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Fredonia postal hours to change

Fredonia Post Office will be re-aligning its office hours after 254 public surveys were returned indicating the desires of its users to keep the office open, reported The Times Leader newspaper.

The office will remain open, but its weekday hours will be from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., with a half-hour lunch beginning at 12:30 p.m. Saturday hours will be from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. That's a net change in only 30 minutes less office time during weekdays.

The changes will take effect Feb. 23.

Cemetery project seeks volunteers

The Caldwell County Cemetery Committee is interested in cleaning up the Old Rushing Cemetery located in Crittenden County behind Rite-Temp Heating & Air on U.S. 641 just south of Crayne.

"This is a historic cemetery, for buried there are the remains of seven Civil War soldiers," said Brenda Underdown. "Their group will furnish the power tools for the clean-up, but they would like some volunteers from Crittenden County to help with the removal of the debris."

Anyone interested in helping with this project on a Saturday morning in February is asked to call Underdown at 965-2082 or e-mail bunderdown@apex.net.

Ex-inmates given sources directory

The Kentucky Department of Corrections and the state's Department of Protection and Advocacy are releasing a statewide directory for inmates with disabilities aimed at helping those released from prison.

All 120 Kentucky counties are included in the directory, which will be provided to parole officers, re-entry coordinators and made available at state prisons.

The directory covers everything from housing and food to where to get counseling, employment assistance, a college degree or HIV testing. If a county doesn't have a specific service, a state number is included so the person can find a service elsewhere.

It is important to communities and the state that people leaving prison reintegrate successfully into society. If a person is later re-arrested and sentenced to prison, it taxes state resources; for example, the average cost of keeping someone in a state prison in Kentucky in 2011 was \$62 daily.

— The Associated Press

What's your opinion? Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked readers the following question: "Would you like to see a fall festival remain in Crittenden County?"

A slight majority would like to celebrate autumn with some type of festival. Recently, Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce expressed reservations about its continued sponsorship of the Pumpkin Festival. Here is what 347 voters said:

- Yes, 178 (51%)
- No, 56 (16%)
- Unsure, 105 (30%)
- Need more info, 8 (3%)

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6-year-old cystic fibrosis patient Living the dream



Six-year-old Katie Perryman of Marion, who suffers from cystic fibrosis, on Saturday put the icing on the cake of her Make-A-Wish Foundation trip to Disney World in December when she joined the Lady Rockets' starting lineup against rival Caldwell County at Rocket Arena. She is the daughter of Rashelle and Tony Perryman.

Perryman starts Lady Rocket contest

By ALLISON EVANS
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Katie Perryman was the star of the show Saturday night as a punctuation mark was added to a wish come true.

The six-year-old Marion girl was among the Lady Rockets' starting line-up against Caldwell County, and received a standing ovation following a two-minute exhibition designed especially for her. The public celebration was a follow-up to the wish Perryman was granted in December for a Disney World trip by the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Perryman has cystic fibrosis, a disease that affects the pancreas, colon and lungs by a thickening of mucus in the body. Breathing treatments, chest therapy and a mixture of 18 pills a day help her body digest food and fight mucus in her lungs.

While her lung function is above 90 percent now and the medication and treatments are keeping cystic fibrosis at bay, she was hospitalized at Kosair Children's Hospital a year ago, when her lung function was at 40 percent. It was then that a Child Life Therapist offered her a wish through the Make A Wish Foundation.

"They asked her if she could do anything in the world, what would she do," recalls her mother Rashelle. "She said go to Disney World."

With her older sisters and parents by her side, the first-grader's dream came true over Christmas break with a stay at the Give Kids the World Resort, where children with life-threatening illnesses are treated to a cost-free fantasy vacation.

"On the way home from Louisville last year, she asked how she got to win that prize, thinking it was a contest," Rashelle said.



"I told her it was like a contest, but they wanted her to go because she has cystic fibrosis and takes all the medication, they wanted her to go because she is going through all this."

It's unlikely there was a dry eye in the house Saturday night as Perryman warmed up with the Lady Rockets in her matching grey shooting shirt and stole the ball from Caldwell County players and dribbled down the court on five possessions. She hit two field goals and one free-throw and received a Player of the Game trophy from Caldwell coach Melissa Thomas. The evening's activities were suggested by Carrie Dunaway of Lexington and Monica Dalbey of Edyville, both of whom are cancer survivors and volunteers for the Make a Wish Foundation.

Public announcements are generally made when children are granted wishes, and Dalbey suggested Saturday night's festivities after learning Perryman's love of basketball.

Fund will aid with Fohs Hall facelift

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

Just 13 years shy of the century mark, Fohs Hall will continue undergoing a much-needed facelift, thanks in large part to a \$300,000 fund established by one of the landmark building's most ardent benefactors.

Late last year, Frances Sohn of Oregon, the daughter of the building's namesake, F. Julius Fohs, established the trust for upkeep of the community center and former school. The annual interest from the fund, according to Fohs Hall Inc. President Alan Stout, will be used by the organization he heads to finance ongoing maintenance of and improvements to the iconic two-story structure on North Walker Street in Marion. The fund is subject to certain restrictions, but essentially, Fohs Hall's future will be made brighter from the trust's investments.

"An old building has many needs," Sohn said in a statement concerning the fund. "It is my hope that others, especially citizens of Marion, will contribute to the fund I am establishing so that Fohs Hall can continue to serve the people of the community into the future."

Built and donated to the community in 1926, the structure has been overseen by Fohs Hall Inc. for more than three decades after being established in 1981. At that time, Crittenden County Board of Education no longer had a need for the building after opening a new elementary school and signed over ownership. The non-profit group has worked since then to hold back the ravages of time, which of late have taken a serious toll.

"We're doing some major renovation work over the next few months," Stout said. That work includes sanding the hardwood floors, replacing the stage curtains, reattaching downspouts, replastering, painting, carpeting and repairing broken windows and water damage.



Sohn

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Hodges share pain of losing son in touching book

STAFF REPORT

Denis and Shannon's Hodge's story of unbearable loss and a journey of renewed faith and focus is the theme of a book, "Life Without My Point Guard," recently released by Author House publishing of Bloomington, Ind.

The book comes in paperback and is 92 pages. It is available on the Internet from the publisher, or major online bookstores. Books will also be available locally during a book signing next month. They are available at area retail outlets such as Bowtanicals in Marion and the Athletic Center in Princeton.

Denis Hodge authored the book. He began writing it after the loss of the couple's son, Jake, in the summer of 2008.

The Hodges are teachers and coaches in the Crittenden County School system where they both were educated while growing up in Marion. They moved away for a time while Denis served in the U.S.

Army. The book traces their roots in Crittenden County, their days living in military housing at Fort Drum, N.Y., and how they ended up coming back to Marion to live, work and raise a family.

Almost five years ago, their son died in his sleep on a Saturday morning. The exact cause was never determined.

Denis decided to write the book so he could honor his son, who left a profound legacy despite being just 12 years old when he passed away.

The book's preface says, "Jake had a heart so filled with love, faith and thirst for the future that the pain of his passing wrapped its dark hands around all who knew him."



Hodge

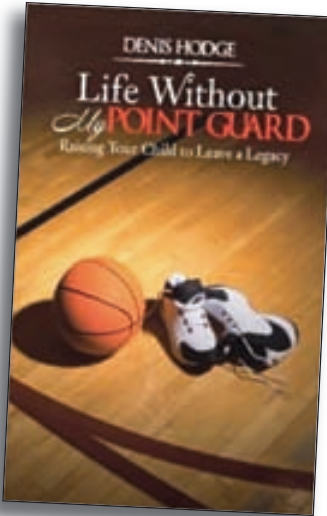
There will be a book signing event from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 10 at Marion Baptist Church's Family Life Center. Books will be available at the signing for a special event price of \$10. All proceeds benefit the Jake Hodge Memorial Scholarship Fund, which has recently reached its first goal of raising \$100,000 to endow four scholarships that are awarded annually to qualified applicants in Crittenden, Caldwell and Livingston counties and to a high school rodeo participant.

There will be a second book signing from 10 a.m., until noon Saturday, March 23 at the Crittenden County Public Library.

In "Life Without My Point Guard," Hodge shares personal experiences as an athlete, soldier, coach and parent. Hodge chose the title because of his coaching background and because his son was a young point guard. The

title also strikes a much broader meaning in life, Hodge said. Through the years, Hodge has observed basketball coaches who have lost their point guards due to injury or graduation. Watching the frustration, anger, and general disorganization when a coach loses a great point guard is comparable to the emotions one might feel after any great loss, he says in the book's opening.

"Life Without My Point Guard" is a collection of easy-to-read chapters that tell their family's story. It reveals intimate facts about their thoughts and feelings following their son's death. It also explains how they've found joy in life despite a monumental loss. It is steeped in faith and love for God and family. The book, Hodge hopes, will help others dealing with tragedy. It also discusses subjects such as child rearing, goal setting, self-discipline, Sunday sports and more.



Now available

Denis Hodge's book, "Life Without My Point Guard," about the loss his and wife Shannon's son Jake in 2008, is now available for order online or in major bookstores. The 92-page paperback will also be available for \$10 at a local book signing on Feb. 10.

ThePressEDITORIAL

Curbing gun rights a threat to nation

Never bring a knife to a gun fight.

Those words were probably never uttered in the stone corridors of New York's Federal Hall when the Second Amendment was first laid on the altar before Congress in 1789. But that sentiment can be found veiled in the "right of the people to keep and bear arms," which is only one of the more than two-dozen freedoms enumerated in our nation's Bill of Rights. Since those first 10 amendments to America's cornerstone of freedoms, our Constitution, were adopted in 1781, firearms have had a guaranteed place in our national culture.

Assaults upon that particular guarantee against government infringement have been many throughout our nation's history. Yet threats to the rights protected in the Second Amendment have perhaps never been more imminent than today amid deafening wails against guns following the horror perpetrated last month in Newtown, Conn.

Earlier this month, President Obama found it incumbent upon himself to issue 23 executive orders aimed at curbing gun violence in America. Many of those directives are common sense and meant to shore up a background check system that has become lax. None spell out any attempt to remove even a single weapon from the home of a legal gun owner, but the president and some in Congress have made public overtures to restrict certain guns, magazines and ammunition offered the public.

These directives and proposals have effectively rung the opening bell to a new round of debate over firearms in America. Despite your perspective, we all long for a day when the senseless taking of innocent lives at the end of a gun barrel is no more.

Sadly, this Utopia can never be achieved—not through legislation, executive orders, background checks, arm-twisting or dropping every gun to the bottom of the sea. Man is flawed and any form of weapon taken away will be simply be replaced by another. Gun violence is not a gun problem, it must be tackled socially, not at the gun shops or in our Constitution.

Certainly, our forefathers—who wrote and ratified the Second Amendment during the day of muzzle-loaders and flint lock pistols—would stand aghast at the lethality of assault firearms today. Some, like many at this moment, may question the day-to-day necessity of owning such weaponry. But at the end of the day, our founders' reasoning almost 222 years ago would likely go unchanged in 2013.

The Second Amendment was not passed to guarantee Americans the right to personal protection from burglars or individual assailants or even to hunt game. The aim, as dictated in the text of the amendment was much broader: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed." Verbiage does not spell out the type of arms, but with an intent to ensure sovereignty and protect against insurrection and tyranny, it stands to reason our forefathers meant for the average citizen to have access to the same weaponry that might threaten sovereignty or aid any attempt to perpetrate insurrection or tyranny.

In other words, a young nation understood the necessity of fighting fire with fire and the impotence of fighting armed threats with swords, sticks and stones. While widespread insurrection or tyrannical governments in America today might seem far-fetched notions, one need look no further than the evening news at the results of a citizenry stripped bare of equal protection from such—a result far more bloody and horrifying than a thousand Newtowns. It is not hyperbole to point to today's Syria or yesterday's Nazi Germany.

As a nation, we cannot let a spate of ghastly events reverse or compromise the protections of freedom built from the very real and wider threat that necessitated our Bill of Rights or the revolution that preceded it. Wiser thought must prevail.

All of our county's representative state and federal lawmakers score the highest of marks in standing behind the Second Amendment. In fact, Kentucky on the whole remains a stalwart, Red State defendant of the right to keep and bear arms. Our jurisdiction, however, can be overridden by dictates influenced by those with a different interpretation of centuries-old law; those whose focus is on the lifeless trigger made of metal rather than the rationale of the individual pulling that trigger.

So as events surrounding gun control unfold, even if you are not, nor ever will be, a gun owner, take a moment to consider the outcome had Gen. George Washington headed into battle with an army of blade-wielding militia against the powder horns of the Redcoats.

Radon test kits made available

KENTUCKY PRESS NEWS SERVICE

The Kentucky Department for Public Health is encouraging residents to start the year by testing their home for radon.

