden County stands to receive \$1.9 million in qualified, reimbursable expenses through the CRRSA Act, referred to as ESSER, or Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund. Kentucky

Crittenden County Middle School Principal Kara Turley says an extended learning plan being developed will keep students moving forward with after-school opportunities.

“We’re seeing a divide,” Crittenden County Superintendent Vince Clark explains. “Kids on one end are performing as well or better than they would in a normal year – there are

Crittenden County re-

ceived \$413,000 from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act in 2020 to provide emergency aid to combat COVID-19 in schools. Those funds were used for cleaning supplies, extra custodial staff and other items to fight the pandemic. In December, a second round of funding was authorized by the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA). This supplemental appropriation divides \$928 million among the state's 171 school districts.

Rev. Lucy Tedrick, pastor at Marion Church of God, shares her views periodically in this newspaper. She can be reached at (270) 965-3269. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.



Dr. Forrest Carlisle Pogue grew up in Frances and became a renowned World War II historian.

Blackburn was a highly-accomplished member of the MSU faculty and served as dean of the

Hollis C. Franklin from the Hebron community in northern Crittenden County was one of the best known men in the history of the county. He was a banker and taught school here, rising to the rank of school superintendent. He served on the Murray State Board of Regents from 1947-1956. In 1964, Franklin Hall was built on the MSU campus, serving as a dormitory to this day although it has since merged with Springer Hall and is known as Springer-Franklin College. He is buried at Mapleview Cemetery.

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The dream of a town named Clementsburg

Our story begins in the early 1800s when Isham Clement and his wife, Sally Rudd Clement, came from Virginia to this area, and purchased land in the southwestern part of the area. This area was later to be named View, which is located three miles west of Crayne. They had a two-story home near the intersection of Reiter View Rd. and Mexico Road.

If you're familiar with this area, you will remember the old silo that is still standing, that was located not far from the Clement home place. Isham Clement's son, Fred, built the silo in the early 1900s.

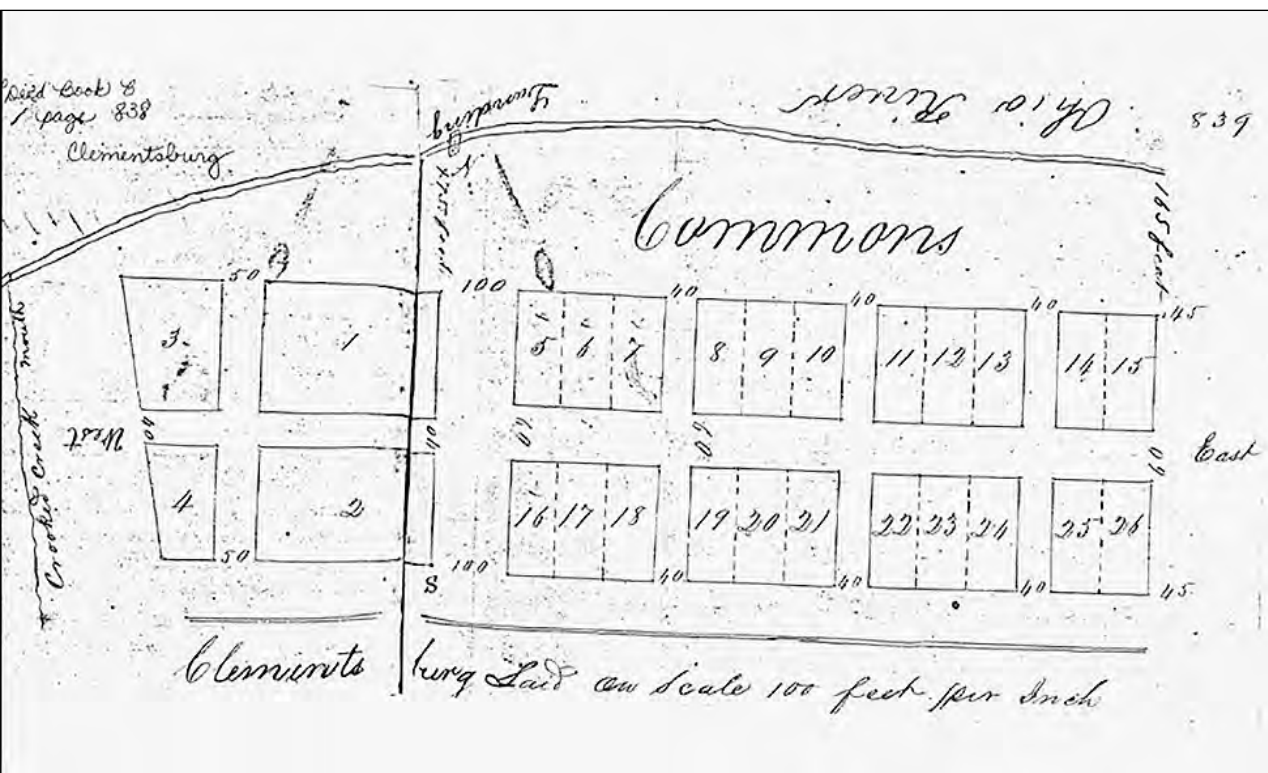
Isham and Sally lived and raised their family here. They are buried in the old Isham Clement Cemetery which was located not too far from their home. The old wooden home has been gone for many years, and the family cemetery located nearby has been totally destroyed by later owners of the property.

You will only find reminders that this early pioneer family lived here by the graves of some of the family members that are buried in the old abandoned Fred Clement Cemetery located in a wooded area off of the Reiter View. It sets back deep in the woods far from the main road. Many of the stones almost entirely covered by fallen trees and years of accumulation of leaves.

