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## Monday closings include schools

All city, county, state and federal offices, including the postal service, will be closed Monday in observance of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. The public, Extension service and Crittenden County schools will also be closed Monday. All courthouse offices will be closed Saturday as well.

Due to the postal holiday, delivery of The Early Bird will be one day behind schedule.

## Whitfield plans to seek 10th term

Congressman Ed Whitfield, a Hopkinsville Republican, announced his intentions earlier this week to seek a 10th term representing Kentucky's First Congressional District on Capitol Hill. No one has yet to file against the incumbent, who



Whitfield

has held the office since 1995. If re-elected, he would become the second longest serving representative of the district. Noble J. Gregory, a Democrat, held the seat from 1937 to 1959.

In other election filings, former Congressman Carol Hubbard (D-Mayfield) has filed to run for the Senate District 1 seat in Frankfort. The seat is currently held by Crittenden County native Ken Winters, a Murray Republican. Winters has not decided if he will seek re-election to a third term.

## Plan could shift Senate district

The "conversation" in Frankfort, according to Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) is that redistricting could reshape his Senate District 4, moving Crittenden, Livingston and Union counties to another district in favor of Hopkins County.

At press time, Ridley had yet to see a map showing the proposed boundaries, but told the Evansville Courier & Press he was unhappy with even the notion. "...I've had a conversation with them and told them it would be an injustice," he said of those charged with redistricting proposals.

The state House and Senate redistricting plans were slated to be reviewed by a House panel this week before heading to the floor for a vote.

## Meetings

■ Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 8:30 p.m., Tuesday at the courthouse.

■ Salem City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Salem City Hall.

## What's your opinion? Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked readers: "What is the top issue you would like to see lawmakers address in Frankfort this year?"

Most of those voting suggest drug abuse is the No. 1 priority that should be taken up by Kentucky lawmakers in the current session of the General Assembly. Here is what 285 voters said:

- Drug abuse, 92 (32%)
- Revised tax code, 74 (25%)
- Distracted drivers, 47 (16%)
- Expanded gaming, 30 (10%)
- Other, 28 (9%)
- Don't care, 14 (4%)

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## Police recover stolen backhoe inside city

STAFF REPORT

Marion Police Department recovered a stolen backhoe last Thursday that belonged to a Henderson construction company.

The backhoe had been left at a construction site near the Crittenden-Webster County line where the company, Donald Peters Construction, had been readying to build a water line pump station aimed at tying the two counties' water services together. Government red tape had delayed the project, prompting the equipment to be setting idle near the highway for several weeks.

Police Chief Ray O'Neal had noticed the unattended backhoe on a parking lot on East Bellville Street several days ago. A tip regarding the backhoe had raised his suspicion. So, the chief started checking with other nearby law enforcement agencies to see if perhaps it had been stolen. Webster County Sheriff's Department had an open case regarding stolen equipment and after matching serial numbers, the owner showed up in Marion to pick up the backhoe.

Donald Peters said that

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## Blasting set to begin in Crayne for U.S. 641

STAFF REPORT

The peaceful community of Crayne in southern Crittenden County is about to get a little noisy, thanks to a road project more than 10 years in the making.

The contractor for construction of a new 5.2-mile U.S. 641 corridor from Marion to Fredonia was slated to begin blasting Wednesday to make way for the four-lane roadway. By the end of the month, explosions could be rumbling through the community every one to two days, according to a release from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC).

But Rose Ann Bebout, the longtime postmaster at Crayne Post Office and former resident of the area, said the locals seem to be taking the coming changes in stride.

"People are excited about the big equip-

ment coming in," she said. "Of course, they may not be after the blasting starts."

After this week's test blasting, production blasts are anticipated to follow in seven to 10 days. However, Keith Todd, spokesman for KYTC, said there are several factors that could affect when blasting is initiated. Wednesday was simply marked as the earliest any blasting might take place.

Once production blasting starts later in the month, Road Builders and Parkway Construction of Greenville, the prime contractor on the \$18.6 million highway improvement project, plans to do all blasting at approximately noon on the days that it will be performed. Essentially all of the blasting on the

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## UPWARD HOOPS MINISTRY TIPS OFF



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR

## Program brings children to God through basketball

Almost 120 aspiring cheerleaders and basketball players from kindergarten through sixth grade began practice this week with Marion Baptist Church's annual Upward Sports program. The ministry, said new Family Life Center Director and Youth Pastor Shawn Holeman, is not just about the fundamentals of the game. "It gives these kids the opportunity to learn about basketball, but more importantly, to learn about Jesus," said Holeman, who began his position with the church on Jan. 3. Above, Holeman teaches Colton Gilland, 7, some of the finer points of passing. Though the program is under way, Holeman, who is working under Kristi Beavers to direct Upward, said parents can still sign up their children through the end of this week. The program is open to youth in Crittenden and surrounding counties.

## Tip leads police to arrest in theft

TipLine pays \$500 reward, offers more to help execute arrest warrant

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County TipLine has already paid a \$500 reward for information police say has helped them bring burglary charges against a Marion man. Now, the crime-stopper-styled organization is offering another \$500 to anyone who helps police track down a second suspect.

State and local law enforcement agencies in two counties have filed multiple charges against two-time convicted felon, Allen Curtis Hoover, 31, of Marion. He was arrested Jan. 3 at his home at 620 South Main Street. Police had gone there to question Hoover regarding a burglary at Wild Wing Lodge on Long Branch Road in the rural, northeast part of the county. While at Hoover's residence, officers found items that allegedly linked the suspect to the crime scene.

Trooper First Class Chris King said more than \$10,000 worth of equipment and ammunition was taken from an outbuilding at the hunting preserve. No one was at the preserve on the night of Jan. 2 when the burglary is alleged to have taken place. Taken were 32 cases of 28 gauge shotgun shells, 10 cases of .410 shotgun shells, ammo reloading equipment, a generator and other items.

Evidence left at the scene and corroborating information from TipLine led the investigation to Hoover's doorstep.

Police also have a warrant for the arrest of James Edward "Eddie" Millikan, 35, of Marion. He is wanted in connection with the burglary at Wild Wing Lodge.

Millikan is believed to be in Crittenden or Webster counties. He is described as a white male,

5-foot-10, 190 pounds with brown hair and blue eyes. Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Millikan can call TipLine at 965-3000 and remain anonymous. If he is apprehended because of that information, the caller will qualify for the reward.

While investigators were at Hoover's residence last week, they also found items believed taken during other burglaries.

Marion Police have already charged Hoover with a break-in at Chandler and Vaughan Cattle Company, which is only a few hundred yards from Hoover's home. Two chainsaws from that Dec. 26 burglary were found at Hoover's residence.

Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal said city police had been investigating three burglaries, all within close proximity to Hoover's house. Police are not sure if all of them will be solved, but they think there is evidence to link them together.

Twice as Nice consignment shop and Ohio River Concrete were the other locations burglarized just before or right after Christmas. They are both within sight of Hoover's home. A back window was broken out of the consignment shop and intruders cut their way through a tin wall at the concrete plant.

O'Neal said tin snips and a battery-operated, hand-held circular cutter were found at Hoover's residence.

Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent said the cases in the city are very similar to ones his department is investigating in the county. The sheriff's department continues to work on leads in those cases and he anticipates formal charges being filed in at least two of those bur-

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## KDFWR, Forestry acquire deed to Sturgis property for WMA

STAFF REPORT

There will likely be a more formal announcement in the near future, but it has been confirmed that the purchase of about 2,400 acres near Sturgis has been completed by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) and the U.S. Forest Service.

The nearly \$7 million land deal closes the first of a two-phase plan by federal and state governments and conservation groups to buy what was originally known as the Alcoa property.

Alcoa had assembled a large chunk of ground in Crittenden and Union counties in the 1950s - almost 12,000 acres - under the pretense of building an aluminum smelter there. That never happened, but Alcoa held onto the property until 1998 when Kimball International purchased it for \$12 million. The property sold again in 2008 at public auction. A North Carolina timber management company ended up with most of it, about 9,000 acres, but two other tracts sold to individuals.

Since that auction, KDFWR has been trying to buy the biggest part of it from Forestland Group, the North Carolina firm.

Just more than a week ago, the deed was recorded at the Union County Courthouse, transferring ownership of the tract north of the Tradewater River to fish and wildlife and the federal forest service. The property will soon be opened to the public as a wildlife management area.

Phase 2 of the project calls for the purchase of another 4,200 acres or so in Crittenden County. That part of the purchase plan is already in the federal 2012 budget, which includes a \$5.1 million matching grant. That's half of the funds needed to buy the larger tract. The rest will have to be raised through state and private funds. The Crittenden parcel is the Forest Legacy Fund's top ranked project in the United States and all U.S. Territories.

Once Phase 2 is completed, the total project would be the largest land acquisition by the state in more than two decades. It will create a

wildlife management area that runs from near Caseyville in Union County to the Bells Mines area of Crittenden County.

Terry Cook, Kentucky director for The Nature Conservancy, said there's a chance that even more property can be purchased later. Forestland Group will still own about 3,000 acres on the Crittenden County side of the Tradewater, which conservationists would like to get as part of a yet-to-be-fully-conceived Phase 3.



