

NEWS

KY. SENIORS RANK 3RD UNHEALTHIEST IN U.S.

Kentucky ranks 48th for seniors' health in the most recent America's Health Rankings Report. Only Mississippi and Louisiana ranked worse.

The report looked at 34 measures of senior health that include factors that influence health. Those were broken into four categories – behaviors, community and environment, policy and clinical care and health outcomes.

Despite the low ranking, Kentucky's seniors have shown many improvements on the health front and have some solid strengths. For example, the report found that only 4.5 percent of Kentucky seniors are heavy drinkers, ranking the state seventh. Kentucky also ranked high for the percentage of seniors with prescription-drug coverage (87 percent) and those with a dedicated health-care provider (95.2 percent).

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that 1-in-5 Americans will be over the age of 65 by 2030, and by 2035, seniors will outnumber children younger than 18.

KY. KIDS FALL 3 SPOTS IN WELL-BEING RANK

While senior health in Kentucky rated behind only two states, the state ranks 37th in overall child well-being, according to the 2018 KIDS COUNT Data Book. The annual report was released last Wednesday by the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

Kentucky's standing is due in part to progress in family economic well-being, child health coverage, teen births and parental education. However, the Bluegrass State fell three spots from the overall 2017 ranking.

In specific areas of child well-being, Kentucky rated 40th in economic well-being, 28th in health, 29th in education and 39th in family and community.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Crittenden County Economic Development Corp. will hold its annual meeting at noon Tuesday at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. Those attending are asked to RSVP at (270) 969-0047.



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Cave In Rock Ferry running 6-6, 7 days

STAFF REPORT

Getting the ferry across the Ohio River back to running 16 hours a day is paramount to negotiations between Kentucky and Illinois and the Cave In Rock Ferry owner, says Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom.

The service was cut to 12 hours a day Sunday after ferry owner Lonnie Lewis cited financial issues, blaming them on rising costs and greater government regulations. Lewis had said the ferry would close July 1 without added revenue from the two states that fund it.

A complete shutdown was

avoided when Kentucky and Illinois agreed to a three-month compromise late last week that will extend service through September. However, Newcom says talks are ongoing between all parties, and he wants to see the ferry back on its normal schedule before the 90-day contract extension ends.

Newcom spent a couple of days last week in central Kentucky visiting with state leaders, includ-



Newcom



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Electronic signage at the edge of the Marion city limit on West Bellville Street/Ky. 91 North indicates the reduced operating hours of the Cave In Rock Ferry that began Sunday.

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Heat wave



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Marion Country Club's pool is open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Last week, this threesome was enjoying some big fun on a hot day, leaping into the deep end via the buddy system. Pictured are (from left) Jenna Maxfield, 10; Hattie Hatfield, 11; and Hadley Myers, 10.

Dangerous summer swelter continues to bake county, state, most of country

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

The dog days of summer have come earlier than usual. The swelter currently baking Crittenden County, Kentucky and most of the eastern half of the nation has been relentless with heat indices climbing over 100 degrees for most of June and so far in July.

And there appears to be no relief in sight. Such a string of hot and humid weather is usually reserved for late July and early August, but last month's climate seemed almost unprecedented in its misery. The average daily temperature was 77.3 degrees, according to the Kentucky Mesonet weather monitoring station in Crittenden County. That was cooler than June 2010 (78.2 degrees), but the relative humidity climbed to 95 percent or higher on 24 days last month, pushing the

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Medicaid cut to 860 in county

Loss of dental, vision benefits fallout from federal court ruling

STAFF REPORT

More than 860 Medicaid recipients in Crittenden County enrolled during 2014 expansion were stripped of their dental and vision benefits Sunday. They join almost a half-million others in the state who lost the same.

The move is fallout from a federal judge's decision Friday

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Cemetery association copes with Fox's death

STAFF REPORT

Immeasurable knowledge and insight is lost with the passing of an octogenarian. Such was the case with the death of long-time Marion businessman Bill Fox. Not only was Fox a life-long fixture in the monument business, for many years, he shouldered much of the responsibility for the oversight of Maplevue

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Fox

County celebrates nation's independence early, late

STAFF REPORT

With Independence Day 2018 falling in the middle of the week, many across the country celebrated the Fourth of July a few days early. And many of those who hadn't done so by Wednesday won't be doing so until this weekend.

That's certainly the case in Crittenden County, where weekend fireworks displays and celebrations are scheduled for Dycusburg and Tolu.

Dycusburg is hosting fireworks and entertainment Friday, with music from CatDaddy, sack races, cornhole and food. Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m., with music starting at



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Framed by American flags, a community choir performs the national anthem last Wednesday at Marion Baptist Church's patriotic service performed the last 17 years around Independence Day.

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EDITORIAL

Pen remains mightier than sword (or gun)

Journalism is rarely included in conversations about dangerous jobs, but last week’s massacre at a Maryland newspaper office underscores the dangers inherent with a profession charged with keeping the truth.

Last Thursday, a disgruntled reader armed with a pump-action shotgun methodically carried out a slaughter at the office of the Capital Gazette in Annapolis, Md. He killed five employees and gravely injured many more before being apprehended. It was the culmination of a long-running feud he had with the paper – including a defamation lawsuit he ultimately lost – following a report in 2011 on his guilty plea to criminal harassment.

Journalism has its share of detractors – and rightfully so with sensationalism, character attacks and shoddy reporting found across all media – but be careful to not judge the lot by the unethical actions of a portion.

Reporters committed to sharing the truth in an unbiased manner still exist, and true journalism remains a noble profession. But it also remains a profession with a target on its back. Intimidation, threats, prosecution and non-lethal violence are every-day occurrences from the smallest community newspapers to media outlets that reach millions a day. At its core, journalism is not about making friends.

Last week’s attack is rare only in its scope. At least 81 journalists were killed around the world last year, according to the International Federation of Journalists. Ninety-three the year before. This year has already seen 29 journalists killed, per the Committee to Protect Journalists. Most of the deaths are murders, not the result of in-the-field reporting in danger zones.

There are another 250 journalists jailed around the world for simply digging too deep.

Journalism is routinely listed among the United Nation’s most dangerous jobs. Most of the danger is abroad in places like Syria and Mexico. But there is growing contempt for the news in the United States. And in a society where deadly violence is used more and more to settle disputes, speaking the truth is likely to become an even riskier business at home.

We mourn the loss of any fellow journalists, particularly those in an American newsroom whose undoing is the result of a vendetta. The Maryland victims’ only offense was working for the Capital Gazette, a paper that seven years ago reported facts from public records on an individual who admitted his crime.