One of Isham and Sally's sons, John Rudd Clement, an industrious and speculative young man, realizing that the river was an important part of the county, being the best way of shipping and receiving goods, decided to purchase about 1,500 acres on the Ohio River.

John Rudd Clement married Sarah Hughes in 1834 and built a two-room log home on his property near the Ohio River. Here they started their new life.

John was a surveyor, and he surveyed several of the old roads around Fords Ferry and Weston. On June 13, 1842, he was appointed surveyor of that part of the pub-



This map was presented to the County Court in Dec. 1850 by John Rudd Clement to be recorded in Deed Book B, page 838. This was his hope and dream for his town named Clementsburg, but his home was the only one that would be built there before tragedy struck.

lic road leading from his warehouse on the Ohio River to where the road intersects Flynn's old

road near Gen. Hughes and that he, with the help of Joseph Hughes, Matthew Hughes, Benjamin Hughes, James Hughes, William Heath, Samuel Heath, Robert Heath, J. C. Beal, John Beal and Joab Beal were to keep the road in repair.

By 1843, John had acquired 2,000 acres of land around the Ohio River. During these years, he was dreaming a dream, a dream of a new town on the Ohio by the name of Clementsburg, a town and shipping point on the Ohio, that he would create and make a reality.

On March 13, 1843, at a county court meeting, a motion was made of John R. Clement, and it appearing to the court that due notice has been given by Clement in public papers as well as at the other public places in the county, agreeable to law for the laying off and establishing a town on his land at his warehouse on the Ohio River in the county. He having also in open court exhibited his title papers to the land proposed.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the following bounding of land



The home that John Clement built for his family near the Ohio River.

including said Clement's Warehouse on the Ohio River be laid off in lots and streets by the Trustees hereafter named and appointed for that purpose. The trustees named were: Joseph Hughes, William Hughes Jr., Christopher Cook, Alexander Dean and Levy Yeaky.

A plan with streets and alleys as they may deem practicable, and it is further ordered that said town be and is hereby established and the land described be vested in said Trustees according to law and the town be forever known by the name of Clementsburg.

As the surveying and plans were being made and written, Clement took further roots in his land by building a large wooden frame home addition to his two-room log cabin, this was done in 1847.

About this same time John and Sarah lost a

child, Coseusco Clement, just over a year old, who died Jan. 9, 1847. Not far from the home a small family cemetery was made for the burial of their child. In a few years time several members of the family would be buried there.

End of a Dream.

On Dec. 4, 1850, Clement submitted his plans involving a 137-acre lot, which included the site of his home, to the Crittenden County Clerk, and five days later it was duly filed. (In Deed Book B, page 838, is the Clementsburg town plot.)

John continued dreaming his dream and developing plans for the town that was to bear his name. He established a ferry, he continued to help survey roads for himself and others and owned and ran his own saw mill.

Then in April of 1858, while working at his saw

mill, John was hurt in a terrible accident involving his legs being caught in the belt and injuring both legs. To save his life they amputated his injured legs. The only thing that was available for pain was whiskey, which was given to him in excess and he died from it. He died April 28, 1858, and was laid to rest in the family cemetery with two of his chil-

dren, near his beloved home and town of Clementsburg.

Sarah, his wife, died a few years after John and was buried in the cemetery with John, and three more of their children. Sarah doesn't have a stone or it has been lost over the years.

Some of the family members continued to live there, but the town didn't grow. With the man and his dream being gone, John Rudd Clement's plan and hope of a big town died with him. Perhaps if he had lived out his life, he would have formed the beginnings and carried out his dream of an important town and shipping dock on the Ohio.

Through the years the elements also took their toll of the dream. The house became weather-beaten and the family moved out. In 1937, the Ohio River flooded the surrounding area and covered most of Clementsburg, the final stage of the end of the homestead began.

All that remains of what once was to be a prosperous town are ruins of the Clement's home, which are the stone chimneys, garden plots now overgrown, and the little family cemetery nearby.

This area that was once Clementsburg is within eyesight of the Riverside Park area. As you pass the stone markers entering the Riverside Park, the old town and cemetery are located to the left, across the creek and on the little knoll facing the river. It is located on private property.

(Brenda Underdown is chair of Crittenden County Historical Society and a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. Much more local history can be found at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com).

911

Continued from page 1 tem goes into place.

So, instead of \$36 a year, some residents will actually be paying just \$24. There is not a similar adjustable option for mobile phone lines.

Crittenden County Magistrates began last week working through language for an ordinance that will codify the new fee structure, which will be added to 2021 property tax bills.

Based on a draft of the ordinance that was revealed during last Thursday's Crittenden County Fiscal Court meeting, the fee will be assessed on

any "occupiable" dwelling unit or commercial unit that is "occupiable" on Nov. 1 of each year. In other words, the fee will be charged on dwellings or commercial offices or businesses whether anyone is occupying them or not. As long as those structures or units are "occupiable," their owners will be liable for the \$36 fee. County Attorney Rebecca Johnson told magistrates that the term "occupiable" will need to be fully defined before the ordinance is acceptable for implementation.

For landlords who own multi-unit rental properties, that will mean a fee is due on each unit

whether or not it's rented and occupied. Landlords will get an \$18 credit against each rental unit for 2021. The draft ordinance says the one-time credit will allow landlords an opportunity to fully recover the new costs from their tenants.

The draft language also makes it a Class A misdemeanor for landowners who fail to pay the annual fee. Unlike a similar fee added to tax bills a few years ago to help fund volunteer fire departments, there will be no opting out of the proposed 911 fee.

After some fine tuning to the proposed ordinance, magistrates could be ready to vote on it by April, if not sooner.