Radon is a colorless, odorless, tasteless gas that can enter homes through cracks in the floor or spaces around utility pipes and can accumulate to unsafe levels unless properly mitigated.

"Radon is a form of natural radiation that comes from the decay of uranium in the ground and which can potentially lead to lung cancer," Dr. Stephanie Mayfield, Commissioner of Public Health, said in a state news release.

Long-term radon exposure is considered to be the leading cause of lung cancer in non-smokers and the second leading cause of lung cancer in smokers. Of the homes cur-

rently tested for radon in Kentucky, over 40 percent have radon levels higher than what is recommended by the U.S. EPA.

Despite these facts, many Kentuckians still choose to ignore the health warnings about radon potentially increasing their risk for radon-induced lung cancer.

Kentucky homeowners who want to learn more about the dangers of radon gas or who are interested in finding out how to test their homes for radon may contact the Kentucky Radon Program at (502) 564-4856 or access their website at <http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/info/phps/radongas.htm>. Free Radon test kits are available through select county health departments and the Department for Public Health's website.

Your Kentucky legislators

The Kentucky General Assembly reconvenes Tuesday for its 2013 regular session. Following is personal and contact information for Crittenden County's representation in Frankfort:

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Service
House 2013-

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Interim committees
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Session committees
Agriculture and Small Business, vice chair; Economic Development; Labor and Industry

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Interim committees
Agriculture; Banking and Insurance; Energy Special Subcommittee; Transportation

Session committees
Agriculture; Banking and Insurance; Transportation

Statutory committees
Program Review and Investigations

ThePressLETTERS

Mineral museum help appreciated

To the editor

The renovation for the new "educational room" has begun at the Clement Mineral Museum, and we would like to thank the following people for helping us to get started: Teresa Stations, Reg Hodges, Phyllis Sykes, Bob Brock, Dulcie Hardin, Linda Schumann, Dave and Anna Schnittker, Dawn, Micah and Greg Holloman, Fred Stubblefield, Mike O'Hara and Hugh Highfil. We also send a special thank you to Samuel Yoder for repairing our leaky roof. I hope I have not left anyone out, if I have please forgive me, as your help was much appreciated.

If you would like to help us with the renovation, please contact me at the museum Wednesday through Friday. The number is 965-4263 or e-mail me at beclement@att.net. Or, if you would like to make a donation toward the renovation, please send it to the Clement Mineral Museum, P.O. Box 391, Marion, KY 42064. All donations are tax deductible.

We are hoping to get the renovation done in our new "educational room" by the time of our annual Ben E. Clement Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry show which will be June 1-2.

Tina Walker
Director, Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum
Marion, Ky.

Letters to the Editor policy

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be so by history was referred to as a tale. I feel a better selection of a word describing truth without a question would have been appropriate.

Gary Hardesty
Marion, Ky.

KU partners to aid WinterCare Fund

To the editor

With winter in full swing, our community's most vulnerable citizens can sometimes struggle to pay for essential services like heat and power.

Kentucky Utilities Co. partners year-round with non-profit and community organizations to provide utility bill assistance and weatherization services to help those in need. This support is even more critical during cold weather months.

We also encourage customers who have the desire to help those in need to make voluntary contributions to our heating assistance program, the WinterCare Energy Fund.

The WinterCare Energy Fund is a nonprofit organization supported by KU and managed by an independent third party, the Community Action Council.

KU matches customer donations each month and forwards the entire amount to the Community Action Council for distribution in the counties we serve. Through March 31, KU will make contributions go even further by matching customers' donations \$1-for-\$1.

Over the last five years, the WinterCare Energy Fund has raised nearly \$600,000 to provide utility bill assistance to thousands of area families in need.

The program supports our most vulnerable community members who may be in dire financial situations leaving a family with no heat or the immediate prospect of no heat.

Eligibility is determined by the Community Action Council, and KU plays no part in determining eligibility. KU customers may donate to the program by making a recurring monthly pledge or a one-time contribution that can be added to their monthly bills. Customers can also donate online at www.lge-ku.com after registering their utility account.

The WinterCare Energy Fund has provided assistance to thousands of our community's most disadvantaged citizens over the years. With your support, we can ensure those in need continue to receive the assistance they need.

Laura Douglas
Vice President, Corporate Responsibility and Community Affairs, Kentucky Utilities Co.
Lexington, Ky.

(Editor's note: Crittenden County residents may access WinterCare Funds by contacting the Pennyryle Allied Community Services office located at 402 N. Walker St. in Marion at 965-4763.)

Community gives willingly to charity

To the editor

On behalf of the 38th Annual Community Christmas committee, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that assisted in making the holidays a little brighter for 564 people in Crittenden County. We received \$16,627 in cash donations and issued food and gift vouchers totaling \$16,200. The remaining money will be used for the 2013 Community Christmas. We estimated over \$17,000 was donated in sponsor gifts for 216 children. Fifty teens received \$75 gift vouchers. All households received food items from either Marion Baptist Church or the County Food Bank.

There is no way to list the

Nancy Hunt
Co-Chair, Community Christmas Committee
Marion, Ky.

Joshua's story not simply Bible 'tale'

To the editor

I was encouraged by the recent article in The Crittenden Press concerning the group that walked seven times around the county schools until I got to the reporter's reference about God's instruction to Joshua as a tale.

Webster states tales as being fiction, falsehood or malicious gossip. I'm sure there was no intent on the reporter's part to question God's word as being completely true, but I was appalled that an event proved to

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Marion man, 26, continues long recovery back to health

By ALLISON EVANS
ASSISTANT EDITOR

Michael Musser admits doctors didn't have high hopes for his recovery following a Sept. 21, 2012, automobile accident.

He was found about 200 feet from his flattened Impala which investigators expect rolled over four times after he lost control near the Crittenden-Webster County Line on Ky. 120 just past what's known as the Montezuma Bridge.

After a normal night at his job at Warrior Coal ended, Musser headed home on his normal route. Not long afterward, the 26-year-old Marion man was being air-lifted from the scene to Deaconess Hospital, where he spent six weeks immobile and on life support.

Musser doesn't remember much about the accident that caused severe head trauma, internal injuries and damage to his neck and back.

Four months later, everyone who knows the extent of his injuries is amazed.

"God is healing him, because he is miraculously coming around," said Musser's aunt, Nancy Herran.

In a month at Health South Rehabilitation in Evansville, Musser learned to walk again and regained strength and greater use of his right arm. He is talking and remembering more. His father brags on his ability to pick up a guitar and recall

all the chords – incredible feats for a young man whose family was initially given a rather grim chance for his survival.

"His spleen and kidney were lacerated. He had a broken vertebrae in his back and a broken collar bone. Doctors told us we might get 50-75 percent of the old Michael back," said Musser's father Gary, who spends most days with his son after taking a leave of absence from his job in California.

Walking to the therapy gym, he is greeted by staff who have positive comments about his progress.

"One thing he has going for him is his age," Musser's father said. "Ninety percent of the patients here are old. He is therapy for them."

"I also know he has had a lot of people praying for him."

Aside from physical therapy and stretching, Musser's speech therapists work on cognitive functions, such as math and memory games.

"I am able to speak and hold a conversation. My memory is a lot better," Musser says while resting before an afternoon therapy session.

His children, ages two and four, as well as his mother, Lorrie Voyias, live in Marion, and his sister, Rachel, is a nurse in Salem.

He was moved last week to Neuro Restorative in Paducah, an inpatient program that allows brain injury pa-



PHOTO BY ALLISON EVANS, THE CRITTENDEN PRESS
Michael Musser (right), a Marion man injured in a September 2012 wreck on Ky. 120, has learned to walk again and continues his recovery after six weeks on life support. Musser is pictured with his father, Gary (center), and a rehabilitation therapist at Health South Rehabilitation in Evansville.

tients to live in a typical residential environment.

Musser's father says he is experiencing a typical adjustment period to the more independent living environ-

ment. He continues to receive daily therapy at an off-site rehabilitation center and likely will receive about two more months of treatment there.

Irish turns tragedy to success with bodybuilding

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When you first hear about Stephanie Irish, you don't think of a bodybuilder. A single mother of an 8-year-old daughter, Irish runs a security company in Virginia. A 1991 graduate of Crittenden County High School, Irish's only formal athletic experience was as a Rocket cheerleader.

In her first competition on Oct. 20, 2012, the Leesburg, Va., resident attended the North American Natural Bodybuilding Federation Charm City Classic at Goucher University in Baltimore. Irish was hoping to medal in her first contest. She placed first as a unanimous winner in all three categories she entered.

But Irish's life hasn't been all success. In between her triumphs, it was marred by tragedy.

In the short span of just six years, Irish suffered two blows, losing both her younger brother and her husband.

In 2005, Irish's 16-year-old brother, Colt Herran, was driving some friends home when he lost control of the vehicle swerving to avoid a deer on the icy roadways of Crittenden County. TheN, in August of 2011, Irish's husband Kenneth, a retired U.S. Army colonel with whom Irish ran a security company, was hit by a pickup truck while riding his motorcycle in Ashburn, Va., and later succumbed to his injuries.

"When you lose someone, that mo-



PHOTO COURTESY OF LOUDOUN TIMES-MIRROR
Stephanie Irish, a Crittenden County High School graduate, after losing family members turned a champion bodybuilder.

ment of hearing the news someone passed, nothing matters except that loss," Irish said.

Irish turned to her faith to help her cope with losing her brother and husband in such a short period of time, and took the loss and parlayed that into success in the bodybuilding arena.

"I feel like my success has come through my faith," Irish said. "Coming out of what I experienced last year, I decided I was not going to let this tragedy overtake me," she told the Loudoun Times-Mirror in December of last year. "I want to be strong. I prayed, and I prayed, and I prayed, and I feel

like the Lord opened up all kinds of doors."

Seize the day

Irish developed an interest in bodybuilding in high school after flipping through her uncle's bodybuilding magazine, but never pursued it.

Motivated by a deep-rooted faith and a seize-the-day attitude, partly a byproduct of the tragedies she experienced, Irish decided to pursue her longstanding dream.

"After losing my husband, I decided now was a time to achieve my dream," Irish said. "I just decided, 'I'm going to do this.'"

Irish had worked out at a home gym in her basement, but in April of 2012, she decided to join L.A. Fitness in Leesburg. In June, she hired a trainer at the gym and eventually a nutrition coach, a posing coach and a choreographer.

"The biggest thing that helped me get where I needed to be was hiring a trainer," Irish said.

Irish competes in the figure competition of bodybuilding.

Though challenging, Irish has found her new lifestyle rewarding. She will compete again in May, this time in Richmond, Va., as a professional.

(Editor's note: Portions of this story were taken directly from the Dec. 26, 2012, edition of the Loudoun Times-Mirror in Leesburg, Va.)

Burglary investigation leads back to complainant



West

STAFF REPORT

Marion City Police have found some items believed stolen from a Highland Circle home on Nov. 17. The items, including jewelry, were found underneath an abandoned house in the city.

Bobby West was the investigating officer. After opening an alleged burglary case, West discovered an ironic twist—the

person who reported it was also the prime suspect.

Police think Timothy Earls Jr., 22, staged a burglary at a residence he shared with another relative. He is charged with theft (over \$500), and a cousin, Joshua Paul Earls, 20, is charged with complicity to theft.

Missing from the home were numerous items, chiefly a flat-

screen television, \$100 cash, a Nintendo Wii console, Blu-ray DVD player and jewelry. The investigation has led to some of the items being recovered. West said the items found had been hidden under an unoccupied home elsewhere in town.

The two men were scheduled for arraignment in Crittenden District Court Wednesday.

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Key deadlines near for farmers

Greetings Livingston and Crittenden County farmers and cattle producers. We have heard that we have an extension on the Farm Bill, but it does not contain all programs that it did. We haven't received any official notices or handbook procedure yet, but we have received a few fact sheets that the Direct and Counter-Cyclical Payment Program (DCP) will be brought back for 2013. It appears that DCP sign-up will start Feb. 19; however, at this time, we still do not have the software to sign up. As soon as we have more information, we will pass it along.

Currently in progress

We issued the annual tobacco payments earlier this month. If you have not received your payment yet, you may want to make sure we have up-to-date banking information. Please let us know, and we would be happy to research any questions you may have. We are currently taking applications

Laura Kessler
Executive Director
Salem USDA FSA



Around the Farm

for the 2011 SURE disaster program, updating maps and working on farm changes.

Please provide us with any changes you may have, and let us know as soon as possible if you gained or lost any ground, have name changes, new owners, etc.

The sooner we know of any changes, the better customer service we can provide to you.

Census of Agriculture

We would like to remind producers that the 2012 Census of Agriculture from the National Agricultural Statistic Service (NASS) will be arriving soon. We encourage you to respond to these

questionnaires either by mail or via the Web at www.agcensus.usda.gov.

