

NEWS

CENSUS COMMITTEE TAKES TO FACEBOOK

Crittenden County's volunteer committee designed to spread the word about the 2020 U.S. Census and encourage participation in the decennial head count has taken its message to social media.

Crittenden County Complete County Committee, C5, has created a page on Facebook to share Census facts and updates. The page incorporates a logo created to brand all correspondence and information shared about Census 2020. The page can be found at Facebook.com/ CrittendenCounts.

C5 is comprised Crittenden of representatives **`ounty** from city and county govern-Census 2020 ment, the school system, the media, the library, community services, economic development, the hospital, business, industry and more. The group has met with U.S. Census Bureau partnership specialists several times.

In March of next year, Americans will begin receiving notices in the mail to complete their Census form by phone or, for the first time ever, online. Those who do not respond in either of those ways will be mailed a form and asked to return by mail their official Census questionnaire. After that, home visits will begin.

PVA STAFF REDUCED, HOURS TO FOLLOW

Crittenden County PVA Ronnie Heady will be amending his office hours next week following the retirement of a longtime staff member. Starting Monday,

Hospital could see boost to

funding FROM STAFF, WIRE REPORTS A Trump administration plan to change the way Medicare pays hospitals would give some Kentucky health care facilities like the one in Marion a financial boost, possibly helping keep those small facilities open. And a challenge in the Kentucky court system

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Dogs responsible for June attack on boy euthanized

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Lions Club

Two vicious dogs responsible for attacking a 5-yearold boy on June 17 in rural Crittenden County have been euthanized.

District Judge Daniel Heady last Wednesday ordered two of three dogs held in evidence to be destroyed. They were taken to a local veterinarian later that afternoon and put to sleep.

A third dog, it was determined during a hearing in Crittenden District Court, was not involved in the attack. The judge ordered that dog to be returned to its

owner under the stipulation that it be spayed.

Larry Tabor, 60, of Sulphur Springs Road is the owner of the three pit bull-Lab mix dogs. His attorney, Matthew Schalk of Princeton, filed a motion to have all three of them to be preserved. The judge set the hearing for last week where testimony emerged that a home surveillance video could exonerate at least one of the dogs - namely the one identified as a female and the mother of the two other canines ultimately held responsible for the attack.

Although the video was not shown in open court, County Attorney Rebecca Johnson confirmed that she had seen the footage and agreed to allow one of the dogs to be returned to its owner, with stipulations. The other two were found to be vicious, and ordered destroyed based on Kentucky law. The mother dog is to be kept in a pen at all times, according to the judge's order.

The owner was required to pay \$710 for the dogs expenses while they were

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22 23 24 25 26 AUG 3 AUG **31** 2 AUG 8 AUG 9 AUG **10** AUG ^{AUG} 5 AUG 6 AUG AUG AUG 13 15^{AUG} AUG **12** AUG 17 Saturday, July 27

Truck & Tractor Pulls 7 p.m. at fairgrounds GATE: \$10/16+ · \$5/6-15 · Free/5-

Sunday, July 28

Pageants all counties Birth-4 • Little Mr. & Miss • Ms./Mrs. 3 p.m. at Fohs Hall GATE: \$5/6+ · Free/5Wednesday, July 31 Hay Quality Contest 9 a.m. at fairgrounds Youth Poultry, Rabbit Show 10 a.m. at fairgrounds 4-H Exhibit Viewing 1 to 6 p.m. at fair building Thursday, August 1 **Youth Goat Show** 9:30 a.m. at fairgrounds **4-H Exhibit Viewing** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at fair building Friday, August 2 Fair Breakfast/4-H Awards 7 a.m. at fair building

Pet Show/Dog Agility 11 a.m. at fairgrounds

Enduro Derby full-contact racing

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Fair start 4-H exhibits returning to fairgrounds STAFF REPORT

County fairgoers will notice one big difference at the fairgrounds this year - a new fair building that features a spacious concession stand with four wide serving windows tucked under a large porch. The 3,500-square-foot building will also host 4-H exhibits, bringing the popular feature of all county fairs back to the fair-

Aug. 5, the PVA office will be open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. The office currently opens at 7:30 a.m., closing at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 4 p.m in Friday.

Pam Champion is retiring at the end of the month, leaving only Heady and two full-time staff members to serve the county. Ten years ago, the state began reducing the ranks of PVA employees it pays by attrition, not replacing many retirees or people quit. Heady said Crittenden County is the last in the state to succumb to a staff reduction.

"I have had a standing policy since I was elected that I would meet outside these hours by appointment if someone had a special need," Heady said. "That policy will still be in effect."

PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) at the library.

- Marion City Council will likely host a meeting early next week at city hall to introduce the city's alcoholic beverage control ordinance. Watch The Press Online for a meeting date.







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Monday, July 29 Pageants loca Miss Pre-Teen • Miss Teen Miss Crittenden County 6:30 p.m. at Fohs Hall GATE: \$5/6+ · Free/5-Tuesday, July 30

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p.m. at fairgrounds GATE: **\$10**/Adult • **\$5**/Kids

Saturday, August 3 Cupcake Wars

9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at fair building

Demolition Derby 7 p.m. at fairgrounds

GATE: \$10/16+ · \$5/6-15 · Free/5-

Saturday, August 17 **Jackpot Barrel Show** 7 p.m. at fairgrounds GATE: Free

grounds.

While the Crittenden County Lions Club Fair officially kicked off last weekend with the fifth annual Bluegrass Blowout Car Show, fair

week starts Saturday with truck and tractor pulls at the fairgrounds on Club Drive in Marion, giving the civic club its first chance to truly showcase its new jewel. The fair continues through Saturday, Aug. 3. But the fair will not officially close until two weeks later with jackpot barrel racing on

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Magistrates eye road damage from horses

By DARYL K. TABOR PRESS EDITOR

Horses are taking a costly toll on some Crittenden County roads, argue magistrates looking for an amicable solution to satisfy both the local Amish community and motorists funding road repairs.

At last week's Crittenden Fiscal Court meeting, the topic of so-called "horse troughs" created by the regular traffic of metal-shoed horses consumed much of the session. Those channels are worn into the asphalt by the heavy draft horses weighing 1,500-2,000 pounds that are used to pull buggies.

"We need to move on that to find a solution," said Magistrate Dan Wood, who has addressed the concern of heavy wear from horses in previous meetings. "I don't know if rubber shoes are the answer, but if they are, we need to get an ordinance. We don't need to kick this down the road."

The troughs caused by horses are an issue in several Kentucky counties, as well as elsewhere in the country where the animals are used as the primary mode of transportation for certain cultures. Rubberized horseshoes have



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So called "horse troughs" created along roads heavily traveled by local Amish have some magistrates looking for a solution.

DEA: County 19th in U.S. for opioid pills per capita

FROM STAFF, WIRE REPORTS

Between 2006 and 2012, drug companies distributed 76 billion doses of prescription pain medicine, "enough pills to supply every adult and child in the country with 36 each year," Scott Higham, Sari Horwitz and Steven Rich report for The Washington Post.

And rural counties, including Crittenden County, received some of the highest shares of pain pills per person.

In fact, the county ranked among the top 20 of the nation's 3,142 counties and county equivalents in per capita pills prescribed during that period. That's according

to a Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) database, made public for the first time last week by The Post and dailv newspapers in Charleston and Huntington, W.Va.

The database tracks the path of every DEA-regulated pain medication in the United States. It includes local data that shows the counties that received the most pills, fueling the prescription-opioid epidemic, resulting in nearly 100,000 deaths in that time period.

The Post reports that "rural

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Lawmaker expects pension relief passage

The Kentucky Employees Retirement System (KERS) was created in 1956 by the Kentucky General Assembly in order to supplement the benefits provided by Social Security. When quasi-governmental agencies, like health departments, and regional universities

were allowed into the (non-hazardous) KERS, their initial pension investment was around 6 percent of their payroll costs.

Those costs have risen dramatically and were temporarily locked in at 49 percent by the 2018 General Assembly. That freeze expired at the end of this fiscal year (June 30), and these entities are now required to pay approximately 83 percent of payroll. Without action that provides relief, these entities face additional increases in the pension plan employer contribution rate in years to come.

The Kentucky Constitution gives the Governor sole authority to call a

special session of the General Assembly and to be as specific or non-specific as he or she feels necessary. In the case of the session that began Friday, the call of the Governor to Rep. Lynn tackle this par-BECHLER ticular pension

R-Marion problem was **Kentucky House Legislative Review** bly's considera-

> tion to the points listed in his proposal. The General Assembly could then choose how to proceed. It can adjourn without taking action (as it did during the 2018 special session called by the Governor); it can vote not to pass legislation; or it can vote to pass legislation within the parameters set forth in the Governor's call.

House Bill 1 was filed as requested by the Governor as were two other bills – HB 2 and HB 3. All three bills froze the employer's contribution rate at 49 percent, but there were substantial differences in the other parts of the bills. HB 1 passed out of committee and was sent to the full House, but both HB 2 and HB 3 failed in committee.

HB 1, as proposed, allows relief and flexibility to quasi-employers and regional universities. Under HB 1, as of April 1, 2020, each entity may elect one of five alternatives, that best meets the needs of it's organization:

- Stay in the plan. - Exit the plan and make a lump sum payment.

Exit the plan and pay in installments.
Exit the plan and

keep Tier I and Tier II employees in the system. - Fully exit with all ac-

crued benefits guaranteed.

The April 1, 2020, date also allows the legislature time to make any necessary changes during the 2020 regular session.

Two important notes: - Current law already allows some quasi-entities to leave the KERS if they make a lump sum payment which three have done.

- No employer is forced to leave the pension system, nor are they forced to move their employees out of the pension system.

