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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SATURDAY PAGEANTS

**Newborn, Little Miss, Lady of Crittenden County, 10 a.m.**  
at Lions Club Building, fairgrounds  
Gate fee \$5, 5-under Free

**Local Miss Pre-Teen, Teen, Miss Crittenden County (local), 2 p.m.**  
at Lions Club Building, fairgrounds  
Gate fee \$5, 5-under Free

### SATURDAY NIGHT

**TRACTOR & TRUCK PULL**  
7pm, Gate \$12, ages 6-15 \$5  
Under 5 gets in free

### MONDAY PAGEANT

**Miss Pre-Teen, Teen, Miss Crittenden County (open), 6 p.m.**  
at Fohs Hall  
Gate fee \$5, 5-under Free

### LATER NEXT WEEK

Enduro Derby, Friday, July 31  
Cupcake Wars, Saturday, Aug. 1  
Demolition Derby, Saturday, Aug. 1

## CRITTENDEN HOSPITAL NAMED AMONG POSSIBLE BENEFICIARIES OF CHANGE

Kentucky Rural Health Association has identified Crittenden Community Hospital and eight other rural hospitals across the commonwealth that would greatly benefit by a change supported by the National Rural Health Organization in how hospitals are reimbursed by Medicare and Medicaid. The state and national rural health groups have asked Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to support their proposal to make it easier for struggling rural hospitals to qualify for critical-access status, a designation that gets them extra reimbursements from Medicare and Medicaid in return for limiting their beds, services and length of patient stays. The NRHA proposal would allow a limited number of hospitals to get the designation even if they are less than 35 miles from another hospital. In addition to the hospital in Marion, the organizations have indented these other hospitals as potential beneficiaries of a change in the way hospitals are categorized and paid: Albany, Flemingsburg, Greenville, Jackson, Manchester, Morehead, Pikeville and Tompkinsville.

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# Main Street Dissolved

Group is gone after 22 years of grants, trick or treating & music

STAFF REPORT

A group dedicated to breathing life into downtown for more than two decades took its final breath last week, and with it Marion Main Street, Inc., left a gift that will keep on giving.

Marion Main Street, Inc., closed its books last Thursday, completing the dissolution of an organization that began 22 years ago. Over that time, Main Street had reinvested through grants and other financial means about \$713,000 into the community, according to Susan Alexander, who had served as the group's executive director the last several years.

Main Street was an influential part of growing downtowns during the late 1990s and early 2000s.



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"There was grant money back then and Main Street was once an organization that was in favor at the time," said Mickey Alexander, former Marion mayor.

The group was largely responsible for construction of new sidewalks and installation of street lamps and pavers in downtown Marion. It was instrumental in developing the springtime Backroads Tour, the Farmers

Market, Trick or Treat on Main, Music on the Square, historic murals on East Bellville Street and the Fifth-Grade History Walking Tours held annually.

Main Street, Inc., decided to liquidate its remaining assets and shutter the agency after losing one of its last sources of steady financial support from Marion Tourism Commission. The commission, a few weeks

ago, pulled the plug on its long-time relationship with the organization, citing a need to cut spending, partly in order to hire a part-time promoter and social media expert. Other local funding entities had cut Main Street, Inc., off in recent years, making it impossible for the group to survive financially. And, with grant money rare to find in Kentucky these days, its role as a conduit for such funding had been greatly diminished.

Main Street had a few hundred dollars in the bank and will use that money to produce historic videos of downtown places.

"It pleases my heart that we were able to do this" with the remaining funds, said

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## A Little Corny and Shady

Billie Wyatt of Old Morganfield Road stayed under a shade tree Saturday morning while she shucked sweet corn she'd bought from the Amish to put up for winter. While you can drive to the Amish community for sweet corn, it's also regularly available at Marion's Imogene Stout Farmers Market on Main Street.

# School phone policy remade

STAFF REPORT

The proposed purchase of locking cell phone pouches for high school students is off the table; however, the technology policy at Crittenden County High School will have more teeth in it.

The CCHS Site-Based, Decision-Making Council approved three days of In-School Detention (ISD) for inappropriate use of electronics, which includes having phones out in class.

The new policy states that no cell phones will be visible in the classroom. They must be silenced and put away, either in a binder or in a teacher-designed area in the classroom. If students are caught using their personal devices – which also applies to ear buds, Bluetooth speakers, etc., – teachers will immediately call the office, their cell phones will be confiscated and parents will be asked to pick up the phone. Bullying by way

## BACK TO SCHOOL COVID-STYLE

Read details of how administrators are preparing classrooms for a return like no other in generations. Page 4.

of cell phones will carry greater consequences, too. In extreme cases, students will be prohibited from bringing personal devices to school.

Parents at a forum July 13 said they preferred students be held accountable for their actions and encouraged strict punishment rather than locking pouches for student phones.

The new plan strikes a balance between teachers' pleas for smartphone restrictions and parent feedback against locking pouches.

"Parents said punish them, so we are doing what parents want," Princi-

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# SURVEY SAYS

Crittenden Press Facebook Survey

Where should local Crittenden County government offices be located after the new courthouse/judicial center is built downtown?

At new courthouse	68	39.5%
Former NG Armory	41	23.8%
Marion Ed-Tech Center	56	32.6%
None of these	7	4.1%

## PLAUSIBLE PLAN

## City thinks course could solve issues

STAFF REPORT

In a rare, often candid, open-meeting discussion that included negotiations for the potential sale of real estate, Marion City Council members on Monday perhaps set into motion a plan that – if developed – could solve a number of pressing questions facing multiple community agencies.

Among those issues are where the county might choose to locate its offices once the new courthouse is built, and how local government can empower the Crittenden County Economic Development Corporation (CCEDC) to erase debt and other financial liabilities that have encumbered it for years.

Mayor Jared Byford and city council members agreed – for the most part and in theory – that the city could reasonably envision a way to assist the CCEDC so it can focus on its mission to the community rather than being saddled with the financially cumbersome tasks of maintaining the Marion Ed-Tech Center and paying off the balance of a hefty loan it assumed in 2005 to buy the Industrial Park North. A blueprint for doing that would include giving the Crittenden County Fiscal Court the Marion Ed-Tech Center – to which the city holds title – in exchange for the county paying off the CCEDC's debt of somewhere between \$80,000 and \$140,000 after some other deals are finalized.

Discussions at this week's council

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# Area Deaths

## Simpson

Marjorie Lee Simpson, 83, of Jacksonville, Fla., died Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

She was born on July 1, 1937, in Detroit, Mich., to the late Howard and Marguerite Simpson.

Surviving are her brothers Edmond Simpson (Sally), James Simpson (Jan), Donald Lowry (Julie) and Wayne Lowry; and many nieces and nephews.

She worked for the Department of the Navy in computers and telecommunications for over 30 years, receiving honors and awards. Privately, she mentored and tutored children, volunteered for hospice and served in her community.

A funeral mass will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 23 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Green Cove Springs, Fla. Private graveside services will be held later at St. William Catholic Church Cemetery in Marion.

Memorials may be made to Community Hospice of Jacksonville or Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Gilbert Funeral Home and Broadus-Raines Funeral Home collaborated for the arrangements.



## Howerton

Peggy Ann (Wright) Howerton, 80, of Bowling Green, Ky., and formerly of Evansville, Ind., died July 16, 2020 at Hospice House of Southern Kentucky. She was born June 20, 1940 and was a native of Marion.

She was retired from American General Finance and was a member of Hillvue Heights Church.

Survivors include her husband of 61 years Carol Howerton; four sisters, Dottie, Linda, Edith and Betty; and a brother, Jimmy.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Randolph and Lois Andrews Wright.

J.C. Kirby and Son Lovers Lane Chapel in Bowling Green was in charge of arrangements.

## Elledge

Nancy "Carol" Elledge, 79, of Kuttawa died Saturday, July 18, 2020 at her home. She was a member of the Blackhawk Kingdom Hall of Jehovah Witness.

Survivors include her sons, Chad Elledge and Richard Jennings; brothers Glen Kirk, Elbert Kirk and Edward Kirk; and a sister, Vilas Todd.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sonny Elledge; parents Joe and Novella Kirk;

children Dana Bliss, Harry Dean and Gary Dean; and brothers J.D. Kirk, Ollie Kirk, Harry Kirk and Hayden Kirk.

Services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 23 at Gilbert Funeral Home. Friends may call from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday at the funeral home.

## Larsen

Linda "Pearl" Larsen, 66, of Fredonia died Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at Baptist Health of Paducah.

She loved music, making candles and traveling.

Surviving are her daughter, Autumn Todd of Princeton; son, Adam and wife Zeinna Larsen; a sister, Lori Corona of San Diego, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Larsen; and her parents, Arthur Kipper and Louise Dickey.

A celebration of life service will be held by the family at a later date.

Lindsey Funeral Home of Paducah was in charge of arrangements.



# City adopts resolution supporting local police

During a recent Marion City Council meeting local leaders adopted a resolution to show support for local law enforcement.

The resolution reads:

WHEREAS, the City of Marion is a Municipal Corporation of the Home Rule Class under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the City values and greatly appreciates the services provided by the City of Marion Police Department and all first responders throughout the Commonwealth and this Nation; and

WHEREAS, the City has a long-standing commitment of support for the City of Marion Police Department and all the men and women of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the City is dedicated to fighting and reducing crime in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City appreciates the bravery and selflessness that the men and women of the Police Department demonstrate every day while they protect and serve the citizens of this City.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the City Council as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals shall be and are hereby incorporated in this Section 1 as if said recitals were fully set forth.