I cannot stress how important it is that producers file accurate data with these surveys. Many items in our office use this data to establish typical units of measure. Just a few items that rely on this data are county-expected yields for crops; Conservation Reserve Program, or CRP, rental rates; as well as maximum average losses. Basically, any time a program requires averages to be established, NASS data is normally a reference source.

As always we are here to assist you if needed.

Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (AFIDA)

Just want to remind producers that any foreign person who holds, acquires or transfers any interest in agricultural land must file an FSA-153 no later than 90 calendar days after the date of acquisition. If you sell your ground to someone or

you know of someone who acquired ground that is not a U.S. citizen, please share with them this requirement.

These forms are available at the office or can be found at <http://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov>.

Upcoming

■ By Monday, remember to complete your Census of Agriculture.

■ On Feb. 18, the USDA Farm Services Agency office in Salem will be closed in observance of President's Day.

■ The deadlines to file an application for natural disaster protection under the Noninsured Assistance Program (NAP) is March 1 for alfalfa, clover, grass, mixed grass intended for grazing, hay or seed and TEFF

(Laura Kessler is the Farm Service Agency county executive director at the Salem service center, which serves both Crittenden and Livingston counties. She has been at the center since May 2012.)

Get most from firewood investment

Many Kentuckians burn firewood as their main source of heat during the winter. Others use it to supplement their heating sources. For many families, that means purchasing wood. To gain the most from your investment, pay attention to the seasoning, density and quantity of firewood.

Seasoning is an important consideration when purchasing firewood. Ask if the firewood has been seasoned. Wood that is seasoned, or cured, was properly cut, split and stacked for about six months to remove enough moisture will burn more efficiently. Properly seasoned firewood has a gray, weathered appearance and large cracks in the log ends.

Burning unseasoned wood produces a smoldering fire that creates a potentially dangerous creosote buildup in the chimney. This inefficient burning also can lead to a poor draft, causing smoke to bellow into the room instead of flowing up the chimney.

Different wood species have different heat values, so consider what you want to accomplish with a fire before buying firewood.

Softwoods like pines ignite easily and produce a hot flame. Because pines contain so much resin, they burn out quickly. You'll need to watch the fire closely and add more wood to keep it going.

Softwoods and lighter hardwoods like yellow-poplar have a place in your firewood buying plan. They

Doug McClaren
UK Extension
Forestry Specialist



From the Woods

are a good choice when you want a quick, warming fire or if your goal is a short fire that will burn out before you leave the house.

By contrast, more dense hardwoods produce a longer-lasting fire because they burn less vigorously. Hickory, black locust, oaks and ashes are among the more desirable and plentiful hardwoods. They also are easy to split.

Since wood species produce different heat values, you can combine softwoods and hardwoods to produce a fire that's both easy to ignite and long lasting. Then you can add some fruit or nut woods to produce a pleasing aroma.

Burning woods of fruit trees, such as apple or cherry, and nut trees like beech and hickory provide a pleasant, often nostalgic aroma that resembles the fragrances of their fruits or nuts. These woods produce a steady flame, but usually cost more than those with greater heating values.

The cost of firewood depends on the volume of wood you purchase and the availability of firewood in your area.

The most common firewood measurement is a



FILE PHOTO
There's still plenty of cold weather left this winter and knowing your firewood can help you get the most of your investment.

"face cord," which is 4 feet high and 8 feet long. A "face cord" usually costs about \$50 in areas where firewood is plentiful and up to \$200 or more in locations where firewood is scarce. As with most other purchases, firewood prices are negotiable.

Firewood comes in various widths, so be sure to buy a width that will fit your fireplace or wood-burning stove.

Buying properly seasoned firewood in an amount that fits your needs will ensure that you have a warm, long-burning fire, rather than seeing your investment go up in smoke.

(Doug McClaren is and Area Extension Specialist in Forestry with the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture in Lexington. He holds a bachelor of science degree in forestry.)

ThePressBRIEFS

Youth charged with stealing 4-wheeler

A Livingston County juvenile was charged last week in connection with a four-wheeler theft reported earlier this month. During the investigation, authorities also located several missing road signs in the juvenile's possession.

On Jan. 13, Livingston County Sheriff's Department received a complaint of a stolen Honda TRX 450ER. The complaint and location of theft originated from South Hayden Street in Salem. An investigation by Deputy Robert Johnson has led to charges of receiving stolen property less than \$10,000, a Class D felony, against the youth. Johnson's investigation led to the recovery of the stolen four wheeler as well as

10 county road signs. The signs are valued at \$50 each, not including the labor cost to replace them.

The case is under investigation and additional charges are probable for others involved.

Native earns Emmy for crash coverage

Nickie E. Jennings, a native of Crittenden County, earned an Emmy Award last Saturday from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences Nashville Chapter at the 27th Mid-south Emmy Awards ceremony. Jennings, a photojournalist, and fellow broadcast journalists at WSMV, an NBC affiliate in Nashville, won the Breaking News Emmy for coverage of a 50-car pileup Dec. 1, 2011, on Vietnam Veterans Boulevard in Nashville that killed two and injured 16.

Jennings was also nominated for a Spot News Emmy for coverage of the same event.

City seeking people to serve on boards

The City of Marion is looking for a few good men...or women.

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County Park Board, the Marion Code Enforcement Board, etc. These positions are appointed by the mayor with concurrence of Marion City Council. Most are not paid positions, although some boards do provide a small salary.

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New Kentucky road maps now available

The 2013 Kentucky Official Highway Map is now available across the state at rest areas, welcome centers, local convention and tourism offices and all Kentucky State Parks.

The map contains a wealth of information for motorists. And its "Only One Kentucky" theme highlights the beauty, natural attractions and features found in Kentucky.

To view or download an electronic version of the map,

Kentucky traffic fatalities at 40

Kentucky State Police regularly report year-to-date traffic fatalities across the commonwealth. Eleven deaths were reported on the state's roadways from Jan. 21 to Sunday. Below, the number of 2013 deaths through last Sunday are represented.

2013 DEATHS	CHANGE FROM 2012	ALCOHOL RELATED
Deaths	40.....	8.....9
MODE	DEATHS	NO SAFETY EQUIPMENT
Automobile	32.....	18
Motorcycle	2.....	1
Pedestrian	5.....	n/a
Horse-drawn	1.....	n/a

county maps or city maps, visit www.transportation.ky.gov/maps/pages.

Correction

A story in last week's issue incorrectly listed the age of Col. Scott A. Campbell, a Crittenden County native. Campbell, decorated with a Legion of Merit medal from the Army earlier this month, is 52.

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LIVESTOCK REPORT

LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS FROM USDA MARKET NEWS

Jan. 29 - KDA-USDA Market News, Louisville, Ky.
Receipts: 490 head.
Compared to last week: Feeder steers 5.00-8.00 higher.
Feeder heifers 1.00-2.00 higher. Supply included 38% heifers and 21% of feeders over 600 lbs. Slaughter cows and bulls traded steady.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	200-300	215	215.00	215.00
4	300-400	336	174.00-189.00	184.62
26	400-500	444	168.00-181.00	177.25
3	500-600	553	154.00-174.00	165.59
12	600-700	636	140.00-156.00	147.41
7	700-800	755	135.00-138.00	135.97
2	800-900	867	127.00	127.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	200-300	238	175.00-195.00	183.42
6	300-400	371	163.00-171.00	166.59
9	400-500	475	154.00-164.00	159.61
9	500-600	562	132.50-146.00	141.01
5	600-700	658	122.00-136.00	126.52
1	700-800	755	108.00	108.00

Feeder Holstein Steers Large 3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
13	200-300	264	106.00-108.00	107.32
4	400-500	447	85.00	85.00
2	500-600	552	83.00	83.00
1	600-700	650	80.00	80.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	200-300	235	168.00-175.00	171.14
15	300-400	362	153.00-171.00	158.01
13	400-500	434	145.00-158.00	151.65
49	500-600	530	135.00-150.00	143.31
12	600-700	629	128.00-139.00	130.75
6	700-800	726	121.00-131.00	127.70

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	200-300	285	158.00-160.00	159.50
4	300-400	361	136.00-152.00	146.44

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
14	400-500	458	132.00-144.00	139.99
7	500-600	527	127.00-132.00	129.58
2	600-700	630	115.00	115.00

Heifers Small and Medium 1

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	400-500	450	120.00-125.00	122.56
1	500-600	560	108.00	108.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
9	300-400	375	164.00-176.00	170.70
27	400-500	470	160.00-175.00	163.39
22	500-600	548	150.00-160.00	152.24
10	600-700	622	135.00-140.00	137.09
5	700-800	735	122.00	122.00
5	800-900	832	109.00-110.00	109.19

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	400-500	441	137.00-156.00	146.71
18	500-600	570	130.00-145.00	139.26
9	600-700	653	120.00-130.00	126.43
2	700-800	792	110.00-111.00	110.50

Slaughter Cows:

%Lean	Weight	AD	HD	LD
Breaker	75-80	1240-1750	71-75	76-77
Boner	80-85	1150-1550	67-73	76-80
Lean	85-90	1050-1485	63-66	58-61
Lite	85-90			

Slaughter Bulls:

YG:	Weight	Avg-Dress	Lo-Dress
#1-2	1440-2030	87.00-94.00	83.00-84.00

Stock Cows: Cows 2 to 8 years old and 4 to 7 months bred 690.00-1110.00 per head.


Stock Cow/Calf Pairs: Not enough to test.

Baby Calves: No test.

Chip Stewart, market specialist
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Detention center prisoner count

Following is a census of the 133-bed Crittenden County Detention Center as of Monday:

CLASSIFICATION	MALE	FEMALE
Federal	3	1
State	79	21
Crittenden	13	7
Other	28	1
Gender total	123	30
Total population:	153	

Last week, 36 detention center work release inmates put in 1,432 hours of community service in a short week due to the Jan. 21 holiday, saving taxpayers approximately \$10,382.

Local paper impacts community and its people

I came across an article published back in 1956, and as I read it, some of the points being made, caused me to think of our own local paper, The Crittenden Press, and how much it is looked forward to each week. Most folks can't wait to get it, and see all the local news, whether it's those who live here or those who have moved away and now look forward each week to some hometown happenings.

The local paper today doesn't contain the newsy community items that it did several years ago, but it's only because things aren't as they used to be. The editor, in just recent times, has asked for local community items to be submitted to the paper. The paper even held a workshop to help people get interested and familiar with the process of writing.

Everyone is too busy and the main thing, I feel like, is that in slower-paced times, things that seemed important then—trivial things, such as who is sick or visiting their neighbors, a new baby in the community or just who was taking a Sunday afternoon ride—just do not seem as important or interesting today as they once did. And now, the once-neighborhood communities—where everyone who lived there was acquainted with everyone by having grown up in the community and attended the local school and churches as children—have just about disappeared. I know that has happened in my hometown of Crayne.

There is nothing in the world of publishing today to compare with the country-town weekly newspaper. City-borns do not understand this. The mailman does not bring to their mailbox or post office box each Friday the eight-page journal with all the news "back home."

Former residents of small



towns and even subscribers living within earshot of the newspaper seldom realize the quantity of routine labor and the quality of plain old dog-bone stubbornness it takes to publish such a paper each week. It's a good thing that country editors are too stubborn to quit. Otherwise, there would be fewer weekly papers than there are now, and the ranks have been thinning alarmingly in the past 10 years.

Because there is no sensational or dramatic news development every week, the editor must fill the columns with little items, knowing, if he's wise, that this is really what makes his product so worthy anyway. If the mill burns down, everybody in the county knows all about it long before next publication day for the community paper.

But not everyone knows that in the community of Frances that Mr. and Mrs. Dalton Owen and Mark of Gary and Mrs. Patsy Conger and baby of Evansville spent the weekend here guests of Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Owen and girls; or that Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Whitt, Mackey and Louisa spent the weekend in Richmond, Ky., guests of his brother, Mr. Dick Whitt and Sandra, Clark and Billy; nor had they heard from the Barnett's Chapel community that Mr. Jimmy Belt, a former resident of Barnett's Chapel, was married to Ms. Pat Smith of Peoria, Ill., Saturday, Jan. 28; nor that the ladies of

the Monday Culture Club answered roll call with a favorite Bible verse. (These items all were taken from a 1956 issues of The Crittenden Press.)

It is of such information that weekly hometown papers are made. City papers cannot serve their readers this way. And even if they did round up all such "happenings," who would read them?

Radio, television, magazines, trucked-in city papers...none can fill the niche occupied in the lives of rural community dwellers by the county weekly or in county-born folks who have moved far away and look forward each week to their hometown paper, for it keeps them connected to their roots. It's no fun when you are not acquainted with at least a third of the people mentioned.