The employer choice

proposal provides immediate relief for quasiagencies and regional universities while providing time for employers to decide what is best for their employees and those they serve by providing a one-year freeze of agency payments to KERS.

HB 1 would mandate that any entity leaving the non-hazardous KERS offer a defined contribution plan to its employees Benefits already earned by these employees would not be affected. The plan utilizes realistic payroll assumptions and investment returns - which is different from past practice helping ensure that employees have a path to a decent retirement. Additionally, the plan does not further contribute to the underfunding of the pension system.

Not all quasi-agencies are created equal. Some counties are taxing its residents at a high rate for health departments while others are taxing at a much lower rate. (See accompanying sidebar.) Some have high financial reserves – in fact, one has \$5 million in reserves – while others have almost nothing. (Pennyrile District Health

Health board taxing rates

tucky counties are allowed to tax property to supplement the services of their health departments. Some tax all six real estate, tangible property, watercraft, aircraft, merchant's inventory and inventory in transit. Below are what county health boards taxed in 2018 represented in cents per \$100 valuation:

- Crittenden......3.0
- Livingston3.0
- Caldwell5.0
- Lyon3.0 - Union1.9*
- Webster4.5**
- *Does not tax aircraft.

*Does not tax aircraft, watercraft or inventory in transit.

Departments, which include Crittenden, Caldwell, Lyon, Livingston and Trigg counties, do not have enough reserves to last beyond June 30, 2020, unless the pension contribution percentage is frozen at 49 percent.)

HB 1 allows each agency to choose what is best for it while not forcing already burdened departments to subsidize those with adequate funds.

The House voted 52-

46 to pass HB 1 and send it to the Senate. I voted Yes. By the time this update is printed, the Senate will have had its committee meeting and a full Senate vote on the bill. I believe the Senate will vote favorably, and HB 1 will soon become law.

As always, thank you for reading my updates and thank you for contacting me with your concerns and thoughtful suggestions. It is a privilege to represent you in the Kentucky House of Representatives and your input helps me make decisions that best represent the views of the 4th District.

I may be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at (800) 372-7181, directly at (502) 564-8100, by visiting the Kentucky Legislature Home page at LRC.ky.gov and clicking on the "Email Your Legislator" link, or by mail to the Capitol Annex – Frankfort, KY 40601.

(Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, has represented House District 4 – Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and portion of Christian counties – in the Kentucky General Assembly since 2013.)

Notice to Crittenden County taxpayers

Carolyn Byford, Crittenden County Clerk, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2018 Delinquent Real Property Tax bills (Certificates of Delinquency) are being published in The Crittenden Press on **July 25, 2019**. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Crittenden County Clerk's office located at 107 S. Main St., Ste. 203, Marion, Ky. This list may also be inspected on the County Clerk's website. The Uniform Resource Locater (URL) of the website is **Crittenden.ClerkInfo.net**. The tax sale will be held on **Aug. 26, 2019**, beginning at 9 a.m. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on **Aug. 16, 2019**. Please contact the County Clerk's office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts that will be needed. **TAXPAYERS** can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk's office any time prior to the tax sale.

TAXPAYERS PLEASE NOTE: ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE **RECEIVED** IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE **PRIOR** TO THE TAX SALE DATE LISTED IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT. PAYMENTS RECEIVED AFTER THE TAX SALE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED WILL BE RETURNED WITHOUT EXCEPTION. Some delinquencies, although they have been advertised, will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504 (10) (b). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the County Clerk's office at (270) 965-3403.

Following are the delinquent tax bills as of 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 23:

	Journal		marks (
BILL NO.	OWNER	AMOUNT		DESCRIPTION
2018-003400	JONES, JESSE AND POLLY	\$69.36	011-10-03-003.00	LOT TOLU (T1-3-4)
2018-003512	KINNIS BARNEY KINNIS, BARNEY	\$61.53 ¢53.85	039-10-14-001.00	LOT #45 D1-14-1 93 MH 14X'72
2018-003515	KINNIS, DANNY	\$113.10	039-10-14-002.00 ON	
2018-003518	KINNIS, JOHN	\$479.69	039-10-08-007.00	LOT AND IMP D1-8-7
	KINNIS, LILLIE EDNA			
	KINNIS, SUSAN			
	KNOWLTON, DONALD LARUE, JAMES D AND SHARON			
	LYNCH, ROBERT			
	MARION SERVICE CENTER LLC,			
	MARSHALL, JERRY			
	MASON, LISA M			
	MATHIEU, JASON MICHAEL AND JESSICA . MCCAIN, J C			
	MCCLAIN, JOSEPH AND ANNA			
	MCCLURE, TROY EST			
	MCDOWELL, SHANE ET AL			
	MILLNER, HAZEL ESTATE			
	MINIARD, BARBARA MINK, SARA ANN			
2018-004400	MINR, DAICH ANN	φ499.00 \$70.75		Т.01 Т.01 Т.07
2018-004402	MURRAY, WHITNEY LYNN AND JORDAN	\$36048	058-20-19-009.00	LOT AND IMP
2018-004474	NEW, HAVEN ASSISTED LIVING	\$411.75		TANG
	NEW, HAVEN ASSISTED LIVING			
	PARKER, LYMAN P JR AND PEEK, DONALD RAY			
2018-004735	PEEK, DONALD RAY PEEK, DONALD RAY	φτυ40 \$53.82	039-10-13-005.00	LOT AND MH D1-13-5
2018-004788	PERRY, RICHARD W	\$103.34	034-00-00-013.00	LOT PLUS MH
2018-004855	PHILLIPS, TRACY CROWELL	\$60.79	058-20-17-024.0N	
2018-004943	PRYOR, KENNETH R JR	\$262.90		LOT PLUS IMP
	Q-ENTERPRISES LLC,			
	REDD. KEITH RUSSELL			
	RICE, FAYE			
	RICHARDSON, JAMES R II AND			
	RILEY, CHARLES TERRY AND			
2018-005203	ROBINSON, BETTY J ROBISON, AUSTIN	\$25.92 ¢1 764 06	05'7-50-01-005.00	LOT
2018-005294	RUSSELL, GINA		058-50-10-019.00	DYCUSBURG/1 LOT-BLUFF
2018-005346	SCHWARTZ, ELI AND RUBY			
2018-005391	SHERER, LÉLA	\$68.00	COMBINED BILL	LOT AND TOLU (T1-1-6)
	SHERER, LELA			
2018-005393	SHERER, ROBERT SHEWMAKER, EDDIE W	\$150.88 ¢61 57	011-10-01-005.00_0NA	
	SHEWMAKER, LEE			
2018-005438	SHIELDS, HAZEL OR	\$37.09	058-30-13-002.00	
	SHOEMAKE, SARA			
	SHUECRAFT, JANET			
	SISCO CHRISTOPHER L AND TABITHA, SISCO JASON			
	SISCO PATRICIA	'		
	SISCO, PATRICIA AND CHRISTOPHER			
	SISCO, WILBER AND PATRICIA			
2018-005583	SMITH, DARREL	\$103.34	062-00-00-042.0N	
2018-005608	SMITH, ROBERT S AND ROBIN L STEWART, CAROLINA	\$1,210.09 ¢60760	060-00-00-009.06HANI	JL WINTERS SUB-DIV 60-9.03 60-9.07
	STINNETT, RODNEY PAUL AND TAMMY ANI			
2018-005778	STONE, BETTY L	\$701.96	058-20-01-016.00	DW AND LOT WB13 PG778
2018-005781	STONE, GARY AND STACEY	\$131.22	022-00-00-016.02	
	STONE, WILLIAM K AND BETTY M			
	STORY, CHERYLE PEEK AND JAMES TABOR, CHARLES G			
	TABOR, COY ALLES G			
2018-005984	TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1 LLC,	\$60.79	058-80-01-005.00	
2018-005985	TAX EASE LIEN SERVICING LLC,	\$36048	058-20-41-006.00	LOT AND IMP
	THURMOND, GUY JR AND GAYLENE MCCAI			
	TIMEPAYMENT CORP, TINSLEY, AUSTIN DALE			
	TINSLEY, AUSTIN DALE TRANSOUTH ELECTRIC LLC,			
	TRANSOUTH ELECTRIC LLC,	• /		
2018-006210	TRANSOUTH ELECTRIC LLC,	\$6,972.27	COMBINED BILL	
	TRUSNER, ROBERT J AND VERNA E			
2018-006307	TUCKER, DAVID D UNKNOWN, OWNER	\$527.72 ezo oo		LOT PLUS IMP
2018-006361	UNKNOWN, OWNER US BANK,			2 TOTAL LOTS AND IMPR
	WALKER, CHARLOTTE			
2018-006466	WATSON, MARY ELIZABETH		058-20-46-005.00	LOT
	WATSON, TIDY ESTATE			
	WATSON, WILLIAM G JR			
	WESS, RAYMOND A AND CARL LYELL WILDERMAN, JERRY AND KAREN			
2018-006623	WILDERMAN, KAREN FORD	\$263.65	079-00-00-016.00	LOT AND IMP REPTON
2018-006624	WILDERMAN, KAREN FORD	\$24.35	079-00-00-016.01	880 X 50 RAILROAD R 0 W 79-19.01
	WINTERS, JACKIE DALE			
2018-006737	WINTERS, SANDY	\$8942	067-60-02-029.00_L33	