Section 2. The City Council and Mayor by this Resolution express their

## MPD activity report

Data below provided by Marion Police Department from June 2020 compare figures with June 2019 and reflects year-to-date totals for 2020.

CATEGORY	June 2019	June 2020	2020 TOTAL
Miles driven/patrolled	3,298	3,238	3238
Criminal investigations	7	6	6
Domestics	11	5	5
Felony Arrests	0	12	12
Misdemeanor arrests	2	4	4
Non-criminal arrests	6	2	2
DUI arrests	1	2	2
Criminal summons served	2	1	1
Traffic citations	23	7	7
Traffic warnings	20	2	2
Other citations	12	17	17
Parking tickets	0	0	0
Traffic accidents	4	4	4
Security checks/alarms	76	53	53
Calls for service	181	172	172

support of and appreciation for the Rule of Law and those First Responders and the men and women of the City of Marion Police Department that defend and protect the

same.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

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COUNCIL CANDIDATES  
DRAW FOR POLL SPOT

Seven individuals, including six incumbents and one challenger, will be vying for Marion City Council seats in the Nov. 3 general election.

A couple of the candidates showed up last week for the official drawing for ballot position. Candidates are not required to be at the courthouse for the drawing. Dwight Sherer drew the top ballot spot, followed by Darin Tabor, challenger Casey Winstead, D'Anna Browning, Michael Byford, Donald Arflack and Phyllis Sykes.

At Monday's Marion City Council meeting, Byford asked City Attorney Bart Frazer why council members have to file and run every two years when the mayor, county magistrates an other elected officials are elected every four years.

Frazer said Marion is like all Kentucky cities and subject to Kentucky Revised Statutes. Those laws determine the makeup of the city council and the frequency for elections, he



County Clerk Carolyn Byford assists city council candidates Phyllis Sykes and Mike Byford in their drawing for ballot position last week at the courthouse.

said, pointing to KRS 83A.040.

CHARGES FILED AFTER  
CARRSVILLE INCIDENT

Livingston County Sheriff's Deputies have charged two people with theft due to an incident last week in Carrsville. A property owner near Carrsville in Livingston County was checking his property last Thursday and found three individuals that had been removing parts from salvage vehicles on his land. The owner held two of them at the location until sheriff's deputies arrived. Those two suspects were charged with one count of theft.

They were Dylan Emmons, 26, of Ledbetter and Tiffany Bass, 26, of Hickory, Ky. Another individual fled on foot. That individual was later identified as Morgan C. Brooks, 28, of Grand Rivers. A warrant was issued for Brooks' arrest.

NEW FARM WATER  
POLICY ANNOUNCED

The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet's Division of Water and the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy has announced new guidelines and an increase in funding for the On-Farm Water Management Program.

To access the new guidelines, determine if your organization is eligible, and obtain a project application and supporting documents, please visit <https://ag-policy.ky.gov/funds/Pages/program-portal.aspx>

BESHEAR SAYS MASK  
ORDER IS POPULAR

Gov. Andy Beshear says his mask order issued almost two weeks ago is popular among Kentuckians. A phone

poll by the Democratic Party among 601 "likely general-election voters," found that 95% of Democrats, 66% of independents, 59% of Republicans and 56% of conservatives favored the mask requirement. Also, 63% said "the worst is yet to come in terms of the coronavirus' effect on Kentucky's public health and economy, compared to just 21% who say the worst is behind." In a news release, the governor's office said the poll found that 69% approved of Beshear's handling of the pandemic, and 25% disapproved.

Garin-Hart-Yang Research Group of Washington, D.C., a leading Democratic survey firm that has polled in Kentucky for decades, conducted the poll.

GATHERINGS LIMITED;  
TRAVEL ADVISORY

Gov. Andy Beshear has announced new restrictions and a travel advisory due to the high number of COVID-19 cases over the past week. Beshear said there are clusters of



cases from people who go to the beach and bring the coronavirus back with them, so he announced a travel advisory.

"We are asking anyone who goes to a state that has over a 15 percent positivity rate, to quarantine themselves for 14 days when they come back," he said. "These are areas where right now this virus is uncontrolled."

Eight states are now above that 15 percent threshold: Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Nevada, South Carolina and Texas. A ninth state, Mississippi, is just below that level at 14.82 percent but is included in the advisory, as is Puerto Rico. As a comparison, Kentucky's positivity rate is just over 4.5 percent.

He did issue a mandate on the number of people allowed at social gatherings, such as backyard parties.

"We had increased

the amount of people you could have up to 50, and we are reducing that back down to 10. That doesn't affect any businesses, any venues, any outdoor weddings," Beshear stated. "They have licenses that give them the motivation to clean and do the right things."

ZONING CHANGES

Marion City Council on Monday approved two recommendations from the Marion Planning and Zoning Commission for changes to the city zoning map.

The property at 533 East Depot Street was rezoned from residential to commercial to make way for the construction of commercial storage units, and the former Southern States building at 312 West Gum Street was rezoned from commercial to light industrial to make way for a facility that will turn old tires into highway marker stabilizers.

The city denied a request for a zoning change from industrial to residential at a house on Pippi Hardin Boulevard.

County renews contract with EMS; last year for CCH subsidy

STAFF REPORT

The contract agent that provides ambulance service to Crittenden County received a new contract last week. Crittenden County Fiscal Court approved a one-year deal with ComCare Inc., of Hartford, Ky.

This will be the third year ComCare has provided EMS services for the community.

The new contract was approved with a slight increase, which was requested by ComCare. The previous contract was for \$27,084 per month. The new monthly deal is \$27,761.10, an effective annual increase of \$8,125.20.

ComCare President Jim Duke said the new contract also includes a provision that protects the company in the event of a natural disaster that might inflict additional, unforeseen costs on the corporation. He said the county would

Fiscal Court

likely be able meet such liabilities with reimbursements from FEMA, in the case of major events.

Rural Health Group, which purchased the healthcare facility from the county just over two years ago, had promised to pay \$100,000 annually, for a period of three years, toward ambulance services in the county. That agreement ends with the new contract year, so the county will have to find a way to meet a greater financial liability in Fiscal Year 2022.

Duke also told magistrates that the agency would be needing to replace one of the aging ambulances this year. He suggested looking for a used unit, pointing out that there are

generally good ones on the market for about \$30,000 to \$40,000, as opposed to a new one which would be much costlier. Because of a limited number of calls and the distances travelled annually by ambulances here, Duke said a "good used" model would be sufficient.

Road requests

The fiscal court denied a couple of requests on road matters. After further investigation into a request for an extension of Raymond Byler Road, magistrates agreed that the proposed three-tenths of a mile for inclusion into the county road system was not up to county standards. The road is too narrow and goes through a creek bed, according to information presented at the fiscal court meeting. Cost to bring

the road up to county specifications would be thousands of dollars, said Magistrate Dave Belt, in whose district the road lies. The property owners along the road would be responsible for bearing that cost, and at least for now, that does not appear to be in the offing, Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said.

The court also denied acting on a request to rename Forest Grove Road to Claghorn Road.

The Claghorn family had requested to the change. Newcom said the family had suggested that the road was once named Claghorn Road, however, he could not find any evidence of that in records back to 1950.

Boat dock contract

Crittenden County Fiscal Court approved a contract bid for survey, design and engineering for a seasonal courtesy dock to be built at Riverview Park (formerly Dam 50 Recreation Area). The county has received a grant for over \$30,000 to have the structure designed and built. The county road crew will participate in the construction of anchoring piers for the dock. Judge Newcom said he isn't sure construction can be completed before winter at this point, largely due to delays in final funding approval because of the COVID-19 shutdown this spring and a slow response to bid requests. Cost for the design and engineering was approved at \$12,300. Bacon, Farmer and Workman of Paducah was the only engineering firm to submit a bid. It will be hired for the project. This was the second time the county advertised for bids on the project.

THROW BACK THURSDAY  
OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

50 YEARS AGO

July 16, 1970

■ Dickie McDonald was named the head football coach at Crittenden County High School and called a meeting with prospective team members. McDonald came to Marion from Henderson County, where he grew up and resided after graduating from Western Kentucky University. ■ Pat McClure was pictured with 14 pounds of bass he caught on Clay Lick Creek near the Cumberland River at Dycusburg using a bush whacker. ■ Pfc. Johnny Travis departed for NAO Headquarters Command, Landsoutheast Izmir, Turkey.

25 YEARS AGO

July 20, 1995

■ Marion resident Denzil Johnson, 55, drowned while swimming in the Ohio River. His body was recovered near the old Elizabethtown landing. ■ Former students and graduates of Tolu High School gathered at Hurricane Church Campgrounds for their 11th reunion. ■ The Marion father-daughter tandem of Bill Jones and Melissa Summers won a third Buck and Doe couples tournament championship.

■ Crittenden County High School football practice started up as Rocket coach Al Starnes and his staff had just completed the team's annual youth camp.