This funding plan helps ensure the 911 call center remains at Marion City Hall rather than outsourcing the service to a third party.

Information provided by the ad hoc committee indicates that there are an estimated 4,700 dwellings or commercial units in the county. The proposed fee would generate almost \$170,000 annually.

Senior semi-finalist for two prestigious scholarships

Crittenden County senior Kenlee McDaniel has been named a semi-finalist for two prestigious scholarships, the McConnell Scholarship from the University of Louisville and the na-

tional Beta Scholarship. McDaniel is one of 100 finalists in the rigorous review process for 10 McConnell Scholarships available at UofL. The interview process continues this week. She is one of 100 recipients of the National Beta Scholarship Program and has the opportunity to earn more.



THANK YOU

The family of Kenny Conger thanks everyone during this time of loss.

From Kenny's daughters Jenny and Tammy Jo, his brothers and sisters, Harriet Hayes and her 5 children, Fay Jones and her 4 children, Barbara and her 2 children, Brenda Asbridge (recently deceased) and her 2 children, James Conger (Kay) and daughter, Carol Miller (Greg) and daughter, Ernie Conger (Sue) and 2 children, Steve Conger and Glenn Conger, we all thank everyone so much.

We also remember Kenny's first 2 wives who died, Becky Phillips (the mother of his 2 daughters) and Linda Whitfield. Thanks to everyone for your prayers and kindness through this difficult time.

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The mundane and the extraordinary

Life is built on the mundane but lived at the edges. It is when the edges of life crowd us and fall upon us and sneak up on us that we become aware of how we have managed the mundane. Perhaps mundane is too bland a word to use because of its importance in life. It is those mundane habits that we build into our lives that prepare us for the edges – the extraordinary.



Sean NIESTRATH
Faith-based columnist
Guest Columnist

It is also the extraordinary events that reveal how well we have taken care of those mundane things that are rarely seen. We have seen infrastructure failures brought on by extraordinary weather events lately. Not the first time this has happened – we have Asian carp in our waters now as a result of flooding a few years back. I never gave a thought to how farmers

controlled algae in their ponds, or whether drainage infrastructure would hold in New Orleans, or if the energy suppliers in Texas were prepared for a real cold snap – until the systems failed. This is not to blame. The unforeseen, or at least unexpected, will continue to happen and we will from time to time be caught off guard. It is then that the mundane is suddenly seen in all of its beautiful complexity. We live in a world where the mundane is actually quite extraordinary. Even the simple act of going to the store to buy bananas or fresh seafood in the Ohio Valley is supported by fascinating systems. What is mundane to you and I require, knowledge and execution from others. It is the habits and daily routines that we execute

on a regular basis that make the extraordinary go a little better. On the positive side, think of vacations or special occasions. Without discipline in daily life, these things can be stressful rather than rewarding. On the negative side, there are disasters that will test our life's infrastructure. How we have managed the mundane will be seen when the ordinary systems begin to fail. And it happens to all of us as we trek through this world. Life is punctuated by events that define, remake or redirect us. It is these shorter events on which we hang the rest of our story. We may talk about a wedding, a funeral, that really cold weather in 2021, or the pandemic. What we will talk less about are all the things that made us prepared or unprepared for these events. I do not remember most days; those days spent saving, resting, preparing, studying, or building. I do remember however, "that time when . . ." It might be a fish, an

accident, a storm, or a risk taken. The key is to pay close attention to the mundane. To use those times of calm seas to prepare for the storms. Brother Lawrence (1614 – 1691) was a Carmelite lay brother in France. After he died, an acquaintance wrote excerpts from conversations and called it "Practice of the Presence of God." This is from Conversation Four and concerns paying attention to the mundane. "He told me, that all consists in one hearty renunciation of everything which we are sensible does not lead to God; that we might accustom ourselves to a continual conversation with him, with freedom and in simplicity. That we need only to recognize God intimately present with us, to address ourselves to him every moment, that we may beg his assistance for knowing his will in things doubtful, and for rightly performing those which we plainly see he requires of us, offering them to him before we do them and giving Him thanks when we

have done." There is also courage to be found in attending to building a strong foundation during the mundane (this does not mean unimportant) parts of our lives. In Psalm 11 we see faith in the face of danger. The Psalmist will not run from the danger even though the foundations (infrastructure of life) are shaken. In the LORD I take refuge; how can you say to me, "Flee like a bird to the mountains; for lo, the wicked bend the bow, they have fitted their arrow to the string, to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart; if the foundations are destroyed,

what can the righteous do?" The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven; his eyes behold, his eyelids test, the children of men. The LORD tests the righteous and the wicked, and his soul hates him that loves violence. It is not the sunny warm days that reveal who we are. It is the storms. It is the extraordinary that reveals the daily habits of our lives. Build well. Dr. Sean Niestrath is a minister in Madisonville, Ky. He holds a doctoral degree in ministry. You may contact him at sean.niestrath@outlook.com.

Find contentment in what God provides

Question: I have always wanted an expensive vehicle to drive, live in a big house and to eat steak often. I want to have a little more than what my peers have. Now that I have reached the top, why doesn't it make me as happy as I thought it would?

Answer: We humans tend to compare what we have with what others have, but that doesn't mean it's healthy. God commands us, "You shall not covet . . . anything that belongs to your neighbor" (Ex. 20:17). Things don't make us happy. If they did the rich would be the happiest people and the poor would be the unhappiest people. The fact of the matter is those with little are often the happiest and those with the most are often very discontent.