By 1990, the once-numerous community items submitted from all over the county—as many as eight to 10—had fallen to four loyal correspondents who turned in their local news. They chronicled who visited who, who had been sick, who died and what happened in church on Sunday morning.

Some people never read them. Some people made fun of them. Still others said they read every word written and wouldn't subscribe to the newspaper if these articles, which seem like a "letter from home," weren't there.

"They" were the community correspondents. And for most rural weekly newspapers, they were important, if unpaid, staffers. In January 1990, The Crittenden Press had four community correspondents. It used to have many more—Freedom, Frances, Repton, Deanwood, South Marion and Shady Grove to name a few—but times change. Sometimes both communities and correspondents

die, and counties and newspaper readers are both the poorer for it.

The four Press correspondents who were reporting regularly were Edna Drennan from Sugar Grove, Geneva Dycus from Dycusburg, Dukealea Brown from Emmaus and Peggy Malcom from Crayne. Here is what these ladies shared about themselves with the paper. (Just for some old local happenings, I've added at the bottom of their story a sampling of some of their column items that they gathered from their area in January of 1990.)

Drennan, who had written for The Press for about two years, said she started writing because people in her church, Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian, insisted that she do so. She said there are a few people in her family and in the community who tell her they wouldn't subscribe to the paper if it weren't for the Sugar Grove news.

It touches my heart and encourages me to continue to write. Mrs. Drennan, who lived in Crittenden County until she was 19, when she moved to Michigan, moved back to this county after a while because "I love Crittenden County and it's home to me."

From The Press: "A birthday slumber party was given Friday night by Carol LeNeave in honor of her daughters, Laurie and Melissa Vinson, both 14 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sigler, Henderson, attended the morning worship service at Sugar Grove and later visited Wayne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delmer Sigler. Wincell Towery of Portage, Ind., spent the weekend with his mother, Viola Towery."

Drennan died Nov. 11, 1997, and is buried in Sugar Grove Cemetery.

Dycus, who had been writing for The Press since

1974, said she started writing the "Dycusburg News" after Mamie Lott quit writing it and after she retired from teaching in 1973. She also said she had people write letters and cards telling her how much they enjoy her articles about the news from the Cumberland River town. Mrs. Dycus was a colorful person, and enjoys having fun. "I love to dance, and I love to do church work," she said.

From The Press: "Anna Louise Glenn passed away Saturday, Jan. 27 on her 86th birthday at the Princeton Health Care Center. She was the daughter of the late Carl and Bertie Glenn of Dycusburg. Dorothy Bennett suffered injuries by a cow last week. She has a broken collar bone (and) several ribs (and) many bruises. She was a patient at Livingston County Hospital several days. Rhea Stinnett is feeling better after a siege of the flu last week.

Dycus died Oct. 6, 2001, and is buried in Dycusburg Cemetery.

Brown, writing for the Press is a family tradition, her mother Polly Patton, also wrote the "Emmaus news." Mrs. Brown said she has written the Emmaus news for about 30 years. She started as soon as her mother died. Mrs. Brown also says she gets several compliments, especially from people who live away for the area. They love to hear the news from home, she said. Mrs. Brown, a housewife, is also involved with her church. Mrs. Brown said she just loves finding things out and writing about them, and the way she finds out about news is by calling people at Emmaus or they call her to tell her the news of the area.

From The Press: "Mr. and Mrs. Greg Hodge of Unicol, Tenn., spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hodge. Tonya

and Jan Peek of Murray spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Peek and family. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Tabor spent Saturday afternoon with Mary Florence Simpkins."

Brown died Mar. 13, 1994, and is buried in Asbridge Cemetery.

The small town of Crayne, four miles south of Marion, has enough news to keep Malcom busy. She had been writing the Crayne news for about two years after several people in the community encouraged her to write. Gathering the news is pretty easy, she said, because people call her on the phone to fill her in on who has visited who, who is in or out of the hospital and several other tidbits of information.

Malcolm, like the other correspondents, said she gets compliments from people who live away from here. Her favorite thing about writing the community's news is talking to people, finding out all the news no matter what it is.

From The Press: "Elizabeth Stevens visited Mrs. Alice Sunderland in the Salem Nursing Home and was the supper guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Sanders Jr. and family. Velma Ferguson spent a few days with her daughter, Sheryl and Gerl McKinney in Hawesville, Ky. Billie Travis went to Nashville last week for a check-up and got a good report."

Malcom died June 22, 2007, and is buried in Mexico Cemetery.

As you can see, there were lots more family and friends visiting with one another then. There just doesn't seem time for these simple pleasures during the busy days of today, and with several other ways to communicate, it is easier than a traveling visit. But you can see why these community items were truly a visit home by the readers.

CCES November Rocket Role Models



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Rocket Role Models for grades K through two are (front from left) Kendyl Drury, Leauna West, Jonah Reddick, Ellary McKinney, Riley Kirby, Austin Martin and Lily Perry; (middle row) Ethan Rhodes, Dante Badgwell, David Fritts, Chloe Jackson, Ava Henry, Katie Perryman, Bennett McDaniel, Sofie Watson and Jacob Mahns; (back row) Parker Kayse, Taylor Guess, Laken Hunt, Kaleb Nesbitt, Kayden Langston, Emily Henderson, Evan Belt and Karsen Shouse.



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Rocket Role Models for grades third through fifth are: (front row) Coby West, Keilee Baker, Trace Derrington, Chloe James, Jordan Hutchison and Mallory Lynn; (middle row) Josie Grimes, Southern Pate, Gage Campbell, T.H. Nolan, Douglas Ford, Caden McCalister, Isabella Holliman, Kenlee McDaniel and Eli Moss; (back row) Jacob Kurtz, Lily Berry, Katie Mathieu, Jaimie Burt, Ethan Stone, Gavin Davidson, Ellie Smith and Hannah Bell.

HONOR ROLL

Due to incorrect information inadvertently submitted to The Crittenden Press, the wrong honor roll for Tammy Brantley's fifth-grade homeroom was printed with last week's other second nine-weeks honor roll. The following is the correct listing:

- All A: Hunter Jones.
- All A and B: Morgan Barnes, Jaimie Burt, Chloe Daniels, Natalie Hutchings, Michael P. Kirk, Katie Mathieu, Ellie McGowan, Jenna Potter, Caitlyn Riley, Jordan Urbanowski and Zack Weathers.

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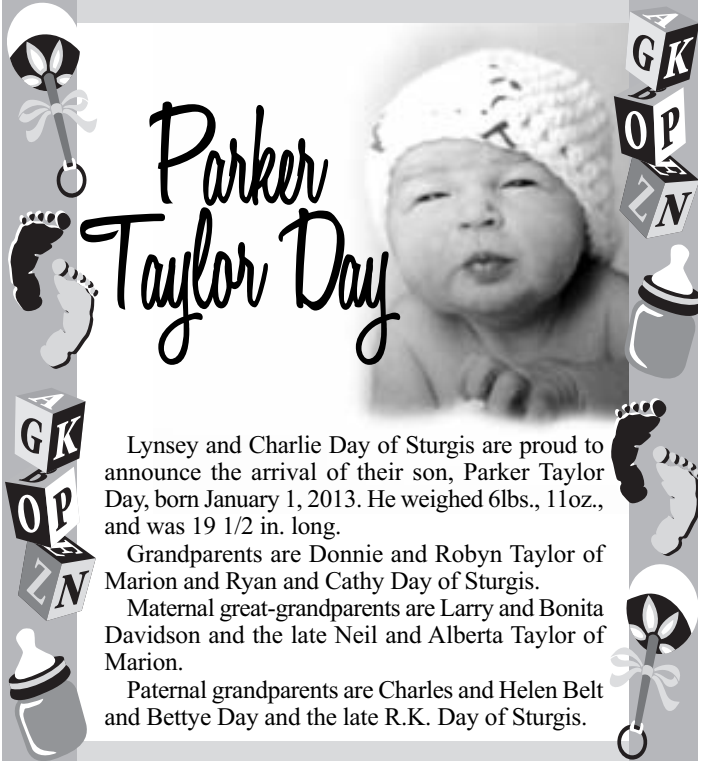
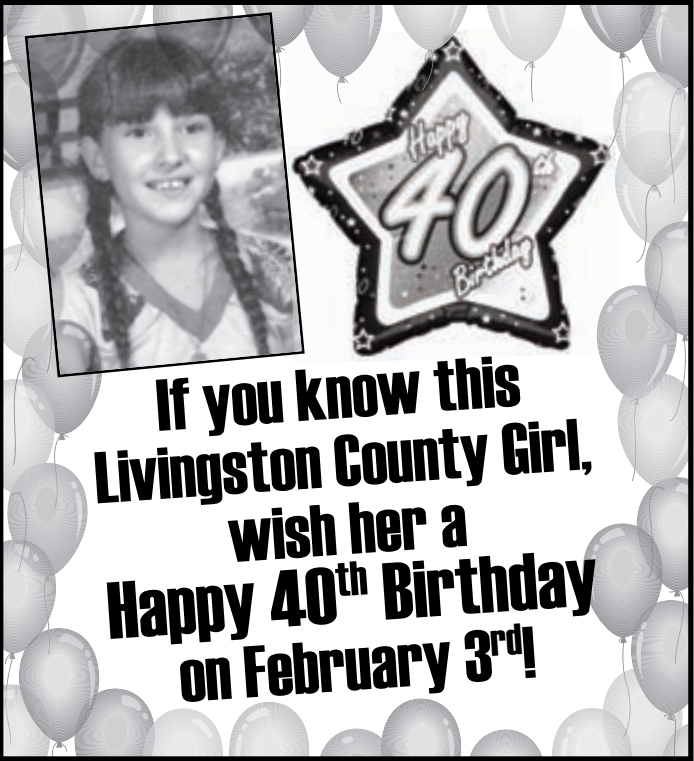
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Murray State University (MSU) will be conducting two upcoming ACT Prep Workshops. Offered in two locations, Murray or Paducah, the workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday. The cost of the workshop is \$55 and includes a 350-plus page book.

"This is a great opportunity

for first-time test takers or those wishing to improve their score," said Janeen Winters, special programs coordinator in the MSU Center for Continuing Education and Academic Outreach.

For more information, and to easily register online, visit <http://www.murraystate.edu/actprep.aspx>



STAFF REPORT

there will be a baptismal service Sunday at P i n c k - n e y v e l l e Baptist Church, and Salem B a p t i s t Church has offered the use of their family life facilities to conduct North Livingston's vacation Bible school, which is tentatively set for the first week of July. Other special services are being planned with Dyer Hill, Starrick reported. New Union Church has scheduled a benefit dinner and concert with the group "Refresh" at 2 p.m., Feb. 16.

While it will be several months before Sunday services once held in the North Livingston sanctuary demolished by an EF-2 twister will return to the church's Carrsville Road home, it could be just a matter of weeks before other functions of the congregation return to the adjoining portion of the church largely spared by the

"The assessments of the extent of the damage to the portions of the building still standing will begin to be made next week through 'surgical demos' of the collapsed portions of the building where the buildings were connected," Starrick said Sunday. "We have hired a general contractor that specializes in church rebuilds after natural disasters. This company is very proficient in working with insurance companies, and when the time and jobs warrant, volunteer labor during the construction phases."

The pastor said electricians, plumbers and HVAC workers will start separating utilities between the collapsed portions that will require demolition and portions of the structure minimally damaged in the storm.

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The congregation of North Livingston Baptist Church has been granted permission by Livingston County Board of Education to hold Sunday services inside the gymnasium of nearby North Livingston Elementary School. Above, the congregation listens to music performed at its most recent Sunday service. Pastor Danny Starrick can be seen seated at the table in the foreground.

That mission work is primarily aimed at providing nutritious meals to community children along with Bible studies and fun activities.

thank all of the community (who have) supported us with monetary gifts and all of the prayers that have been offered on their behalf," Starick said.

A new chapter in America's moral revolution came earlier this month as Atlanta pastor Louie Giglio, who was to give the benediction at President Obama's second inaugural ceremony, was disinvited when a liberal group found that two decades ago he gave a sermon in which he called homosexuality a sin and the "only way out of a homosexual lifestyle ... is through the healing power of Jesus."

Rev. Lucy
Tedrick
Crittenden Press
guest columnist



Religious Views

Now, Washington National Cathedral, where the nation gathers to mourn tragedies and celebrate new presidents, will soon begin performing homosexual "marriages."

This president and his ungodly minions have brought America to a new and frightening low, and we have not seen even the tip of the iceberg yet.