# Letting go — even of pet — never easy

For more than a decade, she reigned over the kingdom, keeping watch for abnormalities and welcoming the familiar. She was head of security and chief vermin exterminator.

On Friday, her rule came to a peaceful close.

Aggie, a rescue mutt from a shelter, embodied everything a dog is supposed to be — loyal, protective, docile, self-sufficient, a bit smelly and a serial digger. But her age and health caught up with her quickly over the past few months. Life had become painful, laborious and her dark eyes were void of the sparkle and zeal present for so many years.

Not without its hurt, doubts and consternation, the decision was made to end her life before nature dragged

to the tallest of redwood trees, every specimen has two things in common — life and death. To be clear, human life is measured on a much grander scale than that of any pet, fly or tree. Losing a loved one may leave a hole that is forever open, for each person has a unique impact on our lives. When Grandma passes on, her role for sure can never be filled by another.

We are helpless to avoid death, despite the efforts some may take to delay its inescapable grip. And while the pain of helplessly losing a friend or family member certainly runs deep, inviting the ultimate fate as a tender act of mercy is an entirely different feeling. That carries with it a unique hurt.

Fortunately, that call is

typically reserved for our pets.

Aggie, while technically not my dog, was a trusting pet. She came with the rental house, a sort of bonus from a gracious landlord. Sadly, the four-legged blonde has been a part of my life longer than any romantic relationship I've managed.

The decision to euthanize was a dual one, but not without my early hope for another way out.

Early last week, Jax — Aggie's border collie protegee for the last year — lay stretched out on the hillside

on a chilly day, enjoying the warmth of the sun on his black coat. Aggie, meantime, remained in the shade of the porch, barely lifting her sad eyes to take a glance as I walked out the door. At that moment, I realized there was only one choice to make.

As heartbreaking as the realization was, a certain burden was lifted at that moment. It would only be selfish to drag out her misery. On Friday, as the light of the day faded to black, so did Aggie's life.

The yard looks so empty now, without her lanky figure

Show your love

Don't be shy about showing the love you have for your pet. For only \$10, submit photos and names of your pet, your children and your pet or you and your pet for our Jan. 26 edition of The Crittenden Press. The deadline for submission is Jan. 18. Call 965-3191 for more.

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## Cherry: 2012 session off to busy start

It is interesting and somewhat ironic that the first week of my final regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly would be my busiest and most important first week after 14 years. This is because of the decennial task of redistricting falls under the purview of the State Government Committee, which I chair. As such, along with House Leadership, I am the primary sponsor of House Bills 1 and 2, which will be the legislative vehicles for redistricting.

HB 1 addresses redistricting for the state House of Representatives, the state Senate and the state Supreme Court. HB 2 deals exclusively with Kentucky's congressional redistricting.

Two days after filing the bills on Jan. 3, the first day of the 2012 session, the State Government Committee met and approved HB 2, which realigns the state's six congressional districts. The biggest change to the current alignment is moving Owensboro from the Second District to the First, which would remove the south-central tail of the state's westernmost district. It also moves Ashland from the Fourth District to the Fifth District. The bill was voted out of committee along party lines, and frankly, I expect a less than enthusiastic reception for HB 2 in the Senate. The final product will likely be a House-Senate compromise bill.

On Jan. 5, the committee heard testimony from Chief Justice of the Kentucky Supreme Court John Minton. He spoke in favor of the court redistricting plan

have to be redrawn. Generally this will be along a west to east and east to west line, as most of the state's increase was in more central Kentucky.

About the time you read this, our House redistricting plan should be publically available and with it will, of course, come a degree of controversy and dissatisfaction. I will say while changes to one's population base is seldom welcome, the changes that I expect to be made to this, the Fourth House District, are reasonable and, to me, very acceptable.

All this first-week activity is unusual, but quick work on redistricting is necessary to reach final passage and delivery to the governor for signature in order to have a reasonable amount of time left before the Jan. 31 candidate filing deadline. Our failure to do so would require an extension of the filing deadline, something that most want to avoid.

The smiles and handshakes we legislators shared Jan. 3 were a pleasant start to what may be a cold feast of issues many may find hard to swallow. The proverbial "hard pills" of the session are redistricting, which I have discussed, and the passage of a new two-year state budget.

As far as the budget is concerned, we expect to consider proposals that include further cuts to state programs to balance out a general fund shortfall that some estimate could reach \$300 million or more through Fiscal Year 2014. This spartan budget outlook, while considered pes-

Committee assignments

■ Agriculture & Small Business

■ State Government, Chair

■ Veterans, Military Affairs & Public Safety

## ThePressLETTERS

**Christmas parade marshal an honor**

To the editor

It was my privilege and pleasure to have been selected to serve as grand marshal of the 33rd annual Marion Christmas parade. It was truly a memorable day.

The Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is very important to our community. The parade is just one of their many projects. Much credit for the successful parade can be given to Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Ellis.

Thank you to The Crittenden Press for the coverage you give to our community.

As we continue "Building

for Tomorrow," we unite in bonds of love and service.

**Judy Winn**  
Marion, Ky.

**Boy Scouts clean Weston community**

To the editor

We would like to thank the members of Boy Scout Troop 30 of Marion for their hard work. These young men did a great job removing debris, raking and cleaning the old cemetery. Again we thank you.

**Sheena Hosch**  
on behalf of members of the Weston Community  
Marion, Ky.

# Commonwealth facing \$337 million deficit in next two years

The Kentucky General Assembly convened Jan. 3 for the 2012 regular session, with more than 200 bills already filed and ready to start working their way through the legislative process.

Redistricting is one of the first and most time-urgent items on our agenda. As constitutionally mandated, we redraw House, Senate and Congressional district lines every decade to account for population changes or shifts identified by the most recent U.S. Census. This can be a highly political and personal issue, but the end goal is always to get you into a cohesive and balanced district that meets all the legal requirements.

Redistricting needs to be accomplished quickly, before the filing deadline for this year's elections, at the end of this month.

As with every 60-day "long session," our biggest job this year is writing state

increasing the high school dropout age to increasing the number of college degrees in Kentucky.

We will also consider ways to address substance abuse problems in Kentucky. Nearly a third of Kentuckians report they have a family member or friend who is abusing prescription drugs. One bill we will consider would place tougher regulations, licensure requirements and monitoring on "pill mills." These are facilities where licensed physicians require little explanation from patients, or assessment of their condition, before writing prescriptions for potent narcotics.

We currently have the fourth-largest number of meth lab incidents in the country. Pseudoephedrine, the main ingredient in meth, is being monitored through the "Meth Check" program, but many producers circumvent that law by having multiple people visit multiple pharmacies to secure the

## Frankfort: Staying in touch

The Kentucky Legislature Home Page, [www.lrc.ky.gov](http://www.lrc.ky.gov), provides information on each of the Commonwealth's senators and representatives, including phone numbers, addressees and committee assignments. The site also provides a bill tracking service and committee meeting schedules.

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# Crittenden students granted lottery funds

NEWS RELEASE

Sen Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) announced Wednesday that higher education in Western Kentucky reaped the rewards of the Kentucky Lottery proceeds during the 2011 fiscal year. During the past fiscal year, 2,372 grants and scholarships worth \$3,652,050 were awarded to students in the Senate District 4, which Senator Ridley represents. The Fourth

District includes Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Webster, Union and Henderson counties. In Crittenden County, 185 grants and scholarships totaling \$296,900 were given to students. "Obtaining a post secondary degree was made easier for hundreds of students from Caldwell County as a result of the Kentucky Lottery," said Sen. Ridley. "I cannot think of a better use

for these funds than educating our young people." Grants awarded to surrounding counties in the Senate District 4 included: 350 grants and scholarships worth \$584,263 to students in Caldwell County; 197 grants and scholarships worth \$304,712 to students in Livingston County; 371 grants and scholarships worth \$588,745 to students in Union County, and 321

grants and scholarships worth \$464,006 awarded to students in Webster County. These funds represent a part of the more than 119,200 college grants and scholarships funded last year worth \$187.1 million, said Sen. Ridley. Since 1999, Kentucky Lottery proceeds have funded more than 1,301,000 college grants and scholarships worth more than \$1.74 bil-

lion. This is in addition to the approximately \$687 million contributed to the state's General Fund during those same years. The senator said an investment in education is an investment in the future of the state. "To help ensure long term economic growth in the Commonwealth, we need to invest in the education of our citizens. The young people who are graduating from

colleges, universities and other post secondary schools are our future leaders. We know that education pays through higher salaries and benefits so the doors this money opens ensures better futures for our children and grandchildren," Ridley explained. "I am proud that these funds are helping our students realize their dreams by achieving successful educations," he added.