When violence and intimidation succeed in suppressing the truth and shedding light on wrongdoing, we all lose.

So we are proud of our Maryland cohorts. In the face of great emotional despair, the same dogged determination that keeps newsrooms from missing a beat amid outages and displacement drove the staff of The Capital to put out a Friday edition ... just as the newspaper has done since 1727.

Reporters are used to covering bloodshed and tragedy, but not in their own newsroom. But last week, the Capital showed the country the pen remains mightier than the sword.

20 hours a week cruel?

If I said you could get health insurance that pays 100 percent of critical health care for no more than \$15 per month with no co-payments in exchange for only 20 hours of your time each week, you'd jump on it, right? If I added that such a small price would entitle you to thousands in no-cost medical treatment, you'd probably think it was too good to be true.

But it's not. In fact, it remains even better than that.

Last week, a federal judge put the brakes on Kentucky's proposed Medicaid work rules – the first OK'd by the fed. The stipulations were devised to cut state Medicaid costs, but the judge called them “arbitrary and capricious” and nixed them for the time being.

Medicaid is funded jointly by states and the federal government to give the poor health coverage. About 22 percent of Americans were on Medicaid two years ago, and about 28 percent of Kentuckians. In 2016, Medicaid cost the federal government \$350 billion. Kentucky matched its \$7.6 billion portion of that with \$2 billion of its, about 31 percent of the commonwealth's budget.

Kentucky HEALTH was set to be implemented July 1 so that Medicaid savings could be used for things like, oh, education, crumbling infrastructure, the ailing pension system, etc. It would require only able-bodied people – not the disabled, elderly, pregnant, anyone under 21 nor some others – to work or volunteer at least 80 hours a month to get coverage. It would also require paying \$1 to \$15 per month in premiums. If those estimated 350,000 failed to meet such burdensome and stringent requirements (tongue firmly in cheek) they would lose coverage.

To be clear, Kentucky HEALTH does not ask Medicaid recipients who hold a job to add 20 hours of commitment to coverage. It's only aimed at those not working who could be.

The lawsuit on which the judge ruled last week claimed 95,000 of 1.4 million adults on Medicaid in Kentucky could lose coverage within five years with Kentucky HEALTH. In essence, the judge found it harsh to ask idle income-eligible adults to do something for free health care.

To many, that doesn't sound all that unfair. And by “many,” I mean people who put in 40 hours or more a week to qualify for private health insurance that may still cost them hundreds of dollars a month (not \$15). “Many” also includes those whose employer pays 100 percent of premiums for coverage that may pale in comparison to



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Press editor
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what Medicaid covers, like:

- Prescription drugs.
- Laboratory, radiology and diagnostic services.
- Specialized children services.
- Pediatric immunizations and services such as autism screening.
- Skilled nursing and rehabilitation.
- Durable medical equipment.
- Other services your physician deems medically necessary.

The average Medicaid beneficiary in Kentucky uses about \$7,300 of those services each year.

If the appeal of the federal judge's ruling fails, Gov. Matt Bevin has said he will end Medicaid expansion under former Gov. Steve Beshear, eliminating coverage for almost 460,000. Those people, including 860 or so in Crittenden County, have already lost their dental and vision benefits thanks to the ruling.

Remember, Bevin, like our President, is a businessman. That's how ach earned a living before politics. And both men are trying to run government more like a business than a charity.

All that having been said, why is asking a perfectly able person to give a little to get a lot considered so “cruel,” “scathing” and “savage,” as some have argued? Seriously, I don't get it.

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4th of July: A reflection on progress

The Fourth of July serves as a reminder of the fight for independence undertaken by our forefathers in the creation of this great nation. It also brings attention to the momentum for the long-sought-after Interstate 69 Ohio River crossing, dubbed I-69 ORX.

The existing U.S. 41 northbound bridge was officially opened with a three-day celebration centered on July 4, 1932.

Governors Rudy Lafoon of Kentucky and Harry G. Leslie of Indiana walked from each end of the span to meet in the middle to shake hands to officially open the bridge to traffic, according to newspaper accounts. In the air, military planes scattered rose petals over the crowd gathered on the bridge. Beneath the bridge, it took nearly 40 minutes for a flotilla to pass. And from the banks of the mighty Ohio River, military cannons fired.

And then there was the traffic. It was reported that on opening day the trip from Evansville to Henderson took about two hours. It is estimated that 50,000 automobiles carrying some 200,000 people crossed the bridge during the celebration. Just a parade celebrating the history of transportation lasted nearly two hours and stretched

about 2 miles long.

Those worthy scribes of the time really made it out to be a spectacle for their respective newspapers. Then again, I can't imagine what a true marvel of engineering the first structure must have appeared to be 86 years ago.

By the end of 1966, a second bridge was opened to handle southbound traffic. Now known as the U.S. 41 twin bridges, or the Bi-State Gold Star Vietnam War Memorial Bridges, the crossing has truly served western Kentucky and southern Indiana economically and socially.



Sen. Dorsey Ridley
District 4 senator
Kentucky Senate Legislative Review

But now, as has often been said, it's time to develop a plan for this critical link to meet the growing demands of Kentucky and Indiana.

That is why I was appreciative when Kentucky Transportation Secretary Greg Thomas testified at the June 5 meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Transportation that the I-69 ORX project was “full steam ahead.”

As a longtime member of the committee, I asked Thomas to elaborate on Kentucky's share of the cost of the proposed project. He estimated the Commonwealth's share to be at 65 percent, or at least \$455

million. Thomas said it wasn't a 50/50 split with Indiana because the approach on Kentucky's side will be more costly to build than the one to the north.

Since I started with a little nostalgia, I am going to mention the first U.S. 41 bridge was built for \$2.4 million. The toll for a passenger vehicle was 30 cents. The toll for a pedestrian to use the sidewalk on the bridge deck was 5 cents. The toll for livestock on foot was 15 cents per head. The tolls were removed on March 20, 1941.

With the modern marvels of the 21st century, I'm not sure the completion of the proposed I-69 ORX would be accompanied with the same hoopla, but I'm hoping in the next six years or so we have the opportunity to find out.

When you live in the moment, it's sometimes easy to forget how far we have actually come. Our predecessors, for example, had great insight to build that first bridge. It was part of \$10 million building boom – during the Great Depression – to construct 11 new bridges statewide.

Let us take this July 4 to draw courage from history to face local – and national – challenges.