This is part of a sermon Charles G. Finney preached on Dec. 4, 1873, while presi-

dent of Oberlin College, bemoaning the fact that America was swiftly becoming vile and many professing-Christians as wicked as the rest of the populist:

“Brethren, our preaching will bear its legitimate fruits. If immorality prevails in the land, the fault is ours in a great degree. If there is a decay of conscience, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the public press lacks moral discrimination, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the church is degenerate and worldly, the pulpit is responsible for it. If the world loses its interest in religion, the pulpit is responsible for it. If Satan rules in our halls of legislation, the pulpit is responsible for it. If our politics become so corrupt that the very foundations of our government are ready to fall away, the pulpit is responsible for it. Let us not ignore this fact, my dear

brethren; but let us lay it to heart, and be thoroughly awake to our responsibility in respect to the morals of this nation."

Now, it has gotten so wicked that preachers are openly joining the evil throng, and those who won't will be demanded by the bullying wimps to be put in prison.

Some Muslim nations punish homosexuality with death, and we have people in power who rally for homosexuals and all their wants. These same people are behind the scenes to help the Muslims get in power here, and the two will never mix.

We have Leftists in this country wanting to infringe upon gun owners, but they will be crying for their help when their own heads roll for being or loving homosexuality.

Again, we see poetic justice: "Be not deceived, God is

not mocked, for what so ever
a man sows that shall he also
reap," Galations 6:1.

Now the wimp-bullies tell businesses they have to do their bidding or they will destroy them. A New Mexico photography studio who refused to photograph a lesbian wedding in 2006 was taken to court based on state law there and had to pay a horrible fine plus all the court costs as upheld by a New Mexico appellate court in 2012. And this is America?

This evil is nationwide and is coming after the preachers not only listing us as second-rate citizens, but in line for court action.

Wimp-bullies may have the right to be perverts and haters of God, lying about His Words, but I also have the right to tell them the truth, or at least in God's sight. But if they and all their supporters from the top down have their

way, I and all who will preach the truth will face prison terms or big fines, mark my word, if God doesn't start His own plan of mass destruction.

More than half of America does not deserve His blessings. But I continually beg on the behalf of the 49 percent for mercy and a great spiritual awakening for the sake of all the young innocents who escape abortion and face a bleak and dangerous future—and hell in the end—if people stop preaching the truth and exposing the lies told about God's Word.

We all have a choice as to what we will do with our lives—temptations, lusts, desires, actions, etc.—and we will also reap all of it in the end. So wise people, follow the God who made and owns us and everything else, and who will have the last word.

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Obituaries

Hughes

Nelson Hughes, 70, of Marion died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

He was a co-founder and former co-owner of Par 4 Plastics, a veteran of the United States Navy and member of Deer Creek Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Muriel Hughes of Marion; a son, Ricky Nelson Hughes of Marion; two brothers, Denton Hughes of Tampa, Fla., and Doug Hughes of Ashburn, Ga.; sister-in-law, Brenda Hughes of Marion; granddaughter, AshLyn Shea Hughes of Tampa, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Virgil and Cloyce Stephenson Hughes; a brother Ronnie "Doorknob" Hughes; and a nephew.

Services were Saturday, Jan. 26 at Myers Funeral Home in Marion with Bro. Marty Brown officiating. Burial was at Mapleview Cemetery.



Drury

Ruth Carner Drury died Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013 at Crittenden Health and Rehabilitation Center in Marion.

She was a homemaker and longtime member of Crooked Creek Baptist Church.

Drury was born Nov. 3, 1915 to Pearl (Vinson) and Robert Carner in Caldwell County. She was married to Orval Drury Jan. 20, 1934. After 58 years of marriage, he preceded her in death on Aug. 5, 1992.

Also preceding her in death were her parents; step-father, Lilburn Shahan; a sister, Nina Walker; a twin brother Raymond Carner; and son-in-law, Arzie Shewmaker.

Surviving are three daughters, Roberta Shewmaker, Evelyn and husband Harry Fuller and Janet and husband Don Matheny, all of Marion; six grandchildren, Bill and wife Kelley Shewmaker of Marion; Judy and husband Mark Gargus of Owensboro; Robbie and husband Frank Riley of Union; Jill and husband Brad Munson of Nicholasville, Devon and husband Ross Atwell of Marion, Eric and wife Chrisi Matheny of Sturgis; 12 great-grandchildren, Ethan, Wyatt and Gabriel Shewmaker, Jacob and Lucas Riley, Katie, Caroline and Elizabeth Munson, Kailee Atwell and Joshua, Anna and Caleb Gargus.

Services were Sunday at Myers Funeral Home in Marion with Rev. Mike Shocklee and Rev. Wendell Ordway officiating. Burial was at Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Mt. Zion Cemetery, c/o Farmers Bank & Trust Company, P.O. Box 151, Marion, KY or to Gideons International.



Hughes

Nella Jane Hughes, 88, of Marion died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013 at Crittenden Hospital.

She was a member of Freedom General Baptist Church.

Surviving are her son, Glenn Hughes of Marion; daughter, Karen Loveless of Virginia Beach, Va.; sisters, Iva Brown of Marion and Verna Hodges of Salem; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Brownie Hughes; parents, Vernon and Ileene Hunt; and a sister, Jewell Zubas.

Services were Monday, Jan. 28 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Freedom Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Freedom Cemetery Fund, c/o Gilbert Funeral Home, 117 W. Bellville St., Marion, KY 42064.

Ramage

Stephanie Ann (Henry) Ramage, 70, of Burna died Friday, Jan. 25, 2013 at Livingston Hospital.

She was born and raised in Marion and attended Crittenden County High School and Draughons Junior College in Paducah. She worked and lived briefly in Washington D.C., before returning to Kentucky where she married and raised her family.

She volunteered as a GED tutor, helped with the local Bookmobile and Outreach Services.

Surviving are her husband of 49 years, Randel Lee Ramage; a son, Aron Lee Ramage and his wife Janis Lynne Piwonka of Memphis, Tenn.

She was preceded in death by a son, Logan Edward Ramage; a brother, James Stephen Henry; a sister, Kathleen Henry; and her parents, Lawrence William Henry and Martha McGill Henry.

Graveside services were Wednesday, Jan. 30 at Dyer Hill Cemetery with the Rev. Harold Rittenberry officiating.

Memorials may be made to Mary Hall Ruddiman Animal Shelter, 24 Just-A-Mere Road, Marion, KY 42064.

Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem was in charge of arrangements.

Gilland

Former Livingston County Deputy Sheriff Orville L. Gilland, 76, of Burna died Monday, Jan. 28, 2013, at Princeton Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He was the deputy "night watchman" for the City of Salem for many years. Gilland was also a deputy jailer and dispatcher for Livingston County for more than 17 years. He also was a deputy jailer in Crittenden County for a time.

Surviving are his wife, M.J. Gilland; two sons, Chad and Bill Black, both of Paducah; a mother-in-law, Mary Black of Salem; a sister-in-law, Lila Edmonson and her husband Kenny of Marion; abrother-in-law, Glenn "Clug" Black of Salem; and a niece, Alexa Black of Salem.

He was preceded in death

by his mother, Velda Gilland.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m., today (Thursday) at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem. Friends may call from 10 a.m., until the funeral hour at the funeral home.

Gilland is widely remembered for being the first lawman on the scene of what remains an unsolved murder on U.S. 60 near the Lucy Jefferson Lewis monument at the junction of River Road. It was on Sept. 9, 1984 when Livingston County Detective Carnie Hopkins radioed to headquarters that he was stopping a car on the highway. After losing contact with Hopkins, Gilland was dispatched to the scene where he found the detective lying dead by the highway.

Memorials may be made to the Mary Hall Ruddiman Animal Shelter, 24 Just-A-Mere Road, Marion, KY 42064.

Bennett

William "Bill" Keith Bennett, 65, of Fayetteville, N.C., formerly of Crittenden County, died Thursday, Jan. 17, 2013 at his home.

Surviving are his wife, Barbara Bennett; son, William Keith Bennett II; four daughters, Donna Meza, Julie Bennett, Lucretia Gentry and Agatha Spoltore; 12 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Edwina Bennett; three brothers, Buddy Bennett, Ronnie Bennett and Eddie Bennett; and two sisters, Betty Jo Manley and Debbie Orenduff.

Reeves Funeral Home of Hope Mills, N.C., was in charge of arrangements.

Mardis

Samuel Wesley Mardis, infant son of Ronnie and Britany (Binkley) Mardis, died Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2013 at Murray-Calloway Hospital.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a sister, Adalyn Kate Mardis; grandparents, Dwayne Mardis of Dexter, Mo., and Kay Snowden of Kansas City, Kan., and Greg and Judy Binkley of Marion; and great-grandparents, Donald and Carlene Binkley of Marion, Mildred Mardis of Dexter and Janice Templeton of Henderson.

Graveside services were held Saturday, Jan. 26 at Palestine United Methodist Church Cemetery in Dexter, Mo.

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The selection was made by a National Board that consists of Representatives from The Salvation Army; American Red Cross; United Jewish Communities; Catholic Charities USA; National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA; and United Way of America. The Crittenden County EFSP Local Board is responsible for selection of an agency or agencies to receive and disperse the funds and to hold that agency responsible for accuracy and compliance in both the National and Local Board Guidelines.

Under the terms of the grant from the National Board, local agencies chosen must: 1) be private voluntary non-profit or units of government, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated the capability to deliver the emergency programs, and 5) if they are a private voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board. All qualifying agencies are encouraged to apply.

Crittenden County has distributed these funds previously with Pennyrile Allied Community Services, Inc. participating through the local PACS office.

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Day-Nesbitt

Gerald and Ellen Day of Sturgis announce the engagement of their daughter, Teresa Elizabeth Day, to Corey Edwin Nesbitt, son of Randy and Doris Nesbitt of Marion.

Day is a 2003 graduate of Union County High School and a graduate of Murray State University and Western Kentucky University. She is employed as a Speech

Language Pathologist in Marion.

Nesbitt is a 1999 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a 2001 graduate of West Kentucky Technical College. He is employed as a machinist in Marion.

The wedding will take place Feb. 16 at Saint Ambrose Catholic Church in Morganfield.

Community CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 31

■ A casting call for "Murder at the High School Reunion" will be at 6 p.m., at the auditorium in Fohs Hall. Auditions are open to the public. For more information, contact Susan Alexander at 704-0046.

Saturday, Feb. 2

■ Woman's Club of Marion will hold its mid-winter brunch at 11 a.m., at the club building located on East Carlisle Street. The program will feature newly elected 4th District State Rep. Lynn Bechler.

Monday, Feb. 4

■ The Marion American Legion Ellis B. Ordway Post 111 will meet at 6:30 p.m., in the basement meeting room at Fohs Hall. All members are urged to attend.

■ West Kentucky Regional Blood Drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Crittenden Health Systems. The mobile unit will be located at the medical office building parking lot off Country Club Drive. Each donor will receive a shirt. Come and give the gift of life.

Tuesday, Feb. 5

■ Bigham Lodge 256 F&AM will have stated communication at the Masonic Lodge located on Sturgis Road. The meal will

be at 6:30 p.m., with the meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 7

■ Crittenden Health Systems will offer a Cooper/Clayton Smoking Cessation class at 6:30 p.m., at the hospital education building. It is a 13-week program free to the public.

Friday, Feb. 8

■ Karlie Baker invites everyone to a Chili Supper fundraiser from 5 to 8 p.m., at the VFW Post in Marion. Donations of used toys, books, DVDs, and new books, toys and stuffed animals will be accepted to benefit Kosairs Children's Hospital in Louisville. Call 704-2085 or 704-5919 for more information.

On-going

■ Crittenden County Project Graduation is selling Rocket tumblers, cookbooks and jersey knit throws as fundraisers. See any senior class member or look for the booth at home basketball games.

■ Widowed Persons Support Group will not have a meeting in January due to uncertain weather conditions. The next meeting will be at 11 a.m., in Kuttawa at Broadbent's B and B Food Products.

■ Miracle Word Church Youth will host their annual Valentine's Steak Dinner. Deliveries available at 5 p.m. Dine-in at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., on Feb. 9. Dinner includes ribeye steak, baked potato, salad, dessert and drink for \$15. Call 836-9048 for orders or information.

■ The Sisters of St. Benedict in Ferdinand, Ind., are holding a Come and See event for high school girls, freshmen to seniors scheduled Feb. 15-17. This is a chance to learn what it is like to be a nun in today's world. Pray, eat, and recreate with the sisters. For more information call Sis. Michelle Sinkhorn at (800) 738-9999, or visit www.thedome.org, where you can also register online, or e-mail vocation@thedome.org. Parent permission is required.

■ Repton Baptist Church in Mattoon hosts Bible Skills, Drills and Thrills 6 p.m., on Sundays in the fellowship hall. The program uses a fun format to teach children in grades first through sixth Bible skills.

■ The Caldwell and Lyon County Grief Support Group is held at 2 p.m., every Monday in the Caldwell/Lyon Baptist Association building in Princeton. It offers an educated and trained Christian grief counselor who can guide a person through the initial stages of grief and beyond after the loss of a loved one. The group is open to everyone and there is no charge. For more information or directions, call Carma Lee Chandler at 365-6578. If unable to attend meetings on Monday nights, Bro. Mac Walls can counsel on Saturdays. Call 210-1204 to make an appointment.