## CCES students win conservation contest

The Crittenden County Conservation District in association with Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation and the Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts sponsored an art contest for students at Crittenden County Elementary School. Pictured are grade winners of this contest. They are (front from left) Evan McDowell, first grade first place; Deacon Holli-man, first grade second place; Nathan Bozeman, first grade third place; (second row) Ja-lynn Hackney, second grade third place; Emma Harness, second grade second place; Emily West, third grade third place; Lily Gardner, third grade second place; Samantha Tinsley, second grade first place; (back) Justin Phillips, fourth grade third place; Caitlyn Riley, fourth grade second place; Ashleigh Dunkerson, fourth grade first place; Kenlee Perryman, fifth grade first place; and Caitlyn Lynch, fifth grade third place. Not pictured: Lily Berry, third grade first place; and Sawyer Towerly, fifth grade second place. Selected from the first place winners, three students also received certificates. They were Kenlee Perryman, \$100 certificate for first place, Ashleigh Dunkerson, \$50 certificate for second and Lily Berry, \$25 certificate for third.

## Information needed regarding stolen tools

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky State Police are looking for information regarding tools stolen from a vehicle that had run out of gas on Pleasant Grove Road Dec. 21. Trooper Chris King said Josh Hunter was driving a 1989 black Chevrolet Beretta on Pleasant Grove Road a few days before Christmas when he ran out of gas. He returned a few hours later to find that several tools had been stolen from the back seat of the vehicle. The theft occurred some time between noon and 4 p.m. Anyone with information can call Kentucky State Police at 270-222-5555.

## Two Salem men sought in connection in area theft

STAFF REPORT

Two Salem men are sought by Livingston County Sheriff's Department in connection to the theft of copper wire from Pine Bluff Sand and Gravel near Salem and about \$2,000 of wire taken from an irrigation pivot, also near Salem, that belongs to Cook Farms. The suspects - David Bauer, 48, and Joseph

Bauer, 33, a father and son both of Salem - apparently had a collision in their vehicle and fled the scene prior to Deputy Robert Johnson's arrival. The investigation began Jan. 1. If anyone knows the whereabouts of these two subjects, they are asked to contact the sheriff's department at (270) 928-2122.

## Salem man accused of sexting teen

STAFF REPORT

A Salem man was arrested Jan. 3 for reportedly sending explicit messages to a minor. Livingston County Sheriff's Department arrested Steven R. Damron, 34, as a result of a weeklong investigation by the department. Near the end of December, the sheriff received a complaint that Damron was sending sexually suggestive message via Face-

book to a complainant's juvenile daughter. An undercover deputy was able to begin intercepting the Facebook contacts and later text messages posing as the victim. During this time Damron continued to send the messages to the juvenile. Damron was arrested at his residence without incident. Damron was charged with

one count of unlawful use of electronic means to induce a minor to engage in sexual or other prohibited activities, a Class D felony. Damron was also charged with one count of distribution of obscene matter to minors, a Class A misdemeanor. He was lodged in the Mc-Cracken County Jail.

## Tax incentive program could be available

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is spearheading a program that, if approved by the City of Marion, would provide tax incentives for existing local businesses that expand or otherwise increase the value of their property. The Chamber's board of directors voted last week to take a proposal to the Marion City Council this month or next that would recommend the adoption of an ordinance to offer such incentives. Mark Bryant, the City Administrator and Chamber director, said he thinks it's a good idea.

trator, then the City of Marion would abate for five years the real property taxes. For example, an expansion that raises a business's assessed real estate value by \$50,000, would mean a savings of almost \$600. "I think it's an excellent idea," said Chamber Director Jeff Ellis. "It's something good for us,

as a Chamber, to promote," said another director, John Watson. Bryant said he has reviewed a similar ordinance used by the City of Henderson. Modeling the Marion proposal after Henderson's plan is a good idea, Bryant said, because it's already tested.



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# Program offers disaster readiness

**STAFF REPORT**  
On Jan. 23, 1812 the third in a series of four major earthquakes along the New Madrid Fault rocked western Kentucky and the entire region near the Missouri-centered fault. The quakes, each estimated to be Magnitude 7.0 or greater, reportedly rang church bells as far away as Boston and caused the Mississippi River to run backwards. Such a tremor today would cause widespread devastation and leave rural areas like Crittenden and Livingston counties cut off from timely aid. That's why almost 200 years to the day of that third 1811-12 quake, Gary Ivey is offering a federally recognized disaster training course.

The three-session program in Salem is scheduled to train area residents on disaster preparedness and response. The sessions' certified trainer is also hopeful it will generate enough interest in order to recruit people into one of only two U.S. Department of Homeland Security-certified disaster response teams within 50 miles of Marion.

Ivey, field commander of the Salem-North Livingston Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), said the first of the training sessions will be Saturday at Salem Fire Department. The final two meetings will be Jan. 21 and 28 at the same location. The meetings are free and run from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Ivey, a Salem City Commissioner when the 2009 ice storm hit Kentucky, said that particular disaster is what spurred creation of the Salem-based CERT. He's looking to expand the ranks of the volunteer team. Currently, it consists of only three individuals. Their first big test came during last spring's flooding, when they helped sandbag and maintain a shelter in north Livingston County.

"We were run ragged," he said.

The ice storm and flooding are just the type of disasters for which Ivey hopes to prepare area residents. He is inviting anyone who wants to ready themselves before disaster strikes, but admittedly, is

also looking for volunteers to join his Livingston County CERT. And while Crittenden County currently has no CERT, the sessions are open to residents of the neighboring county. Livingston and Webster County CERTs are the only such disaster relief teams within an hour of Marion.

Perhaps enough people from Crittenden County will have an interest in the training so as to start their own CERT, Ivey said.

He is asking those who plan to attend to call Salem City Hall at 988-2600 to register. While it is not required to attend the sessions, Ivey added, it will help him to better prepare for the training workshops.

# Ban prohibits commercial vehicle drivers from phones

**STAFF REPORT**  
Kentucky authorities are reminding operators of commercial vehicles to put away their smart phones and keep their eyes on the road.

On Jan. 3, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration banned the use of all handheld mobile communication devices while operating a commercial vehicle. The ban also prohibits the use of any such handheld device while stopped at a temporary traffic control device such as a traffic light or a stop sign.

The new regulation allows for a one button use for the purposes of initiating, answering or terminating a call and for full operation of a mobile device in an emergency situation in order to contact police or other emergency services.

The law is an attempt to lessen the number of collisions caused by inattentive drivers. Anyone having questions relating to the changes may contact the Kentucky State Police in Madisonville at (270) 676-3313.



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS

# Five Star razed for expansion

Sue Bender of Chase Environmental Group tries to keep wires and other debris from clogging up the trackhoe bucket as Art Bender operates the equipment, tearing down Five Star Food Mart in Marion. Demolition, which should be done by the end of this week, is making way for a new, larger convenience store. The site should be clear enough by Monday for construction teams to begin laying out the new building's footprint. The expansion project is expected to last until early spring. Meantime, in response to the closure of the only 24-hour store within a half hour of Marion, Fredonia Foods and More began round-the-clock operations this week. If you've always purchased a newspaper at Five Star, remember you can still get it at several other locations in Marion, including Liberty Fuels, Conrad's, Food Giant, Glenn's Apothecary and KB Pharmacy.

# US 641

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project will be isolated to the area between Crayne Cemetery Road and Lloyd Road southeast of the Crayne community. An audible safety warning signal will provide an advance notice near the blasting.

The blasting site will be in the so-called Twin Knobs or Crayne Knobs area east of existing U.S. 641



Bebout

between mile-points 2.565 and 3.188. The work will carve a path between the two hills.

Bebout said some in the community are concerned about losing part of the identity of their hamlet in the name of progress.

"I think everybody hates to see our scenery change," Bebout said of the work to remove a portion of the knobs. "It was kind of the signature of our community."

But Todd said the knobs will not be removed as some have feared, only cut away to allow the roadway to pass between the two rises.

"There are not enough bulldozers available to take down those knobs," said Todd, a resident of Crittenden County who is familiar with the significance of the unique topographic features.

The contractor and transportation engineers will coordinate efforts to provide updated information to the public as the test shot schedule firms up over the next several days. Visit The Press Online at [www.the-press.com](http://www.the-press.com) for regular updates on the work.



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# LIVESTOCK REPORT

LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS FROM USDA MARKET NEWS

**Tuesday, Jan 10, 2012 • KDOA-USDA Market News**  
**Livingston County Livestock**  
Ledbetter Auction (cattle weighed at time of sale)  
**Receipts:** 1,448 Head  
**Compared to last week:** Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 2.00 higher. Feeder steers and heifers 4.00-7.00 higher.