ASK the PASTOR
By Bob Hardison

Happiness is closely associated with contentment. When we are content, we recognize God's provisions are enough for us. A part

of being content is giving thanks for what God has provided. Gratitude trumps greed. By not competing with others and maneuvering to get ahead, we can embrace God's ample supply to meet our needs. The Apostle Paul exclaimed to the Philippians, "My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" (4:19). By becoming content with what God provides, we will always have enough and experience life to the fullest. Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

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Rep. Bechler again pushing his sex offense bill

There were four legislative days scheduled last week but the weather forced cancellation of those days so they have been rescheduled for March. While the General Assembly and schools were canceled and many business were closed, the road crews were working day and night to clear our roads. I want to thank them and share my appreciation of law enforcement and emergency responders for braving the cold weather and icy conditions to protect and serve our community.

Since there wasn't enough legislation to discuss for the week, I thought it would be a good time to discuss a few of my bills. In earlier updates I discussed House Bills 6 and 360. This week I will discuss the other bills that I have filed. House Bills 161, 216, and 242 were all filed in January while House Bills 471 and 472 were filed on Feb. 10.

House Bill 161 would prohibit administrative bodies from declaring and enforcing regulations relating to the COVID-19 pandemic without first consulting the General Assembly. Additionally, it would also nullify select emergency administrative regulations related to COVID-19 that were filed without an accompanying ordinary administrative regulation.

House Bill 216 would prohibit the payment of public agency funds to any entity that performs, induces, refers for or counsels in favor of abortions. I have filed this bill before, but no action has been taken on it.

House Bill 242 would prohibit local governments from adopting sanctuary policies and would establish hearing procedures for determination

of sanctuary status. It would withhold state funds from sanctuary cities or counties and prohibit postsecondary educational institutions from enrolling, employing, or contracting with illegal aliens. It would also require postsecondary educational institutions to keep records of immigration status, withhold state funds from postsecondary educational institutions that enroll, employ, or contract with illegal aliens, and limit who may be considered a Kentucky resident for in-state tuition purposes. This is another bill that I have filed for several years but again, no action has been taken on it.

House Bill 471 is the Save Women's Sports Act. It would prohibit male students in elementary and high schools from participating in athletic teams, activities, and sports designated as girls'. It would require postsecondary education

institutions to designate all intercollegiate and intramural athletic teams, activities, sports, and events that are sponsored or authorized by the institution to be coed or based on biological sex of students eligible to participate. It would require that a postsecondary education institution prohibit male students from participating in athletic teams, activities and sports designated as women's. Furthermore, it would not allow male students to participate in a National Collegiate Athletic Association, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, or National Junior College Athletic Association women's event in the Commonwealth.

House Bill 472 would extend the criminal statute of limita-

tions for misdemeanor sex offenses against minors from 5 to 10 years and amend the law relating to civil actions arising from childhood sexual assault or abuse. It would apply to direct perpetrators as well as third-party individuals or corporate entities who may be criminally liable for the criminal act of those perpetrators so that punishment would be more severe. Child sexual abuse is abominable and a stain on the Commonwealth, and it must be dealt with more seriously than it has in the past. I have filed this bill for several years and it was passed out of the House last year but died in the Senate.

Rep. Bechler (R-Marion) represents the 4th District, which includes Crittenden and Livingston counties. You can reach him at at 800-372-7181, 502-564-8100 or by visiting legislature.ky.gov where you can find his email link.



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Commentary

Padgett's UK legacy morphs into football no-brainer

When his junior season at Homewood High School in Birmingham ended, Lucas Padgett had several offers to play college football from various Ivy League and Conference USA teams.

The 6-4, 285-pound center figured to attract even more attention after spring and summer camps as he had several big-time invitations to camps but those were all cancelled by COVID-19.

If that wasn't enough, his father, former UK basketball standout Scott Padgett, lost his job as head coach at Samford in Birmingham and took a job on the New Mexico staff.

"We moved to New Mexico and then he did not get a football season at all (in 2020)," Scott Padgett said. "He was second team all-state as a junior and would have been preseason first team in Alabama and been on a good team. Knowing what I know now, I wish I had just told him and his mother to stay in Alabama for the fall, take classes to graduate and get a football season."

"Who knew COVID would keep going on like this and they are very strict in New Mexico. We got here August 1 and we have not sat down in a restaurant and ate yet. We ate on patios but not in restaurants."

Obviously there has been no way to make visits to college campuses but Lucas Padgett knew where he wanted to go — the University of Kentucky. Not only did his dad play there and win a national title in 1998, but his mother, Cynthia Dozier, played volleyball there. That's why he verbally committed to play football for UK coach Mark Stoops as a preferred walk-on.

Padgett's current school, La Cueva High School in Albuquerque, N.M., may have a shortened spring season that could open other college opportunities but Scott Padgett says his son was ready to be a Wildcat.

"Because he has been



Lucas Padgett, left, will be a preferred football walk-on at Kentucky where his father, Scott, played basketball and his mother, Cynthia, played volleyball.

out of football, me and Cynthia talked to him about college. We have money put away for his education. We just told him we believed in him and you tell us where you want to go and we will try to make it happen," Scott Padgett said.

"It was a no-brainer for him to go where he wanted. Nobody will say no to as good a player and teammate as he is. I asked him if he could go anywhere where would it be and he said he always wanted to go to Kentucky."

"I think UK is getting a steal that just fell in their lap. When he is done playing he will be a football or basketball coach. He's really smart. He's also too good not to have anything set for college. I did not want him to get left out and I just told him to do what he needed to do. We got together (with UK), talked, they watched his film, liked him and here we are now with him going to UK."

Scott Padgett knows how good UK's offensive lines have been the last five years. His son will also have family close by along with a lot of family friends.