Church notes

■ Marion Baptist Church will host a Super Soul Sunday with Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship at 10:45 a.m., and Evening Worship at 4 p.m., on Feb. 3. A Youth Super Bowl Party will be at 5 p.m., in the church basement. A children's Super Bowl Party will be at 5 p.m., at the Family Life Center. Bring a guest and an item for the food pantry. Wear your favorite team/shirt from any sport.

■ A benefit for North Livingston Baptist Church will be held at 2 p.m., Feb. 16 at Union Baptist Church (Ditney) in Lola. There will be a variety of church groups singing along with a soup and chili dinner. All donations go to North Livingston Baptist Church.

■ Upward Practice is scheduled from 6 to 8 p.m., Monday and Thursday at Marion Baptist Church. The FLC Walking Track and Weight Room will be open on Monday and Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m., and Tuesday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., and 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

■ Marion Baptist Church will be hosting AWANA for children age 2 through fifth grade at 5:45 p.m.; Youth Bible Study for grades six to 12 at 6:30 p.m.; Financial Peace Class at 5:45 p.m.; Scrapbooking Class at 6:30 p.m.; Women's Bible/Prayer Class at 6:30 p.m.; Men's Bible Study Class at 6:30 p.m.; Revival Principles Class at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at 965-5232.

Slow cooker meals help chase away wintertime chills



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On a cold winter's evening, what could be more inviting than arriving home to the smell of a savory beef stew or spicy chili wafting from your slow cooker?

As well as making life a little more convenient, a slow cooker takes less electricity than an oven to make a one-pot meal. Although it cooks at a lower temperature (generally between 170 and 280°F), the direct heat, long cooking time and steam inside the tightly-covered cooker combine to kill bacteria and make the slow cooker a safe process for cooking foods. Just be sure to follow the manufacturer's instructions and keep these guidelines in mind:

Start safely. Begin with a clean cooker, clean utensils, and a clean work area. Wash your hands before starting. Keep perishable foods refrigerated, with meat and vegetables separated, until it's time to start the cooker.

Thaw ingredients. Al-

ways thaw meat or poultry before placing it into a slow cooker.

Use the right amount of food. Vegetables cook more slowly than meats in a slow cooker. If using them, put the vegetables in first and the meat on top. Then add the amount of liquid called for in the recipe, generally enough to almost cover the meat. Check your instruction booklet for suggested sizes of meat and poultry to cook in your slow cooker. Do not overload the pot.

Choose your setting. Most cookers have two or more heat settings. Foods will cook faster on high than on low, but it's safe to use low for the whole cook-

ing time. When cooking on low, you can also use the highest setting for the first hour of cooking and then reduce the heat to low, or preheat the cooker with boiling water. This will allow the cooker to reach a safe operating temperature more quickly. While the food is cooking and once it's done, food will stay safe as long as the cooker is operating.

Keep the lid in place. Every time you uncover the pot, you lose heat and slow the cooking process. Remove the lid only to check for doneness. Stirring during cooking should not be necessary.

Handle leftovers safely. Do not leave cooked food to cool down in the pot. Refrigerate leftovers within two hours. Never reheat leftovers in a slow cooker—use a stove, microwave or conventional oven to quickly heat the food to a safe temperature (165 °F).

Try this Easy Beef recipe. Contact the Crittenden County Extension

Office at 965-5236 for additional slow cooker recipes. Enjoy your slow cooker this winter!

Easy Beef Roast

■ 3½ - 4 pounds beef roast (chuck, round or rump) cut into 3-inch chunks

■ 1tsp. salt

■ 1/4 tsp. pepper

■ 1thinly-sliced onion, optional

■ 1/2 cup water or beef bouillon

Put meat in slow cooker. Sprinkle with rest of ingredients. Add sliced onion, if desired. Cover and start on high for one hour, then low for 10 to 12 hours. Or cook on high for four to five hours. There is liquid for gravy. Yield: 8-10 servings.

Per 3 oz. serving: 296 calories; 22gm fat; 0gm carbohydrates; 50mg sodium.

Shelter receives pet supplies

STAFF REPORT

It may seem early—or late—but Santa arrived just in time last week to help out the Mary Hall-Ruddiman Canine Shelter.

On Jan. 23, a truckload of donated dog food and other pet products was delivered to the shelter from Marion Feed Mill as a result of a four-legged version of the Community Christmas donation drive. Charlie Hunt said much like the angel trees used as a part of annual Community Christmas for underprivileged residents of Crittenden County, a Christmas tree was placed at the Feed Mill to encourage donations for future pets. A 10-percent discount was offered on any product purchased for animals to the local no-kill shelter.

"We appreciate everybody pitching in," Hunt said. "We hope to do this again this year. We had about 25 people participate."

Kristi Beavers, manager of the Mary Hall Ruddiman Canine Shelter, said the donations came at just the



PHOTO BY JASON TRAVIS, THE CRITTENDEN PRESS

Kristi Beavers, manager of the Mary Hall-Ruddiman Canine Shelter, and Charlie Hunt of Marion Feed Mill prepare to unload donated dog food and other pet items last week at the shelter.

right time.

"We were down to one bag of dog food, and I don't

even think it's full," she said. "I appreciate the support from the public and

from the Feed Mill. It helps out because we are non-profit."

Blue Knights headed back to state tourney

STAFF REPORT

All four Crittenden County Chess Teams qualified for the state team chess tournament by placing at the Quad A Regional Chess Tournament hosted here Saturday. The state tournament will be held March 2 at Louisville Trinity High School.

Crittenden County High School won the regional championship for the second year in a row. Individually, Micah Hollamon and Cole Foster were crowned undefeated individual co-

champions. In addition, Hayden Brooks, Benny Tucker, Cameron McDaniel and Jantzon Croft won three out of four games, finishing fourth, fifth, sixth and ninth, respectively.

The middle school finished second, just behind Murray Middle. Gage Moore won three games, placing fourth. Both Clay Stevens and Deken Plattfoot won two games, placing sixth and eighth, respectively. Matthew Spannuth and Samuel

Winders each won one game to help the team to its runner-up finish.

The two elementary school teams each qualified for state. The Elementary Team finished second behind Potter Gray of Bowling Green. Ethan Stone won three games, placing fourth. Chase Stevens, Skyler James, Cole Swinford and Lukas Graham each won two games finishing fifth, sixth, eighth and 10th, respectively.

The Primary Team from

the elementary school also placed second in its division, despite missing some of its players. The squad was edged out by Murray Elementary. Gage Russell won three games and placed second while Evan McDowell won 2.5 games, placing seventh. Mya Moore finished the scoring by winning two games and placing 10th.

The Blue Knights are coached by Don Winters and assisted by Greg Hollamon and Juan Gonzales.

Faughn inducted into donation hall of fame

Retired teacher recognized for promoting the gift of life

STAFF REPORT

If an ounce of blood is worth more than a pound of friendship, Dale Faughn's value is immeasurable.

Faughn, a resident of the Walnut Grove community of Caldwell County, was one of 12 individuals inducted into the Fenwal Donation Hall of Fame for 2012 for his work with blood drives.

Fenwal is a global corporation that deals with many facets of blood technology.

Inductees were selected

based on donations of large amounts of blood and/or promotion of blood drives in special ways.

Over the years, Faughn has given 232 pints, or 29 gallons (3,712 ounces), of blood at the Regional Medical Center blood bank in Madisonville.

A Kentucky Poet Laureate, Faughn has written and shared many promotional donor poems and has been instrumental in bringing many new donors to the blood bank.

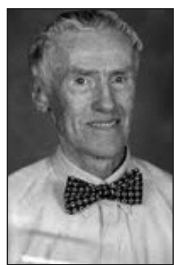
The hall of fame award

was given to Faughn by a representative of Fenwal at a reception given by the Madisonville Regional Medical Center blood bank last month at the Trover Clinic Tower.

Pictures of inductees were placed in the 2012 Fenwal calendar.

Faughn's picture is shown in the month of August.

Faughn taught school for 61 years in Caldwell County before retiring in 2011. He is a member of



Faughn

the National Teachers Hall of Fame and the Kentucky Teacher Hall of Fame.

He attributes his good health to staying active. He has participated in numerous competitive runs and race walks.

He also maintains a healthy diet and doesn't use tobacco or alcohol products.

At 87, Faughn said he plans to continue giving blood. "I hope to still be giving blood even when I am old," he joked.

He encourages individuals to donate blood and give the gift of life. He often cites Leviticus 17:11 which states, "The life of the flesh is in the blood."

BASKETBALL

Henderson remains 3rd

Henderson County's girls' basketball team remains No. 3 in the latest Associated Press Top 10 poll. Maci Brown is the team's second leading scorer. Brown is the daughter of Nicky and Danette (Gough) Brown, both of whom played basketball at Crittenden County.

BASEBALL

Youth league sign up

Registration will begin next week for summer youth baseball and softball leagues at Marion-Crittenden County Park. The registration form will appear in next week's newspaper and forms will be distributed at Crittenden County Elementary School. Registration deadline is March 16. Anyone interested in coaching should contact Jeremy Wheeler at 859-333-4095 or Chris Evans at 704-0435. The Crittenden County Dugout Club, which organizes local youth baseball and softball, will meet at 2 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 17. The meeting is open to anyone interested in volunteering.

HUNTING

LBL turkey quota hunts

Applications will be available online starting today for LBL quota turkey hunts. Hunt dates are: March 30-31 for youth under age 16, April 9-10 and April 13-14. Hunters can apply online at lbl.org/Hunting.html through Feb. 28. The web site will post names in late March of hunters drawn for the quota hunt. There is a \$5 application fee. LBL Hunter Use Permit cost is going up to \$25 on March 1. Non-quota hunting season, which does not require a prior application, is one 14-day hunt April 15-28 in Kentucky.

Outdoor show Feb. 16-17

The Big Outdoor Show is Feb. 16-17 at the Paducah Expo Center. Four of the 1996 NCAA Championship UK Wildcat team known as "The Untouchables" will make appearances at the expo. The are Walter McCarty, Wayne Turner, Anthony Epps and Jeff Sheppard. A complete show schedule is online at TheBigOutdoorShow.com.

Bison, elk dinner at lake

An elk and bison buffet will be held from noon to 8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 23 at Kentucky Dam Village. The buffet for adults is \$19.95 plus tax and for children ages 12 and under \$9.95 plus tax. Children 5 and under are free.

Hunting seasons

Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote	Year Round
Raccoon Hunting	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Raccoon Trapping	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Quail and Rabbit	Nov. 12 - Feb. 10
Squirrel	Nov. 12 - Feb. 28
Canada Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Pennyrile Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
White-fronted Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Snow Goose	Nov. 22 - Jan. 31
Bobcat	Nov. 24 - Feb. 28
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Snow Goose	Feb. 1 - March 31
Youth Waterfowl	Feb. 2-3
Youth Turkey	Apr. 6-7
Spring Turkey	Apr. 13 - May 5

2013 Deer Seasons

Archery Deer	Sept. 7 - Jan. 20
Youth Deer	Oct. 12-13
Muzzleloader	Oct. 19-20
Firearm	Nov. 9-24
Muzzleloader	Dec. 14-22



Will Tolley (left) and Bobby Glen Stephens had some late-season success hunting the Ohio River backwater. They harvested five mallards and a green-winged teal to close out duck season, which ended earlier this week.

Cain slays Rockets on third try

STAFF REPORT

The chance of severe weather prompted the Rockets' game at Hopkins Central to be cancelled Tuesday night, giving Crittenden County a much-needed break from basketball action.

Crittenden lost Saturday to Caldwell County – a team it had beaten twice already this season. The Rockets had knocked off the Tigers in early December at Princeton then beat them again in the Paducah Tilghman Christmas Tournament.

The Tigers were not at full strength for the first matchup, because of their football team's success. The second meeting at Paducah was a bit different, but Crittenden managed to pull off a second win against the full-strength Tigers.

It appeared as though the Rockets had Caldwell facing a similar fate Saturday. Crittenden led until about four minutes left in the game. A couple of late runouts by the Tigers, coupled with excellent second-half shooting and Dee Cain's 27 points helped slay the Rockets.

Crittenden jumped ahead early thanks to some good shooting and three-pointers from Landon Young and Noah Dickerson – both off the bench. After leading 31-24 at half-time, Crittenden went cold from long range and Caldwell went off.

Rocket coach Denis Hodge said his team temporarily lost sight of its game plan in the fourth period, allowing Caldwell to sneak away with a victory.

"It boiled down to game management," Hodge said. "We took a couple of quick shots that just didn't go down at a crucial point when the game was on the line. That let Caldwell get some easy baskets on the other end."