**Slaughter Cows Breaker 75-80%**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
9	800-1200	1087	62.00-70.00	67.03
2	800-1200	1085	75.00-77.00	75.97 HD
2	800-1200	1135	59.00-61.00	60.02 LD
27	1200-1600	1373	62.00-70.00	65.53
3	1200-1600	1363	72.00-77.00	74.39 HD
4	1200-1600	1338	58.00-61.00	59.78 LD
4	1600-2000	1699	64.00-67.00	65.51
2	1600-2000	1698	75.00-80.00	77.39 HD
1	1600-2000	1685	58.00	58.00 LD

**Slaughter Cows Boner 80-85%**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	700-800	715	60.50	60.50
20	800-1200	1052	55.00-65.00	59.83
2	800-1200	1070	67.00-70.00	68.60 HD
1	800-1200	1175	54.00	54.00 LD
5	1200-1600	1297	58.00-63.00	61.01
1	1200-1600	1285	68.00	68.00 HD
2	1200-1600	1248	54.00	54.00 LD

**Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90%**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
16	800-1200	991	45.00-55.50	51.75

**Slaughter Bulls YG 1**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	1500-3000	2030	82.00-83.00	82.40

**Slaughter Bulls YG 2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	1000-1500	1265	74.00-78.00	75.95
1	1000-1500	1175	73.00	73.00 LD
8	1500-3000	1753	75.00-80.00	77.55

**Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	100-200	155	217.50	217.50
17	200-300	258	203.00-221.00	208.23
27	300-400	340	188.00-205.00	198.28
24	400-500	444	160.00-185.00	171.23
48	500-600	534	150.00-165.00	155.15
65	600-700	637	134.00-146.00	142.15
19	700-800	731	137.00-143.50	141.34
7	800-900	845	121.00-130.00	125.68
1	900-1000	945	109.00	109.00

**Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
9	100-200	158	144.50	144.50
4	200-300	260	135.00-141.00	139.09
17	300-400	368	164.00-183.00	173.53
34	400-500	471	129.00-158.00	151.53
25	500-600	549	121.00-149.00	141.76
2	600-700	688	110.00-123.00	116.52
6	700-800	768	131.00-133.00	131.99
9	800-900	845	120.00	120.00

**Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
11	200-300	261	152.00-178.00	163.10
82	300-400	357	157.00-180.00	166.16
95	400-500	447	146.00-163.00	152.72
97	500-600	536	135.00-147.00	140.39

**Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2 (CONT.)**

55	600-700	635	120.00-134.00	129.47
19	700-800	714	116.00-127.00	122.35
4	800-900	807	104.00-106.00	105.00
2	900-1000	940	86.00-96.00	90.95

**Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	200-300	252	125.00-144.00	136.35
19	300-400	368	120.00-155.00	139.22
33	400-500	468	122.00-145.00	136.67
43	500-600	559	109.00-134.00	127.98
4	600-700	668	110.00-118.00	114.27
10	700-800	749	100.00-111.00	108.01

**Feeder Heifers Small and Medium 1**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	400-500	440	108.00-113.00	110.27
1	500-600	510	107.50	107.50
1	600-700	650	101.00	101.00

**Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
21	300-400	352	170.00-197.00	183.75
69	400-500	442	150.00-174.00	157.61
77	500-600	550	138.00-154.00	143.31
58	600-700	632	127.00-141.00	134.61
12	700-800	737	115.00-126.00	118.45
4	800-900	828	99.00-101.00	100.00
1	900-1000	910	84.00	84.00

**Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2**

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
13	300-400	370	155.00-165.00	160.58
12	400-500	448	125.00-149.00	139.90
24	500-600	545	118.00-134.00	130.08
14	600-700	671	110.00-124.00	117.87
7	700-800	767	100.00-112.00	107.97
2	800-900	840	90.00	90.00

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OBITUARIES

Casper, 102

Cozette Ray Casper, 102, of Hampton died Monday, Jan. 9, 2012 at Paducah Center for Health and Rehabilitation. She was a Livingston County native and began her career as a school teacher and later assisted her husband as postmaster and running the general store in Hampton. She was a member of Hampton / North Livingston Baptist Church.

Casper is survived by one niece, Gayle McDermott of Paducah; one great-niece, Stephanie McDermott and husband Scott Simmons of Lexington; one great-nephew, Dan McDermott of Orlando, Fla.; one great-great-niece, Clare McDermott; and a great-great-nephew, Colton Simmons.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ernest "Doc" Casper; one brother, Glenn Ray; one sister, Louise Ray Daniel; her parents, Ernest and Cora Jameson Ray; and her step-mother, Hattie Threlkeld Ray.



Casper

Funeral services are at 1 p.m., today (Thursday) in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors with the Rev. Jim Wring and Rev. Ken Cummins officiating. Burial will be in Hampton Cemetery. Visitation is from 11 a.m., until the funeral hour today at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Duley Bluff or Hampton Cemetery Funds, c/o Boyd Funeral Directors, P.O. Box 26, Salem, KY 42078.

Condolences may also be left online at [boydfuneraldirectors.com](http://boydfuneraldirectors.com).

Jail loses 5 prisoners to early release

FROM AP AND STAFF REPORTS

Nearly 1,000 Kentucky convicts began walking out of prison last week due to changes in the state's penal code. As many as 4,000 state inmates could see an early release in 2012, threatening the financial health of counties with jails relying on revenue from housing those prisoners.

Crittenden County Detention Center is one of those facilities across the Kentucky that depend on income generated by holding state inmates. The local jail regularly houses more than 100 of those men and women, earning \$31.34 per day per inmate. The county looks to that income to help finance the \$575,000 annual payment on the building.

So far, the Crittenden County jail lost only five inmates to early release, according to Deputy Jailer Tammy Robertson. Earlier, Jailer Rick Riley feared as many as 15 could be lost to the initial round. As of Monday, the jail still had 104 state inmates under its care.

The changes approved by lawmakers last year allow prisoners within six months of their release to leave under the supervision of Probation and Parole. They will be given counseling and help with finding jobs and housing.

The move, only one part of a wide overhaul, is designed to cut \$40 million annually from the Department of Corrections budget and to keep inmates from returning. The department says it costs about \$21,000 a year to house a state prisoner in Kentucky. In comparison, it costs about \$987 each year to supervise out-of-custody convicts.

Nichols

Leealema Pauline Duncan Nichols, 67, of Providence died Sunday, Jan. 8, 2012 at Regional Medical Center in Madisonville.

She was a member of Second Baptist Church of Providence.

Nichols is survived by her husband, Luther Nichols of Providence; one daughter, Tammy Todd of Marion; two sons, James Hamby of Providence and Eddie Nichols of Atlanta; seven brothers, Cecil Duncan of Collinsville, Ill., Kenneth Duncan of Wyoming, Jimmy and Billy Duncan, both of Marion, Doug Duncan of Bowling Green, Randy Chittenden of Ohio and Robert Chittenden of Illinois; two sisters, Peggy Reed and Gail Reed, both of Salem; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Freeman and Roberta Duncan, and one brother, Lewis Ray Chittenden.

Services are scheduled for 1 p.m., today (Thursday) at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Mapleview Cemetery. Visitation was from 5 to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.

Belt

Kathy Belt, 55, of Marion died Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012 at Kindred Health Care in Louisville.

She is survived by her husband, Eddie Dean Belt; two sons, Jammie Belt and Troy Belt; two sisters, Lavanda Bennett and Charlotte Gass; a brother, James G. Belt; five grandchildren, Brenna Belt, Layken Belt, Bridgette Belt, Stacia Snow and Bailey Heart.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Clifton and Golda Nell Loving Belt; a sister, Martha Humm; five brothers, Wayne, Yewell, Jewell, Kenneth Leon and Roger Dale Belt.

Funeral services were Friday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors. Burial was in the Belt Family Cemetery with Rev. Billy Jones officiating.

Condolences may be left online at [boydfuneraldirectors.com](http://boydfuneraldirectors.com)



Belt

Hobbs

Juanita Hobbs, 80, of Marion died Thursday, Jan. 5, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

She was a former postmaster at Tolu.

Hobbs is survived by one daughter, Patsy and husband Tommy Payne of Marion; one daughter-in-law, Vicki Hobbs; one brother, W.G. Belt of Nebo; two grandsons, Corey Payne and Jacob Wood, both of Marion; one granddaughter, Angie O'Leary of Marion; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Samuel and Mary Graham Belt; her husband, Harold "Poochie" Hobbs; and one son, Ronnie Hobbs.

Funeral services were Saturday at Myers Funeral Home with Rev. Jimmy Porter and Rev. Wayne Winters officiating. Burial was in Whites Chapel Cemetery.



Hobbs

Easley

Judy Easley, 65, of Marion died Friday, Jan. 6, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

She was a member of Morganfield Christian Church and a retired elementary school teacher from the Crittenden County school system.

Easley is survived by her husband, Jack Easley of Marion; son, Mark Easley of Marion; two brothers, Don Ladd of Clarksville, Tenn., and Doug Ladd of Morganfield.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William D. and Anna Rae Ladd; and one brother, Dwight Ladd.

Services were Sunday at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Mapleview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to: St. JudeChildren's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Rushing

Roy Spencer Rushing, 87, of Barrington Hills, Ill. died Saturday, Dec. 24, 2011.

He was a native of Marion and was instrumental along with Stan "Hawk" Oliver in putting on the Marion High School reunions for many years. After moving to Chicago in 1941, he joined the Chicago Police Department in 1955 and retired in 1968 to open his own business, Ben Franklin Motors in Chicago. The business is still run by the family.

Rushing was also a Kentucky Colonel.

Rushing is survived by his wife, Marylynn J. Fischer; one son, John and wife Dianna Rushing; one daughter, Gaye Lynn Rushing; two grandchildren, Christopher and wife Michelle Rushing and James and wife Sarah Rushing; two great-grandchildren, Addison and Dawson Rushing; one niece, Jennifer and husband Chris Strader; two nephews, Richard and wife Kathy Rushing and Thomas and wife Kathy Rushing; great-nieces; great-nephews; and many cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Lena Rushing; three brothers, Curtis, Thomas and Raymond Rushing; and two sisters, Helen Jane and Martha Lane Rushing.