BILL NO.	OWNER	AMOUNT		DESCRIPTION
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2018-000178	BAIRD, KYLE D DADNES I FONADD		059-00-00-012.05 .	
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2018-000309	BELL TERI	φ117.≈9 \$84767	039-00-00-022 00	_0N18X00 (MIT 0NDT)
2018-000464	BIG BUCK BOWHIINTERS INC	\$110.32	057-00-00-022.00	BLDG ON PROP LEASED FROM CITY
				APPROX 3.1 AC
2018-000586	BRADFORD, BERNIE AUSTIN EDWIN		034-00-00-014.00.	LOT
2018-000587	BRADFORD, CHARLES	\$88.65	058-30-13-002.00_	_ONMH 12 X 60 (LOT 14)
				MOBILE HOME
2018-000666	BROSNIHAN, JOHN R AND PEGGY	\$44345	050-00-00-013.00	
				LOT AND IMP (F1-3-11)
				LOT PLUS IMP
2018-000867	CAMPBELL, VIRGIL AND PHYLLIS	\$1,656.14	057-10-01-004.00	LOT # 4 PLUS IMP
2018-000905	CAUDILL, ROY DAVID	\$35.95	000 00 00 00 00	
				LOT REPTON
2018-001021	COLEMAN, HOWARD W	\$407.21		LOT AND IMP FRANCES (F1-4-3)
2018-001022	COLEMAN. MARY LEE	\$361.20	049-10-04-004.00	LOT AND IMP (F1-4-4)
2018-001101	CONOPCO INC,	\$54.29		
2018-001161	COOPER, PEGGY DEMOSS	\$416.23	070-10-10-017.00	H AND LOT FORDS FERRY RD
2018-001182	COSBY, TIM	\$485.94	058-20-08-013.00.	0.31 AC AND IMPR
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				LOT
2018-001400	CURNEL, RICKY EST	\$736.81	058-20-35-010.00	LOT AND IMP
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2018-001584	DOOM JAMES MABION EST	\$340.37	010 00 00 00 000.01 025-00-00-019 01	1.77 AC (AFF OF DESCENT DB192 PG379)
				LOT PLUS IMP
2018-002048	FOX. MARY ESTATE	\$143.76	060-00-00-015.0N	
				ON
2018-002129	FRITZ, MARVIN DALE	\$681.81	106-00-00-003.00	
2018-002152	GARLAND, TIM	\$159.11	045-00-00-032.00_	_ON
2018-002185	GERHARDT, CRAIG	\$67.77	058-30-13-002.00.	
2018-002188	GETZ, SERRINA AND SCOTT	\$13746	070-40-06-001.02.	LOT AND 72 VILLAGER 12X68
				WESTON 1/2 OF LOT #44 (1/2 OF W2-6)
				LOT AND IMP (59-5.02)
2018-002343	GRIMES, TIM AND BEVERLY	\$116.54	038-00-00-021.00_	_ON1979 PARK 14 X 66
2018-002356	GUESS, BRYAN G	\$161.14	071-00-00-025.06.	
2018-002423	HACKNEY, EDDIE	\$95.63	058-20-02-007.00.	
2018-002457	HAIKE, LARKY D AND KATHLEEN	\$1,424.82	100-00-00-006.01.	
2018-002517	HARDESTY, KENNETH SR	\$61.53		_0N21998 16X80
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2018-002006				
				ONCAMPER LOTS AND RADIO STATION

FAIR

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Saturday, Aug. 17.

The lineup of featured fair events starts similar to recent years – the pulls on Saturday followed by three days of pageants at Fohs Hall that will ultimately see Miss Critten-County den 2019 crowned to represent the community at the state fair. Sunday's pageants newborn to age 4, Little Mr. & Miss and Ms./Mrs. – are open to all Kentucky counties, as are Tuesday's Miss Pre-teen, Miss Teen and Miss Crittenden County. The traditional local pageants will take place Monday, featuring Miss Pre-teen, Miss Teen and Miss Crittenden County.

Monday's winners will not move on to state competitions.

Also as in recent years, there will be no Wednesday night event, traditionally a financial loss for the Lions Club due to weak gate draw. But there also will be no nightly event next Thursday, setting up two nights of car-crunching exhibition to close out fair week at the fairgrounds. Enduro derby, billed as full-contact racing, takes to the ring Friday, Aug. 2 with the ever-popular demolition following derby the evening.

No midway has been booked by the Lions Club, primarily due to the excessive cost. Natalie Parish, Lion Club fair chairperson, said the company that brought



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A view from inside the new Lions Club fair building at the fairgrounds in Marion shows a spacious counter and four large serving windows beneath a protective porch. The civic club was awarded a \$100,000 grant from the Kentucky Department of Agriculture in late 2017 to replace its existing structure at the fairgrounds that serves as a concession stand. It added about \$150,000 of its own money to finish and outfit the structure.

rides, games and concessions last year upped their fee from \$3,500 to \$20,000. Instead, the fair will offer miniature golf and inflatables for children during feature events Aug. 2-3.

Gate and start times for events vary. A full schedule can be found on the front of this issue.

Just because there will be no night-time events next Wednesday and Thursday does not mean the fair is taking a hiatus those two days. The pause in evening festivities will allow 4-H to take center stage.

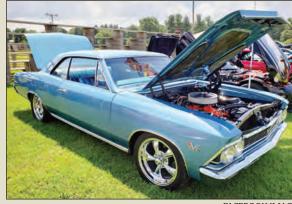
Exhibit viewing at the new fair building will

occur from 1 to 6 p.m. next Wednesday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. next Thursday. Also on Wednesday will be the hay quality contest and the youth poultry and rabbit show in the morning. A youth goat show will also be that morning. All contests are located at the fairgrounds.

A fair breakfast will take place Aug. 2, beginning at 7 a.m. at the new fair building. The 4-H exhibit sweepstakes awards follow immediately after the meal. Later that morning, the youth pet show at the fairgrounds gives local children a chance to show off their pets. A dog agility competition will get under way afterward.

Another new twist this year is the 4-H cupcake wars on the morning of Aug. 3 at the fair building. This gives local youth a chance to put their baking skills to the test and display their goodies to the public.

More on the fair, including photos from and updates on events can be found on Facebook by searching for "Crittenden County Lions Club.' "Crittenden Search County Extension Service" on Facebook for more on 4-H competitions.



FACEBOOK IMAGE

Bluegrass Blowout

Crittenden County Lions Club Fair officially kicked off Saturday with the fifth annual Bluegrass Blowout Car Show that saw scores of vehicles on display, including the 1966 Chevrolet Chevelle SS belonging to Debra Jackson of Mayfield. Below is the complete list of winners on the day by class

- Lions Club Award: Jim Bugg.
- People's Choice Award: Fred and Kelly Marshall.
- Kid's Choice Award: Tom Pinketon.
- Mini Truck Award: Jeff Redden.

- Rad Rod: First, John Burton; second, Josh Renfro; third, Justin Shuecraft.

- The 40s and under: First, Kathy Helm; second, -Steve Stovall; third, Rick Williams.

- The 50s: First, David Walker; second, Jim and Donna Winters; third, Eddie Hale.

- The 60s: First, Danny Cunningham; second, Debra Jackson; third, Danny Patterson.

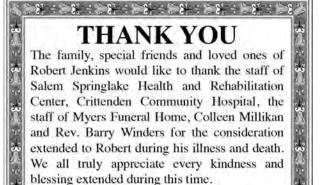
- The 70s: Eddie Shaffer; second, Kathy Helm; third, Louie & Kathy Henson.

- The 80s: First, Cody Herrin; second, Todd Riley; third, Glen Larson.

- The 90s: First, Ray Sperling; second, Jeff Redden; third, Anne Gunn.

- The 2000s: First, John Massey; second, Mark Bradley; third, Kent Kingins.

- 2010 and up: First, Roger Wells; second, Melissa Lilly; third, Jason Bozeman.



Velda Damron, Jerry Tooley Cousins, Linda Tabor, John Kirk, Renee Eady, Monta Baker, Dee Dee Ragland and loved ones

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Fair breakfast to benefit 4-H

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Lions Club is celebrating its new headquarters with a Crittenden County Fair Breakfast at 7 a.m. Friday, Aug. 2. The breakfast is \$10 with proceeds going to Crittenden County 4-H.

The new fair building is located at the fairground on the same spot as the previous structure at 242 Club Dr. in Marion.

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OPIOIDS

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areas were hit particularly hard." The data showed Kentucky ranked second in pills per person per year, at 63.3, topped only by West Virginia at 66.5, which had the highest opioid death rate during the period.

"These numbers do not shock me, because they are from 2006 to 2012," said state Sen. Robby R-Henderson. Mills, "Many of the doctors were prescribing these pills with the understanding that they were not as addictive as they ended up being.'

In Crittenden County between 2006 and 2012, there was enough pain medication to supply each resident with 119 pills per year, good enough for 19th in the nation and ninth in the Commonwealth. In fact, Kentucky had nine of the top 20 counties in the nation during that seven-year data period.

The database was released June 15 after the Post and HD Media, which publishes the Charleston Gazette-Mail, won a yearslong legal battle to access documents and data from ongoing litigation. The

Post reports that the DEA, Justice Department and drug companies all fought hard against release of the data. The companies said

it would reveal information that could give competitors an unfair advantage, and Justice said the data could compromise DEA investigations.

Outdated data

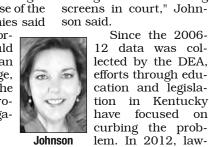
becca Johnson cautions about reading too much into the DEA data.

"The statistics in the survey are not current enough to really comment on," she said, adding that methamphetamine seems to persistently be the biggest problem in the county.

Of the 14 felony drug charges filed between Jan. 1 and the end of June of this year, only one felony case involved opioids exclusively, she reports. Three cases involved opioids and meth together ,and the remaining 10 cases were exclusively meth charges combined with non-drug charges.

But that does not mean prescription opioid abuse is not also a problem.