"Everybody in our family is ecstatic. My parents, Cynthia's brother and wife and son all live in Louisville," Scott Padgett said. "All my friends are happy. A lot are Louisville fans but they are buying UK jerseys."

Scott Padgett says his son, who played in the

Blue-Grey All-American Bowl in January, is the "ultimate teammate" who picks guys up when they are down.

"He is really smart (3.93 grade-point average) and calls coverages. He gets hyped for guys when they make plays. He is the guy everybody likes being around. You won't meet anybody who doesn't like him," Scott Padgett said. "He has a good personality. He's really smart like his mom but the rest of him is a lot like me."

Lucas Padgett does play basketball like his dad and older brother, Logan, who is a sophomore at New Mexico playing for his dad like he did at Samford last year.

"Lucas played basketball. He played with Logan for two years in Alabama. He played again last year as a junior and would have been a four-year varsity player if they had a season but there was no basketball season here, either," Scott Padgett said. "He is straight post up, has a good hook. He can post or pass."

Lucas' father is glad he's found his niche as a football player.

"It's a way for him to make his own name and do his own thing," Scott Padgett said. "He loves basketball but the way he is built he is ready made to be a football player."

"I am just happy his dream is becoming a reality. Kentucky is where he always has wanted to go. His dream was to play

at Kentucky and then if he was good enough to play for the (Indianapolis) Colts. If you grew up in the Padgett family you were a little blue. My dad instilled Big Blue Nation in me. Maybe if I was a football coach he would want to play where I am coaching like my older son. But Lucas is all football and all Kentucky."

Kentucky recruiting target Brandin Podziemski, a 6-5 Wisconsin guard, has a close connection with the UK coaching staff. Podziemski's AAU coach is Antonio Curo, who had the same role with former Wildcat Tyler Herro.

Just don't ask Curo to compare the two players. "Comparing him to Tyler is disrespectful to Tyler because he has busted his butt to create his own story," Curo said. "Tyler is an advanced student of the game. He wants it and he loves it and he desires to be great. Whether Brandin gets to that point Tyler has, we'll see. Brandin is very humble but he's also a hard worker."

Curo always thought Herro would be successful but thought he would likely be at UK two years, not just one year before he left for the NBA and stardom with the Miami Heat.

"It's all about fit," Curo said. "Kenny Payne was outstanding with him, did an unbelievable job with him. It was a great fit for Tyler at Kentucky."

"Tyler got drafted by the perfect spot for him. Pat Riley is the perfect GM (general manager). He has the perfect coach and developed a great relationship with the veteran players there. Miami

just fit for him.

"If he was being asked to score 40 points and the expectations did not fit, it would not work. But nothing Tyler does surprises me. Even if you were cautiously optimistic about Tyler, the thing about him that is different is that he believes in himself and pays the price to succeed every day."

"That work ethic sets him apart and he deserves all this success because he has worked for it. He believes in himself and his family believed in him. He's doing fabulous and I could not be prouder of him."

ESPN NFL draft guru Mel Kiper says cornerback Kelvin Joseph is a "fast riser" in the upcoming NFL draft and has him projected as the No. 4 cornerback in the draft and possible first-round draft pick.

"He has ball skills and instincts to cut off passes and he's tough in the run game, too. Joseph has all the tools to be a great pro," Kiper said.

Kentucky has had two first-round draft picks in the last six years — Bud Dupree at No. 22 in 2015 and Josh Allen at No. 7 in 2019. Kiper has Joseph projected 25th.

Because of last week's winter storms, coach John Calipari's team spent a week in Tennessee. The Cats left Lexington early for a Wednesday game at Vanderbilt and then stayed in Tennessee until after Saturday's win at Tennessee.

Kentucky assistant coach Bruiser Flint said being on the road a week was not that hard on players, especially with

the COVID protocols they have had this year, as long as practice facilities were available and UK had no problems with that.

"These kids today. It's not like the old days where you went outside. These kids they plug up stuff on their TV. They can entertain themselves, believe me, for hours on end without being outside," Flint said. "I mean it's tough. We had to leave, and it was a last second thing, last minute thing to get everybody together and go."

"But it was a smart thing to do looking at the weather and everything."

It was also a smart way to help team bonding, something UK had missed this season with COVID protocols, as shown by the 15-point win at Tennessee.

While the UK men's basketball team is not having the season most expected, the Kentucky women's swimming team is having an historic season and won its first Southeastern Conference Swimming & Diving Championships last week.

The team broke five school records and produced 12 top three finishes to outscore traditional SEC powers Florida, Georgia and Alabama.

"We've been building this over a few years now. The alumni from years passed established it, our coaching staff, our administration. So many people had terrific efforts this weekend, it was really fantastic. I couldn't be more thrilled for our institution and for our girls," coach Lars Jorgensen said.

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2nd Region Rankings

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GIRLS		
Rank	Team	Last Week
1.	Henderson County	1
2.	Webster County	2
3.	Crittenden County	3
4.	Christian County	4
5.	Lyon County	5
6.	Union County	7
7.	Trigg County	6
8.	Hopkins Central	9
9.	Caldwell County	8
10.	Hopkinsville	10

BOYS		
Rank	Team	Last Week
1.	Lyon County	1
2.	Webster County	2
3.	University Heights	4
4.	Madisonville	3
5.	Hopkinsville	5
6.	Henderson County	6
7.	Union County	7
8.	Crittenden County	9
9.	Christian County	8
10.	Trigg County	10

FOOTBALL

KHSAA may go back to future in playoffs

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association announced last week that it will survey football player schools across the state to determine if the current playoff schedule will continue. An informal survey conducted recently by the Kentucky Football Coaches Association found that most schools prefer the former playoff system with cross-district bracketing in the first two rounds of postseason. For the last two years, teams have played the first and second rounds within their districts against opponents they very likely had played late in the regular season. The KHSAA may have a decision by May. Any proposed changes would not take effect until the 2023 season.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Scrimmages allowed

The KHSAA last week approved scrimmages for spring sports. That will allow baseball and softball teams to schedule up to two pre-season games with an opponent school. The KHSAA had prohibited pre-season scrimmages for football and basketball due to the pandemic. Crittenden County's baseball and softball programs officially started practice on Monday.