10 YEARS AGO

July 16, 2010

■ A new law took effect that made it illegal to send or receive text messages while driving. Sheriff's Deputy Greg Rushing said texting was the biggest problem on highways at the time. ■ Dean Miller was named Lions Club Member of the Year. He was a 40-year member of the Lions Club then serving as president. ■ Eight Crittenden County Boy Scouts attended the Roy C. Manchester Group Camp in Aurora, including Cody Harris, Logan Harris, Warren Martin, Travis McKinney, Johnathan Suggs, Colton Poindexter, D.J. Crider and Alex Kirby. ■ FFA Leadership Training Center welcomed the following Crittenden County High School students: Kari Buntin, Corey Bruns, Matt Berry, Matt Papineau, Daniel Patton, Stacia Snow, Joseph Tedford and Jake Woods. ■ CCHS chess team members Micah Hollamon and Cole Foster won team gold at the chess portion of the Bluegrass State Games. Hollamon won all four of his games, and Foster won three out of four.



Lucy TEDRICK  
Guest Columnist  
Religious and Political Views

If ever America needed Godly brave men to go into these crowded streets of our nation, now is it. They should be there, where millions of ungodly people, in ignorance and sin, are trying to destroy the only nation on earth that gives them the freedom to do it. They should talk to them about their souls and destiny, helping them to understand the awful evil they are committing.

When Rome was having the ungodly, evil Gladiator Festival Sports with two men fighting to the death, a small monk, with grief and love in his heart, jumped into the arena, crying out to them to stop killing each other. One of the gladiators struck a death blow to the monk, revealing the very evil souls of the spectators, their awful shame and disgust on themselves. It not only immediately brought a stunning quietness and silent removal of all attendees, but also an end to the inhuman, ghastly, barbarian sport.

Oh, that God would raise up some young Godly men who would put their names, reputation and life on the line for Jesus, and go in

among these wild, brain-washed dupes of Satan's money gurus – paid for by communist George Soros and other atheistic, backslidden, wealthy people rejoicing in destructing America. They hate Christianity and still believe they are supposed to rule the world, and can't. We need to tell these young people about Jesus and His better way of life, and expose these leaders who are using them, only to desert them in the end.

When a hoard of Bolsheviks, many of them Marx Jews, joined up with Lenin in 1917 slaughtering the Christian Czar Nicholas II, his wife, son and four daughters. It put Lenin in rule of Russia. They were eventually slaughtered themselves, Lenin died, and Joseph Stalin took over because he said if they can help one take over a nation, they can help one be taken out. He had the Bolsheviks killed.

Another "if only" we had preachers who reach America by TV were preaching the Gospel truth that everyone who dies with sin in their life will go to a Devil's hell for all eternity, and those that die a truly born again Christian, living a holy life will go to a world of perfect peace and life filled with all a person could ever hope or ask for.

And if only those

preachers preaching soul damning lies, that are sending millions to that Devil's hell, saying when one professes faith in Jesus, regardless of the sins they commit after that, and die in them, will go to Heaven would let the Holy Spirit convict them of their awful soul destroying unbiblical messages. They should ask God for forgiveness, and confess their wrongs to the world. Then maybe they could escape God's judgment, and save millions of souls.

Eighty-two percent of Americans say they are Christian. If so, how have we legalized same sex marriage and the killing of over 65 million of the most innocent and helpless babies whose mothers, fathers, doctors, supporters, and politicians will be held ac-

countable for their deaths?

"Without Holiness, no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

Yet these Once-Saved-Always-Saved professors also teach, "No one can live holy."

That same Bible that teaches we must live holy, also makes it very clear no one can live holy without first being truly born again, and then ask for and receive the Holy Spirit of God whose power makes one holy and able to live it.

Oh God, please bring Americas back to God!

Rev. Lucy Tedrick is a regular conservative columnist for the newspaper. She has been and preacher here for many years. Her viewpoints are her own.

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Schools to start online registration

Online registration for Crittenden County students begins Monday. Parents should choose in-person or distance learning. Sixty percent of parents have taken a survey accessible on the district website. Responses help the district as it continues planning for space and back-to-school logistics. Take the survey at <https://crcs-ky.schoolloop.com>.

Tinsley intern for Comer

Marion native Emily Tinsley recently completed an internship in Congressman James Comer's district office in Tompkinsville. She spent time answering constituent inquiries, traveling to events with Congressman Comer and providing general office assistance.



Tinsley

"I was really glad to have Emily working in our district office for part of the summer. She did a terrific job of assisting our constituents at a time when so many of them have needed our help due to the coronavirus. Emily's work ethic is second to none, and she has a very bright future," Congressman Comer said.

Tinsley, a graduate of Crittenden County High School, is an incoming senior at Western Kentucky University, where she is completing a degree in marketing with a minor in economics and a certificate in business data analytics.

Rosebud has no meeting

Rosebud Cemetery Association annual meeting will not be held due to COVID-19. For questions or concerns, contact any of the trustees.

Senior Menu

The Crittenden County Senior Center is offering a drive-through for daily hot meals. Lunches must be reserved by calling (270) 965-5229. They can be picked up Monday through Friday at 11:30 a.m.

Menu includes:  
July 23 Green pepper casserole, new buttered potatoes, peas and carrots, tropical fruit and cornbread.  
July 24 Chicken Alfredo, buttered spinach, garlic breadstick, Mandarin oranges.  
July 27 Vegetable soup, hamburger on whole wheat bun with lettuce, tomato, onion and crackers, oatmeal raisin cookie.  
July 28 BBQ chicken on wheat bun, baked potato with margarine and sour cream, green bean casserole and bake apples with raisins.  
July 29 Baked potato soup, chicken drumstick, seasoned peas, cornbread and pear crisp.  
Jenni Sosh is director of the center, which is open weekdays only for lunch pick-up currently.

Pandemic playbook  
School district buying supplies, addressing safeguards

STAFF REPORT

There is no playbook for returning to school during a pandemic; however, each day Crittenden County School District implements a new element of its defense. Administrators have been meeting nearly daily for more than a month to develop two options parents can choose from, either sending their child to school in person or virtually through a distance-learning program. As of Tuesday, 76 percent of parents say they plan to send their children to in-person school. School officials insist there is a long list of safeguards being put into place to keep students healthy. Parents of more than 825 students have responded to a school survey gauging interest in in-person classes. During a lengthy board of education

meeting last week, Superintendent Vince Clark presented the Rocket Relaunch plan which includes the purchase of \$35,000 worth of safety equipment and sanitization supplies like face shields, masks, rolling cafeteria carts, trash cans, spray bottles, thermometers and disinfectants. District administrators are serving on a back-to-school task force with principals and SBDM representatives to help prepare for scenarios and solutions that may arise. Clark said school officials will check students' temperature upon arrival at school, and masks will be required on school buses and by both students and teachers in the classroom when social distancing is not possible. Each classroom is

being decluttered in order for students to spread out and create a six-foot buffer between desks. The district has placed storage pods on each campus to hold excess desks, cabinets and school materials in order to optimize space in classrooms. "The more we can spread out, the more flexibility we have with masks inside the classrooms," Clark said. "And that's lot of the feedback we got from parents - when will kids get to take mask breaks? - and inside the classroom is one option for that if we can social distance." The school district has purchased virtual curriculum programs - Edgenuity and Pathblazer - which will be used in part by all students whether attending in person or virtually.

In the event of COVID-19 cases among students or staff, Clark said the school district will assist the Pennyrite District Health Department with contract tracing. In turn, health professionals will make recommendations for terms of self-isolation. "The closer we get to normal, the more risk we accept, but I still believe in Crittenden County the risk is low with these protocols. But we will do everything we can to make it safe," Clark added. If necessary, Clark said, school will close for day or two for deep cleaning. The superintendent has spent the last four days facilitating parent forums and fielding questions and concerns as parents and teachers alike prepare for the school year that is set to start

Aug. 25 for students. Other elements being addressed to prepare for the return to school include:  
•Fact sheets for parents.  
•Meetings with school nurses.  
•Development of flow charts for positive cases.  
•Staggered lunchroom and recess schedules.  
•Bus sanitization plans each morning and afternoon.  
•Seating charts on buses.  
•Hiring three new custodians. Supplies and custodians are funded through the federal CARES grant. "Y'all have done a lot of work in a short period of time," said board member Bill Asbridge, speaking to school administrators. "I know the district is doing everything it can to answer questions."



Longtime preschool teacher Angel McDonald is presented a retirement plaque by Superintendent Vince Clark.

Ms. Angel retires, earns high praise

STAFF REPORT

To know her is to love her, and now co-workers and future students will be missing Angel McDonald. Known simply as Ms. Angel for 33 years in the Crittenden County School District, McDonald retired at the end of the last school year. It is estimated she taught some 700 preschoolers during her time in the district. Former colleague Lynda Dennis and Superintendent Vince Clark showered McDonald with accolades during a brief ceremony last Thursday night. "In 1987 Audubon Area Head Start hired an angel, who remained an angel for 33 years," Dennis said. "No lady has impacted students of

Crittenden County more than Angel McDonald, and we are happy for her that she gets to have this next chapter of life, but very sad for all of us and especially students coming in that will miss the opportunity," Clark said. "She has led an impactful career for Crittenden County Schools and we are so grateful to have known Ms. Angel and grateful for what she stood for in the classroom. She always saw the good in every kid." McDonald and her husband Jerry, known to many kids in the district as the Balloon Dude, have one son Zack who lives in Sweden with his wife Zorica and their son Teddy who they hope to visit more frequently in retirement.