Football stars Cain and Tez Sivils didn't play in the first basketball meeting, but they did play the second time. Their presence wasn't a deciding factor in the holiday tournament, but it sure was last weekend when the two combined for 42 points. Most of Sivils' came in the second half as Caldwell shot 70 percent from the floor. The Tigers made just 38 percent of their fielders in the first half. Cain, only a freshman, had 27 – the same num-



Crittenden County's Landon Young fights through a screen by Tiger Tez Sivils to stay engaged with Caldwell County ballhandler Damonta Hopson during Saturday's game. Above right is Rocket guard Travis Gilbert making a move to the basket.

ber everyone else (save Sivils) had together.

Crittenden stuttered a bit in the fourth period as Caldwell overtook the hosts. At one point, the Rockets missed nine of 10 straight shots. Caldwell scored most of its baskets near the goal in transition.

"We have to force teams into a half-court game," Hodge said.

The Tigers (8-14) can't seem to find their rhythm this season, however. After losing seven in a row in December, they won four out of five to start the new year. But after beating Lyon and Crittenden, the Tigers lost to Trigg by one Monday.

Hopkinsville wins easily

Hopkinsville, the eighth-ranked team in Kentucky, had little trouble turning back the Rockets Friday.

The host Tigers (18-4) jumped ahead 34 points in the first half to engage the mercy rule (running clock) for the entire second half. Crittenden lost the game 62-31 at Tiger Gym.

Hodge said Hopkinsville is a state contender. "That's one of the best teams I've ever coached against," he said.

Caldwell 69, Crittenden 60

Caldwell County	8	16	24	21
Crittenden County	10	21	17	12

CALDWELL – Wimbleduft, Sivils 15, Young, Oliver 5, Burke, McCarty 9, Pepper 6, Hopson 6, Cain 27, Gelmetti, 1. Field Goals 24-44. 3-pointers 1-4 (McCarty). Free Throws 20-32. Fouls 20. Rebounds 31 (Cain 9).

CRITTENDEN – Owen 13, Young 6, Dickerson 3, Hill 12, Gilbert, Champion, Knox 5, Clark 4, Cozart 3. Field Goals 18-46. 3-pointers 5-15 (Owen 2-7, Young 2-2, Dickerson 1-1). Free

Caldwell gets Lady Rockets

STAFF REPORT

Caldwell County had no trouble dispatching the Lady Rockets Saturday at Marion. Crittenden's girls were behind 22-6 early then scored only two points in the entire second period to go into the half trailing 37-8.

Crittenden was playing without leading scorer Chelsea Oliver, who has missed almost two weeks due to an illness. She is scheduled to be back for Friday's game at Dawson Springs. The girls will host Reidland Saturday. Their game Tuesday against Heath was cancelled due to the threat of severe weather.

The Lady Tigers (15-7) were led by two McKenzies – senior McKenzie Ames with 11 points and Junior McKenzie Falix with 13. Crittenden held Caldwell's leading scorer Aaliyah Rogers to just five points. She averages a dozen a game.

Slow start vs. Fort Campbell

Crittenden got off to a slow start against Fort Campbell as senior guard Alli Tellez scored 21, including three treys. She averages 16 points a game.

Lady Rocket guard Kaitlin Binkley scored a dozen to lead her team. She also made a pair of three-pointers.

Caldwell 57, Crittenden 33

Caldwell County	22	15	13	7
Crittenden County	6	2	13	12

CALDWELL – Ames 11, Gilkey 6, Fralix 13, Rogers 5, Harms 3, McDaniel, Goldland, Gilkey 3, Loomes 2, Manns 2, Storey 8, Kendall, George 4. Field Goals 24-64. 3-pointers 2-11 (Ames, Harms). Free Throws 7-11. Fouls 11. Rebounds 48 (Storey 8).



Crittenden guard Kaitlin Binkley was sandwiched between two Fort Campbell defenders Friday night, but she and teammate Mallory McDowell (right photo) returned the favor a bit later.

CRITTENDEN – McDowell 7, Binkley 3, Head 4, Collins 6, Johnson, Gobin, Evans 1, Nesbitt 2, C.Moss 5, Lynch 3, Riley, Pierce. Field Goals 13-49. 3-pointers 4-11 (McDowell, Binkley, Moss, Lynch). Free Throws 3-10. Fouls 12. Rebounds 33 (Collins 6).

Fort Campbell 53, Crittenden 36

Fort Campbell	16	19	14	4
Crittenden County	6	8	10	12

FORT CAMPBELL – Shamburger, Rangel 14, Tellez 21, Sanders 1, Nicholson, As.Collins 3, Ellis, Ay.Collins, Dingle 14, Paul. Field Goals 23. 3-pointers 3 (Tellez). Free Throws 6-10. Fouls 18.

CRITTENDEN – McDowell 2, Binkley 12, C.Moss 9, Head 3, Collins 5, Nesbitt 2, Evans, Pierce, Johnson, Riley 3, Gobin. Field Goals 16. 3-pointers 2 (Binkley 2). Free Throws 10-21. Fouls 13.



KDFWR seeks input on Asian carp regulations

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources is seeking public input on a proposal to limit the spread of Asian carp in the state's waterways. Anglers are invited to go online to fw.ky.gov to take a survey about proposed regulations regarding the movement of live Asian carp.

Ron Brooks, fisheries director for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife, noted that several states are banning the movement of live Asian carp.

"These fish are a major threat to Kentucky's native aquatic ecosystems," Brooks said. "We must stop their further spread."

Asian carp, which include silver carp and bighead carp, can out-compete native fish for food. These

invasive species also threaten Kentucky's ecological systems, recreational boaters, anglers and the commercial and sport fishing industries. Asian carp multiply quickly and can adapt and live in almost any river or lake in Kentucky.

Asian carp now exist along the entire length of the Ohio River bordering Kentucky. They also are found in Kentucky Lake, Lake Barkley, the Kentucky River, the Salt River and many tributaries of these systems.

Asian carp can spread quickly if they are transported alive and are then used for food or live bait. Anglers who wrongly identify Asian carp as native shad or skipjack may

unintentionally release these invaders into uninfected waters.

To reduce the potential for the unintentional spread of Asian carp, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife may propose a regulation that would restrict all movement of live Asian carp, regardless of how they are caught or collected.

In addition, Kentucky Fish and Wildlife is considering a regulation that would restrict the movement of all live bait-fish from the water in which they are caught or collected to any other water body, because young Asian carp look like shad and could easily be introduced into new waters accidentally by anglers moving bait-fish from one body of water to another.



Small Asian carp are often caught and used as baitfish, which has helped spread the invasive species.

Results of the survey will be presented at the March 8 meeting of the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Kentucky hunters set new deer hunt record

Kentucky deer hunters will have lots of ground venison for chili this winter, roasts to bake with onions, celery and vegetables and back strap chops to grill during the summer.

That's because a record deer harvest was posted for the 2012-13 deer season, which ended with the close of archery season on Jan. 21.

Hunters bagged 131,388 whitetails of which 56 percent were male and 44 percent female. Firearms hunters reported taking 95,612 deer while archers harvested 18,705 deer. Muzzleloader hunters took 14,583 deer and crossbow hunters, 2,488 deer.

The previous record harvest of 124,752 occurred during the 2004-05 season.

Crittenden's No. 3 harvest

In Crittenden County, hunters harvested 3,010 deer – a near record. That figure included 1,433 bucks and 1,577 does. Only two other Crittenden seasons produced more deer – those were in 2006 and 2004.

Oddly, in Livingston County, the harvest went down as hunters took 1,673 deer, the lowest total since 2009.

Statewide, hunters enjoyed unprecedented success.

"We had exceptionally good weather, with no rain-outs over the three week-ends of modern gun season this past November," said David Yancy, deer biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. "Coupled with that, we had an average to below average mast (acorn) crop. Deer had to search for food and that made it more likely they would be seen by hunters."

Looking over the harvest data, Yancy said the increase in the number of deer taken by firearms hunters really jumps out and is the number one reason for the overall harvest record.

"Firearms hunters bagged 12,249 more deer than last season," said Yancy.

During the 2011-12 deer season, Kentucky firearms hunters took 83,363 deer. This season the total spiked to 95,612. Archers also experienced an excellent season.

Statewide, archery hunters arrowed 18,705 deer, which represents the fourth consecutive harvest record dating back to the 2009-10 season.

The weapon breakdown in Crittenden County was like this: archers took 400 deer, muzzleloader hunters got 239, those using a crossbow took 44 and firearms accounted for 2,327 of the deer taken.

A longer than normal season may have contributed to this year's record archery harvest.

"Because of a calendar shift, there was an extra seven days of hunting," Yancy said. "Bow season opened on Sept. 1, the earliest it could have been."

Archery season for deer opens on the first Saturday in September and continues through the third Monday in January. On average, that's about 136 days of hunting. The 2013-14 archery season dates are Sept. 7 through



Rick Prado of Marion won the annual Big Buck Contest with this huge, old whitetail. At right is a trail camera photo he took of the deer in August.



Prado's profile brings down old buck

Hunter's approach snatches \$1K prize from local contest

STAFF REPORT

Rick Prado has deer hunting down to a science – literally.

By creating a profile of a mature buck, Prado has learned to plan his hunts very efficiently, systematically concentrating on periods when the probability is almost certain the deer he has targeted will be in a particular spot. Through a collection of data and field observations, Prado scored an incredible bow harvest in September which netted him the \$1,000 grand prize in the annual Crittenden County Big Buck Contest sponsored by Marion Tourism Commission and Hodge Outdoor Sports.

Although it took just three evenings of hunting to bag the 7½-year-old buck that field dressed 207 pounds, Prado spent countless hours piecing together information he had collected from trail cameras, weather conditions and his hunting experience.

"It's like building a puzzle," he said. "If you do everything else right you can get that last piece to the puzzle."

It was on the cool evening of Sept. 22 early last fall when Prado found the conditions to be near perfect for a hunt. After more than 700 trail camera photos of this particular buck dating back through the summer, Prado knew precisely when to expect the behemoth he'd named "Malachai" to show up in a forest bottleneck between a cornfield and the deer's sanctuary.

"He was bedding in a nasty thicket. The woods had been timbered about 10 years ago," Prado said, describing the heavy cover where the deer spent his days. The buck would leave his dense refuge to feed in and near a cornfield under the cover of darkness.

Seldom did the mature buck move around during daylight hours – typical of aged whitetails.

Prado's trail cameras had verified an area the deer used as a staging ground on rare occasions just before dusk. Under the right conditions, the buck would come from his bedding area a bit early then loaf around in the bottleneck for about 30 minutes prior to moving into the field once darkness fell.

By studying details of the deer's habits through electronic surveillance cameras and weather data, Prado created a profile that became very distinct over time. It was very methodical, detective-style work that enabled him to ferret out this wary

whitetail buck.

"The only time he'd come through the area in daylight was during periods of low humidity, when it was cool, and when there was a northerly wind," Prado said.

The evening of the 22nd was forecast for just such conditions. Prado loaded his gear including a Bowtech Insanity CPX with 70-pound draw weight and Easton ST Axis arrows tipped with three-blade Rage broadheads. He locked on his deer stand 25 feet into a tree well before the deer's appointed time and began the long, silent vigil.

A half hour before dark, Prado saw the buck coming. He knew immediately it was "Malachai."

The 11-point buck approached slowly, quartering in the hunter's direction most of the way. Prado waited for a clear, broadside shot before releasing his arrow, which pierced the deer's lungs for a clean take.

Suspecting he'd made a good shot, Prado took no chances. Temperatures were to be in the 40s that

Crittenden County DEER HARVESTS	
1993	2,357
1994	1,826
1995	1,857
1996	2,065
1997	1,874
1998	2,728
1999	2,201
2000	2,597
2001	2,272
2002	2,695
2003	2,586
2004	3,032
2005	2,593
2006	3,085
2007	2,927
2008	2,707
2009	2,549
2010	2,952
2011	2,829
2012	3,010

night, so he quietly climbed out of his stand and left the area, hoping to return later and find his trophy. His patience and orderly approach paid dividends the next morning when Prado returned to the area just after daylight to find his deer lying motionless 150 yards from he'd taken the shot.

"It makes me feel really good to have so much history with him," said 40-year-old Prado, who's been bowhunting since he was six.

"I came up with a very carefully laid-out game plan, stayed very disciplined then went in and executed it perfectly," the hunter said. "Bow hunting is not part of my life, it is my life. I am a very blessed man to have taken a whitetail buck of this age structure with my bow."

Indeed, he is.

The antlers scored a gross 149½ inches on the Pope and Young scoring system. It wasn't the first P&Y-size buck Prado has taken, but it was certainly the oldest and probably one he'll remember for ages to come, thanks in part to his big cash prize, but most notably for his well-conceived hunt.