Funeral services were Dec. 30, 2011 at Davenport Family Funeral Home in Barrington, Ill. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery in Barrington.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Hospice & Palliative Care Of Northeastern Illinois at [www.hospiceanswers.org](http://www.hospiceanswers.org) or The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at [www.aspc.org](http://www.aspc.org).



Rushing

Lynch

Rosa Lee Lynch, 87, of Marion died Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

She attended Harvest House United Pentecostal Church in Marion.

Lynch is survived by two daughters, Margaret and Velma Lee Lynch, both of Marion; one sister, Edith Wheatcroft of Marion; one sister-in-law, Leora Lynch of Marion; nine grandchildren; and several great- and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lawrence Lynch; one son, Benjamin Lynch; one brother and two sisters.

Services were Saturday at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Deer Creek Cemetery.

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# Holeman Baptists' new director, children's minister

Shawn Holeman has only been a member at Marion Baptist Church for two years, but to him, it feels like it's been longer due to the welcoming he and his family received when they started attending.

"From the minute we started attending Marion Baptist Church, the members here made us feel welcome and immediately accepted us," Holeman said. "There's not any words that can express how this church makes you feel. It's just awesome."

Since joining the church, Shawn and his wife Lisa and two children, Georgia, 4 and Hunter, 11, have been involved in the church, including Holeman being appointed to the new search committee last January to help find the right person to fill the Family Life Center's director and children's minister positions.

Fellow church member Joey Bomia had stepped in as the interim director but left to

attend college in Campbellsville.

During the committee's search, Holeman said as he learned more about the position, the more interested he became.

"When I heard the job description of what all was entailed as the director and children's minister, I started thinking how awesome of a job that would be," Holeman said. "As the resumes started coming in from people who have dedicated their entire lives to ministries, though, I saw how excited the committee was becoming and I knew that was the type of person we needed. So I let up on the idea."

Despite the large turnout of



Holeman

interest in the position, Holeman said things weren't exactly clicking.

"It would seem like every time we found someone that would be great, they would let us know that they've gone in a different direction," Holeman said. "Nothing was falling in place."

Deciding to talk to Bro. Mike Jones, pastor of Marion Baptist Church, Holeman told Jones of his interest in the position but wanted to make sure that he was interested for the right reasons. With a job as a union construction worker 97 miles away, Holeman was worried that his interest was more out of convenience than God's calling.

"I wanted an outside opinion on it and that's why I went to Bro. Mike and that's when he told me that things always happen for a reason," Holeman said. "He said that he would call together a special meeting to let the search

committee know where my heart was and the reception from them was just exciting."

After a vote, Holeman was named as the director, with his first day beginning Jan. 3.

"God weaves a blanket of life for us and I think that this is truly where he wanted me to be,"

Holeman said. "It's by His

will."

As director of the Family Life Center and children's minister, Holeman is in charge of Vacation Bible School, Awana on Sunday nights, any type of children's camp and Upward. Holeman said that Marion Baptist

Church will soon offer Centershot Ministries, a program much like Upward but focused on archery with devotion.

"Until God leads me to somewhere else, I'll be right here," he said. "I'm very happy here."

## Take a moment to pray for those who need it

Prior to last summer's tornado, I had never been to Joplin, Mo. Today, I returned from my third trip. Most of the debris is gone; but there are scarred areas where structures once stood. The scars are reminders of the human grief. Sunday afternoon I worshipped with a church whose building was destroyed by the tornado. Three of their members were killed while attending church that Sunday evening.

Today I met a homeowner whose home is being rebuilt. She seemed quite distraught. I learned her sister just passed away, and her mother is dying.

I belong to some organizations that have a small part in the recovery. I went to lend my support to friends I have made there. The Spring River Association of churches continues to do outstanding work as part of the recovery process. Their leader was trained and equipped for disaster relief long before the catastrophe struck. I believe it was in God's plan for him to be there.

In addition, Spring River Association of churches raised funds to hire a husband and wife team to travel from Kentucky and direct their relief efforts. This couple believes it



Dr. H. Wade Paris

Shepherd Calls

Guest columnist

was in God's plan for them to go. I am impressed with their commitment as well as their work effort.

A group of college students from a Catholic school in St. Louis was there today. I went to the job site with them. They were quite busy by the time I left. I met two student workers who were there to plan mission/ministry trips from two junior colleges in Oklahoma. I tried to buy their lunch, but they wouldn't let me.

Why am I telling you all this? You are surely aware of this tragedy. I am telling you because I promised to pray for them. Several times in these two days, I said, "I will pray for you". Later, I thought how much better it would be if I could enlist others to pray for them. Then I could say, "I am praying for you, and my friends are praying for you also." Please join me in prayer.

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## Couples should discuss finances openly, not avoid topic

Most couples can talk about anything. Anything except money, that is.

Maybe you don't know much about financial management, so you want your husband or wife to handle all of the bills. Or maybe your parents never talked about money, so you don't know how to approach the subject.

Whatever the reason, many couples avoid talking about finances until life presents them with a job loss, a medical emergency or an unexpected bill.

To have a strong, healthy



marriage, positive communication is essential. If a couple can communicate openly about money, chances are they can communicate about anything.

People often joke that they have filet mignon taste on a

ground beef budget.

Many couples, however, let their expensive tastes and lifestyles influence them to live beyond their means, often creating unnecessary debt.

We live in a society that encourages instant gratification. Media and advertising tell us that we need the latest, greatest thing, and that we need it now. So what if we can't afford it? That's what credit cards are for, right? Wrong. For newlyweds especially, a first step towards healthy financial communication is establishing a responsible,

agreed-upon budget early in the marriage.

Tips to keep in mind from Jennifer Hunter, Extension Specialist for Family Finance:

- Lay everything out on the table. Are you bringing debt into the marriage (car payments or student loans, for example?) How much income does each spouse earn? How often is each spouse paid? What are your monthly bills (rent, groceries, gas, insurance, utilities) and when is each bill due? Whose name is on each bill?
- Discuss pooling your re-

sources. Will you maintain separate or joint bank accounts? Whose money goes towards what?

- How will you work "fun" money into your budget? Money for entertaining, clothing, dining and dates? What about individual spending allotments? While it's important to work towards financial unity, it's also important to allow a reasonable amount of money for each person to spend at his or her discretion.

Talking about money can be intimidating, especially in

new marriages or where one spouse earns a higher salary. Remember that your new relationship is ultimately a partnership. In order to maximize your potential as a couple and reap greater rewards (both financially and romantically), you have to work together.

Talk openly about your financial expectations, your financial plans for the future and ways to handle potential setbacks. Healthy communication is important for healthy marriages.

## CCES December Rocket Role Models



Rocket Role models for grades third through fifth at Crittenden County Elementary include (front from left) Kacie Easley, James Crider, Cameron Howard, Daley DeBoe, Landon Crider, Kate Keller, Trace Adams, Kalli Champion; (middle) Eli Moss, Kristina Vasseur, Jayden Hill, Jayden Carlson, Ellie McGowan, Ellie Smith, Lukas Graham, Bree Schanz, Leah Yates; (back) Rose Lewis, Devin Porter, Jake Gibson, Alexis Wilson, Matt Lynn, Shelby Summers, Hunter Holeman and RheaVynn Tabor. Not pictured: Chris Perez.



Rocket Role models for kindergarten through second grades include (front from left) Avery Johnson, Austin Whitt, Amee Bean, Ethan Torres, Maddie Miniard, Carson Brown Maddie Travis, Levi Piper; (middle) Koby Williams, Hannah Long, Kaitlin McClain, Jacob Suggs, Reed Minton, Carly Towery, Madalyn Schiller, Natalee Buchanan, William Nobles; (back) Faith White, Jordan Long, Kyle Tinsley, Talissa Jenkins, Mallory Lynn, Ryleigh Tabor, Dalton Collins, Peyton Purvis, Logan Young and Kaitlyn Guess. Not pictured: Carson Montalta.

## Load limit reduced on U.S. 60 bridge

NEWS RELEASE

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) is reducing the load limit on the U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge to three tons. The weight restriction was posted on Tuesday, essentially limiting the bridge to passenger vehicles and standard pick-up trucks only.

Jim LeFevre, chief district engineer of Department of Highways District 1 at Paducah, said the three-ton load limit is necessary for the safety of citizens who depend on the bridge to get to and from work. It also will help ensure that the bridge can remain in service until a new bridge currently under construction upstream can be completed, LeFevre said.

The new bridge, which is under construction 1,500 feet upstream from the existing

structure, is on track for completion in mid-2014.

Also known as the George Rogers Clark Memorial Bridge and the Ledbetter Bridge, the span connects McCracken County to Livingston County between Paducah and Ledbetter. The two-lane bridge was opened to traffic in 1931 and carries approximately 7,700 vehicles across the Tennessee River in an average day. About 80 percent is private passenger vehicle and commuter traffic that will be unaffected by the three-ton limit.