(Dorsey Ridley is a state Senator from District 4, which includes Crittenden, Caldwell, Henderson, Livingston, Union and Webster counties. He is Minority Caucus Chair.)

All lives should matter equally

The men's locker room at the downtown YMCA in Frankfort has a flat screen TV on the wall. Every morning when I go there to swim, it's blaring out the daily dosage of bad news. If no one else is in the locker room, I turn it off. If someone is there watching it, I politely endure.

Just recently I was exposed to another one of those news reports of police brutality. Pretty nasty stuff. The black-and-white video of the encounter showed several uniformed officers in the hallway of some public building, pounding away at some hapless victim who was down on the floor. The clip lasted only about 15 seconds. I stood and watched it and wondered. What was the back story behind this violent encounter? In some cases, there is none. Sometimes police abuse their sacred trust and use unnecessary and excessive force. It happens. And when it happens, it undermines our faith and trust in law enforcement.

But, there in the YMCA locker room, I turned to my friends watching the news report and asked them this question: “Do you know how many arrests are made by police officers around this country every day? Thousands.” They seemed to get my point.

There are 13,217 law enforcement agencies scattered across



Justice Bill Cunningham
Kentucky Supreme Court
Benchmarks

America and approximately 653,000 sworn police officers. These agencies include federal, state and local officers.

Do you know how many people out there in the good ole USA get arrested each day? According to the Uniform Crime Reporting Program of the FBI there are approximately 29,212 arrests each day. I was right. Thousands. Almost 30,000 arrests made in one 24-hour period. Incredible.

Think of this while drinking your morning coffee. From Bangor, Maine to San Diego; from Seattle to the Florida Keys; all through the night while you were sleeping, the men and women of law enforcement were out making arrests to make us safer. From the deadly darkness of a Brooklyn alley, to the lonely stretch of a Texas back road, they face scary encounters with people committing crimes. They arrest dangerous fugitives running from the law, sometimes armed to the hilt.

While you were sleeping some frightened, rookie cop in blue was approaching a car load of suspicious looking characters on a LA freeway. As you were safely slumbering in your bed, some man or woman wearing a badge was cut down in a flash of gunfire, leaving a home devastated with grief.

While you slept, prison guards

across this land were wide awake and vigilant. Inside the metal and concrete cages of correctional facilities in every state, they confronted crazed and assaultive men and women – some of them hurling human feces into their faces. Violent felons warehoused to keep them from your front door.

Countless times these peace officers carried out their daunting duties with incredible professionalism, constraint that stretches human endurance and patience. Yet what you see on the morning news while enjoying your eggs and bacon is an isolated incident of abuse and misjudgment – an aberration infecting a national cadre of police that universally makes us proud. Or, should make us proud. But the isolated abuse makes the news. We see it and take away that image of our police. It's not fair.

Then you hear the clamor that “Black Lives Matter,” and then you see bumper stickers that read “Blue Lives Matter.” Around-the-clock news barkers stir up division, making money by sowing suspicion and discord among Americans. They do so with a conflagration of noise and distortion which obscures God's eternal truth. “All lives matter.”

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Teaching lured Brown from journalism

Longest serving CCHS principal in decades now officially retired

By DARYL K. TABOR
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As a high school graduate, Curtis Brown had designs set on seeing the world and impacting it as a journalist. But a nudge from his wife Susan led him to choose a different path, one that allowed him to more directly influence the world as a teacher.

At the close of 32 years in education – 11 at Crittenden County High School and the last four as principal there – Brown is not sorry he re-evaluated his “youthful thinking” after graduating from Murray State University with a journalism degree.

Brown’s retirement became official last week. But in May, just a few days before saying goodbye to the first CCHS graduating class in decades to have the same principal all four years of high school, he took some time to reflect on a career as a high school teacher and administrator that influenced thousands of teenagers.

“It really wasn’t anything I considered when I was younger,” Brown said of entering education. “I wanted to be Mr. Journalist or Mr. Photojournalist ... travel-the-world type of guy. (But) my wife thought I had the qualities that would make a good teacher.”

So he diverted his experience and enthusiasm for communications from reporting the news to report cards as an English teacher. It wasn’t until age 26 in Texas that he got his first teaching job, joining his wife in the field of education. And in his unexpected career, he even got to share a little of his passion for the news.

Crittenden connection

In fact, it was teaching journalism that first brought Brown to Crittenden County in 1990. He oversaw production of the school newspaper and yearbook, inadvertently influencing several students to pursue the career he first intended. One of those was Tiffany Blazina, the school district’s public relations director.

“Mr. Brown has a style all his

own, and I’m very thankful to have learned from him both as a student and as a colleague,” said Blazina, who graduated CCHS in 1994. “How many chances do you get to actually work alongside a person who impacted you so much in high school that, ultimately, led you to choose a career path that was rooted in a love of journalism?”

Brown said he has had several former students like Blazina jokingly “blame” him for their journalism career.

In 1997, Brown left for Lyon County Schools in order to teach closer to his home and family farm. He spent 15 years there before teaching at Reidland High School in its final year. That was part of a calculated move to hopefully land a job at the new, expansive McCracken County High School the following year.

“I wanted to be part of something new and exciting,” he said. But it wasn’t long before an opening at CCHS lured him into administration for the first time and back to Crittenden County. At the time, he was applying for an assistant principal vacancy, but new Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark, who started his time at Crittenden County Schools the same year Brown signed on to teach journalism, convinced him to apply for the top spot at the high school.

And in the fall semester of 2014, Brown was given the reigns at CCHS. He purposely guided the Class of 2018 through all four years of post-secondary education.

“That was a point of pride for me,” he said. “I could have retired last year.”

Retirement plans

Brown still has a lot of energy for the job, and the decision to retire was made well before Kentucky’s pension crisis spurred many teachers and other public employees in the state to retire.

“I have no burnout whatsoever,” he said.

But in excellent shape at 58 – something he works had at – and his wife having already retired



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Curtis Brown, the now-retired Crittenden County High School Principal, enjoys time with Class of 2018 seniors on the floor of Rocket Arena following the class night ceremony in late May. The graduating class was the first in decades to have all four years under the same principal at CCHS.

from education two years earlier, Brown has a few things he wants to do.

“I do plan to play some more golf,” he assures. “I don’t think I’ve played a single round of golf since taking this job. It’s a time thing.”

He also wants to travel and put time back into what he calls a neglected 225-acre farm in Lyon County, two more things that have taken a back seat to his job. He has a daughter in San Francisco and a son and grandchildren in Arizona, and he also plans to “do the snowbird thing” in Jupiter, Fla., so he can soak up sun and baseball at the St. Cardinals spring training facility.