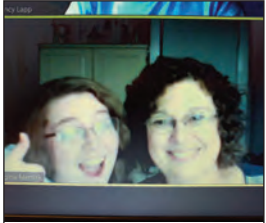
Cupcake Wars new event for Crittenden 4-Hers

STAFF REPORT

A team competition for cupcakes is a new twist to the county fair lineup this year. Crittenden County 4-Hers will have the opportunity to design cupcakes and be judged on creativity and skill during the annual Crittenden County Lions Club Fair. Cupcake Wars will be held Aug. 1 at the fair building. Applications are available at the Crittenden County Extension Service, and you must apply as a team. The competition is limited to the first six team applications received at the Crittenden County Extension Service. A \$5 registration fee per team was required by July 22, and reg-

istration fees must be received no later than July 30. The two themes for the 2020 4-H Cupcake Wars Contest will be "Olympics" and "What does 4-H mean to me." Teams will have one hour to complete each cupcake design. The team will work together for the duration of the event and will have one chef and an assistant who will then swap at the start of the second theme design. All entries will be completed and submitted to judges by 6:30 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. (times are tentative) for the first and second cupcake rounds respectively. Ovens and tables will be provided, but participants must bring all supplies needed for the two

rounds of competition, including trays, plates, baking ingredients and cleaning supplies. Teams are judged on display, communication, teamwork, taste, creativity, kitchen safety and cleanliness. Presentation includes plating and presentation. Teams should be prepared to speak to the judges and explain their cupcake recipe and design. Each entry receives a ribbon; the ribbon color reflects their average score. No premiums awarded. The Grand Champion Team and Reserve Champion will have the opportunity to apply to compete at the Kentucky State Fair.



Zoom Trivia Ellen and Regina Merrick won the Crittenden County Public Library's "Imagine Your Story" Trivia Night held via Zoom at the end of June.

PHONES

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pal Amanda Irvan said. "On one hand it stinks because kids will spend more time out of the classroom (if in ISD), but on the other hand hopefully kids will know we are serious." Irvan said if this policy does not reduce disciplinary events, she will recommend the SBDM move forward with Yondr pouches the following year. Superintendent Vince Clark said the number one goal of the cell phone policy is protecting instructional time; however, he didn't believe the timing of such a restrictive policy is appropriate during a pandemic. The new policy only addresses use of devices during instruc-

tional time, but not during lunch and between classes. Superintendent Vince Clark said the policy reflects wishes of those on both sides of the debate. "Number one, it's clear that protecting instructional time was the priority, and should be, and the way to do that is to turn off devices during

class time and put them up," he said. "Number two is to improve accessibility in a responsible manner by students outside the classroom; and number three, is if students are irresponsible, they need to know they can lose the privilege of having phones at lunchtime and between classes."

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Love, Joyce Gardner  
Children Mark, Barry, Jan, Nancy and Richard



# A visit to one of the early homes in Marion

Even though Mr. and Mrs. Ed Runyan have not lived in Marion since 2007, I'll always think of the beautiful old house located at 428 S. Marion Street as their home. Since they sold the house and left Marion, some of the home's charming old character has been altered with the modern addition of dark vinyl siding.



**Brenda Underdown**  
County Historian

*Forgotten Passages*

placed with a dark walnut plank matched side by side with a light maple plank. As your eye follows on down the hall, you see on the left the stairway with its beautiful walnut banister leading to the second floor. At the end of the hall is the front door, surrounded on both sides by glowing diamond patterned stain-glass windows in the brilliant colors of gold, royal blue and plum. All these items are original to the home, Mr. Runyan told me.

The home was one of the first homes built in the area. History passed down through the years by earlier historians states that it was built in 1834. It was built outside the city limits of Marion, and at the time Crittenden County was then still a part of Livingston County.

The Harvey Bigham family owned many acres of land in this area at this time. In 1842 when Crittenden became a county, Harvey Bigham was already established here and was the first county clerk of the new county. It is believed that he would have been the one to build this home. The former residents of the home stated they thought it was built in 1834, but after seeing the craftsmanship and the materials that were used to build the home, I wonder if it was built at a later date maybe in the 1860s.

This beautiful old home has a lot of history stored in its walls. As the saying goes "if walls could talk," the stories it could tell us. I visited with the Runyans in 2007 and had a tour of the home and grounds. I hope you will enjoy some of the things I saw and some of the history I learned while talking with them. As you enter the Runyan residence from the rear of the dwelling, you are greeted with a large impressive hallway 50 feet long and 12 feet wide.

As you enter the hall the unusual flooring is the first sight to catch the visitor's eye. The original planks are 4 x 12; they are strategically

Reed was a mining engineer and during this time owned and operated many fluorspar mines in the county. The Reeds lived in the home from 1915 until 1950.

During the time the Reeds resided here there was a tennis court built, it was located behind the house on the lot that faced College Street. This lot stretched from South College Street and reached to nearly Depot Street on the north.

Mr. Reed also had the kitchen, which was a room built several feet from the rear entrance, moved to a different location and installed a more modern kitchen in one of the floor rooms on the house. Having the kitchen built separately from the main house was the custom of the period, for safety sake, to help protect the living quarters if the kitchen caught fire, which was very common in those days of wood stoves and open fireplaces.

The little kitchen room is still standing today; it is located behind the home of Hilda Dunning, which is located just behind the Runyan's home, on E. Gum Street. Also during the Reed's time, the style of the front porch was changed, and the wood railing was removed. After the Reed children were all grown and starting their own lives and



**The historic old home (above) in 2007, sitting stately under the ancient oaks trees in the yard. (Right) Ed Runyan stands on the front porch steps as he shared the history of the house and grounds.**



Mr. Reed's wife, Lutie, died in 1949, he decided to sell their home and move back to Virginia. He sold the home to Marion businesswoman Lottie Terry in October of 1950. Mrs. Terry kept the home until May 1951 and she sold the home to Katherine Yandell Runyan. Mrs. Terry also sold some of the property into lots, which caused the tennis court to be removed, and the estate lost some of its front lawn, which used to stretch all the way to the street (Myers Auto Parts sits on the part that was sold.) Part of the herringbone pattern brick walkway is still in the yard today, as are three of the giant oak trees that have been there all these many years.

With the purchase of the home by Katherine Runyan, many changes would take place to the old home. In August of 1951, an ad in The Crittenden Press tells us, "The Avery Reed home on North Main Street, one of Marion's oldest landmarks, has been completely re-modeled and made into a most attractive Guest House. Nothing has been left undone for the comfort of travelers. The

rooms are spacious, designed for gracious living and possess the atmosphere of true Southern hospitality. Each of the eight rooms has its own bathroom for the convenience of her guests. It was named the Colonial Guest House."

Mrs. Katherine Yandell Runyan also had a separate dining room built for her guest house, and it is the smaller building that you can see today located on the front lawn of the house. Many good meals were served in the Colonial Guest House Dining Room, not only for the guests, but for the community as well.

In later years after the home became Mr. and Mrs. Ed Runyan's home, the separate dinning room was converted into a living room, kitchen, bedroom and bath.

Katherine also had another addition built onto the Reed house, which is located on the side next to Gum Street, and today it is used as an apartment.

In 1972, at the death of Katherine Yandell Runyan, which was Ed Runyan's stepmother, he obtained the house and he and his wife Dell started renovating the former Colonial Guest House into a home where they would live.

Their renovations took several years, and in 1977, they moved in their historic home. For 30 years this house

has been home for the Runyans, their two sons, Bill and Stan, and their families. Ed and Dell are getting ready to begin another stage in their life, as they are preparing to sell their home and move to Colorado to be closer to their son, Bill and his family. They are sad to leave Marion and all their friends and memories, and we are sad to see them leave. I would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Runyan for taking the time to share some of the history of their historic home and grounds with us, and wish them good health and happiness in the future.

Since the Runyan's left, the historic old home has had several other owners. As of now it sits empty and is for sale once again.

Ed Runyan died Oct. 19, 2011 and Dell died Nov. 22, 2015, and they were brought back to the town they both loved, and are buried in the Maplevue Cemetery.

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

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The world is always falling apart – but it will be OK

There will always be “glass half full” and “glass half empty” people. Both will always be right. Personally, the thing that keeps me more on the half full side are all the half empty people that spoke and wrote in the past. It is those who accurately described catastrophic events or put their finger on unwelcome changes that give me hope that we will see the other side of whatever happens.



Sean NIESTRATH  
Faith-based columnist  
Guest Columnist

As a believer, I should add that “we” may not include “me.” Unless one considers the “other side” that which is beyond death. But humanity and cultures will survive. Maybe not the ones we are familiar with today because things change. It is fine to resist a little. It is ok to be a little concerned. It is natural to be angry or confused. It is fine to argue for or against. The one thing I believe that we must exercise the most self-control over is our fear.

This is where history, and the history of faith, is so important. This is why many rightly lament the utter lack of seeing history on its own terms and allowing those from the past to speak for themselves in their context rather than imposing our current sensitivities and social understandings on those who lived in the past. This is the reason much of the Bible is so misconstrued. I need not speak of the current issues we are having with important (whether one likes them or not) historical figures in our nation’s history.

There are laws in the Old Testament that sound utterly barbaric to us today. However, at the time they were massive advancements in the

humane treatment of others. I, for one, do not want my life and decisions to be judged by some unknown future generation that has no idea what life is like now – even if they do read the books. There will always be books, right?

The world is always undergoing changes in the way we think about the world, religion, and other people. Every few generations the way we process information changes, which makes documents that were written in a previous milieu more difficult to grasp without a little homework. I am not a philosopher and only dabble enough to be dangerous and show my ignorance in the subject.

I will venture to say, however, that we have moved from a rationalist view of the world and religion (which I might argue is the source of our founding documents and had a profound impact on our traditional denominations) to a post-modern view.