RUNNING/WALKING

2.5K event in March

Start planning now to participate in the Happy Feet Equals Learning Feet 2.5K run and fun walk at Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church. The event will cost \$10 and starts at 10 a.m., on Saturday, March 27. This is a 1.5-mile run or walk and proceeds benefit Happy Feet of Crittenden County, a non-profit organization that helps provide shoes for children in need. For more information, contact Tiffany Roberts at 270-704-1360.

Hunting Seasons

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Fox Trapping	Nov. 16 - Feb. 28
Bobcat Hunting	Nov. 28 - Feb. 28
Coyote Nighttime	Dec. 1 - May 31
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Rare treat with state win at home

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County has advanced in the All A Classic State Tournament for just the second time in history, beating Murray Monday at Rocket Arena in a rare chance to play a state tournament event in front of hometown fans.
As meager as it may have been due to pandemic protocols, the home crowd watched as Crittenden's girls led from the jump, but had to hold off a couple of late flurries by the Lady Tigers.
The Lady Rockets won 64-53 and will play Hancock County at Rocket Arena, later this week or early next in a state quarterfinal. A date has not yet been determined.
Senior Nahla Woodward had all of her 15 points in the first half, battling Murray's big pivot player Alyssa Daughrity. In the second half, the Lady Tigers double teamed Woodward in the post, limiting her shots. That's when sophomore Taylor Guess picked up where Woodward left off, scoring 15 second-half points and finishing with a game-high 24.

"We knew we had to limit turnovers and get after them defensively, and I think we really did that," Guess said. "We got a couple steals at the beginning and that really got us going."
Crittenden converted on several Murray misses in the opening minutes and led by 10 after the first quarter.
"I'm so proud of them," CCHS coach Shannon Hodge said. "We played four quarters of basketball and played the most intense defense we've played all year."
The game had added interest with another hometown connection. Lady Tiger senior Makenzie Turley's father Todd graduated from Crittenden County in the early 1980s. Coach Hodge said she played with Todd Turley and her husband Denis Hodge on her first organized youth basketball team.
Due to snow, the All A Classic scheduled originally for last week, was postponed and at one point canceled. A day or so later, it was resurrected with an innovative regional-type ramp-up to the final four. The tournament started with 16 teams playing at eight different sites. A dozen will be eliminated at games hosted by different schools across the commonwealth, like the one here Monday. The semifinals and championship will be held at Richmond's ECU McBrayer Arena on Friday and Satur-



Lady Rockets Taylor Guess and Kacie Easley apply defense against Murray's Makenzie Turley, who is the daughter of Marion native Todd Turley.

day, March 5-6.
Crittenden has played in seven All A State Tournaments since the small-school championship event began in the 1990s. They have only once before won a first-round game. That came on their last appearance in 2017.

Murray High	11	27	40	53
Crittenden County	21	36	47	64
MURRAY - Turley 16, Campbell 2, Downey, Tish, Darnell 3, Gierhart 13, Smith, Fox, Oakley 8, Howell 1, Daughrity 10. FG 14-32. 3-pointers 4-12 (Turley, Darnell, Oakley 2). FT 21-28.				
CRITTENDEN - Guess 24, Smith 5, Moss 2, Duncan 14, Woodward 15, Hatfield, Perryman, Easley 2, Conyer, Long 2. FG 22-46. 3-pointers 2-6 (Guess, Woodward). FT 18-28.				

At right is Lady Rocket senior Nahla Woodward posting up against Murray's Alyssa Daughrity in what was a key matchup between each team's centers during Monday's All A Classic.



Guess gets career high; Woodward 20

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County sophomore Taylor Guess scored 23 in the first half en route to a career high 37 points as the Lady Rockets beat Lyon County 68-59 Tuesday in a district game.
Crittenden will be the No. 1 seed for the district tournament.
Senior Nahla Woodward scored 20 and moved to within 10 points of reaching the 1,000-point milestone in her career.
Lyon Co. 20 28 43 59
Crittenden 25 33 56 68
LYON - Butler 3, Matthews 2, Wynn 4, Collins 29, Defew 4, Smith 17, Perry, Dykes, Holland. FG 25. 3-pointers 2 (Collins). FT 7-16.
CRITTENDEN - Guess 37, Smith 2, Moss 5, Ducna 4, Woodward 20, Easley, Perryman, Hatfield, Conyer. FG 30. 3-pointers 3 (Guess). FT 16-23.



Crittenden County's Preston Morgeson (above) works against Lyon's Travis Perry and Preston Turley (34) gets some sideline instruction from coach Denis Hodge during Tuesday's game at Lyon County.