“I’m an enormous Cardinals fan,” he said, adding that after three years on a waiting list, he finally has season tickets for spring training.

Brown also plans to continue an active, athletic lifestyle. He loves to bike and run, and gets up at 4 a.m. each day for a CrossFit training session.

“Of course, I might come back (home) and go to sleep instead of coming to work,” the new retiree said.

And being an English teacher, Brown also wants to make more time for reading.

A difficult job

For a man who longed for the classroom, but reveled in his newfound impact on students, the workouts helped relieve some of the stress of being a high school principal.

“The single biggest thing I had to get used to was making decisions,” he said of the switch from teaching a class to running an entire school. “There are so many decisions you have to make day in and day out, and very seldom are those decisions black and white.”

Brown believes the development of technology and social media over the course of his career has changed education, both for the better and worse. But the most significant change, he believes, is parents.

“Parents, not the kids,” he emphasized, explaining that families seem less supportive of schoolteachers and administrators today. “Twenty-five years ago, if you had to talk to a parent about a kid, the parent would more typically say, ‘I’ll take care of it. Thank you for letting me know, and I’ll take care of it.’ It happens today, but it’s just not as often.”

There are two things Brown believes he will yearn for most.

“I’ll probably miss going from being somebody to a nobody,” he joked. “I’m probably ready for that part, but I’ll miss that.”

Yet it is interaction with students, parents and staff that will be the hardest to part with.

“Two mornings a week, I’m out shaking students’ hands and greeting parents as they go by. I absolutely love that,” Brown said. “I’m really going to miss that regular kind of people-contact.”

Making a difference

As principal, Brown was well liked and respected by students and parents alike. In fact, Blazina said his outgoing, supportive personality is part of what makes the man special.

“I’ve watched Mr. Brown work tirelessly on behalf of students. They are clearly and obviously his first priority,” she explained. “His trademark handshake every morning starts students’ days off positively. His dedication to not only attending, but also celebrating and sharing sports games, club competitions and an array of student achievements is mind-boggling. His innovative ideas of engaging students and creating a strong culture among students and staff are remarkable.”

Brown was honored in his final month in education with some hardware, the June Rocket Way Employee of the Month. In presenting the award, Clark lauded his job as principal.

“He was present and visible, and our community and parents appreciated his commitment to our school and students,” the superintendent said.

Amanda Irvin, who served under Brown in the last year as assistant principal, has filled his position. Melissa Quertner, who had been an English teacher at CCHS, was promoted to assistant principal.

Though Brown has deep roots in both Caldwell and Lyon counties – he graduated from Caldwell County High School and has spent most of his adult life living in Lyon County – Crittenden County will always hold a special place in his heart.

“I have tremendously enjoyed my time here,” he said. “Both time frames here were enjoyable.”

MPD activity report			
Overall activity by Marion Police Department was up slightly last month over June 2017, according to data provided by MPD Chief Ray O’Neal. Below is the full activity report for the city’s police department, reflecting information from June 2018 compared with figures from June 2017 as well as year-to-date totals for 2018.			
CATEGORY	JUNE 2017	JUNE 2018	YTD 2018
Miles driven/patrolled.....	1,779	2,709	17,402
Criminal investigations.....	15	20	122
Domestics.....	5	11	52
Felony Arrests.....	2	3	11
Misdemeanor arrests.....	8	12	51
Non-criminal arrests.....	21	12	69
DUI arrests.....	3	1	8
Criminal summons served.....	5	2	14
Traffic citations.....	14	20	157
Traffic warnings.....	6	21	69
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Calls for service.....	186	191	1,177

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

CCHS Class of 1953 reunites

Crittenden County High School Class of 1953 held a reunion in Marion last weekend, and one of the highlights of the event was an opportunity to tour the school where they studied (which is now the middle school). Classy and Grassy performed for the group while they were at the school and Crittenden County School District hosted a luncheon for them on campus. Pictured are those who attended (from left) Ken Winters, Billy Lynn, Joyce Woodall McConnell, Joe Heady, Claudina Towery Travis, Clifford Shewcraft, Ann Shewcraft, Joanna Croft Grimes, Ramona Henry Brasher, Don Brasher, Ed Pullen and Marilyn Shaffer Burge.

FERRY

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ing Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) Secretary Greg Thomas, trying to work through a matter.

“The state’s audit team began today going over the ferry’s financial records,” Newcom said Monday.

It’s all part of KyTC’s due diligence in determining if additional funding is truly needed to keep the service viable.

Lewis has pointed to a variety of reasons costs are skyrocketing for the ferry service. One is a new U.S. Coast Guard regulation that will require two deckhands on the boat at all times.

That goes into effect this month, but through talks with the Coast Guard and state, local leaders have learned the ferry can apply for a waiver to possibly avoid that requirement.

Other new regulations, Lewis has said, will require refitting the barges and tugs used for the service with new equipment and devices just to pass inspection. He also said personnel and fuel costs have gone up the last few years while revenue has remained the same, \$804,000 annually split

evenly between Kentucky and Illinois.

Newcom says state leaders, including the transportation secretary, are open minded on the matter. However, there are some issues that must be worked through before a longterm contract is likely.

“I’m obviously pleased we have a temporary arrangement to keep the ferry operating,” Newcom said. “This will give all parties time to work toward a permanent resolution and long-term agreement that will serve the community. This is certainly not a perfect solution, especially for residents working late shifts, but this three-month arrangement will allow us to work toward something better.”

Meantime, the ferry will continue to operate seven days a week with service beginning at 6 a.m. from the Illinois shore with the final departure from the Illinois landing at 5:40 p.m. The last run from the Kentucky side will be at 5:50 p.m.

The ferry connects Ky. 91 North with Ill. Route 1 between Crittenden County and Hardin County, Ill. The ferry carries about 500 vehicles across the Ohio River in an average day.



Lewis

Rare daytime burglary investigated

STAFF REPORT

Daytime home burglaries are rare in Crittenden County, and local authorities are hoping the public can help solve a break-in last Thursday just east of Salem on Ky. 855 North.

Crittenden County

Deputy Ray Agent said intruders went through a garage door to gain access to the John Tyner home between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. on June 28.

Items taken are valued at about \$2,000. Stolen were Mizuno and other brand-name golf clubs in

a Titleist bag, an electric drill, Vizio sound bar, Yeti cooler, a purple bracelet, heart necklace, Phillips DVD player, two youth baseball bats and a youth baseball glove.