In 1865 (note the year), Dr. John Fletcher Hurst, the first Chancellor of American University in Washington, D.C., wrote a book about the effects of Rationalist thought on Christianity. He was not happy about the changes he saw in this new approach to theology and the Bible. Even today I tend to agree with him.

Here is what he said about music. “The old chorals, which had been lingering in those renowned gothic temples ever since the days of Luther, were so altered as to stand upon the same footing as the hymns themselves. All sentiment was extracted, as quite out of place, and sublimity was made to

give way to a more temporal and stoical standard. In due time the Rationalists effected their purpose. Secular music was introduced into the sanctuary. . . The oratorios and cantata of the theatre and beer-garden were the Sabbath accompaniments of the sermon. The masses consequently began to sing less. . .” It all sounds strangely familiar.

I found this concluding remark in his chapter about the effects of skepticism to be particularly fascinating. “Our civilization is undergoing complete revolution. The field is newly ploughed by events of the past few years, and it becomes the Church to scatter the seed of truth with unsparing hand.” It is worth remembering again that this is 1865, which means that much of this was probably written during the Civil War.

I have no doubt that the war influenced everything. There was nothing said that was not interpreted without “the war” in mind. We are in a similar time of heightened sensitivities. Everything is about virus or -isms. What is remarkable here is his continued focus on faith. What he saw was faith under attack from within and without. It always has been and always will be.

This is not only true of Christianity. The better parts of most faiths are always on the defensive because right now we are encouraged to judge the whole by the worst or most perverted examples. We must do better. Things will always change. Things will always feel like they are falling apart. Been there. Done that. Speak your mind, be tenacious, but do not fear the change. That is how we make things better.

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Church Events & News

■ The Clothes Closet of the First Baptist Church in Fredonia will once again be open to serve the area with free clothes beginning. For the time being, we will be outside the Clothes Closet in the parking lot. Our hours are 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. We will ask everyone to observe social distancing. The Clothes Closet will be closed in case of rain.

■ Fredonia Unity Baptist

Church’s clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month.

■ First Baptist Church of Fredonia food pantry is open from 1 to 3 p.m. the third Thursday of each month in Coleman Hall of the church.

■ The clothes closet at Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.

■ Cave Springs Baptist Church between Lola and Joy in Livingston County offers food 24 hours a day, 7 days week at its outdoor Blessing Box in front of the church.

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By Bob Hardison

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ORDINANCE NUMBER 20-10 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MARION CODE OF ORDINANCES  
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at a regular meeting held on July 20, 2020, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular called meeting of the City Council held on June 15, 2020, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance adopts the 2019 S-33 Supplement to the Marion Code of Ordinances as submitted by American Legal Publishing Corporation.

The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.

PREPARED BY:  
/s/ Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY  
FRAZER & MASSEY ATTORNEYS –AT- LAW  
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270/965-2261  
(1t-4-p)

ORDINANCE NO. 20-12: NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 01-23, TO CHANGE ZONING STATUS OF 533 East Depot Street  
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at its regular meeting held on July 20, 2020 at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and

adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at a special called meeting of the City Council held on July 15, 2020, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 01-23 such that the property located at 533 East Depot Street is amended from R-3 Multi-Family Residential District to C-3 Mixed Commercial District.

The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection.

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# LOCAL SPORTS IN BRIEF

## BASEBALL O'Leary leads Post 68

Crittenden County High School graduate Erik O'Leary leads the Post 68 pitching staff this season in innings pitched and wins. He is currently 3-1 on the mound. O'Leary missed his senior season with the Rockets baseball team due to COVID-19.

## YOUTH SPORTS Lakes Area Standings

**BASEBALL & SOFTBALL LEAGUE**  
Here are division standings from action in the Lakes Area Baseball/Softball League following last week's play. This does not include games played this week.

<b>12u SOFTBALL</b>	
Crittenden Royals	3-1
Trigg Red Sox	3-2
Caldwell Angels	2-2
Webster Orioles	1-2
Crittenden Cardinals	1-3

<b>10u SOFTBALL</b>	
Trigg Angels	4-0
Lyon Rockies	3-0
Trigg Twins	2-2
Caldwell Mets	2-3
Webster Dodgers	1-2
Crittenden Cardinals	1-2
Webster Braves	1-3
Caldwell Yankees	1-3

<b>8u SOFTBALL</b>	
Trigg Angels	4-0
Crittenden Yankees	2-2
Caldwell Cardinals	2-3
Lyon Reds	2-3
Webster Rockies	1-3

<b>12u BASEBALL</b>	
Caldwell A's	4-0
Lyon Yankees	3-1
Crittenden Blue Jays	2-2
Caldwell Cubs	2-2
Trigg Dodgers	2-2
Trigg Cardinals	2-2
Crittenden Astros	1-3
Webster Rays	0-4

<b>10u BASEBALL</b>	
Crittenden Mets	4-0
Caldwell Braves	3-1
Trigg Pirates	3-1
Caldwell Dodgers	2-1
Crittenden Diamondbacks	2-1
Lyon Cardinals	2-1
Lyon Red Sox	2-1
Trigg Reds	1-2
Webster Brewers	0-3
Crittenden Cubs	0-4
Webster Blue Jays	0-4

<b>8U BASEBALL</b>	
Caldwell Yankees	4-0
Caldwell RedSox	4-0
Trigg Rockies	3-1
Crittenden Braves	3-1
Trigg Astros	2-1
Caldwell Mets	2-2
Webster Cubs	1-2
Caldwell Giants	1-2
Lyon Cardinals	1-3
Crittenden A's	0-2
Trigg Reds	0-3
Webster Phillies	0-4

## CROSS COUNTRY Looking for runners

Crittenden County High School cross country team is now accepting participants. Anyone in grades 7 through 12 interested in distance running for competition or to stay in shape for other sports, cross country coach Sandra Martinez says there's a spot for you on the team. Contact her at [sandra.martinez@crittenden.kyschools.us](mailto:sandra.martinez@crittenden.kyschools.us) for more information.

## OUTDOORS Hunting Seasons

Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up this summer and fall:

Bull Frog	May 15 - Oct. 31
Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round
Turtles	Year Round
Squirrel	Aug. 15 - Nov. 13
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Deer Bow	Sept. 5 - Jan. 18
Deer Youth	Oct. 10-11
Deer Crossbow	Sept. 19 - Jan. 18
Deer blackpowder	Oct. 17-18
Deer Gun	Nov. 14 - Nov. 29

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## Bluegrass Blowout Car Show

Crittenden County Lions Club hosted its Bluegrass Blowout Car Show on Saturday at the fairgrounds. There were about 45 cars participating. Awards were as follows: Lions Club Award Danny Anderson; Peoples' Choice Steve Storall and Todd Barrow; Kids' Choice Kevin Prince; 1949 and Older: 1. Pete Yates, 2. Jeff Courtney, 3. Bill Fondaw; 50s 1. Eddie Shaffer, 2. Gene Bryer, 3. Danny Wright; 60s 1. Bill Tinsley, 2. Danny Cunningham, 3. Jim Bills; 70s 1. Terry Barrow, 2. Keith Driver, 3. Sandy Urbanowski; 80s 1. Gene McDonald; 90s 1. David Rennie; 2000s 1. Toby Meyers, 2. Kent Kingins, 3. Ron Powell; 2010 or Newer: 1. Stephen Furst, 2. Bud Poat, 3. Jim Teague; Rat Rod 1. Richard Brantley, 2. J.R. Compton; Kids Power Wheels Presley Herrin and Pagie Tinsley.

# Flowers added for fair exhibits

## No livestock, but plenty of opportunities

STAFF REPORT  
Crittenden County Lions Club Fair will move into second gear on Saturday with a heavy field for the truck and tractor pull. It got cranked up last weekend with a well-attended car show.  
Pageants get under way on Saturday, too, during the day on at the fairgrounds building and on Monday there are more pageants at Fohs Hall.  
There will be no livestock events this year, but regular

fair exhibits for fruit, vegetables and flowers will be held.  
All entries must be grown by the exhibitor, who must be a Crittenden County resident. Awards for first, second and third place will be presented. Exhibit entry is on Tuesday, July 28 from 11 a.m., to 3 p.m., at the new Lions Club Crittenden County Agriculture Building at the fairgrounds.  
Exhibits may be viewed from 1-6 p.m., Wednesday, July 29 and from 11 a.m., until 3 p.m., on Thursday, July 30.  
Exhibits pick-up is after 3 p.m., on July 30. All events will be at the Ag Building.  
“These entries are not just for youth; adults can enter their garden vegetables and flowers,” said Dee Brasher Heimgartner, Crittenden County Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources Education. “Gardening has become a very popular hobby during this time of staying at home and the county fair is a great opportunity to showcase the fruits of the gardener’s labor.”  
The past two years the open division has just been fruits and vegetables, but this year a few flower classes have been added. Gardeners have 11 different classes that they can enter:  
•Two tomatoes, slicing size  
•Three cucumbers, slicing

size.  
•Three squash, yellow.  
•Five ears of sweet corn.  
•Ten blackberries, any variety.  
•Basket display of mixed vegetables, fruit and herbs.  
•Most unusual vegetable.  
•Best daylily bloom.  
•Best single rose bloom.  
•Best hydrangea bloom.  
•Best other flower bloom.  
For more information, call Crittenden County Extension Office at 270-965- 5236.  
The demolition derby, enduro race and cupcake wars are the last weekend of the fair, July 31 and Aug. 1. See a complete fair schedule on page 1.