Tough return leaves CCHS 0-2 in restart

STAFF REPORT
Fresh off a COVID quarantine and weather-related cancellation, the Rockets have gone 0-2 in their basketball rebound - albeit, against some pretty stiff competition.
Crittenden's restart to the season after a 17-day layoff has been against two of the top three teams in the region.
Crittenden fell 86-56 at Lyon County in Tuesday's final regular-season matchup against the top-ranked Lyons. CCHS will be the No. 2 seed when the Fifth District Tournament begins in less than three weeks. Lyon is No. 1.
The Rockets led at halftime Saturday at University Heights. It was Crittenden's first game since Feb. 2. Despite no practice, the boys met the region's No. 3 Blazers with a competitive spirit and nearly

Crittenden	8	25	41	56
Lyon Co.	23	55	71	86
CRITTENDEN - Morgeson 9, Champion 6, Winders, Mott 16, Beverly, Davidson, Boone 9, Adamson, Dobyns 3, Derrington, Guess 3, Turley 10. FG 23. 3-pointers 9 (Morgeson 3, Mott 4, Dobyns, Guess). FT 1-8.				
LYON - Whalin 3, Ray, Reddick 10, Parker 2, Perry 37, Bingham 2, Radiovnyk, Baker, B.Shoulders 15, Haines, J.Shoulders 8, Burchett, Gilbert 4, Wilson 2. FG 34. 3-pointers 14 (Perry 7, Reddick 2, Ray, B.Shoulders 3). FT 5-7.				

Crittenden	24	32	40	54
UHA	18	29	43	61
CRITTENDEN - Morgeson 8, Champion 8, Winders, Mott 10, Boone 9, Dobyns, Turley 19. FG 20. 3-pointers 5 (Champion 2, Morgeson). FT 9-12.				
UHA - Crump 18, Quarles 23, McGee 8, Bryan 6, Grubbs 3, Shouse, Braxton 3. FG 24. 3-pointers 6 (Quarles 4, Grubbs, Crump). FT 6-11.				

Spring youth sports registration underway

STAFF REPORT
Registration for spring youth sports at Marion-Crittenden County Park is now underway.
Anyone interested in soccer, kickball, baseball or softball can find links to register at The Press Online.
Registration can also be mailed or delivered in person to various locations in Marion.
Spring soccer begins March 16 for divisions in ages 14, 12, and 10 and April 6 for players in 8 and 6 age groups. Cost is \$45 for 6-8 and \$55 for 10-14. There will not be a 4-under group this spring.
Youth baseball and softball

will begin in early April and kickball later in the spring, but registration is now underway and deadlines are approaching in March.
Soccer registration can be completed online at the Crittenden County Youth Soccer Association Facebook page. A link is available at The Press Online. Registration forms can also be mailed to CYSA, PO Box 584, Marion, KY 42064. Checks or money orders are accepted for payment. Cash is not being accepted due to the pandemic. PayPal can be used as a form of payment, but there is an additional fee.

Registration deadline is March 8 to guarantee a jersey. There is a \$10 late registration fee after that deadline.
Baseball, softball and kickball are organized by the Crittenden County Dugout Club. There are age divisions for boys and girls ages 4-12 in baseball and softball and 3-4 for kickball.
Registration forms can found at The Press Online. Cost is \$40 for baseball or softball and \$25 for kickball. There is a discount for multiple players in one family.
Registration deadline is March 13. Late registration carries a \$25 penalty.

Click Here
Crittenden County
Dugout Club
BASEBALL / SOFTBALL REGISTRATION FORM

Links to registration forms available at The Press Online.

Soccer
Registration
CYSA

Vaccine now available in more area locations

STAFF REPORT

COVID-19 vaccine will be available next week for a much broader segment of the state's population.

It's what Gov. Andy Beshear has named Phase 1C in Kentucky's rollout of the vaccine, which began in late December. The first vaccine was available to a narrow segment of the community that included first responders and healthcare workers. That was Phase 1A. Individuals over 70 and teachers were able to be inoculated in January and February as part of Phase 1B.

Phase 2 will include anyone age 40 and older, but there is no indication at this point when vaccine will be available for that group.

There are at least nine locations in the immediate area to obtain a COVID-19 vaccination. There are three in Crittenden County and at least two each in Livingston and Caldwell

counties. Crittenden Community Hospital, Glenn's Prescription Center and Glenn's Apothecary, Caldwell Medical Center and Pennyriple District health departments in most area counties are taking appointments. Each vaccination site requires an appointment. Call or register online at the location of your choice.

Crittenden's health department is tentatively scheduled to give shots on Thursdays. Livingston is Mondays.

The state wants each site to use 90 percent of its vaccine allocation within a week of a shipment's arrival.

"When we open it up to 1C, we're going to need patience out there," Beshear said in a news conference last week. "We're gonna have more and more appointments as we go, but when we open that up at large, it's going to feel like it's really hard to get one, but we're going to get to everybody."

WHERE TO GET A SHOT

HEALTH DEPARTMENTS

Caldwell 270-365-6571
Crittenden 270-965-5215
Livingston 270-928-2193
Lyon 270-388-9763
Trigg 270-522-8121

REGIONAL SITES

Crittenden Hospital
270-965-1014
www.crittenden-health.org

Glenn's Prescription Center
Glennspharmacies.com
270-988-3226

Glenn's Apothecary
Glennspharmacies.com
270-965-4101


Caldwell Medical Center
270-365-0428

Princeton Walmart
270-365-7692

Deaconess Union County
270-389-5120

Baptist Health Madisonville
270-825-6637

Murray State University CFSB Center
270-753-3381



FIVE-COUNTY AREA

Most info in this graphic current as of Feb.19. *Updates with Feb. 22 data.