Crittenden County TipLine is offering up to a \$500 reward for informa-

tion leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the burglary. If you have any information, call (270) 965-3500 and remain anonymous.

The deputy said there have been no other home burglaries recently.

Ky. soybean planted acreage at all-time high

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky’s soybean acreage has reached a new high.

According to the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), the commonwealth’s 2018 soybean planted acreage is a record high. The data was released Friday in the Acreage and Grain Stocks report.

“Soybean acreage has nearly doubled since 2007,” said David Knopf, director of the NASS East-

ern Mountain Regional Office in Kentucky. “The crop is a good fit for the current market and agromonic conditions. This year soybeans are planted on 34 percent of the principal field crop acreage. On the other hand, corn planted acreage is at the lowest level since 2009. Much of the decrease results from the shift to soybeans and other land uses.”

Soybeans planted in Kentucky were estimated

at 2.10 million acres, up 150,000 acres from 2017. Acres harvested for grain, at 2.09 million acres, was 150,000 acres above acres a year ago.

Meantime, acreage planted to corn in Kentucky was estimated at 1.31 million acres, down 10,000 acres from 2017. Acres harvested for grain was estimated at 1.21 million acres, down 10,000 acres from last year.

Winter wheat seeded in Kentucky was estimated

at 460,000 acres, 20,000 acres below the previous year. Area harvested for grain was estimated at 350,000 acres, 40,000 acres above 2017.

Alfalfa hay acreage in Kentucky was estimated at 140,000 acres, down 10,000 from the 2017 crop. All other hay was estimated at 2.1 million acres, up 100,000 from a year ago. The U.S. All hay acreage was estimated at 55.1 million acres, up 2 percent from 2017.

Ky. 1917 closed next week for culvert replacement

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) plans to close a section of Ky. 1917 in Crittenden County starting Monday.

Ky. 1917 will be closed around mile-points 0.3 and 0.4 to allow two cul-

verts to be replaced. This is in the Shady Grove area between where Ky. 1917 meets Wolf Creek Road and the end of state maintenance at Providence Road.

Each of the old culverts that carry branches of

Wolf Creek under the roadway will be dug out and replaced with a 10-foot wide by 6-foot tall steel culvert. This will require the roadway to remain closed around the clock all week in this area.

Ky. 1917 is expected to

close at this site at approximately 7 a.m. Monday and remain closed until sometime on the afternoon of Friday, July 13.

There will be no marked detour. This work is scheduled on a weather permitting basis.

AUCTION

Saturday, July 7 @ 9:00 AM Auction Location: 606 Butter Rd. Marion, KY 42064

Directions: From Marion take US 60E 5.7 miles. Turn left onto Hwy 654 and go 2 miles. Turn left onto Mt. Zion Church Road and go 2.5 miles. Turn left onto Butter Road. Signs will be posted.

Steam Engines, Farm Equipment, Antiques, Sorghum Equipment, Shop Tools

Steam Engines & Boilers: 1623 Keck Gonnerman Steam Traction Engine 20 HP, 8'6"x52" Stationary Return Flue Boiler, 5'4"x32" Upright Stationary Boiler, Gardner Hot Water Pump-steam powered w/ Madison Kipp force feed lubricator, 3 Steam Governors, 2 Small Steam Engines, & More!

Farm Equipment: 1940 D2 Caterpillar Dozer, Side Delivery Hay Rake, David Bradley Elevator, 2 Cultipackers, Cultivator, Corn Planter, Fertilizer Spreader, 22" Red River Special Threshing Machine (needs work), Fairbanks Platform Scales, Bamford Diesel (needs work), 80 New Gates/Panels

Sorghum Equipment: Stainless Steel Kettles & Cooking Pans w/ steam heating pipes, Stainless Steel Preheating Tanks w/ steam heating pipes, Stainless Steel Bulk Tanks & Cooling/Bottling Vats, Roll Sorghum Presses

Shop Tools: Planer, 5.5 Honda Motor, Acetylene Torches w/ papers, #156 Shop Anvil, Metal Band Saw, Metal Lathe, Drill Press, Metal Shear, Metal Break, Gas Motor

Antiques: John Deere Hit & Miss, Keck Gonnerman Seed Cleaner, Forge & Forge Tools, Cider Press Parts, Blow Torches, Wooden Remington Box, Kerosene Lanterns, Hay Knife, Wheat Scythe w/ Cradle, Buggy & Wagon Wheelwright Tools

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Extreme weather affected Crittenden County in 1940

Weather is always a subject of conversation. I for one am always comparing today's weather with what the weather was last year or even 78 years ago.

The year 1940 in Crittenden County was a year of extreme weather conditions. From the archives of The Crittenden Press, let's take a visit to 1940 and see what was in store for the county.

Jan. 5, 1940. The year started out with the Ohio being frozen over at Dam 50 for two days. W. D. Hatcher, lockmaster at Dam 50, reported a two-inch depth of ice over the Ohio from bank to bank extending from Dam 50 to the mouth of the Wabash. This was the first solid freeze of the river since the winter of 1936 when a low of -5 degrees was reported and the weather remained below freezing for a period of four days.

The season's low was reported Jan. 2 when the mercury dropped to 2 degrees. In downtown Marion, temperatures of 2 to 3 degrees were reported Jan. 3 with Tuesday night being the most severe. Following a two-inch snowfall, a thaw proved detrimental. A light mist began to fall and froze as it struck the ground. Highways were coated with ice and became treacherous.

Down in the Tolu area of the county, Claude Arlack and a group of men who had stock wintering on Hurricane Island, opposite Tolu had to cut ice before placing a boat in service to remove the stock.

The men laid a board plank walk and used large saws. After sawing the ice in blocks they loosened a portion and then shoved it downward into the current with the aid of skid poles. After completing the path, a

ferry boat was used to remove the stock.

Several residents of the Tolu community walked across the river and reported solid ice from Kentucky to Illinois.

R. J. Hardesty, game warden, purchased 150 pounds of ground corn from the Marion Milling Co. for the purpose of feeding the birds in Crittenden County, as they have not been able to secure food through the past two weeks of snow and ice.

January 26 came and brought with it temperatures of 15 degrees below January average. The third blast of the season struck the county Wednesday night, driving the mercury to -5. At noon it only had climbed to 10 degrees with no thawing. A two-inch snowfall early Tuesday morning made the total for the past 30 days 17 inches. Freezing temperature and piercing winds followed, placing crusts on the coating making walking hazardous and halting traffic.