# Expect masks, limited fans at games

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association will have to make a decision soon on when or if fall sports will be played. But even if games are played, will there be fans allowed, especially for football?  
“We are not going to start with the premise of no fans,” said KHSAA commissioner Julian Tackett. “We think there is a (attendance) cap that can be managed. We also know there are some schools that have very large stadiums. You might be able to take it down to 30 percent (of full capacity).”  
Tackett says if high schools can play football and generate money for the athletics department, sacrifices are going to have to be made.  
“There is not an ice cube’s chance on a hot road at having full attendance at football games. I just don’t think there’s any chance of that,” Tackett said. “But when you talk about attendance, you also have to talk about how you manage the game. You have got to incorporate something about concessions even if it is just to go by the current restaurant guidance.  
“We don’t anticipate at this point in time a decision coming out that there will be no fans at games unless that comes from someone other than us.”  
That could happen if a local health department mandated no fans at games in a county or city.  
Tackett said schools could have decisions to make also if there was a confrontation with a fan or fans who are denied access to games.  
“Fans will be there in masks. Plan on that now,” Tackett said. “If you don’t wear a mask, you will get it shut down for everybody. That could be a tough thing for some schools.”  
Tackett understands the importance of high school sports for athletes and communities. He knows sugges-



Larry Vaught  
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tions have been made to switch seasons for some sports, something he says is easier said than done.  
“Which programs do you sacrifice (and not let play)? We have to try to go this fall and then see what adaptations we have to make,” Tackett said.  
The commissioner said he was most worried about fall volleyball because he’s not been able to get answers about air flow issues in closed spaces. He’s also been “irritated” by social media photos of football players working out not wearing shirts.  
“If you think youth can transmit the virus, why let them out there without shirts? We have to be smarter than that,” Tackett said.  
Tackett said there will not be an “all or nothing” plan for fall sports as the KHSAA understands it must remain flexible. He feels good about the start and finish of golf season provided there are no big awards ceremonies or gatherings. He says suggestions have already come his way about no doubles play during tennis season in the spring or making some changes for track.  
Out-of-state competitions are another area that will be addressed by the KHSAA.  
“A lot don’t see that as a big issues but we have 42 counties that touch another state,” Tackett said. “So for a lot of schools, that’s a big issue we have to address.”  
Tackett also stressed that the KHSAA will not automatically make the same decisions about fall sports that the Southeastern Conference or Atlantic Coast Conference do.  
“We will be informed by what colleges do but we will not be controlled by what they do because our situations are different. The SEC and ACC have teams in South Carolina, Florida, Louisiana and other states. They have got hot spots, crowds and travel we don’t have. Our bubble is not anything like their bubble.”  
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Kentucky coach John Calipari was not allowed to be back on campus even though his players had returned in late June until this week. However, don’t think the coach was overly stressed. In fact, he took great pride in a recent Zoom call with media members about his long hair.  
“Hey, my wife said it’s business in the front, party in the back. I don’t know. I mean, I’m like, I just don’t want to get it cut until everything is underway,” Calipari said.  
“The beard, the beard was looking – I trimmed it down. But you know, I just said, I may keep the hair going for a while. I don’t know. I’m in shorts and a T-shirt, flip flops and my hair’s everywhere. I got holes in my jeans. I don’t know what it means. I really don’t know what it means.”  
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John Herndon is the former sports editor of the Anderson News in Lawrenceburg who recently retired. He covered Anderson County sports for years and certainly heard plenty of stories about former UK basketball standout Jimmy Dan Conner, including this one I had never heard before.  
“When he was a senior at Anderson County, everyone thought he was going to UK but that wasn’t really a given he later told me,” Herndon said. “North Carolina, Duke and Florida were really on him.”  
“(North Carolina coach) Dean Smith sent one of his assistants to visit. Jimmy Dan had a new Jeep and he wanted the coach to go for a ride with him. They went out in the country and there is a place in Anderson County where the road just goes into the Salt River.  
The water was up that day and Jimmy Dan’s Jeep stalled in the river. He had to go get some help and left the coach sitting there. The legend around Lawrenceburg always was it was Dean Smith, but Jimmy Dan told me it was his assistant.”  
Conner, Kentucky’s 1971 Mr. Basketball, scored 1,009

points in three seasons from 1972-75 and also had 344 rebounds and 264 assists. He was a career 50 percent shooter from the field. He was also an academic All-American.  
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Former All-American Kenny Walker has the UK record for most career free throws made with 550 and most in a season with 218.  
“I didn’t come in being a great free throw shooter but I put the time in. We had to make 25 free throws before we could leave practice every day. Practice makes perfect,” Walker said. “About two years ago some guy came up and told me I had that record and I didn’t know.  
“After we lost Sam Bowie and Melvin Turpin (to graduation) in 1984 I became the featured guy in coach (Joe) Hall’s last year. Probably one of the most unglamorous records at UK, but I am proud of it.”  
He also finished as UK’s second all-time leading scorer with 2,080 points when he graduated in 1986 — just 58 points behind Dan Issel. No one has challenged either one as Jack Givens remains next with 1,923 while Keith Bogans in fourth at 1,923 and Tony Delk 1,890. Issel got his points in only 83 games while Walker played 132, Givens 123, Bogans 135 and Delk 133.  
“I jokingly say this to coach Hall and he is my guy, the most under appreciated coach that we have had here and he’s like a father figure to us still. The things I learned from him in basketball and away from basketball you can’t put a price on,” Walker said. “But I always joke and tell him, ‘Coach I only came up 58 points shy of passing Dan Issel to being all-time leading scorer. If you had not retired and came back (for my senior season) I think I would have got it and broke all kind of records. He did let me shoot.”



Jeremy and Stefanie Shoulders and Kayla and Daniel Gachoka won the Drake Creek Double Couple Golf Tournament last weekend. They shot 16-under-par on the first round and 18-under on the second for an incredibly low score of 56-54-110.



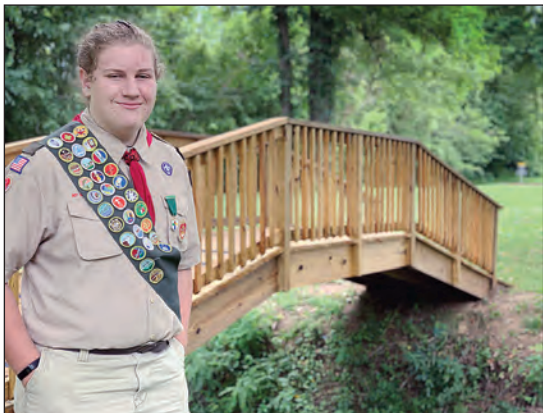
Local high school golfers Jeremiah Foster (pictured) and Avery Belt played recently in the Calvert City Country Club Red Bird Junior Tournament. Foster won his division with a 90 and Belt shot a 105.

The Talons 12-under softball team recently finished runner-up in the USFA World Series in Panama City Beach, Fla.  
The 11-person roster includes girls from six western Kentucky counties, including Crittenden.  
The Talons were 9-2 at the event, losing twice to the same team from Louisiana. The Talons beat teams from Tennessee, Virginia, Georgia and Missouri.  
The Talons’ roster and the middle school they attend includes Bailee Grogan of Calloway County, Elliot Evans of Crittenden County, Rylee Thompson, Harper Holean and Adley Lewis of Caldwell County, Lex Feagin, Hailee Jones and Ginger Martin of Mayfield, Blair Byassee of Hickman County and Riley Baumgart and Annabelle Sarten of McCracken County. The team is coached by Jason Jones, Robby Thompson and Jason Grogan.  
The Talons finished the spring season, which was cut a couple months short because of COVID-19, with a record of 30-5.





MARION DISC GOLF



At left, article author Rodney Travis attacks the basket at No. 9. At top is local Eagle Scout candidate Paul Combs who built the bridge that leads to new hole 7B, which is a Par 4.

PLAYERS GUIDE TO SURVIVING & CONQUERING LOCAL COURSE

Marion Disc Golf Course (MDGC)

Marion-Crittenden County Park

Hole by Hole Player's Guide

By Rodney Travis

HOLE 1: 425 ft. - Par 4

MDGC opens with a short, forgiving Par 4. The elevated tee shot is wide open and should get over the creek mid-way through the fairway at 235 feet out. OB is far left and shouldn't come into play. The fairway is very wide and invites any driving style. There is often a swirling headwind requiring an over-stable fairway or distance driver. The approach is to an open flat green whose trees only pose danger to shots long of the basket. This tame drivable starting hole is a must birdie.

HOLE 2: 520 ft. - Par 4

The first of many difficult drives. An elevated tee-pad with a tight mandatory tree gap makes the tee shot requirement much harder. A low straight drive through the trees that finishes hard right is required on this dogleg right. A flat rim driver with a lot of skip is preferred here.

The approach is long and into a heavily wooded green sloping away toward a creek. The preferred gap is 45 feet left of the green, finishing right, and the disc will filter down to the basket. Safe layup zone is at the peak of the fairway prior to the tree line.

HOLE 3: 460 ft. - Par 4

The third hole is routed through a thick tunnel of trees with OB on the left and a large creek on the right. A slow straight drive that pans right rewards you with another demanding approach shot through the right or left gap. A precision mid-range will allow an aggressive putt for birdie. The green is divided into three distinct sections. Large guardian trees protect the left and front sides and water protects the right. Par feels like birdie.