We are aware that illegal opioid use is present because we are having de-



County Attorney Reso-called "pill mill bill,"

which led to the creation of the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting system, or KASPER, to track controlled substance prescriptions

> within the state. "I believe there has been a big effort to curb the use of these additive drugs since 2012, but they are still available and in some cases are the only means to address chronic pain," Mills said. "My hope is that the next round of data will show the usage in western Kentucky decreasing."

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State Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, agrees abuse of pain medications is a problem in the area and across Kentucky, but he is concerned patients who truly need relief are suffering because of abusers.

"I think the laws we have in Kentucky are a bit too restrictive," he said. "I know people ... who are being harmed. They are suffering because of the rules we have; they can't get their pain medication."

He said people who have been on prescription pain relief for years and never abused them - even patients on the slightest pain medications - are having difficulties obtaining their prescription.

Tracking prescriptions

According to The Post research, just six companies distributed 75 percent of the 76 billion pills during this period: McKesson Corp., Walgreens, Cardinal Health, AmerisourceBergen, CVS and Walmart. Three companies manufactured 88 percent of the opioids -SpecGx, a subsidiary of Mallinckrodt; Actavis Pharma; and Par Pharmaceutical, a subsidiary of Endo Pharmaceuticals.

Drug manufacturers, distributors and pharmacies must log and report each narcotic transaction, and are supposed to report suspiciously large or frequent orders to the DEA and withhold such shipments. Because the database is partly comprised of data that drug

makers gave the DEA, it shows what they knew about the number of pills they were shipping at the epidemic's peak, the Post points out.

Crittenden Fiscal Court, as well most other counties in Kentucky and West Virginia, have signed on to lawsuits against manufacturers alleging irresponsible behavior and seeking compensation. Attorneys for local governments in such suits hailed the release of the data.

Nearly 2,000 communities, counties and Indian tribes have alleged in federal lawsuits that the drug companies filled suspicious orders and did not report them in order to maximize profits. The lawsuits were consolidated into one case, which is now larger in scope than the lawsuit against cigarette manufacturers in the 1980s, the Post reports.

Continuing the fight

Johnson said that in Crittenden District Court, available enforcement and treatment methods are used to address the drug problem.

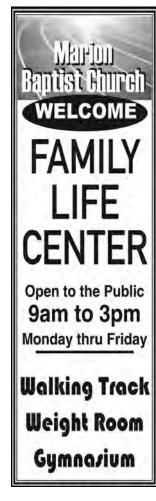
"Ideally, prevention and education are key," she said. "(Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community), the schools and our local counseling

resources are all working together to make the most of limited funds," she said.

And work will continue by the Commonwealth's policymakers to address the problem statewide.

"We can only hope as well that the implementation of programs like KASPER has also help slow the abuse of these pain drugs," Mills said. "Much attention is still being given this subject in Frankfort, and the aftereffects of this epidemic will continue to cost the taxpayers of Kentucky for years to come.'

(Editor's note: Kentucky Health News contributed to this story.)



COUNTY

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been mandated in some of those jurisdictions, while flatter metal shoes have offered an alternative in other counties. Licensing of buggies to generate money to help pay for road repairs has been sought as a solution in some areas.

"They know they have a problem tearing up roads," Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said, citing conversations he has had with elders in the local Amish community. "I have petitioned other counties to see if they have addressed the issue. Most suggested they have not had success.

The issue was first brought up last week by Magistrate Greg Rushing following a visit to the local Amish community in Crittenden northern County. During his trip, he noticed damage to Mount Zion Church Road, which was one of a handful of county roads to get

new asphalt this year. "The horses are already

tearing that up," he said. "We just spent a quarter-million dollars on that road," said Wood, the longest-serving member on the fiscal court. "It's not fair.'

The fairness Wood speaks of is related to how road repairs are funded. Money for new asphalt comes back to Kentucky counties through fees paid on gasoline and automobiles, two sources of revenue not paid by a people who use horse-drawn buggies as their primary form of transportation. In Crittenden County, there is also no licensing of those buggies.

Magistrate Dave Belt, whose district contains Mount Zion Church Road, said he has already heard complaints from constituents.

The issue is not just on county roads. In March, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Engineer Austin Hart discussed the state's efforts to prevent what he

calls "cupping" on highway lanes utilized by the Amish and other cultures around the state that utilize horses for travel. He said new pavement placed on 654 that travels Kv. through the heart of the local Amish community would see a new mix of asphalt that should offer a rougher, but harder surface for the horses.

said the Newcom county's road committee will study the issue on county roads and try to find the best solution to address it, one that best serves all of the county's residents, whether Amish or motorists.

Clarification

A story in last week's issue created confusion for some readers. Magistrate Greg Rushing was recently appointed by Crittenden Fiscal Court as the county's representative on the Pennyrile Narcotics Task Force Board of Directors. He is not the executive director of the agency

None of Ky.'s **OD deaths** in 2018 local KENTUCKY HEALTH NEWS

Kentucky saw a nearly 15 percent drop in drugoverdose deaths in 2018, the first decline since 2013, and almost three times the national decline of 5.1 percent. However, the state still recorded 1,333 overdose deaths in 2018, 233 fewer than in 2017.

No overdose deaths were reported from Crittenden and Livingston counties. Of other neighboring counties, Caldwell, Lyon, Union and Webster all reported fewer than five overdose deaths.

Most of the statewide deaths were again caused by fentanyl, a synthetic opioid that can be up to 50 times more potent than heroin, according to the annual Kentucky Office of Drug Control Policy report.





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All July indictments involve meth

STAFF REPORT

Methamphetamine continues to be a common denominator in local crime.

The Crittenden County Grand Jury indicted three individuals earlier this month and each case involved meth.

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

Indicted this month were:

- Michael P. Martin, 25, of Marion was indicted on felony counts of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), first offense; first-degree possession of a controlled substance (opiate), first offense; and second-degree unlawful transaction with a minor. He was also indicted on misdemeanor GRAND JURY

charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Court and police records indicate that deputies went to a residence on Franklin Mines Road in rural Crittenden County just before noon on May 22. When they arrived, Martin and a juvenile female were observed sitting in a white Chevrolet Impala. Inside the veinvestigators hicle, allegedly found syringes loaded with methamphetamine, Percocet, 47 grams (about 1.66 ounces) of methamphetamine, plastic baggies with drug residue and scales. Martin was also indicted on a single felony charge brought by Pennyrile Area Narcotics Task Force from a "controlled buy" on Jan. 22, when Martin is alleged to have sold \$150 worth of meth to a cooperating witness.

- Keith M. Strickland. 25, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of second-degree disorderly conduct and possession of drug paraphernalia. According to court records, law enforcement on the afternoon of May 18 was called to a residence on Ky. 70, where Strickland was alleged to have been under the influence of drugs and allegedly fighting with a family member. He was originally charged with fourth-degree assault, but the grand jury did not indict. Crittenden County Sheriff's Deputy George Foster, who responded to the scene, also found what he believed was methamphetamine in a plastic bag.

- Carroll Wayne Lovan, 56, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance, first offense; and misdemeanor charges of DUI, second offense; failure to maintain required insurance; possession of drug paraphernalia; and operating a vehicle on an expired license; and a violation of reckless driving. Lovan was arrested just before 11 a.m. on June 14 after he was stopped by Sheriff's Deputy Ray Agent while driving a Dodge pickup on Ky. 70. The arrest citation says that the deputy met Lovan on the highway and Lovan's vehicle was allegedly on the wrong side of the road, almost hitting the deputy's After being cruiser. stopped the deputy found evidence in the vehicle, including two meth pipes and a large amount cash.



KENTUCKY LRC PHOTO

Special session continues

Sen. Christian McDaniel, R-Taylor Mill, (right) asks a question Tuesday concerning House Bill 1, a bill relating to the Kentucky Employees Retirement System, in the Senate State and Local Government Committee as Sen. Robby Mills, R-Henderson, looks. The meeting was during a special session of the Kentucky General Assembly called by Gov. Matt Bevin to hammer out a pension bill to offer relief on retirement contributions by regional universities and quasi-government entities like health departments. Bevin vetoed a bill passed in the regular session this spring that would have done that. Lawmakers continued to meet this week, and passage of bill was expected Wednesday. (See Page 2 for legislative update from Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion.) Each day of the special session, which is expected to cost taxpayers \$66,500, and it takes at least five days for a measure to pass in special session.

DEAN'S LIST

STAFF REPORT

Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green has released its dean's and president's lists for the spring 2019 semester. To be eligible for either list, students must have at least 12 hours of coursework that semester.

President's list students with a grade-point average of 3.8-4.0 were:

- Kylee N. Beard of Marion.

- Lauren R. Beavers of Marion.

- Madison A. O'Dell of Marion. - Abril C. Ruvalcaba

of Fredonia. Students making the dean's list with a GPA of 3.4-3.79 in a 4.0 scale

were: - Michelle R. Davidson of Marion.

- Jacob L. Highfil of Marion.

- William C. Tolley of Fredonia.

- Nolan B. Cain of of Smithland.

Ky. wheat production forecast showing increase

STAFF REPORT

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) released its July Crop Production cast which shows an increase of 24 percent from last year.

"Kentucky's winter wheat yield forecast is unchanged from last ing about a week behind normal. Yields are strong, while quality reports vary."

Kentucky farmers expect to harvest 24.6 mil-

yield of 77.0 bushels per acre, up 11.0 bushel from 2018 and unchanged from June. Farmers seeded 460,000 acres last fall with 320,000 acres to be harvested for grain. Acres for other uses totaled 140,000 acres and will be used as a cover crop for tobacco or cut as silage or hay.