April 3, 1940. Spring finally came, and with the change of season more severe weather.

On the night of April 3, the county was struck by a twister. Freakish in all respects, the sections suffering heaviest were Tolu and the Iron Hill and Sugar Grove areas.

Elmer Mott had the rear wall of a service station blown out and Tom Conyer's front porch was picked up and placed in the rear of the house.

P. P. Lamb and Homer Travis were the heaviest losers, Mr. Lamb losing a large steer when a barn roof caved in.

In the Sugar Grove-Tribune sections, a barn was unroofed on the farm of Henry Paris, a similar structure of Frank Woodside's was twisted from the foundation and prac-

tically demolished. Sol and Cecil Baker each lost barns and the home of Hubert Hunt was completely unroofed. P. P. Lamb and Homer Travis, adjoining farms, were the largest sufferers. Lamb had two barns destroyed and lost a large steer when the animal was trapped under a falling roof. Travis' home was blown several feet from its foundation and in addition a large barn and small shed was down.

Cedar Lane, known to all Crittenden countians, was twisted, torn and will never again be the picture of scenic beauty that it previously presented.

One of the largest trees in the Iron Hill-Deanwood sections was uprooted directly opposite the front porch of the home of Joe Dean with roots protruding several feet in the air and within jumping distance of the porch, but no damage was done to the porch or house. The storm was apparently split by Iron Hill as no damage was done beyond.

Striking the Tolu section in the neighborhood of Barnett Chapel, a tenant house on the farm of R. J. Hardesty was blown many feet and Earl Hale suffered a similar loss.

It was reported that buildings on the farm of George Dowell were damaged and the home of Hodge Tabor, near the E-town and Tolu-Y was twisted and blown from the foundation. Luther Hardesty had a barn torn down and house unroofed.

In the southern section of the county, the storm unroofed several sheds and a home in the

Mexico section, the blow next struck Mott City at the intersection of Princeton-Dycusburg highway. Mr. Mott and son, Glenn, were in the large stone building attempting to hold the doors closed and were thrust aside, the doors blew open and the velocity of the wind was sufficient to blow the rear wall of concrete blocks aside as if it were paper. Some of the blocks were thrown a dis-

lance of 12 feet from the wall.

April 26th. With melting snow from the north mixing with heavy rainfall along the path of the river, the Ohio river flooded.

The river bottoms were covered and many ferry boats were not operating. No stock drowning or damage had been reported, the owners being warned and having time to remove the animals and anchor buildings in the areas that would be flooded.

The damage to roadbeds was severe caused by heavy winds that lashed at dirt fills for many hours and complicated by the swift current. All bottoms and lowland had been under water for ten days with many low lying roads being cut off from any traveling.

Next came summer with it's heat wave and drought.

July 26. Severe and intense heat over the entire county has caused much suffering and discomfort during the last four days with temperatures ranging well above 90 degrees. In many



This covered bridge on Fords Ferry Road was destroyed by wind in November 1940.

fields pastures and crops are drying badly.

Aug. 2. There was a heat wave for several days, and for several days the Mercury was near 100 degrees. Crops in the fields were wilting and pastures searing and in many sections ponds for stock watering purposes dry and water being hauled from wells to pastured stock.

Aug. 8. Heavy showers finally brought relief and broke the 14-day heat wave.

Aug. 23. Severely high winds hit the county and damaged many acres of corn in all sections of the county and fall yields were decreased by 40 to 50 percent. The wind was freakish, shattering large trees and unroofing several barns in scattered sections. The rains following the high winds did much to aid late crops but many acres of corn were beyond aid. In the lower river bottoms, pastures assumed green surfaces and ponds filled that had been dry for the past three weeks.

Fall comes and with it more damage from the weather of 1940.

On Nov. 11 comes a severe windstorm that wrecks a familiar landmark.

The severe windstorm that struck Nov. 11, blew

down the covered portion of a familiar landmark, the covered bridge, on old Fords Ferry Road at the crossing of Crooked Creek. Abutments and floor had been repaired recently and these were not damaged.

In addition to the bridge damage, several barns were unroofed, trees uprooted and chickens killed.

The blow came early Monday morning following the severe downpour Sunday night.

Marion water supply was replenished and the spillway reported overflowing.

After the windstorm Monday, the temperatures began to drop and ice was reported in many places on Tuesday. Wednesday, Nov. 13, was the coldest of the fall season.

So ends a rough weather year for Crittenden County. It's interesting to read and learn of these past weather conditions that affected the area in years past.

(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.)

NOTICE TO CRITTENDEN COUNTY TAXPAYERS

Carolyn Byford, Crittenden County Clerk, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2017 Delinquent Real Property Tax bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in The Crittenden Press on July 12th, 2018. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday at the Crittenden County clerk's office located at: 107 S Main St, Suite 203, Marion, Ky. This list may also be inspected on the County Clerk's website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is crittenden.clerkinfo.net. The tax sale will be held on August 14, 2018 beginning at 9:00 a.m. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on August 6, 2018. 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.

Community
Christmas
info released

Local volunteers are looking ahead to Crittenden County's annual charitable Christmas program. Dates of pertinent events relating to Community Christmas are as follows:

- Sign-up Day 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Oct. 3-4 at the Extension annex.
- Set-up Day 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 13 at the National Guard Armory
- Distribution Day is 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 14 at the National Guard Armory

Extension

- The Ovarian Cancer Tea Planning Committee will meet at 10 a.m., Tuesday at the Extension Office.
- There will be a field trip to West Kentucky Botanical Garden in Owensboro on July 12. The outing will begin at 8 a.m. Admission is \$5 and will be paid that day. Bring lunch money. Call the Extension Office to make your reservation at (270) 965-5236.

Calendar

- American Legion Post 217 & Auxiliary in Burna will hold its monthly meeting at the Post (located beside middle school) at 6:30 p.m., July 13 with a meal followed by meetings. Members and potential new members are encouraged to be in attendance as we begin the new service year.
- The following are upcoming events at the Crittenden County Public Library:
 - July 5, 1 p.m. – Children's Maker Thursday with Kathleen in the meeting room
 - Each Friday in July, Fit Lit Walking Book Club will be held at 8 a.m. at City-County Park. This program will run through Sept. 7.
 - Beginning Monday and running through Aug. 13, Movie Mondays will be held at 2 p.m. the library. See list of movie showings at the library.