■ Prado also won first place in last weekend's coyote hunt sponsored by Hodge's. James Reece of Fredonia finished second on a weight tie-breaker. Both harvested two coyotes. Don Clements of Morganfield was third with one coyote.



Crittenden County's travel basketball teams will complete their seasons by late February. The teams play two or three times a week across the region. Pictured at top are fifth- and sixth-grade Rocket players Hunter Boone and Payton Riley (11) working to get the ball in bounds. The bottom photograph shows Rocket fourth graders Tate Roberts (15), Gabe Mott (21) and Trace Adams (20) applying defense against Lyon County.

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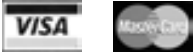
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legal

Legal Notice

I, Melissa Guill, Clerk of Crittenden
County District Court Marion, Ky.,
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W., Marion, Ky. 42064, co-execu-
tors of Truman Williams, de-
ceased. The foregoing settlement
is to be heard at the regular ses-
sion of Crittenden District Court on
February 27, 2013. All persons
having exceptions to said Settle-
ments are to file same at once.

Melissa Guill, Clerk

Crittenden District Court (1t-30-c)

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that on Janu-
ary 23, 2013, Jeremy Croft of
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pointed Administrator with will an-
nexed of Mary G. Hunt, deceased,
whose address was 201 Watson
St., Marion, Ky. 42064. Hon. Re-
becca Johnson, P.O. Box 415,
Marion, Ky. 42064, Attorney. All
persons having claims against
said estate are hereby notified to
present the same properly proven
as required by law to the adminis-
trator with will annexed on or be-
fore the 23rd day of July, 2013 and
all claims not so proven and pre-
sented by that date shall be for-
ever barred. All persons indebted
to the estate of the above-named
decedent, will please call and set-
tle said debts immediately.

Melissa Guill, Clerk

Crittenden District Court (1t-30-c)

Legal Notice

Commonwealth of Kentucky
Crittenden Circuit Court
Marion, KY 42064
Civil Action No. 13-CI-00009
FARMERS BANK AND
TRUST COMPANY, Marion, KY
v. ETAU HUMPHREY;
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ETAU
HUMPHREY; UNKNOWN
WIDOWER, HEIRS,
GRANTEES, DEWISEES,
LEGATEES, PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES,
SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS
OF ROXIE REGINA MILES,
DECEASED; UNKNOWN
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WIDOWERS, HEIRS,
GRANTEES, DEWISEES,
LEGATEES, PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES,
SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS
OF ANY DEFENDANT; and
UNKNOWN OCCUPANTS,
TENANTS, OWNERS, HEIRS,
GRANTEES DEWISEES,
LEGATEES, PERSONAL
REPRESENTATIVES,
SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS OR
OTHER PERSONS WHO
CLAIM ANY INTEREST IN

THE REAL PROPERTY AND
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ROAD, MARION, KY

Notice is hereby given that an ac-
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above-named parties and all per-
sons claiming any right, title or in-
terest in or lien upon any of the
real property and/or mobile home
located at 221 Old Piney Rd., Mar-
ion, KY; and generally all persons
whom it may concern; that is the
subject matter of this action. This
land and mobile home are situated
in Crittenden County, KY. Anyone
interested in this action should
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Order Attorney, 217 W. Bellville
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42064. (1t-30-c)

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CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 11-CI-00129
TAX EASE LIEN SERVICING,
LLC PLAINTIFF V.

TIM R. COSBY, JASON COSBY,
WESLEY J. COSBY,
CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES,
INC., THE PEOPLES BANK
MARION, KENTUCKY,
CRITTENDEN COUNTY AND
CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY
DEFENDANTS
RE-NOTICE OF SALE

Comes Brandi D. Rogers, Master
Commissioner of the Crittenden
Circuit Court and provides this
Court and the parties herein with
a re-notice of the Master Com-
missioner's sale of the real estate.
The previous sale date, sched-
uled for Friday, January 18, 2013,
is hereby cancelled and the sale
shall be rescheduled for Friday,
February 1, 2013, beginning at
the hour of 10:00 a.m., prevailing
time, at the Courthouse door in
the City of Marion, Crittenden
County, Kentucky. The Master
Commissioner shall by virtue of a
Judgment and Order of Sale en-
tered in the Crittenden Circuit
Court on November 8, 2012 pro-
ceed to offer for sale to the high-
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estate (hereinafter described and
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to a stone; thence North or nearly
so 10 feet to a stone, John
Eskew's corner; thence East with
Eskew's line 184 feet to the place
of beginning.

SECOND LOT: BEGINNING at a
stone in said Koon Road, corner
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Hicklin; thence South or nearly so
with said road 68 feet to a stone,
corner to said R.C. Flanary lot;
thence West or nearly so with line
of said Flanary 184 feet to another
stone in said line; thence North or
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ner to the aforesaid Speece;
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Cosby and Wesley J. Cosby, by
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The description provided herein
was provided by the parties and is
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Order of Sale.

Address: 135 North Weldon
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1. The Master Commissioner
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price with said bond bearing inter-

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chaser, Plaintiff shall be entitled to
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purchase price and shall only be
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fees and costs of the Master
Commissioner and any delin-
quent real estate taxes payable
pursuant to the Order of Sale.

2. The Purchaser shall be re-
quired to assume and pay any ad
valorem taxes and all taxes as-
sessed against said property by
any City, State, County or any
school district which are due
and payable at any time during
the year 2012 or thereafter. Said
sale shall be made subject to:

a. Easements, restrictions and
stipulations of record affect said
property.

b. Any matters disclosed by an ac-
curate survey or inspection of the
property.

c. Any assessments for public im-
provements levied against the
property.

Said property shall be sold with
the improvements thereon "as is"
and cannot be divided.

Said property shall be sold sub-
ject to such right of redemption as
may exist in favor of the Defen-
dant.

The proceeds of the sale shall be
applied in the following priority:

The costs of this action;

The full satisfaction of the ad val-
orem taxes now and due and
payable, Plaintiff's claims herein
set forth and all other delinquent
taxes assessed against the real
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Licensing changes make organ donation clearer

By JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

It was in 2000 when Crittenden County resident Danny Fowler began his kidney dialysis. Fowler said he waited three years before receiving a kidney transplant. Due to complications, said Fowler, within six months of the operation he learned he would need a second kidney transplant. That didn't occur until January 2005.

It's estimated more than 116,000 people are waiting for life-saving transplants in the United States.

For more than 20 years, the circuit clerks of Kentucky have stressed the importance of organ donation. When renewing a driver's license, deputy clerks ask individuals if they would like to be a registered organ donor. Each person who says yes will now have the option to get a small blue heart with the words "organ donor" printed on their license. Officials hope the new emblem spreads the word about the importance of organ donation.

"I think it's a good thing. Before I had this problem I had signed up as a donor," Fowler said regarding organ donations. "I do encourage it. It's helped me have a better life than what I had on dialy-

sis. I have talked to different people who were on dialysis or are still on dialysis and trying to get on the transplant list. Some have and some haven't."

Crittenden County Circuit Court Clerk Melissa Guill said any person wanting to become an organ donor can now make their wishes known by displaying the small blue organ donor heart printed on the front their driver's license. Guill said the emblem doesn't take any extra time when receiving your license. She said the printed icon is permanent and won't deteriorate.

"We used to have orange stickers on there and they would either fade or wear off," Guill said. Signatures on the back of licenses can also wear and fade. About 1.27 million Kentuckians are registered as organ donors. However, that is only 35 percent of the state's population. Guill said the goal is to have more than 50 percent of the population registered. She said Kentucky joins 46 other states that use the emblem on driver's licenses.

While renewing a driver's license, each person can add their name to Kentucky's confidential and secure organ donor registry. After joining



PHOTO BY ALLISON MICK, THE CRITTENDEN PRESS
Danny Fowler (left) has been the recipient of two kidney transplants and fully supports Kentucky's organ donor registry. Recent changes to the organ donation process in Kentucky allows drivers or anyone with an official identification from the commonwealth to have a blue "organ donor" heart placed on their license or ID when renewed at the circuit clerk's office. Pictured above with Fowler are his wife Debbie, who was one of the first in the county to renew her license under the new donor program last week, and Crittenden County Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill.

the registry, individuals will have a choice if they would like the blue organ donor heart printed on their license.

Officials say the emblem represents hope and generosity for those awaiting transplants.

Many misperceptions about organ donation exist, including being too old to register as a donor. Senior citi-

zens are not disqualified from being a donor because of age. The oldest organ donor in Kentucky was 84.

Also, registering as a donor is treated like an advance directive. Family members will not be asked to consent to donation after a donor's death. If medically suitable, a donor's wish to help others will be fulfilled. Family members will not have the burden of making that decision. The only exception is that parental consent would be requested for a donor under 18.

Donors are encouraged to discuss their wishes with their families.

Kentucky residents can join the Kentucky Organ Donor Registry at their circuit court clerk's office or online at www.donatelifeky.org or by calling (866) 945-5433. An individual can also remove their name from the registry.

Guill said individuals who have had health problems and can no longer be a donor can go to the registry website and remove their name. She also said individuals who wish to add the blue organ donor heart emblem to their license prior to their driver's license renewal time can purchase a duplicate license at the circuit clerk's office for \$12.

Police believe to have solved 2 city burglaries occurring since November

STAFF REPORT

Marion police believe they've solved two burglaries that occurred in the city in November of last year and earlier in January. The two cases are unrelated, said Police Chief Ray O'Neal, but both occurred on Highland Circle, about two blocks off North Main Street.

Officers George Foster and Chuck Hoover collaborated to charge three individuals with a Jan. 6 burglary where a firearm was reportedly stolen. Because a gun was involved in the alleged crime, the suspects are facing Class B felony charges, punishable by 10-20 years in prison.

Foster's keen observations while working on another case helped police crack the burglary and locate many of the items stolen from a home on Highland Circle early this year. Almost two weeks after Hoover opened the case, Foster was in a home on North Maple Street questioning a man on an unrelated issue when he saw what appeared to be a fairly new PlayStation console. Curious, Foster asked the occupant of the home if he could take a closer look

at the console. The man okayed the officer's request, so Foster wrote down the serial number.

A check of that number with the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) revealed that it was one of two PlayStation consoles missing from the home on Highland Circle. The front door of that home had been kicked open before it was burglarized, police said.

After further investigation, Marion Police Department on Jan. 20 charged Larry J. Edging, 35; Amber Vickery, 21; and Jonathan Mathieu, 21, all of Marion with first-degree burglary. All three remain lodged in Crittenden County Detention Center on \$5,000 cash bonds. They were arraigned last week in Crittenden District Court and are scheduled for a preliminary hearing on Feb. 6.

Through their investigation, police have recovered a 9mm Ruger handgun allegedly stolen from the Highland Circle home, plus a 32-inch television, Bear compound bow and other items. A watch with Dotiki mine printed on it, prescription medicines and a small safe have not been found, police said.

Middle school principal cites safety concern for recent transportation policy changes

By JASON TRAVIS
STAFF WRITER

In an effort to ensure the safety of students, officials at Crittenden County Middle School will no longer be taking change-of-transportation requests by phone.

Teresa Marshall, principal of the middle school, said after the shooting in Newtown, Conn., last December, every school in Crittenden County revisited its safety procedures and processes.

"As principal at the middle school, I felt that we needed to make a stronger effort to follow the procedures we have in place regarding transportation," Marshall said. "We've tried to work with parents and take the changes over the phone, but it has become a problem, and we felt it was a security issue."

The principal cites the student handbook given at the beginning of the school year. It informs parents that for each student, the school will follow the original transportation plan listed by parents at the beginning of the school year. The exception is when written notification is sent.

Marshall said she explained the handbook and talked about these issues with students during the first week of school.

"When a call comes into the school, we are unable to verify who the caller is when taking a note over the phone," she said. "We have caller ID, but many calls come in as a private name or an unknown name."

Marshall said another problem with taking change of transportation requests by phone is that it was interrupting valuable classroom instruction time.

"When a parent calls the school with a change, we have to interrupt class instruction to have the student come down to the office to get the note. Also, students are not always available to come to the office at exactly the time the parent calls because they are involved in large group activities like pep ral-

lies and lunch, which causes a delay in getting the information to the student," she said.

Another problem arose when some calls were made close to dismissal time at 3 p.m. when students were preparing to load buses.

"We have parents who call five minutes before the bell rings to load the bus. We have to hold the buses, find the student, pull them off their original bus, get them a written note that we have scribed based on the parent request, and get them on the new bus," Marshall said.

She wants parents to understand the new policy is designed for safety and to ensure each student arrives at the appropriate location at the end of the school day.

"Student safety is our top priority and we want to make sure that we are delivering students to their correct destination," she said. "We realize there will be times when a change might have to be made due to an emergency situation, and we will certainly work with parents to meet the students' needs."



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