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report last week, based on the Agricultural Yield survey conducted at the beginning of month. The report includes information on Kentucky's winter wheat production foremonth, at 77 bushels per acre," said David Knopf, director of the NASS Eastern Mountain Regional Office in Kentucky. "Harvested is virtually complete, finishlion bushels of winter wheat during 2019. The forecast was based on crop conditions as of July 1 and decreased 6 percent from the June forecast. Growers expect a

Ky. cows to have radio frequency ID tag in future

FROM STAFF, WIRE REPORTS

Over the next few years, the federal government will require most Kentucky cattle to bear a radio frequency identification tag (RFID), the Kentucky Office of the State Veterinarian announced last week. That will have a powerful effect in Crittenden County

"The U.S. Department of Agriculture is requiring the RFID tags and phasing out metal tags to improve our ability to trace animal movement quickly and efficiently in the event of a livestock disease outbreak," State Veterinarian Robert C. Stout said July 26. "A strong traceability system is absolutely essential to maintaining open overseas markets for Kentucky and U.S. cattle."

With 13,000 head in Crittenden County, cattle farming are a \$4 million local business.

The timeline for completing the transition to RFID tags is as follows:

- Dec. 31, 2019 – Free metal National Uniform Ear Tag System tags no longer will be provided by USDA and KDA. Producers and markets may purchase and apply metal tags in 2020. - Jan. 1, 2021 – USDA no longer will approve production or application of metal tags.

- Jan. 1, 2023 – RFID ear tags will be required for beef and dairy cattle and bison moving interstate.

Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles said the Department of Agriculture will with producers and industry organizations to help with a speedy and orderly transition to RFID ear tags.

Animals that will require official, individual RFID tags include: - Beef cattle and bison that are sexually intact and 18 months or older;

- Beef cattle and bison used for rodeo or recreational events (regardless of age);

- Beef cattle and bison used for shows or exhibitions;

- All female dairy cattle; and

- All male dairy cattle born after March 11, 2013.

Cattle not being moved off the farm will not be required to have an RFID tag.

(Editor's note: Kentucky Today contributed to this story.)



STAFF REPORT

Kentuckians will get to use their current state driver's license to board domestic flights and visit military bases into autumn of next year.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet received word Monday from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security that the Commonwealth is fully compliant with Real ID Act regulations following the pilot launch of new driver's licenses, permits and IDs in Franklin and Woodford counties. This designation serves as the state's last necessary extension, and allows holders of the state's current driver's license and the new standard credential to board

domestic flights and visit military bases until federal enforcement begins Oct. 1, 2020.

A phased, county-bycounty rollout will begin after the pilot period ends. It was initially intended to reach Crittenden County in mid-April, but delays have pushed back the rollout across the state. Dates will be updated on the Drive.ky.gov/confidentky website as the rollout approaches in each county.

At the recommendation of the 9/11 Commission, the Real ID Act of 2005 set new requirements nationwide for identification that federal agencies may accept for domestic air travel and entrance to certain federal facilities, including military bases. After the phased, statewide rollout begins, Kentuckians renewing existing driver's licenses, permits or personal IDs, or those applying for the first time, may request a card in one of two versions: a new standard credential or Voluntary Travel ID credential.

Standard driver's licenses and permits will remain acceptable to drive, vote, access federal and social benefit services and for general identification purposes. A Voluntary Travel ID credential offers the benefits of a standard credential and is compliant with the requirement of the Real ID Act, meaning that the credential will be accepted to board U.S. flights and access restricted federal facilities. The new credentials will be among the most secure in the nation due to card enhancements and improvements to the issuance and production process.

Applicants requesting a Voluntary Travel ID applying for a license, permit or personal ID for the first time must present four documents verifying identity, Social Security number and residency. In some cases, a fifth document, like a marriage certificate or divorce decree, is necessary if names have changed or proof of residency documents are in a spouse or parents name.



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Loveless

Nerva L. Loveless, 79, of Salem, died Thursday, July 18, 2019, at Liv-Hospital ingston and Health Care Services in Salem.

She had worked the under late Judge-Executive Ralph Smith for more than 40 years in ad-

ministration. She also managed Smith Meat Market and Richard's Meat Market in Smithland. She attended Hopewell Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Loveless

Loveless is survived by a son, David Lynn (Valerie) Loveless of Salem; a sister, Agnes Duncan of Salem; two brothers, Danny (Beverly) Hunter of Salem and Bobby (Linda) Hunter of Tiline; seven grandchildren, Heather Beth Loveless of Memphis, Tenn., Anessia (Nelson) Griffin of Nashville, Tenn., Ashley Plaugher of Louden, Tenn., Andrew (Katlin) Loveless of Salem, Justin Loveless (Dakota) of Smithland, Ashley (Eric) Wring of Burna and Johnathan Martin of Panama City, Fla.; and seven great-grandchildren, Alex Loveless, Logan Wring, Lauren Wring, Tally Loveless, Landon Brantley Loveless. Plaugher and Lyric Plaugher.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William David Loveless; a son, Dewey Edward Loveless: three brothers. Jesse Hunter, Calvin Hunter and Toby Hunter; two sisters, Louise Cox and Diane Hayden; and her parents, Buel and Clara Adams Hunter.

Funeral services were Saturday at Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem with Rev. Troy Newcomb officiating. Interment was in Loveless Chapel Cemetery.

Smith

Rhonda Anne Fox Smith, 55, of Union County died Tuesday, July 16, 2019, at her residence.

She loved spending time with her family and enjoyed outdoors and fishing.

Smith is her husband of 36 years David Smith of Clay; her father, Bobby Fox of Smith Chandler,

Padon

John Charles Padon, 82, of Salem died Sunday, July 21, 2019, at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He was a well-known farmer and a deacon at Pinckneyville Baptist Church. He served in the

Army National Guard during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Padon is survived by

three sons,

Shawn Padon (Amy) Padon, Thad (Tonya) Padon Shane

and

of

(Jenni) Padon all of Salem; a sister, Janet Hume Burkesville;

and seven grandchildren. Adam Padon, Alex Padon, Emily Padon, Tiffany (Daniel) Newcomb, Tabby Padon, Skylar Padon and Savannah Padon.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda Padon, and his parents, Charles and Elizabeth Guess Padon.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem with Revs. John East and Gerald Cannon officiating. Burial will fol-Pinckneyville low in Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family after 11 a.m. until funeral hour at the funeral home.

In addition to flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Happy Trails Ministry, P.O. Box Nortonville, 907, 42442.

Ambrose

Rev. Thomas Brodie Ambrose, 81, died Monday, July 15, 2019, at Crittenden Community Hospital in Marion

He was born Sept. 25, 1937. He was a graduate of Campbellsville College and attended Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. He was ordained as a Southern Baptist minister on Sept. 1960 and served as 4. pastor to several churches in western Kentucky. He preached for more than 50 years. He was a member of Emmanuel Baptist in Marior

Griffin

AREA DEATHS

Curtis Wayne Griffin, 70, of Dycusburg died Monday, July 22, 2019, at the Ray

and Kay Eckstein Ноѕрісе Care Center in Paducah. He was a retired truck

driver and Griffin equipment

operator with Jim Smith Contracting, a member of Dycusburg United Methodist Church and a member of Dycusburg Masonic Lodge No. 232.

Griffin is survived by his wife, Jeannie Marie Simpson Griffin of Dycusburg; a daughter, Amy Suzanne Griffin Phelps of Eddyville; two stepdaughters, Carol Hedrick of Louisville and McGowan Mistv of Nashville, Tenn.; a stepson, Bobby Mayes of Dycusburg; 20 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry Thomas Griffin and Lucille Rogers Griffin: a sister. Bernice Polk: and two brothers, Robert Griffin and Earl Griffin.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. today (Thursday) at Dycusburg United Methodist Church with Bros. Phil Calkins and Walter Gallerie Jr. officiating. Burial will follow in Dycusburg Cemetery.

Visitation at the church will be from 10 a.m. until funeral hour today at Dycusburg Methodist United Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center, 1530 Lone Oak Road, Paducah, KY 42003; Dycusburg Masonic Lodge 232, c/o Lafon Coomer, 102 E. Dale Ave., Eddyville, KY 42038; or Dycusburg Cemetery, c/o Faye Stinnett, 202 Stinnett Road, Fredonia, KY 42411.

Tucker

Barbara Ann Tucker, 88, of Eldorado, Ill., died Sunday, July 21, 2019, at Wabash Christian Village in

Carmi, Ill. She was Aug. born SO -10

Singleton

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Helen Cheryl Singleton, 73, of Marion died Sunday, July 21, 2019, at her home.

She was a member of Deer Creek Baptist Church in Crittenden County.

> Singleton Singleton survived

by two sons, Jason (Shelley) Singleton and Jarrod (Libby) Singleton, both of Marion: and three grandchildren, Cutter Singleton, Cash Singleton and Nellie Singleton.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bud Singleton; and her parents, J.D. and Helen Ruth Orr.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Friday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial will be at Mapleview Cemetery in Marion.

Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today (Thursday) at the funeral home.

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Most obituaries in The Crittenden Press are published at no charge. However, extended obituaries are available for a small fee. Please ask your funeral director about fee-based obituaries. There is no charge for use of a photo. Obituaries that appear in the paper are also accessible on the Web for free at The Press Online dating back to 1999.



Pictured above is one of two pit bull-Lab mix dogs ordered euthanized last week after attacking a 5-year-old Crittenden County boy on June 17.

DOGS

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under quarantine at Crittenden County Animal Shelter for their food and board, as well as for the euthanization and spay fee.

Tabor faces a charge of second-degree wanton endangerment, a Class A misdemeanor punishable by 90 days to 12 months in jail and a fine up to \$500. Tabor remains free on bond and will appear in district court on the criminal charge in September.

The boy, who was initially taken to Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in Nashville, Tenn., for treatment, is purportedly doing as well as can be expected. Although he suffered injuries across his body, most were on his face, particularly in the jaw and ear area.