County	Confirmed Cases Ever	Currently in Home Isolation	Currently Hospitalized	Recovered Cases	Deaths
Caldwell	1,116*	49	4	1,037	25
Crittenden	583*	6	1	555	21
Livingston	722*	27	5	671	17
Lyon	522*	18	2	487	14
Trigg	1,058*	16	4	1,030	8

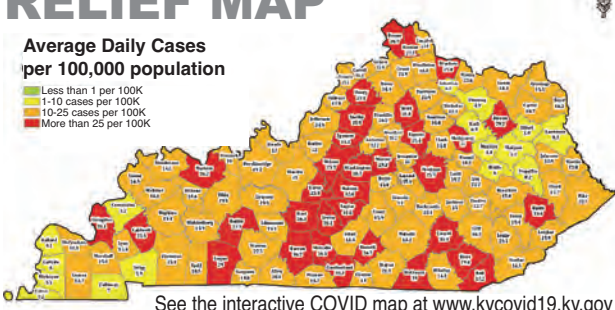
Source: Pennyriple District Health Department

Another Crittenden County COVID death

RELIEF MAP

Average Daily Cases per 100,000 population

- Less than 1 per 100K
- 1-10 cases per 100K
- 10-25 cases per 100K
- More than 25 per 100K

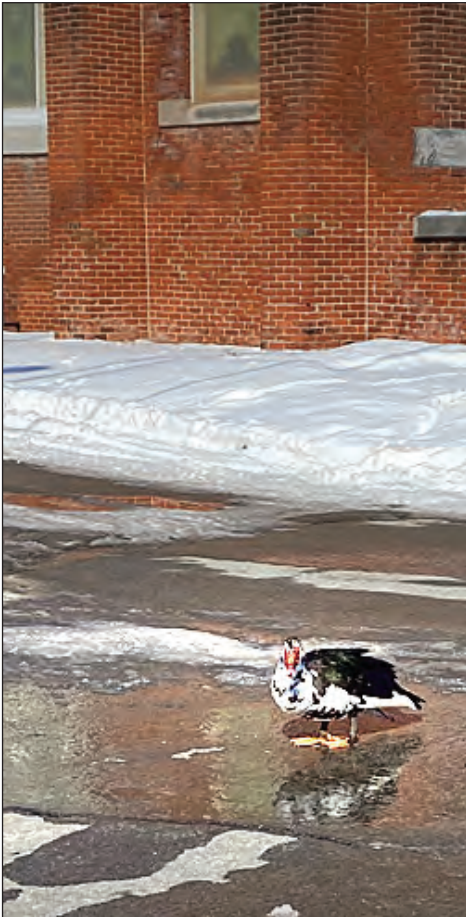


See the interactive COVID map at www.kycovid19.ky.gov




Winter Wonderland

Last week's winter weather created lots of opportunities for youngsters and local fowl. Mason Williams, above, wasn't the only local resident enjoying the snow and a change in routine. This creature at right caused quite a stir last week when it left its typical home at Goose Lake near Marion-Crittenden County Park and traveled downtown for a few days. The lake froze over and its resident fowl went in search of open water, it appears. This one showed up first on North Walker and College streets, then made its way to the west side of town, hanging out behind the courthouse and outside the jail, perhaps looking for a mate as breeding season nears. Several folks, including Timmy Todd, the county's animal control officer, tried to catch the duck and return it to the lake. Yet all failed. This is a Muscovy duck, a breed of domestic waterfowl. It may have seemed a bit lethargic, but proved a good flyer when threatened. The duck drew the attention of city council members, local business people and the fiscal court even had a discussion about its sojourn downtown.



Snow Be Gone!

This wintry display at the corner of College and East Elm Street is now nothing more than a distant memory as temperatures have literally gone from Zero to 60 in less than a week. The beached snowman was in front of Pat and Sandie Waddell's home and it expressed their sentiments about last week's snow, ice and bitter cold.



COVID VACCINATION SITES

Your guide to local locations for COVID-19 Vaccination

When Phase 1A-B are complete (healthcare workers, first responders, K-12 school employees and greater than 70 population), Phase 1C will begin.

PHASE 1C is for anyone over the age of 60 or anyone older than 16 at the CDC's highest risk for COVID-19

CRITTENDEN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Call (270) 965-1014
or visit crittenden-health.org
and click the Patient and Visitors Tab to find the COVID vaccine form.
Submit form to register and someone will contact you for an appointment.

GLENN'S PRESCRIPTION CENTER

Salem, KY
visit glennspharmacies.com
to get on the WaitList
Vaccination Clinic each Tuesday in Salem

GLENN'S APOTHECARY

Marion, KY
visit glennspharmacies.com
to get on the WaitList
Vaccination Clinic each Monday at Crittenden Hospital

CALDWELL MEDICAL CENTER

Clinic each Thursday 7:30-10:30 a.m.
Call (270) 365-0428 for appointment.
Walk-ins not accepted.

PENNYRIPLE DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Call your local health department or sign up on our website pennyriplehealth.org to be added to the waitlist.
You will be contacted for appointment. Schedules are tentative.

Livingston..... Monday
Caldwell..... Tuesday
Lyon..... Wednesday
Crittenden..... Thursday
Trigg..... Friday

The COVID-19 vaccine will be distributed in phases. ALL KENTUCKIANS WILL HAVE ACCESS TO A VACCINE.

PHASE	DESCRIPTION
1A	Long term care facilities, assisted living facilities, health care personnel
1B	Anyone age 70 or older, First Responders, Kentucky K-12 school personnel, Kentucky child care workers
1C	Anyone age 60 or older, anyone age 16 or older with CDC highest risk C19 risk conditions, all essential workers
2	Anyone age 40 or older.
3	Anyone age 16 or older.
4	Children under the age of 16 if the vaccine is approved for this age group (est. 18% of KY population)

STATE'S GOAL

Administer 90% of all vaccine received in state within 7 days of arrival.

For other regional sites or to learn more about the COVID-19 vaccine, visit govstatus.egov.com/ky-covid-vaccine