However, the limit will restrict truck traffic for a number of major businesses, including the ADM Livingston Point Elevator, Three Rivers Boat and Barge in Ledbetter, Livingston County Livestock Auction and additional businesses in Livingston,

McCracken and Crittenden counties.

LeFevre said he and other engineers involved in the decision recognize that the load limit reduction will mean a lengthy detour that will pose a hardship to area truckers and some businesses.

LeFevre said engineers will evaluate the possibility of repairs, though repair work that would force temporary closure of the bridge, perhaps for several months, would be impractical.

In 2007 the bridge was reduced to a 28-ton load limit for several weeks to allow deck reinforcement and pier cap repairs. Completion of that work allowed trucks to again cross with load limits only on certain types of trucks.

However, cabinet engineers in District 1 and at the Kentucky

Transportation Cabinet central office in Frankfort concluded, after analyzing results of an inspection completed in October 2011, that the deck, superstructure and substructure of the bridge had deteriorated enough to require the lower weight posting.

"Our prime concern here is the safety of the public. The bridge is safe for passenger vehicles and standard pick-up trucks. We are not comfortable allowing larger vehicles to cross the bridge at this time," LeFevre noted.

Livingston County Judge-Executive Chris Lasher said he recognizes the hardship on the affected businesses. However, he agrees that maintaining the safety of the bridge for everyone should take priority.



### Tedford receives award from WKCTC

Becky Tedford of Livingston County has received the 2011 Outstanding Laboratory Technician Award from West Kentucky Community and Technical College. The award was given based on Tedford's grade point average in the Clinical Laboratory Technician Program during her



Tedford

two-year course. Tedford also completed her associate of applied science degree on Dec. 8.

Tedford is the daughter of Darlene and Tom Tedford of Lola, Ky., and is employed full-time in the lab department at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services, Inc.

### James named to Vice President's list

Sarah James, a student at Southeastern Illinois College, was named to the Vice President's List for the fall semester.

Students named to this list have a GPA between 3.25-3.99.

## New KU customer care center operational

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky Utilities' newest customer service operation is up and running in Morganfield. It is the fourth such facility for the utility company and brings the customer care center, retail customer service offices and line technician employees and support under one roof.

The operation currently employs more than 30 people, with an additional 20 or so to be hired by the end of March.

A grand opening is planned

for today (Thursday) at 10 a.m., with Union County and KU officials on hand to christen the facility. The public is invited to attend.

Cliff Feltham, a spokesman for the utility company, said operations are already running smoothly.

"We're already receiving calls," Feltham said. "It's up and running and working like it's supposed to."

Most of the positions are call center-type jobs, he said. The facility will field a variety

of customer inquiries from across the state, just as the other three locations in the commonwealth. Feltham said most of the calls will center around billing questions, but virtually any type of service-related questions will be fielded there.

"The new location will meet a lot of our operational needs," said John P. Malloy, vice president of Energy Delivery — Retail Business. "We have customer contact centers in Louisville, Lexington

and Pineville and the addition of personnel in Morganfield will enhance our ability to address customers' needs and ensure they continue to receive the excellent customer service to which they are accustomed."

The \$4.2 million, 23,000-square-foot facility is located at 2800 U.S. 60 East in Morganfield.

Feltham said anyone interested in applying can do so at [www.lge-ku.com/careers/morganfield](http://www.lge-ku.com/careers/morganfield).

## Capital Experience sign-ups available for 4-H members

4-H is in the business of helping shape the leaders of tomorrow. Many of the current legislative leaders are a testimony to this as they are 4-H alumni. Programs offered through 4-H work to strengthen leadership skills in youth, and Capitol Experience is no exception. By participating in the program, youth can learn valuable leadership skills and receive insight into the state government through conversing with government officials, viewing a legislative session and participating in educational tours to locations such as the Governor's Mansion, Capitol or Kentucky History Museum.

Crittenden County youth will have the opportunity to participate in this exciting activity this spring. While the exact date has yet to be set by



the senate and house the deadline to sign up for the event is Jan. 18. There will be a meeting for all interested in going on the trip held at the middle school science lab at 3:15 p.m., Jan. 18.

The approximate cost of the trip is \$45 and covers transportation, hotel and meals.

There are a limited number of seats available so sign up early for the trip by contacting the Extension Office at 965-5236 today.

### ThePressCALENDAR

Friday, Jan. 13

- Lacey Brown, American Idol finalist, will be speaking to Fellowship of Christian Athletes during club time, Friday at Crittenden County High School. She will also be at Life in Christ Church Saturday for a makeover for kids in grades sixth-12.

Saturday, Jan. 14

- The Crittenden County Genealogy Society will meet at 10 a.m., Saturday in the Crittenden County Public Library's meeting room. The program will be, "Is your relative telling you the whole story or the real story?" It will be presented by Fay Carol Crider.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

- The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) Chapter 1373, will meet at 11:15 a.m., Jan. 18 at The Marion Cafe. All current and retired federal employees are welcome to join.

Upcoming

- Crittenden County Inter-Agency Council will meet at 9 a.m., Jan. 19 at the Extension office. Mark Bryant, city manager, will provide the program.

- The Crittenden County Extension District Board will meet at 1 p.m., Jan. 20 at the Extension office.

- Woman's Club of Marion is accepting entries in their youth short story and poetry contests through noon, Jan. 20. Contact Nancy Hunt at 704-0057 for a complete list of rules. Contest is open to students in grades K-12.

- Diabetes Support Group will meet at 10 a.m., Jan. 20 at the Crittenden County Extension Office. The program will be provided by Susan Brown of Crittenden Health Systems and will cover heart disease and how it affects diabetes. Meeting is open to the public. For more information, call 965-5236.

- Market House Theatre presents performances of the deer hunting comedy, Escanaba in Da Moonlight, at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 19-21. Call 444-6828 for more information.

- Free diabetes self management classes will be held from 12-4 p.m., Jan. 24 and Jan. 31 at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. Kelly Dawes, District Health Department Certified Diabetes Educator, will be the instructor. To register, call 965-5215. Program is sponsored by the Crittenden County Health Department and Extension Service.



Taylor Belt and Megan Sherrell took The Press with them when they met Buddy Valastro, The Cake Boss, in Louisville. He stopped there for his tour, Baking with the Boss, on Nov. 5.



The Crittenden Press went on a bike ride through New York City's Central Park with Sherry Shoulders, Linda Browning Edwards, Russene Kemmer Heaton and Janie Browning York on Nov. 4.



BASKETBALL

High School schedule

Crittenden County Games

FRIDAY

Lady Rockets host Lyon County

Rockets host Lyon County

GIRLS' ALL A CLASSIC FIRST ROUND

MONDAY

Top Bracket

Lyon County at Livingston Central

Caldwell County at Webster County

Bottom Bracket

Dawson Springs at Crittenden Co.

Trigg County at University Heights

Semifinals and Championship

At Dawson Springs

THURSDAY

Top bracket semifinal, 6 p.m.

Bottom bracket semifinal 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Championship, 6 p.m.

BOYS' ALL A CLASSIC FIRST ROUND

TUESDAY

Top Bracket

Crittenden Co. at Livingston Central

Caldwell County at Webster County

Bottom Bracket

University Heights at Lyon County

Dawson Springs at Trigg County

Semifinals and Championship

At Dawson Springs

FRIDAY

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Bottom bracket semifinal 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Championship, 8 p.m.

Where in the Future

Future Class A Tournament venues have already been decided through 2020. The sites for the small-school tournament are listed below:

2013 Crittenden Co.

2014 Dawson Springs

2015 Livingston Central

2016 Lyon County

2017 Trigg County

2018 University Heights

2019 Webster County

2020 Caldwell County

Livingston, Lyon JV wins

Crittenden County hosted the Junior Varsity District Tournament last weekend. Crittenden's girls lost to Lyon in the opening round and the Rockets fell to Trigg in the first round. Livingston's girls and Lyon's boys were champions.

Follow the Crittenden County basketball teams online

cchsrrocketbasketball.blogspot.com

Family Life Center time

Marion Baptist Church's Upward basketball and cheerleading programs started this week at its Family Life Center. During periods when Upward teams are practicing, the Family Life Center's walking track and weight room will be open to the public. These evening hours are in addition to the day-time Family Life Center hours of 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday. Th center's facilities will be open during Upward practices, the schedule for which follows:

Monday 5-8 p.m.

Tuesday 5-6 p.m.

Thursday 6-8 p.m.