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Ind.; a daughter, LaTasha (Jake) Harkins of Weston; a son, Dakota Smith of Clay; two grandsons, Kaden White and Ashton "Turtle" White, both of Weston; a brother, Bobby Glenn Fox of Marion; a sister, Cristy Fox of Chandler, Ind.; and nieces and nephews.

Smith was preceded in death by her mother, Joan Dalton Fox.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. on Friday at Whitsell Funeral Home in Sturgis with Bro. Danny Starrick officiating. Burial will be in Pride-Bordley Cemetery in Pride, KY.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until service time Friday at the funeral home.

Ambrose is survived by

his wife of 57 years, Betty Marsh Ambrose of Martwo daughters, ion; Martha (Stephen) Hill of Marion and Marsha (Dwain) Hayes of Greenville, S.C.; three grandchildren, Elise Gilkey, Ethan (Jessie) Hill and Noah Hayes; and three great grandchildren, Morgan Gilkey, Easley Gilkey and Jaxton Hill.

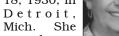
He was preceded in death by his parents, Smith W. and Mary Christine Ambrose.

Funeral services were Friday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with interment in Sugar Grove Cemetery in Crittenden County.

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was a homemaker. She Tucker

and her husband owned and operated Skaggs Jeep in Eldorado for many years. She was a member of First Christian Church of Eldorado

Tucker is survived by a daughter, Sue (Ron) Ledford of Eldorado; three grandchildren, Charles Adam (Brandie) Ledford of Marion, Brian (Julie) Ledford and Cathy Ledford; and several greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Tucker; her parents, James Lee and Ida Belle (Jenkins) Skaggs; and an infant son, Roger Lee Tucker.

Graveside services were Wednesday at Wolf Creek Cemetery in Eldorado with Rev. Russell Helton officiating.



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The annual **Rosebud** Cemetery Association meeting will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday. Bring your lawn chairs. Call Mayree Sherer, secretary, at (270) 965-3575 for more information.

- A Croft Family Reunion, consisting of the family of John A. Logan and Mary Louellen Croft, will be having a reunion in Lola at New Union General Baptist Church (Ditney) at 4 p.m., July 27. An early supper is being planned. Meat, bread and drinks will be provided. Please bring a covered dish. For more information call Linda Ferrell (270) 988-3406 or Doris Belt (270) 988-2833. The children of John and Mary Louellen Croft were Roy Croft, Nelda C. Riley, Ruth C. Belt, John Lowery Croft, Opal C. Cash, Charles Croft, Tracy Croft and Lois Croft.

- Two sessions of JumpStart, an orientation program only for insixth comina grade students, will be held from 9 a.m. to noon Monday and Wednesday at Crittenden County Middle School. Drop off at the front entrance is at 9 a.m., and pick-up is at noon.

Extension

Quilt Club will meet at 9:30 a.m., Monday at the Extension Office.

Church Notes Salem United Methodist Church will host revival with evangel-

ist Charlie Merritt at 7 p.m., Wednesday through Friday. - A Children's Cru-

sade "Experiments and Expectations" will be held at 7 p.m., July 31-Aug. 2 at Faith Church, 1849 U.S. 60 E in Salem. For information contact 270-969-0061.

- First Baptist Church of Fredonia is hosting a blood drive from 1-6 p.m., July 31 in Coleman Hall of the church located at 208 Cassidy Avenue, Fredo-Call 1-800-RED nia. CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or save time by visiting RedCrossBlood.org and

Plates unexpected piece of history How many times as a child playing or exploring in an old abandoned barn, workshop or garage have you seen old license plates nailed on a wall? Many times they were used to patch over a hole in the wall or maybe just stuck behind a board.

License plates really are interesting and something many of us have never really thought much about them unless we saw one stashed away somewhere, they are just something we have to have on our vehicles.

There are many people who have a hobby of collecting old license plates and enjoy the history behind them. Some plates are very rare and can be quite expensive if you are trying to buy one. Some people like to have one as a memento of the year they were born, and collectors of old cars like to have a plate that was made the same year as their vintage automobile. antique

Our local memorabilia collector and history buff on items. these Kenneth Davenport, was kind enough to spend some time with me, showing me his wonderful collection of vinlicense tage plates for cars, Brenda trucks and mo-Underdown torcycles, plus County Historian city auto tax

plates that peo-Forgotten ple had to pur-Passages chase if they worked in the city limits of Marion. All the history and information was more than I could absorb, so Kenneth said he would be glad to talk to anyone interested in knowing more on this

tion. Kenneth has been collecting old license plates for many years, always on the look out for them, and never knowing where they might turn up. On one such day in 1989 he was looking through the tables of items at a Crayne Day event. Mr. Monroe Harris, a local resident, saw Kenneth looking at old license plates and asked him if he was interested in them. Monroe told him the story of how he had a pair of 1918 plates. He was a young boy in the

subject and his collec-

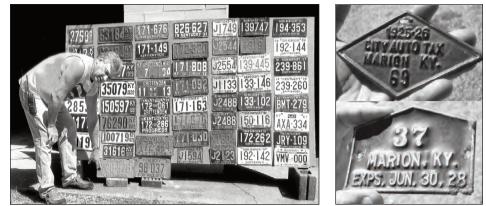
winter of 1918, one of the harshest winters the area had experienced in a while. Snow was several inches deep and made it impossible to drive a vehicle or wagon. The Harrises lived out on View Road which is several miles outside of Crayne and even farther from Marion. But they were in need of supplies so Mr. Harris and son. Monroe. made their way to Marion on foot. While in town, Mr. Harris thought it would be a good time to visit the courthouse and purchase his license plates for his car which was a 1913 Maxwell. Monroe had kept the license plates, front and rear, all these years, as he just didn't want to throw them away. Needless to say Kenneth was excited to be able to purchase those from Monroe. They are now part of his treasured collection. Of course the story behind the plates makes them even more special.

Here are some more highof our lights visit.

The state of Kentucky first started requiring its residents to register their motor vehicles and display license plates in 1910. They were white letters on a black background and were made of porcelain. The first ones issued in 1910 had the

letter B in a circle on the right bottom corner. 1911 had the letter L, 1912 had the letter M, and 1913 had the letter These porcelain G. plates were used until 1914.

The 1914 plate was the first dated and embossed metal plate, and it was only issued from October through December 1914 due to the cutbacks on the use of metal to help with the efforts of WWI. These plates are rare and hard to find as few were made and issued. These are highly sought by collectors and are quite expensive to buy. The plates made in 1927 were the first stateissued passenger plates to feature the name of the county of issuance.



Kenneth Davenport stands with some of his early collection of old Kentucky license plates dating back to some 1911 porcelain plates in the top left of the display. Some are very rare, large 15"x7" plates from 1914. One in particular has a star on it, identifying it as a plate for a meat truck. Above right are two of Davenport's favorite collectibles, a 1925-26 red metal city auto tax plate and a blue 1928 city tax plate.

In 1929 a new pair of plates was issued, the vehicle's front plate would have Kentucky, the year and county name at the bottom. These were very large plates being 7"x15". The rear plate would have Kentucky 1929 with "For Progress" emblazoned at the bottom. These plates were only issued in 1929 and 1930. The origin of the For Progress slogan is uncertain, but is believed to coincides with a vast highway construction program that was started in Kentucky in the late 1920s.

In 1931, the rear plate began to only contain the license number, Kentucky and the year. Perhaps the For Progress wasn't a popular slogan for this time period, as the Great Depression was going on and times were hard and people were struggling just to survive.

Another interesting thing about the 1930 plates is that this year was the last year the plates were made by a private company. After that, they were manufactured at the reformatory at LaGrange, Ky., where they are still made today.

In 1942-43 the plates were embossed with silver serial numbers on a black plate with "Kentucky-42" and county name centered at top and bottom respectively. These plates were re-validated for 1943 with windshield stickers. again due to metal conservation of now World War II

1943 state auto licenses go on sale Dec. 1 with windshield stickers replacing metal plates. Motorists will be instructed to keep the 1942 rear plate in place but to remove the front plate when the sticker is applied to the windshield.

Legally the 1942 rear plate will be motorists' identification and the windshield sticker will be merely a receipt attesting that 1943 license fee has been paid. The stickers will be secured in the same routine used in securing license plates. Costs are the same as those of 1942. If a sticker is lost, a duplicate may be gotten with the same procedure. The sticker plan has been adopted by the majority of states to save metal for war materials.

Once again in 1951, the windshield stickers were revalidated due to metal conservation for the Korean War. All metals were needed for the war effort.

The popular plates with "Tour Kentucky" on the top were used from 1951 until 1958. The plates then went without a slogan until 1988 when the "Bluegrass Sate" was embossed on it with a mare and foal screened in light blue in the center. It didn't last but one vear for Peter Thormann threatened to sue for

the most overlooked treasures of the South, with plenty of adventure, nature and culture.plus that coveted Southern spirit.

One of the first license plates purchased in Marion was by W. L. Pickens, and it was a 1911 porcelain plate.

Marion's first car dealership was owned by John W. Wilson. From The Crittenden Press Jan. 25, 1912. J. W. Wilson, the local Ford automobile agent, recently received his first 1912 consignment consisting of a car load of Ford machines of various types, one a four-door passenger of the latest 1912 model, one a run about, and one for delivery purposes and general utility use, such as express, ice, laundry, grocers, milk or any other public utilities. The cars made quite a pretty sight as they moved up Depot Street after being unloaded and were displayed on Main Street and afterward put in Tucker's furniture store, a part of which Wilson has rented for the coming season.

Maybe some day you will come across one of our license plates of old. I know I'll be watching for them now as I know some of the interesting about them. Thanks to Kenneth for sharing his fabulous collection and history with us. (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.bl ogspot.com).

enter "Fredonia" to sched ule an appointment.