HOLE 4: 535 ft. - Par 4

A flat, open, straight hole requiring only a tee shot that avoids the prevailing head winds. A deceptively lengthy hole due to the wind and uphill fairway makes disc selection difficult at times. The approach is to an open flat green where your goal is to leave yourself a tailwind putt. Tricky birdie.

HOLE 5: 270 ft. - Par 3

The fifth is the first Par 3 and it is a good one. It runs alongside a thick tree-line and creek on the left to a tucked away basket on a plateau back in the woods surrounded by water. The trick is avoiding the overhanging low branches and swinging massive right to left turning shot. The hole favors righthanded backhand players. Safe miss zone is straight or right.

HOLE 6: 255 ft. - Par 3

The sixth is a straight, uphill Par 3 with a heavily guarded green and low ceiling. Two large guardian trees to either side of the basket require tee shots to thread between them for the best approach angle. A neutral mid or controllable fairway is the disc of choice for most here. Avoid drives left as multiple trees and low branches make saving par extremely difficult.

HOLE 7: 355 ft. - Par 3

A demanding Par 3 that looks intimidating from the elevated tee. A low, tight gap through multiple large trees requiring a precise straight drive with a gradual left fade. The green is then protected by a large creek to the right, behind and left of the basket, making this one of the most difficult birdies to get at MDGC. Easy par, difficult birdie.

HOLE 8: 395 ft. - Par 3

The number two handicap hole gets its bite from a combination of length, large trees and a deep creek along the left side. The drive requires a tight right to left shot around a mandatory tree. It must sneak through a cluster of large maple trees, too. The basket is tucked tightly against the creek with low overhanging branches and all shots left of the pin filter towards the creek. Par feels like birdie.

HOLE 9: 370 ft. - Par 3

Another long Par 3 completes the front side. This one is uphill and has tight OB on the left. The ideal landing zone is left of the basket on top of the hill as any shot right of the basket will be heavily tree guarded and on a steep downhill incline. Those with shorter arms will want to test the OB left to give the best angle for their second shot to save par. Very difficult birdie.

HOLE 10: 280 ft. - Par 3

Everyone's favorite Ace Run, the 10th presents a short downhill drive over a small OB creek with little else to interfere. Swirling winds and some tall trees right of the green are the only obstacles to consider when selecting your disc and line. Laying up short of the creek still provides a relatively close look at two on this must birdie.

HOLE 11: 575 ft. - Par 4

The elevated teeing area and relatively wide tunnel gap allow the drive to glide out long onto a wide, open fairway where finishing left or right doesn't change much for the followup. The approach will be a long, downhill shot that must deal with swirling winds, making disc selection difficult day by day. The goal is to approach the green giving yourself a tailwind putt for birdie.

HOLE 12: 330 ft. - Par 3

One of the more difficult holes to park, the uphill drive must be threaded between tons of guardian trees on each side of the basket. Iconic twin tower trees short of the basket block most shots coming from the right and provide a very small window. A thick row a skinny saplings guard the front left approach as well. The basket is perched atop a steep sloping green where a missed putt will send a disc rolling 50 feet away. Par is good here.

HOLE 13: 415 ft. - Par 4

This is the start of "Amen Corner" and MDGC's four signature holes. If the wind is right, this can be drivable off the tee. Normal players must choose between left and right gaps that split a creek and large cluster of trees in the middle of the fairway. OB right and left protects the fairway and demands a long straight tee shot. The approach requires an uphill controlled toss that swings around low-hanging branches and fights swirling winds to get close enough for birdie. Short hole that should be birdied, but requires three excellent shots.

HOLE 14: 310 ft. - Par 3

An intimidating Par 3 where your tee shot must carry over the pond if you want to park it. Shots left short or that clip trees early will be swallowed up by the hazard. Swirling winds over the pond can cause havoc off the tee. There are three lines to choose from, safe right around the levee which takes birdie out; straight through the gap between the trees; and the risky left-to-right shot out over the water. A birdie here is a stroke on the field.

HOLE 15: 360 ft. - Par 3

This daunting Par 3 is all carry over the water from the tee if you want to be close enough to birdie. The safe drive must still carry a large portion of the pond and land in a small fairway flanked by trees left, an OB road right, then land on a slope that leads down to water. The green is highly elevated and sits on a ridge with a steep dropoff on the front and back. Par is an excellent score.

HOLE 16: 370 ft. - Par 3

Probably the most fun tee shot on the course. This highly elevated tee and wide, open fairway allows the player to bomb his drive and watch it sail. The green is heavily guarded with multiple trees in front of the basket and OB long. A small gap directly in front of the basket is the aiming point from the tee as any other shot short of the tree line will be blocked by more trees. Birdie here gains a stroke on the field.

Hole 17: 365 ft. - Par 3

The last Par 3 on the course, this one requires the same shot shape as Hole 5 only longer. The 17th doesn't give you any breathing room left off the tee and shots wide right will drift OB. Tee shots ending left or short of the basket will face a heavily tree-guarded green with a very low ceiling. The ideal play is to be long and right of the basket with a clear opening. Par is an excellent score.

HOLE 18: 435 ft. - Par 4

This finisher can be a lion or lamb even in perfect conditions. The 18th is drivable from the tee, has a wide landing area to the left and has tight OB right and an OB creek in the center of the fairway 350 feet out. Optimal lay-up area is just short of the creek leaving a 100-foot approach. Only perfect wind conditions allow the longest throwers to hit the green in one. Club selection is made difficult on both shots due to the wind and bowl like nature of the hole. The green is wide open and only has wind to protect it. Easiest hole on the course, must birdie.

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# Grand jury indicts four, including husband, wife

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Grand Jury returned four indictments on July 9.

A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely determines whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecution of a case in circuit court as a felony.

Here are the grand jury's findings:

- Kendra Fitzgerald, 30, of Marion was indicted on three counts of first-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument by complicity, Class D felonies; and three counts of theft by unlawful taking (under \$500) by complicity, Class A misdemeanors.

Court records allege that Fitzgerald on March 5, in complicity with another person, was in possession of a counterfeit \$20 inside Marion Discount Tobacco Store, Food Giant and Five Start Convenience Center. In each case, she is also charged with misde-

## Grand Jury

meanor theft for allegedly buying items that cost less than \$5 and receiving the balance of the transaction in change.

- Travis E. Robinson, 42, of Marion was indicted on three counts of first-degree trafficking of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), greater than or equal to 2 grams. Court records allege that on Sept. 3, Sept. 13 and Sept. 25 of 2019, Robinson sold meth to a cooperating witness working with the Kentucky State Police Drug Enforcement and Special Investigations unit. The amounts were allegedly 56.7 grams, 28.8 grams and 113 grams. Local authorities say this was one of the largest alleged methamphetamine cases in county history.
- Daniel Whitman, 30, of Marion was indicted on four counts of first-degree unlawful transaction with and minor

under age 16, Class B felonies; and four counts of second-degree unlawful transaction with a minor, Class D felonies. Court records indicate that from Thanksgiving of 2019 through May of this year, Whitman and his wife (also indicted) assisted four juveniles under the age of 16 in using methamphetamine and/or cocaine and marijuana.

- Jennifer Whitman, 26, of Marion was indicted on four counts of first-degree unlawful transaction with a minor under age 16, Class B felonies; and four counts of second-degree unlawful transaction with a minor, Class D felonies. Court records allege that from Thanksgiving of 2019 through May of this year, Whitman and her husband (also indicted) assisted four juveniles under the age of 16 in using methamphetamine and/or cocaine and marijuana.

# Clerk says best way to renew driver's license is by U.S. Mail

Renewing a driver's license or getting one for the first time has become one of the toughest challenges during the pandemic.

Crittenden County Circuit Court Clerk Melissa Guill says she understands the frustrations many feel, and she wants residents to understand the easiest and safest ways to renew their driver's license.

For starters, everyone with a normal Kentucky operator's license or ID card that expires between March 1 and Sept. 30 can do everything by mail. There is no need to

come in person to the courthouse. In fact, Guill says the U.S. Mail is clearly the safest way to handle the renewal. You may call the clerk's office and request a renewal form, or print it at home. A form personalized for the Crittenden County Clerk's office is available online at The-Press.com. It includes instructions on how to complete the form and pay the renewal fee. The form and fee must be left in the drop box at the front entrance of the courthouse or sent by mail.


The clerk's office does not accept debit or credit

cards so payment must be made in cash, check or money order.

The clerk says written exams and road tests for new drivers are temporarily cancelled. She says it will be sometime in August before they can resume.

Renewal of a commercial driver's license requires the licensee to appear in person; therefore, an appointment should be made with the clerk's office.

The clerk's phone number is 270-965-4200. The address is 107 South Main St., Suite 204, Marion, Ky. 42064.