Serta-nly lucky

Jamie Hunt of Marion won the grand prize in a national promotional offer by participating Serta dealers. Hunt entered the contest at the local Serta dealership, Johnson's Furniture & Appliances, after testing a Serta mattress between Jan. 6 and Feb. 11. The grand prize includes his choice of a three-night stay for two people at the Francis Marion Hotel in historic Charleston, S.C.; a three-night stay at the Meritage Resort & Spa in Napa Valley, Calif.; or a two-night Bahamas Adventure at Aplantis in Nassau. The grand Prize includes roundtrip airfare, hotel accommodations and a rental car.



Hollamon graduates FHU

Micah Joseph Hollamon (right), formerly of Marion, graduated from Freed-Hardeman University May 12. Hollamon graduated with presidential honors summa cum laude with a perfect 4.0 GPA as a math major and Bible Missions minor. He was a member of Alpha Chi Honor Society and President of Chi Beta Chi. Hollamon is employed as an actuarial assistant at Blue Cross/Blue Shield headquarters in Chattanooga, Tenn. He is the son of Greg and Dawn Hollamon, formerly of Marion. Pictured with Holloman are (from left) FHU President David Shannon and Hollamon's father Greg presenting the diploma.

Senior Menu

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Thursday (today): Menu is chili, hot dog on bun, macaroni and cheese, apple sauce, ambrosia fruit salad and crackers.

CEMETERY

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Cemetery.

As owner of Marion's only monument company, Henry & Henry Monuments, Fox was in a unique position to deal with several aspects of the death care industry. Along with his wife Joan, and later their children Dianne Newcom and Billy Fox, Fox oversaw sales, production and installation of monuments to thousands of area families.

Simultaneously, he was the glue that bound operations of the Marion Cemetery Association. Formed in 1907, the association's role is to oversee the sale of grave sites and upkeep of Maplevue Cemetery. By virtue of the Fox family's unique position in both business and volunteerism, Fox's family members and employees at Henry & Henry are the keepers of 110-year-old cemetery records.

The monument shop maintains ownership records and maps of burial plots at Maplevue Cemetery, probably the county's largest graveyard. And Fox was one of the primary individuals charged with marking plots when it came time for a burial.

"There is a system," said Newcom, who is assuming her father's role as head of the cemetery association. She recalls her mother Joan and grandfather Albert Henry riding through the cemetery on a golf cart updating cemetery books, noting new burials. The cemetery records indicate the purchaser of the

- Friday: Menu is chicken and dumplings, buttered broccoli, buttered carrots, cornbread and margarine, baked apples and raisins. Bingo sponsored by Lifeline begins at 10:30 a.m.
- Monday: Menu is BBQ chicken, macaroni and cheese, green bean casserole wheat bun and baked apples and raisins. Ladies exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m.
- Tuesday: Menu is meat loaf, mashed potatoes, sea-

soned cabbage, pear crisp and wheat roll.

July 11: Menu is chicken pot pie, twice baked potato, green beans, dreamsicle gelatin and wheat bread. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day. Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center.

The center is a service of Pennyriple Allied Community Services.



Dianne Newcom (right) shows Marlene James a hand-drawn diagram of the Maplevue Cemetery.

property and are updated periodically to reflect names of those buried there.

"Even I didn't realize how much time Daddy spent working at the cemetery," Newcom said. "I just hope everybody will be patient as the board and I learn and work out a routine to maintain the grounds as well as he did."

Newcom held a working session recently with board members to familiarize them with the process of determining the location of purchased sites and the sale of plots and marking graves before a burial. Newcom and her brother Billy are experienced in the process; however, Bill Fox had willingly shouldered responsibility for the process for many years, and few people outside the family have been trained.

The cemetery association pays for routine maintenance and mowing expenses using interest from investments and proceeds of lot sales. Grave sites cost \$250 apiece, and a

maintenance fee of \$100 is assessed to families at the time of burial.

Board members Bill and Marlene James, Ricky Brown and Allison Evans attended Newcom's working session, where the precise system of measuring and flagging 5-by-10 grave spaces was demonstrated.

"He worked at it, and all of it we don't know," said Bill James.

"He benefitted all those years from the experience, and we can't get that back," his wife Marlene added.

The Jameses and other board members – which also includes Mike Byford and Denis Hodge – do routine inspections of the cemetery, remove dead flowers when necessary and conduct or arrange for maintenance.

"It's quite a process of recording, locating, marking and ultimately maintaining grave sites," Evans said. "Bill took care of so much that so few people were aware of."

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WORSHIP
with us this week

For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

—Matthew 18:20

Unity General Baptist Church
4691 U.S. 641 • Crayne, Ky.
Barry Hix, pastor • (270) 365-5836 or (270) 625-1248
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 6 p.m.

Tolu United Methodist Church
Bro. Alex Kirby, Pastor We invite you to be our guest
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The People of The United Methodist Church
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Service 11 a.m.
Wednesday Night Youth 6:30 p.m.

St. William Catholic Church
Sunday Mass 11 a.m. 860 S. Main St. Marion, Ky. (270) 965-2477
Father John Okaro

Marion Baptist Church
College & Depot streets, Marion • (270) 965-5232
Coffee/Juice Fellowship 8:30-8:45 a.m.
Sunday School 8:45-9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship (One Service) 10-11:15 a.m.
Awana 5:45 p.m.
Limitless worship 6 p.m.
Discipleship class 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday nursery/preschool
Centershot & youth 5:45 p.m.
Wednesday prayer service 6:15 p.m.

Barnett Chapel General Baptist
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Barnett Chapel Rd., Marion, Ky.
Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Mike Jacobs, pastor
Wednesday Night Bible Study: 6 p.m.
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Minister of Youth Robert Kirby | Minister of Music Mike Crabtree
Pastor: Tim Burdon
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Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.
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"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
-Matthew 18:20

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Dee Ann Thompson, pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday Night Worship Service: 6 p.m.

Tyners Chapel Church Located on Ky. 855 North
Sunday: 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 6 p.m.
Pastor: Charles Tabor

Emmanuel Baptist Church
108 Hillcrest Dr., Marion | (270) 965-4623
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.
Wednesday Adult Bible Study, Children and Youth Activities: 6 p.m.
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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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Crayne Community Church
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Area Deaths

Franklin

Patsy Franklin, 83, of Princeton died Wednesday, June 27, 2018, at her home.

She was retired after 35 years from First Bank & Trust Co., was a member of First Baptist Church of Princeton and owned and operated the Basket House for 31 years.