4-H events

Rifle Team meets every Thursday at 6 p.m., at the Extension Park. This is for children 9-18.

- Trap Team meets every Tuesday, at 6 p.m., at the Extension Park. This is for children 9-18.

Senior Center

The Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day, and is \$3 for those 60 and older and \$5 for those under 60. Reservations are encouraged two days in advance but are taken up to a week in advance.

Menu and activities for the following seven days include:

Thursday - Menu is breaded pollock, pinto beans, cole slaw, cornbread and vanilla pudding.

Friday - Menu is chicken parmesan, baked potato, margarine and sour cream, broccoli casserole and pineapple delight. Bingo will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Monday - Menu is baked Italian chicken, mashed potatoes with white gravy, peas and carrots, banana pudding and whole grain biscuit. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m.

Tuesday – Menu is chimichanga with topchimichanga pings, sauce, corn salad, refried beans and fruit cocktail.

July 31 – Menu is sloppy Joe with bun, casserole. hashbrown baked pork 'n beans and baked apples with raisins. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability.

An item from The Crittenden Press tells us about this in November 1942: "Stickers to Replace Metal Plates ... '

copyright infringement as the mare and foal were based on one of his photographs.

The meaning behind the 2005-2008 Unbridled Spirit license place was horse racing, bourbon, Corvettes, fried chicken is there more you need in life? Kentucky is one of

Nine vie for DYW scholarships

Aug. 24, Fohs Hall, Marion STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County's newly formed Distinguished Young Women program is less than a month away from its first showcase and scholarship program Aug. 24 at Fohs Hall.

Distinguished Young Women is a national program designed to develop self confidence in young women and allow them to compete for scholarship Scholarship money. money has been raised from area colleges, businesses and individuals; however, finance committee chair Julie Brooks said more is needed to help ensure each of the nine participants receives some financial assistance for college.

Participants will be seniors at Crittenden County High School this fall. They are among teens in 51 states and hundreds of communities participating in the Distinguished Young Women program. Locally, the chapter is sponsored by the Woman's Club of Marion and coordinated by local volunteers.

"We are in full swing, said Brandi Rogers, whose vision brought the program to Crittenden



Participants in Crittenden County's first Distinguished Young Women scholarship program are (front from left) Kyron Hicks, Cortne Curnel, Anzie Gobin, Hannah Bell, Jaylin Blackburn, (back) Samantha Nichols, Trinity Hayes, Shelby Brown, Ellie McGowan and Morgan Barnes.

County. "The girls are already practicing and preparing for what will be an amazing night in Crittenden County Aug. 24.

"Our nine distinguished young women are learning more about being authentic, more about loving who they are and more about the awesome women they are built to become. We will be building together our confidence, physical strength and gifted talents. Our committee and mentors will be working with the girls over the first four weeks to prepare for this special night, and we hope everyone in the county will

come out and see how blessed our community is with these future female leaders."

Businesses or individuals in the community that have funds designated for local scholarships can contact Brooks at (270) 952-1132.

All money raised through DYW goes to scholarships, and Brooks expects to award nine separate awards.

"We want these girls to have the financial help they need to succeed and return to our community," Brooks said. "This is how we show that we support them."

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FOOTBALL Final 7on7 event

Crittenden County will play its final pre-season 7-on-7 matchup on Thursday at Webster County. In this event, there will be a lineman's challenge so most of the team will participating in this competition. Meet the Rockets is

Aug. 8 at the football field and Crittenden will have a three-team joint practice with some scrimmaging against Murray and Marshall County at Murray High on Aug. 9. The joint practice will be held at Ty Holland Stadium. Crittenden will host Calloway County for a scrimmage on Aug. 16 at Rocket Stadium. The regular-season opener is Aug. 23 at Fort Campbell. It will be the first regular-season meeting between the teams since they were in the same district way back in 1986.

State record book

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association has updated its football record book online. The updated version includes all of last season's Crittenden County entries that qualified. To see the record book, go online to https://khsaa.org/records/football/individualrecords.pdf

CCMS at jamboree

Crittenden County's middle school football team will get started next week with a jamboree at Calloway County. The young Rockets play on Saturday, Aug. 3 in the multi-team event at Calloway High School's stadium.

Jr Pro football sign up

Junior Pro Football registration will be held on Tuesday, July 30 at Rocket Arena. Players in grades five and six will register starting at 5:30 p.m., and players in grades three and four will register starting at 6:30 p.m. Players will need to have their birth certificate.

SOCCER Car wash fundraiser



There is much more to golf than irons, putters and drivers. Unlike most sports where coaches and referees provide constant oversight and direction, golf is a game played largely beyond the visual scrutiny of coaches and umpires. For that reason, players must adhere to a high level integrity and hold opponents to the same measure. Fully understanding the rules and etiquette of golf is part of being a high school player. At left, Rocket golfers spent some time in the classroom last week learning rules from coaches Vicki Hatfield and Teresa Foster. They went over new KHSAA regulations for the coming high school season and discussed proper

Tee time for Rocket golfers

It's time to tee it up for the high school golf season. Classes will still be two weeks from their official start on Aug. 1 when the Crittenden County High School golf team opens its season in an 18hole event at Boots Randolph Golf Course at Lake Barkley State Park.

Pre-school events afford golfers a chance to play full matches, honing their skills and testing endurance. Normal match play during much of the high school season is just nine holes because they're played after school when daylight is limited.

This year's squad will be headed by highly-decorated senior Lauren Gilchrist, who will likely play golf collegiately. The boys' side will be led by junior Sam Greenwell, who is on the brink of a breakout season.

The team plays its home matches at Deer Lakes Golf Course in Salem, where it will host an 18-hole match Aug. 5.

Aug. 1 at Boots Randolph 18 holes
Aug. 2 at Boots Randolph Best of the West
Aug. 5 at Deer Lakes 18 holes
Aug. 5 at Greenwood Lady Gator Invitational
Aug. 10 at Tilghman Invitational
Aug. 17 at Deer Lakes All A Region 1 Classic
Aug. 22 at Breckenridge vs Union County
Aug. 31 at Marshall County Invitational
Sept. 7 All A Classic State Tournaments
Sept. 14 at Graves County Invitational
Sept. 21 at Christian County Invitational
Sept. 30 Girls Region at Paxton Park
Oct. 1 Boys Region at Calvert City

Calling Lady Rocket Volleyball Alumni

Crittenden County High School's volleyball team - shown at practice to the right under new head coach Bayley McDonald - will host an Alumni Game on Thursday, Aug. 15. The event will begin at 6 p.m., at Rocket Arena. Former CCHS volleyball players are encouraged to participate. There is no fee to play. Admission of \$3 will be charged at the gate with proceeds benefiting the volleyball team. T-shirts will also be on sale. The Lady Rocket volleyball team will open its regular season on Aug. 19 at home against Mayfield



Crittenden County High School's soccer team will be having a fundraising car wash on Thursday, Aug. 1 from 3-7 p.m., in the parking lot of Dr. Chris Wynn's Hometown Chiropractic office on Morningside Drive adjacent to Darben Plaza. Proceeds will help the team purchase new warmups.

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Muzzleloader Dee	r Dec. 14 - Dec. 22

BASEBALL Jankowski still on IL

Former Marion Bobcats baseball star Travis Jankowski has been working his way back to the big leagues through a rehabilitation assignment in the minor leagues. Jankowski, an outfielder for the San Diego Padres, fractured his wrist diving for a ball during spring training and has been on the 60-day injured list all this season. He has several hits and some stolen bases during his rehab assignment, so far mostly in Double-A.

Athletic UK frosh could earn playing time

During the late February national football signing period Kentucky added only one player — Pennsylvania cornerback M.J. Devonshire. Kentucky coach Mark Stoops said then that Devonshire had "great size, great speed" with the versatility to play either of-

fense or defense. Considering the early signees Kentucky had, not a lot of attention was paid to the addition of the 5-11, 180-

of the 5-11, 180pound Devonshire. However, he might be a name to remember when Ken-

tucky starts preseason practice.

During his senior season, he led his team to a state football title (he scored 24 touchdowns including eight on punt returns), got his basketball team into the playoffs) he averaged 17 points per game) and won the 100- and 200meter dashes at the state track championships.

"He had Ohio State and a lot of good offers. When we recruited him, we knew what kind of player we were getting," said Kentucky recruiting coordinator Vince Marrow. "He's a very smart kid, too. I think he has a very good chance to get in the rotation early at DB (defensive back). He's an athlete. He was a point guard in basketball and could dunk the basketball. He's the type athlete you've got to have in our league."

Chris Harlan of the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review watched Devonshire for Aliquippa High School and says he's one of those athletes with the physical and mental makeup to be successful.

"He's the ultimate competi-

tor and always seemed comfortable in big moments. In the state 100-meter finals, he outran Southern Columbia's Julian Fleming, an Ohio State recruit and the No. 1-ranked wide receiver in 2020, according to Rivals. His sprinter's speed translates well to the football field," Harlan said.

It certainly did when he returned punts. At any level, eight punt return touchdowns in one season is remarkable.

"Devonshire has the quickness, the speed and the hands that great kick returner need, but it's his anticipation that makes him exceptional," Harlan said. "After the season I asked him which punt return touchdown was his favorite and surprisingly it was a short 35-yarder. By mid-October, teams smartly were kicking away from him, so he became a little more strategic.

"On the 35-yarder, Devonshire lined up deep on the short side of the field, forcing South Park to punt to the wide side. He believed the punter couldn't reach the far sideline and he was right - the ball landed near the numbers. He moved slowly toward the ball, causing South Park's kickcoverage to relax. With them flat-footed, he accelerated, scooped the football and scored. There's no reason he couldn't return punts as a true freshman.