OUTDOORS

Upcoming seasons

Deer Archery Sept. 3-Jan. 16

Deer Turkey Sept. 3-Jan. 16

Bobcat Nov. 19-Jan. 31

Rabbit Nov. 15-Feb. 10

Quail Nov. 14-Feb. 10

Duck Dec. 5-Jan. 29

Goose Nov. 23-Jan. 31

Youth Waterfowl Feb. 4-5

Crow Jan. 4-Feb. 29

Groundhog Year Round

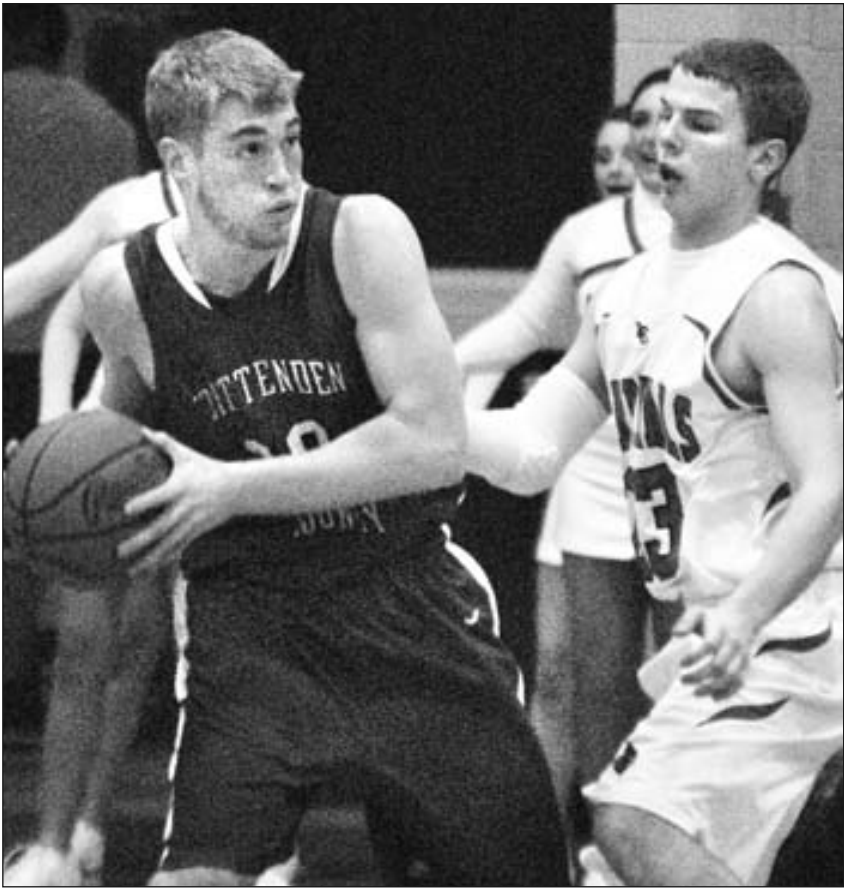
Coyote Year Round



Millikan bags KY elk

Returning a favor to his long-time hunting buddy, Pete Turner of Hopkinsville accompanied Otis Millikan of Marion on his first eastern Kentucky elk hunt. Millikan was drawn for a cow permit late last year, and harvested a 500-pound young cow on the third day of their Perry County hunt. The duo's relationship spans many years. Millikan took Turner on his first elk hunt in Colorado in 1976, and the two continued their annual western hunting trips for nearly 30 years.

# Rockets, Cards face Classic collision



Livingston County's Dallas Love defends Crittenden County center Devin Clark during last week's district matchup. Clark had a double-double in the game, his second in a row.



Rocket forward Bobby Knox fights for position at the low post against Livingston's Aaron Wright (14) while Crittenden's Thomas Scott (5) looks to pass.

## Class A aspirations high despite 14 straight losses

STAFF REPORT

Call it odd, but coach Shannon Hodge feels pretty good about going into the All A Classic Tournament Monday against a team her Lady Rockets just lost to this week.

Crittenden fell 55-42 at Dawson Springs Monday, one week before it plays the Lady Panthers in the annual small-school, mid-season tournament at Rocket Arena.

Despite the loss, Hodge knows her team has several things going for it when Dawson comes to Marion for the Class A's first round. First of all, this one's on their home turf. And there's more to raise aspirations for the defending Second Region All A Classic champ.

"After seeing (Dawson) I think our kids realize we have a chance to be competitive, and really have a shot at winning the game. Hopefully, because it's the Class A there will be some additional motivation," Hodge said.

For her team – which won its season opener against Community Christian before losing the next 15 straight – Hodge is looking for anything that might help break out of the funk. The Class A tournament and Dawson might be just the ticket. Hodge knows her team matches up well with the Lady Panthers, certainly better than anyone else in the tournament.

Crittenden, which lost four of five starters to graduation, has been overmatched in most of its games this year. Against Dawson Springs, the Lady Rockets have a fighting chance. Crittenden's catalyst and top scorer, Bailey Brown, was very sick, suffering from a stomach virus that limited her play Monday at Dawson. She scored just eight points, 10 below par.

"One-on-one, Bailey, Chelsea (Oliver) and Davana (Head) should be able to take it to the basket and we need to do that a little more," the coach said about the rematch with Dawson.

Crittenden shot very poorly from the foul line at Dawson, making only a dozen of 26 shots. That can definitely improve, and the Lady Rockets got no points from low post personnel in the first meeting.

The Lady Rocket JV team also beat Dawson Springs earlier this week, providing more hope for the Crittenden girls next week because five of those CCHS junior varsity girls play varsity ball, too. Hodge thinks the added confidence will go a long way toward a first-round win in the Class A tournament.

In other recent action, the Lady Rockets, 0-5 in district play, lost 68-31 at Livingston after falling behind early and never getting into a rhythm on either end of the floor. The girls played better in the third period, but Livingston – led by Aneta Sloma's 23 points – won going away. Crittenden also lost by 30 to Webster County at Marion Tuesday. Webster is 8-7

### Livingston keeps Rockets winless in Fifth District

STAFF REPORT

If Crittenden County hopes to get past the first round of the All A Classic next week, the Rockets will have do something they haven't done since Dec. 18, 2009 – beat the Livingston Cardinals.

Livingston won its fifth straight in three seasons over Crittenden County Friday at Smithland. It was their last regular-season matchup of the year, but now the two long-time rivals square off in the opening round of the annual small-school tournament at Livingston. After the first rounds, the tournament moves to Dawson Springs.

To get there, Crittenden will have to be at least 15 points better than it was against the Cardinals last week. The Rockets lost by nine to Livingston in December then by 14 Friday.

"We've got a plan," Rocket coach Denis Hodge said. "We'll see if it works. Livingston is pretty solid."

The Cardinals have the third best record in the Second Region and are winners of four straight games heading into Friday's last district matchup against Trigg, the league's second best team so far.

Crittenden's boys, winless in five Fifth District games this season, shot poorly from the floor most of the game last week against Livingston Central. They made just half of 26 fouls shots at Livingston.

Center Devin Clark was a bright spot, however, scoring 16 and grabbing 14 rebounds in a 65-51 loss. Clark doubled his eight-point average against the Cardinals. He was 7-for-9 from the floor and 2-for-3 at the line.

As a team, Crittenden shot 38 percent from the floor and made only 2-of-9 three-pointers. The Rockets have been doing much better than that from long range, but their top three-point shooter, Thomas Scott, was limited to just one missed attempt behind the arc. He makes more than 30 percent of his threes and generally gets off four or five a game.

Fifth District leader Livingston improved 11-6 overall with the win Friday and remained undefeated in five league games. The Cardinals got solid performances from Lucas Croft (26 points, six rebounds) and Kenneth Cowser (20 points, 11 rebounds).

"Those are the guys doing it to

ROCKETS

At a Glance

The Rockets and Lady Rockets host Lyon County Friday at Rocket Arena. It will be the last regular-season Fifth District game for both teams. Crittenden's boys could force a tie for third place with a victory.

Fifth District Boys

Team	Overall	District
Livingston Central	12-6	5-0
Trigg County	14-3	5-1
Lyon County	5-10	1-4
Crittenden County	6-10	0-5

Fifth District Girls

Team	Overall	District
Livingston Cent.	13-2	5-0
Trigg County	9-6	2-3
Lyon County	4-12	3-2
Crittenden Co.	1-14	0-5

us," Hodge said.

The first-year head coach says his Rockets must become more physical and take care of the ball in order to beat teams like Livingston and compete with those like Webster – a club it lost to by 38 Tuesday.

His boys have another shot at Lyon County Friday at home before turning their attention to the Class A tournament. Lyon's record is very similar to Crittenden's this season, and Hodge thinks his team matches up pretty well the Lyons.

Livingston 65, Crittenden 51

Crittenden	12	13	13	13
Livingston	16	17	18	14
LIVINGSTON - Woodward 7, Wring, Armstrong 4, Wright 2, Cowser 20, Love 4, Ramage, Croft 26, Zimmerman 2, Myers. Field Goals 25-55. 3-pointers 4-11 (Cowser 3-5, Woodward 1-4). Free Throws 12-16. Rebounds 30 (Cowser 11). Fouls 15.				
CRITTENDEN - Scott 11, Owen 9, Hill 4, Knox 5, Clark 16, Gilbert 3, Dickerson 3, Frazer. Field Goals 18-47. 3-pointers 2-9 (Dickerson 1-1, Owen 1-4). Free Throws 13-26. Rebounds 36 (Clark 14). Fouls 15.				
Webster County 73, Crittenden 35				
Webster County	19	13	13	28
Crittenden County	4	11	16	4
WEBSTER - Scott 21, Baxter 4, Turner 4, Putman 9, Hayes, Hook 6, Boxwell 12, Pron 4, Major 8, Melton 2, Hartley, Newton 3, Garnett. Field Goals 32-62. 3-pointers 2-9 (Scott, Putman). Free Throws 7-11. Rebounds 38 (Boxwell 6). Fouls 11.				
CRITTENDEN - Clark 6, Frazer, Hill 2, Knox 8, Scott 6, Gilbert 2, Owen 11, Tinsley, Dickerson, Young. Field Goals 15-45. 3-pointers 2-10 (Owen 2). Free Throws 3-6. Rebounds 26 (Knox 10). Fouls 8.				