Crittenden County Detention Center Census				
 <b>DETENTION CENTER REPORT</b> JULY 16, 2020	<b>JAIL CENSUS</b>	<b>July 16, 2020</b>	<b>June 18, 2020</b>	<b>2020 Average</b>
	State Inmates	89	85	102.3
	Federal Inmates	82	73	73.7
	Other County Inmates	13	4	11.1
	Critenden County Inmates	16	4	9.6
	<b>TOTAL INMATES</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>196.7</b>
	Weekenders	4	0	1.9
	Work release	0	0	0.0
	Out to Court	1	0	0.9
	<b>Actual Inmate Bed Count</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>117.0</b>
	<b>JUNE REVENUE</b>	<b>JUNE 2020</b>	<b>MAY 2020</b>	<b>'20 MONTHLY AVG.</b>
	State Housing Payments	\$79,822.98	\$98,376.26	\$101,998.27
	Federal Housing Payments	\$118,161.60	\$93,720.35	\$99,878.85
The Crittenden County Detention Center report is provided monthly to magistrates during Crittenden County Fiscal Court meetings. The inmate count was accurate for the day the report was created.	Federal Transport Payments	\$8,744.60	\$8,502.35	\$8,983.85
	Other County Housing Payments	\$11,916.00		\$11,916.00
	Weekend/Work Release	\$1,920.00	\$6,272.00	\$11,053.71
	<b>TOTAL HOUSING</b>	<b>\$320.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$361.14</b>
		\$212,140.58	\$198,368.61	\$214,992.83
	<b>JUNE ANALYSIS</b>			
	Cost of Crittenden Inmates	\$9,024.00	\$5,408.00	\$9,500.00
	Numbers of Co. Housing Days	282	169	293.7
	Daily Housing Rate	\$32.00	\$32.00	\$32.00
	Avg Daily Population Co. Inmates	9.4	5.64	9.7
	• Federal Inmates \$49 Per diem			
	• State Inmates \$31.34 Per diem			
	• Lyon County Inmates \$36.00			
	• Other County Inmates \$32.00			

## MAIN

Continued from page 1 Alexander.

Michaela West, now a young adult, came to the final Main Street meeting at the Marion Welcome Center and testified how it had influenced her life. She recalled winning an essay contest associated with the very first history walking tour when she was in fifth grade in 2009.

The former mayor said he was proud of the contributions Main Street made to Marion over the years.

"It's sad to see it come to an end and I hope the successes it has had will not be forgotten."

At one time, Marion Main Street was the toast of western Kentucky, winning awards for its development here and attaining Bronze and Silver status in the Renaissance Kentucky program through the Kentucky Heritage Council's push



**Main Street, Inc., Chairperson Emily Shelby (left) and Executive Director Susan Alexander presided over last week's final meeting.**

to revitalize downtowns about 20 years ago.

"It's mission was to improve small towns," said Sara Ford, a charter member of the Main Street Board of Directors and former city councilwoman. "I still remember our fist meeting. It was a good organization and served a good purpose for our community."

Susan Alexander said she's been working with other local groups such as the historical society and tourism commission

trying to work out details for continuing some of the group's projects, particularly the Fifth Grade Walking Tour and a few others. The group has also commissioned, with some of its last dollars, The Crittenden Press to write and produce historical videos about downtown Marion. They will be released periodically over the coming months on social media and archived on YouTube and through other electronic means.



## FIVE-COUNTY AREA

Case summary as of 3:30pm July 17, 2020

County	Confirmed Cases	Currently in Home Isolation	Currently Hospitalized	Recovered Cases	Deaths
Caldwell	44	24	2	18	0
Crittenden	20*	9	0	10	1
Livingston	25	11	1	13	0
Lyon	25	2	1	19	3
Trigg	33	7	0	26	0

\*New case confirmed since then. Source: Pennyryle District Health Department

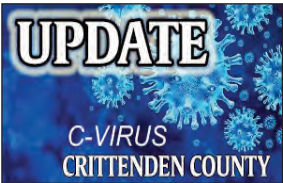
## 21st virus case confirmed here

Crittenden County went from a dozen confirmed cases of COVID-19 to 21 cases in about a week's time. The latest case was confirmed on Saturday; this one a 72-year-old female who is self-isolated at home in rural Crittenden County.

Of course the 21 total cases include all reported here since March.

As of Tuesday, Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said it appears that there are 10 active cases in the county, but no hospitalizations.

Since the local leaders



began tracking cases here, 10 have recovered and one has died. The one death was a 59-year-old female whose death certificate lists eight contributing factors to her death, one of which was COVID-19.

Last week, the county also confirmed its first children to test positive for the virus. A brother and sister, ages 9 and 11, were among four extended family members who tested positive, according to local leaders.

Other cases that emerged last week were of a 58-year-old female and 60-year-old male at the same address; a 67-year-old male; and a 29-year-old female who posted on social media that the only reason she got tested was because she noticed that she couldn't taste or smell anything. Otherwise, she is asymptomatic.

The infection rate in Crittenden County is .00235 of the county's population of 8,915. As of Friday in the Pennyryle Health District's 5-county area, there had been 147 cases since March, a rate of .00274 of the population of 53,484. Four people have died in the five counties.

## PLAN

Continued from page 1 meeting hinted at missteps rooted deep in time that have continued to haunt the economic development organization. In an effort to help heal those wounds and give the county a reasonable option for its future governmental center, the mayor and most council members agreed that the Ed-Tech Center was the missing link to solving a number of matters currently before community leaders.

"But we need to be okay with not getting a dime for it and getting the EDC loan paid off," Mayor Byford told the council with regard to an asking price for the Ed-Tech Center.

Councilman Darin Tabor had prompted the broad discussion when he was the first on the council to balk at the idea of granting a zoning change to a small piece of property inside the industrial park. The CCEDC, in an effort to raise funds to pay off what was originally a \$300,000 loan that's now whittled down to around \$200,000, had asked for a zoning change from industrial to residential in order to sell a small house inside the current industrial park boundaries. Tabor said having a residential dwelling inside an industrial park and next to where the city is soon to build its sewer plant was a poor plan. He characterized the idea as a misguided move to solve part of the economic development corporation's longterm debt.

A looming side note to Monday's discussion includes the CCEDC's collaboration with other nearby counties to form the Lake Barkley Partnership, to which the CCEDC owes more than \$40,000 annually for its financial stake in the group. From its public and private investors, the CCEDC is incapable of maintaining the Ed-Center, meeting debt obligations and paying its share of the four-community economic development partnership that includes Caldwell, Lyon and Livingston counties. The CCEDC has reached out to its investors in recent weeks with a letter asking for further financial assistance to meet its growing liabilities and near-term goals. According to Mayor Byford, the CCEDC had also recently informed the city of its desire and intent to soon vacate its headquarters at the Ed-Tech Center.

How the CCEDC got into its current financial dilemma and how the City of Marion happens

to be in position to help is a long and tangled web that goes back 20 years or more. The Ed-Tech Center was built largely with federal funds, but there was a \$200,000 local match. The matching funds came not from local government, but a private benefactor who was named publicly for the first time Monday. That person was the late Jim Fornear, an Illinois native and founder of a public corporation called ResCare. Fornear had adopted Crittenden County was his home and lived here several years before moving back to Illinois, though much of his family remained in Marion.

City Attorney Bart Frazer added some other near-forgotten details about the origin of the Marion Ed-Tech Center, pointing out that he was around when the deal was made largely between former Judge-Executive Pippi Hardin, Sen. Mitch McConnell and former U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield for Marion to receive federal technology funds to build and equip the facility. Although neither the county nor city originally had an advantageous equity stake in the Ed-Tech building, the City of Marion was named title holder, and it was to ensure that for 20 years the building would be used for its originally-intended purpose. Over the years, the city and county have equally funded the CCEDC to the tune of at least \$10,000 annually, which helps the organization maintain the building. The city has also made sure the building was properly insured through its League of Cities policy.

The federally-mandated term of that two-decade requirement on the Ed-Tech Center ends next spring, making it a "free agent" so to speak, and also a viable option for the county to consider as its new home.

The county is looking for a new place to locate its governmental offices after the state erects a proposed new \$11.9 million courthouse. The county hasn't definitively rejected the idea of occupying the proposed new courthouse in the center town, but if it does, taxpayers would almost certainly be asked to come up with \$3 million for the county's share. County leaders have said for months that the price might be too high for space to house the judge-executive, sheriff, clerk and property valuation offices. Whether local governmental offices are in the justice center or not makes little difference to the proposed plan for building a new

courthouse. Without the county, the Kentucky Administrative Office of the Courts will simply build a justice center for courtrooms and court clerks.

The county last week had a Paducah engineering firm examine the former Kentucky National Guard Armory for structural integrity. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said a cursory investigation found the facility to be suitable and the county is weeks away from getting title to the armory. It had originally leased it for five years, but Newcom said he asked the Department of the Army to go ahead and grant title to the armory to the county now so it can move forward with plans to renovate it for offices, if so desired.

Newcom said engineers told him the armory "will be there another 100 years" after they looked at it last week. The Army had stated that the reasons it was leaving the building was because of cracks in its foundation. Local leaders suspect there were other reasons.

The county has looked at various options for where it might go. It had approached city leaders a few weeks ago about buying the Ed-Tech Center. At the time, the two sides could not reach an amicable deal. Now, however, with the CCEDC – the building's primary tenant – presenting a plan to leave, the city sees the building as a potential liability. The city is now willing to cut a deal, if there is also a way to solve the CCEDC's financial impasse.

Councilman Tabor said it just makes sense to work out a plan that will help every taxpayer citizens in the county.

So, while the city council ultimately denied the CCEDC's request for a zoning change to the small house and parcel inside the industrial park, it did after a lengthy and blunt discussion develop a plan that will have greater benefit to the economic development corporation – and perhaps city and county governments – if each decides to proceed.

As for the county's interest in the Ed-Tech Center, Judge Newcom says it remains among the existing options.

Newcom said on Tuesday that the county will continue to explore alternatives, and will be hosting public forums soon to test the community's will for the future of local governmental offices.

Ultimately, Newcom said, the decision will be up to the community where it wants its county government to locate.