Harlan was surprised when Devonshire picked UK over Pittsburgh and West Virginia, the perceived frontrunners before UK's late push got him.

"John Calipari is a native Western Pennsylvanian, so the folks around here think of basketball when they think Kentucky. Devonshire was under a lot of social media pressure to pick his hometown Panthers, but he's always seemed like an independent thinker," Harlan said. "The Penn State bowl victory made an impact with him. He said that he sees last year's 10-win season as a building block to 11 wins, 12 wins and ultimately a national championship game. Coming from Aliquippa, he insisted that he wouldn't go there if he didn't think he would win."

Devonshire told Harlan after he signed with Kentucky that if the writer had told him a month earlier he was going to pick UK he would have "looked at you like you were crazy."

Devonshire has the leadership skills that Kentucky coach Mark Stoops — or any coach — wants from potential elite players.

"He's among the more mature and self-driven high school athletes that I've met. He was always willing to be a spokesman for his teams and represented his school very well. Aliquippa has a storied football tradition that includes Mike Ditka, Ty Law, Darrelle Revis and many others," Harlan said. "Devonshire appreciates that 'Quips' history and talked often about how the town shares in the disappointment when the team doesn't win championships. For that reason, kids from Aliquippa don't like to lose."

Devonshire might also have an even bigger impact with recruiting. Harlan said Kentucky is a team those in the area now think about. One of his teammates, 2020 linebacker Zuriah Fisher, already has a Kentucky offer. A 2021 lineman, Aaron Gunn, from the same area got his first FBS offer from UK.

"Pulling a high-profile re-

cruit like Devonshire certainly earned Kentucky football added respect in eyes around here," Harlan said.

Former WKYT-TV sports anchor Rob Bromley is one of the media members who had a chance to not only watch Jared Lorenzen play in high school and at Kentucky, but he also got to interact with him in interviews.

"What I will remember most is that over the many years I can think of no one to compare him to. There are unique athletes who come along ... but not like Jared... once in a lifetime chance to see someone of his size perform at quarterback the way he did," Bromley said.

Lorenzen died at age 38 and his passing continues to resonate with UK fans who helped raised over \$100,000 for his family in less than a week after his death.

"Jared wasn't just good, he was great ... record setting," Bromley said. "He goes down as one of the most popular players at UK over the last 25 years along with the likes of Tim Couch, Randall Cobb, Jacob Tamme and Benny Snell.

"But as unique and as great as he was on the field.. he was every bit as good off the field, building a strong relationship with BBN."

Bromley can't single out a specific play, game or interview that stands out to him more than others about Lorenzen.

"I think I will just always remember the way he approached the physical challenge he faced later in his life with his weight. Playing careers tend to be short. Life goes on," Lorenzen said.

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PSC: Crittenden one of counties where gas line damages reported

STAFF REPORT

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A year after taking over enforcement of the state's call-before-you-dig statute as it relates to natural gas or hazardous liquid lines, the Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) has issued more than 400 citations for violations of the law.

The PSC assumed responsibility for enforcing the law on July 14, 2018. Since then, the PSC has received nearly 1,000 reports of excavation-caused damage to natural gas lines in Kentucky, including a handful of local reports.

"This level of excavation damage to natural gas lines is unacceptable and poses a significant threat to public safety," PSC Chairman Michael Schmitt said. "The PSC hopes that consistent enforcement, combined with a comprehensive effort at educating stakeholders and the public, will start reducing the number of dig-in incidents in Kentucky."

Last year's changes to the underground facility protection statute require operators of natural gas lines to file reports with the PSC on all incidents of excavation damage. The PSC then evaluates the reports, conducts any needed additional investigation, and assesses fipenalties nancial if violations are uncovered.

Of the 966 gas line damage reports filed with the PSC through June 29, 557 have been reviewed and closed, with 146 requiring no further action and penalties imposed in 411 cases. The other incidents remain under review.

Jefferson County has had the most damage reports, with 236, followed by Fayette County with 80 and Daviess County with 49. Damage reports have been received from 87 of Kentucky's 120 counties, including two in Crittenden County and one in Livingston County, ac-cording to PSC Director of Communications Andrew Melnykovych.

Penalties are up to \$1,250 for a first violation, \$2,000 for a second violation, and \$4,000 for subsequent violations.



Plum interesting

Ethan Gonzales, 9, and his neighbor Coby Larue, 9, were interested in a puppy's reaction to a plum Larue was enjoying on a hot July day last week on the front lawn at Gonzales' grandmother's house. The dog belongs to Bernadine Travis, who watches closely in the background. The plant in the photo is a big red hibiscus.

HOSPITAL

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as to how the state has reimbursed hospitals for Medicaid services could be even better news for the local health care facility.

A proposed rule would raise Medicare reimbursement rates, starting in October, for rural hospitals paid under the "inpatient prospective payment system" by reducing payment to the nation's better-off hospitals. It could mean tens of thousands of dollars in additional federal payments to Crittenden Community Hospital (CCH), where a third of its

business is done through Medicare.

"This is a good sign for rural hospitals," said CCH CEO Don Buchanan.

The Kentucky Hospital Association (KHĀ) is in full support of the proposal.

"Every Kentucky rural hospital paid under the

tem are calculated by first determining a base payment for each patient, based on their diagnosis and the severity of their illness. It then factors in a wage index for the laborrelated share of the costs.

The index is based on how much a hospital pays its staff, so hospitals in areas with high living costs get higher reimbursements than areas that have low cost of living - for the same services.

Medicaid suit

Between 2007 and 2015, the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services used a formula to reimburse hospitals for

Medicaid that two Kentucky courts have said was not legal – and unless the state Supreme Court takes up the case and rules otherwise, the state could owe the 58

hospitals named in the case hundreds of millions of dollars. CCH, where 23 percent of its business is Medicaid-related, is among those nearly five dozen hospitals.

The state Court of Appeals said in its ruling, "Neither the correct amounts of reimbursements nor any award of interest or other damages have been determined, and the remaining rate appeals have been remanded for further administrative proceedings." It adds that the court's findings will have "real economic consequences" and that "hospitals may seek monetary damages for past underpayment from the cabinet," including interest and other damages.

Buchanan said current Medicaid reimbursements to the local hospital do not cover their costs to provide those services.

"So the hospital is funding part of the Medicaid program in Kentucky," he said.

The possible need for extra cash from the state comes as the administration of Gov. Matt Bevin has bemoaned the cost of Medicaid, especially for the nearly 450,000 Kentuckians who have it through expansion under the Affordable Care Act.

"The state does not have the money to fund that so I figure they will try their best to wiggle out of that."

The Court of Appeals has upheld a 2016 ruling of Franklin Circuit Judge Phillip Shepherd. In its appeal, the Cabinet had asked the court to overturn his ruling.

Under then-Gov. Steve Beshear, the Cabinet applied a "budget neutrality adjustment" to its Medicaid payments that essentially reduced hospital Medicaid reimbursements

to 70 percent of hospitals' costs. The hospitals said that did not comply with state or federal requirements that Medicaid payments be based on the actual cost of care, and that they be "reasonable and adequate."

The hospitals tried to go through a regulatory process to resolve the dispute, but in 2013, the cabinet said the hospitals had no administrative appeal rights on the issue and dismissed their request "without adminis-

trative evidentiary hearings or further due process," the appeals court said.

The Cabinet has asked for a discretionary review by the Supreme Court. No date has been set for the high court to take up the case.

"Bottom line is, getting just cost from Medicaid would make a big impact on operations," Buchanan said

(Editor's note: Kentucky Health News contributed to this story.)

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inpatient prospective payment system would be helped. It would increase payments to those hospitals by \$4 million a year," KHA President Nancy Galvagni told Kentucky Health News in an e-mail. "No payments to Kenurban hospitals tucky would be cut. It is the high-cost hospitals in the Pacific and New England states whose payments would be lowered.'

KHA says 39 of the state's rural hospitals would benefit from this new payment model, with an average of about \$100,000 coming back to each, depending several factors. The state has 127 hospitals.

When you are struggling to keep the services at the hospital going, \$100,000 would be penheaven; from nies \$250,000 would be better, but every bit counts," said Buchanan, who previously worked for a health care system that closed seven rural hospitals, which "devastated the communities."

So the plan to change how the federal government pays hospital for Medicare treatment is welcomed by Kansas City, Mo.-based Rural Hospital Group, a private company that purchased publiclyowned Crittenden Health Systems late last year.

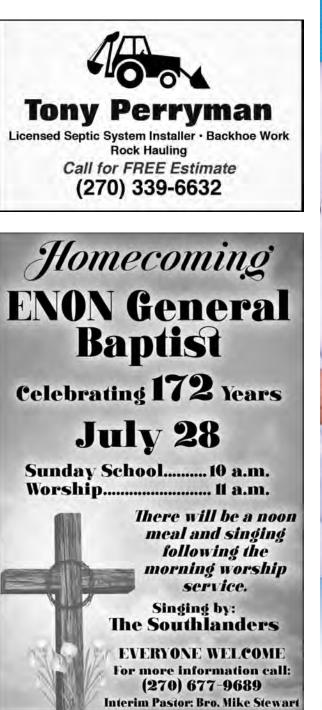
Some critics of the plan note that it doesn't apply to critical-access hospitals like Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem. These hospitals comprise about half the rural hospitals in the country. Kentucky has 27 such hospitals, which are generally in rural areas and have 25 or fewer beds.

Currently, Medicare reimbursement rates for hospitals in the inpatient prospective payment sys-

Spokesman Jordan Rowe said the cabinet has filed a motion for discretionary review with the Supreme Court.

He has his doubts the local hospital will see any additional money.

"I am not holding my breath on the Medicaid Buchanan said. suit,"



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