Livingston Central's Hannah Leidecker guards Crittenden County's Davana Head on the perimeter during Friday's district matchup at Smithland.

against a tough schedule this season.

Livingston 68, Crittenden 31

Crittenden County	8	4	12	7
Livingston Central	21	17	17	13
LIVINGSTON -	Walker 11,	Leidecker 9,	A.Sloma 23,	Ringstaff 2,
Kirkham 3,	Lampley 13,	M.Sloma Fontenet 6,	Ka.Brooks 2,	Kr.Brookes, K.Brown, Head 1. Field Goals 26. 3-pointers 4 (Sloma 2, Walker 1, Lampley 1). Free Throws 12-16. Fouls 20.
CRITTENDEN -	Brown 18,	Binkley, Oliver 7,	Head 4,	Collins, McDowell, Gobin, Moss 2, Phillips, Davis. Field Goals 12. 3-pointers 3 (Brown). Free Throws 3-14. Fouls 11.

Dawson Springs 55, Crittenden 42

Crittenden County	11	10	6	15
Dawson Springs	6	20	11	18

Webster County 63, Crittenden 33

Webster County	13	22	15	13
Crittenden County	6	11	4	12
WEBSTER -	Papineau 11,	Ross 3,	Edens 11,	Townsend, Davis, Keeney, Herrera 20, McNary 6, Dame 12. Field Goals 25-61. 3-pointers 3-10 (Edens 3). Free Throws 10-14. Rebounds 35 (McNary 8). Fouls 25.
CRITTENDEN -	Head 6,	Brown 14,	Oliver 7,	Binkley 2, Collins 2, Moss 1, Davis 1. Field Goals 7-31. 3-pointers 1-7 (Brown). Free Throws 18-30. Rebounds 33 (Head 7). Fouls 10.



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Legal Notice  
Notice is hereby given that on De-cember 14, 2011 Ercel E. Rushing of 7550 SR 506 Marion, KY 42064 was appointed Administrator of James Charles Alexander, de-ceased, whose address was 201 Watson St. Marion, KY 42064. Hon. Rebecca Johnson, PO Box 415, Marion, KY Attorney. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the Administrator before the 14 day of June, 2012 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts im-mediately.

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UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF  
GARY W. BIRCHWELL; and  
KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU  
MUTUAL INSURANCE  
COMPANY; and  
COMMONWEALTH OF  
KENTUCKY, COUNTY OF  
CRITTENDEN  
BY AND ON RELATION OF  
JONATHAN MILLER  
SECRETARY OF FINANCE  
AND ADMINISTRATION  
CABINET DEFENDANTS  
NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of an Amended Default Judgment, Summary Judgment, and Order of Sale entered in the Crittenden Circuit Court on Novem-ber 10, 2011, I will on January 20, 2012, beginning at the hour of 10:00 a.m., prevailing time, at the Courthouse door in the City of Ma-rion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder, the real estate (hereinafter described and all the right, title, and interest of the parties hereto, to-wit):

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Address: 229 Nunn Switch Road, Marion, Kentucky 42064

1. The Master Commissioner will sell same at public auction to the highest and best bidder at the Courthouse door for cash or a deposit of 10% of the pur-chase price with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days. The suc-cessful bidder shall be required to give a bond with good surety for the unpaid purchase price with said bond bearing interest at 12% per annum from the date of the sale. In the event Plaintiff is the successful purchaser, Plaintiff shall be entitled to take credit against the purchase price to the full extent of Plaintiff's lien and costs and expenses, in-cluding attorney's fees awarded pursuant to the Order of Sale. Should the sale not bring sufficient proceeds to pay all delinquent ad valorem tax liens in full satisfaction,

Plaintiff shall be entitled to take credit against the purchase price in the amount of the Plaintiff's pro rata share of the sale proceeds pur-suant to the Order of Sale.

2. The Purchaser shall be required to assume and pay any ad valorem taxes and all taxes assessed against said property by any City, State, County or any school dis-trict which are due and payable at any time during the year 2012 or thereafter. Said sale shall be made subject to: all easements, covenants and restrictions of record; assessments for public im-provements; and any facts which an inspection and accurate survey may disclose. Said property shall be sold with the improvements thereon "as is".

3. The purpose of this sale is the satisfaction of an Amended Default Judgment, Summary Judgment, and Order of Sale entered on No-vember 10, 2011 on behalf of the Plaintiff against the Defendants, Gary W. Birchwell, any Unknown Spouse of Gary W. Birchwell, Ken-tucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insur-ance Company, and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, County of Crittenden , by and on re-lation of Jonathan Miller Secretary of Finance and Administration Cab-inet, for the sum of \$3,364.89 as of November 1, 2011, with monthly in-terest accruing at a rate of \$4.68 per month until paid, attorney's fees and for court costs expended herein.

Dated this the\_\_day of  
December, 2011.  
Brandi D. Rogers  
MASTER COMMISSIONER,  
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT  
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**By JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN**  
PRESS REPORTER

Girl Scouts of Crittenden and Livingston counties will be celebrating a very special day on March 12 as they mark the 100th anniversary of the Girl Scouts organization. Founded in 1912 by Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low, Girl Scouts were created with the idea of providing young girls the opportunity to grow and gain confidence.

As the organization has changed over the years to adapt to new generations, it has kept the same mission, focusing on girls and helping them to mature and become involved in the community. Girl Scouts are widely known by their annual cookie sales, the organization's sole fundraising event.

There are seven troops in Crittenden County and one in Livingston, for kindergarten through sixth grade. Each troop, under the direction of leaders and co-leaders, plans several outings and community service projects

that allow the girls to be hands-on. Most recent community involvements included a few troops making ornaments for nursing homes, delivering Christmas cards to St. Jude Children's Hospital, planting flowers at Crittenden Health Systems and participating in a canned food drive to benefit underprivileged families.

As a parent and a troop leader, Jennifer Bell has been involved with Girl Scouts since her daughter Hannah was old enough to be a Daisy, kindergarten-age Girl Scout. But her "girls in green" roots trace even further than that.

"It runs in the family," Bell said. "When I was little, I was a Girl Scout. I guess we're continuing that tradition."

Between 40-50 girls in Crittenden County participate in Girl Scouts and for Morgan Barnes, it's a great source of networking.

"You get to meet new friends there. Most of my friends are Girls Scouts. It's a lot of fun when we get together be-

cause then you're able to get to do fun things like visiting the Clay Chameleon," Barnes said, referring to a Paducah craft store where children design their own clay pottery.

In preparation of the 100-year anniversary, each troop will be planning their own celebration. Several are planning birthday parties.

"It's a neat event to be a part of," Bell said. "There's so much history there."

"We think it would be neat if we could find old pictures of Girls Scouts to use during our celebration," Hannah Bell added.

Coinciding with the centennial celebration will be the release of a new cookie, Savannah Smiles. A lemon cookie in the shape of a crescent, Savannah Smiles will replace the lemon creme cookies.

If interested in purchasing cookies, orders can be placed by contacting any Girl Scout member or leader. Booth sales will begin in February.

Additional aid for paying utilities made available

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Kentucky's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has received an additional \$9.5 million to help the state's poor stay warm through the winter.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is providing the funding to help low-income families heat their homes. Kentucky's total funding for the fiscal year is \$46.4 million.

The crisis phase money is disbursed by community action agencies across the state. Families can apply through March 31 unless funding runs out before that. At press

time, in Crittenden County, \$14,343 had been distributed to 46 applicants through the first five days of the crisis phase, according to Kathy Penn, director of the county's Pennyryle Allied Community Services (PACS) office.

At the close of the initial subsidy phase of LIHEAP that ended last month, Penn had taken 270 applications from within the county for a total of \$42,703 in assistance for paying utilities.

For further information on applying for aid, visit the PACS office at 402 N. Walker St. in Marion or call 965-4763.

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glaries this week. Those alleged crimes took place on Ky. 506 and Ky. 365. Agent said another burglary on Ky. 120 includes hauntingly similar details.

Hoover has also been charged in Caldwell County in connection to one burglary as a result of the joint investigation. Caldwell Sheriff's Deputy Billy Woolsey said other charges could be forthcoming

because officers there think at least three are related. They occurred on Ky. 506, Ky. 70 and Ky. 902 East in Caldwell County.

Hoover has previously been convicted of felonies in Webster and Christian counties for manufacturing methamphetamine and flagrant non-support. Police say he has admitted to at least some of the burglaries. Hoover is lodged at the Crittenden County Detention Center on a \$5,000 cash bond.

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