Survivors include her husband of 64 years, Robert W. Franklin Sr. of Princeton; two sons, Bobby (Ellen) Franklin and of Princeton, and Tony (Laura) Franklin of Murfreesboro, Tenn.; seven grandchildren, Heather (Josh) Franklin Storms, Chelsea (Chase) Redden, Caroline (Reid) Franklin Robinson, Caitlin (Elloitt) Ventiere, Amy (Jeff) Simms, Nicole (Kevin) Letcher, and Shane Fortner; seven great-grandchildren, Ethan Franklin, Ezra Ventiere, Cooper Redden and baby-to-be, Ellie Simms, Brennon Letcher and Owen Letcher.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Major S. Quisenberry and Ruth Elizabeth Boaz Quisenberry; four sisters, Mary Adams, Birdie Litchfield, Ann Lamberth and Louise Wakefield.

Memorial services were Saturday, June 30 at First Baptist Church of Princeton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church Children's Ministry, 300 W. Main St., Princeton, KY 42445.

Morgan's Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Press Obituaries

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to vacate the state's plan to make unemployed able-bodied recipients either work or volunteer 20 hours a week or continue their education.

The commonwealth was the first state approved by the federal government to install work requirements and monthly premiums (\$1-\$15) to some Medicaid enrollees in order to cut more than \$2 billion in annual state spending on the entitlement. Kentucky HEALTH was to start Sunday, but the court decision has put that program on hold.

However, the ruling came with immediate repercussions for about a third of Kentucky Medicaid recipients.

When the plan "was struck down by the court, the My Rewards Account program was invalidated, meaning there is no longer a legal mechanism in place to pay for dental and vision coverage for about 460,000 beneficiaries who have been placed in the Alternative Benefit Plan," said Doug Hogan, a spokesman for the state Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

But, according to the Cabinet, fewer than 10 percent of Medicaid beneficiaries have taken advantage of dental and vision coverage.

Kentucky is also considering cuts to the prescription-drug program and rolling back the ex-

Butler

Johnna Vic Butler, 56, of Salem died Wednesday, June 27, 2018 at Livingston Hospital.



She was a member of Salem Baptist Church. She enjoyed watching the Andy Griffin Show, Little House on the Prairie and all the old TV classics, plus spending time with friends and family.

Surviving are her parents, Gerald and Donna Porter Butler of Salem; sister, Jada McDaniel and brother-in-law, Brian of Lebanon, Tenn.; and a niece, Francesea McDaniel.

Services were Sunday, July 1 at the Salem Baptist Fellowship Hall with Bro. Chris Clarke officiating.

Boyd Funeral Directors of Salem was in charge of arrangements.

King

Thomas Newton King, 60, of Smithland died Saturday, June 30, 2018 at Crittenden Hospital in Marion.

He was a former employee of Marion Mining Bolt and a member of Fellowship Baptist in Smithland. He enjoyed spending time at his brother's Jim's Auto Body Shop, listening to CDs, attending concerts and watching western action movies.

Surviving are his sisters, Julia Ann Brantley of Fredonia and Faye Harris of Fredonia; and brothers, Billy Jo Millikan and Robert C. Millikan both of Marion, Harold King (Sherry) of Burns Harbor, Ind., and Jim King (Mollie) of Smithland.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesse Thomas King and Ina Lois Millikan King.

Services were Tuesday, July 3 at Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem with Bro. Mike Jacobs officiating. Burial was at Frances Cemetery.

pansion implemented four years ago under then-Gov. Steve Beshear to cover people with incomes up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level.

The commonwealth is expected to appeal the invalidation of Kentucky HEALTH. Gov. Bevin has said Kentucky will end the expansion altogether if courts ultimately block

Blackburn

James Randall Blackburn, 51, of Marion died Sunday, July 1, 2018 at his home.

Survivors include his children, Caleb and Haley Ladd both of Morganfield, Austin Blackburn of Henderson and Tera Blackburn of Evansville, Ind.; a sister, Vicki Kirk of Marion; a brother, Jeffrey Blackburn of Marion; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Robert and Wanda Lee Blackburn; and sister, Nina Kay Blackburn.

Visitation was Tuesday July 3 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion.

Armstrong

Gary Benton Armstrong, 82, of Marion, died Friday, June 29, 2018 at Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He was a member of Glendale General Baptist Church, Marion Masonic Lodge Number 256 and a U.S. Army veteran.



Survivors include his wife, Charlene Armstrong of Marion; grandson, Shane Armstrong of Marion; and granddaughter, Maggie Tabor of Kentucky.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sons, Tony and Troy Armstrong; a granddaughter, Leslie Don Armstrong; and a half-brother, Laddie Armstrong.

Services were Tuesday, July 3 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Love Cemetery. Military rites were held at the cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Love Cemetery.

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Local outreach minister planning brainstorm session about youth

STAFF REPORT

Joey Jones wants to know more about youth ministry. He wants to know what works and how to deploy that into the community.



Jones

Jones is a physicians assistant at Crittenden Hospital by day and in his off-time he's a licensed minister who's been doing a great deal of outreach work with churches in the region. What he's seen is a tremendous need for greater insight in the minds of Crittenden County's youth.

For a glimpse into their thought process, he's asking local pastors and youth ministers to join a round table discussion on the matter on Monday, July 16. The gathering will be at the Crittenden Health Systems' education building on the hospital campus. It will begin at 7 p.m.

"The situation in Crittenden County is getting worse," Jones said. "With the poverty and opiod addictions, I think our kids need help."

Jones has done some homework on the numbers, too.

He says there are 43 churches in the county and roughly 1,400 school-age children.

"I don't think all of them are being churchd," Jones said.

He said many of the churches in this community have small congregations, which makes it tough to develop pro-

grams specifically for youth. He thinks a brainstorming session of Christian minds might help further the mission of reaching the county's young people.

"Some of us have been discussing what we could do to have an impact in these kids' lives," Jones said. "This is not about doctrine, but about helping young people to establish a relationship with Jesus that will take them into adulthood so they don't get lost in this world."

He said street gangs find ways to reach young people who are in search

of a sense of belonging and support and questions why churches are often failing in similar efforts.

"I want to hear ideas and to try to find out what works," Jones said.

This will likely be the first of multiple meetings on the subject. Ideally, Jones said he'd like to be able to package what's gleaned from this brainstorming session and to make it available to churches that struggled to afford or find such resources. For more information, call him at (270) 836-9048.

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Golf 2-man Saturday

The Heritage Golf Course at Marion Country Club will host its annual 2-Man Golf Scramble on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call the pro shop.



Pitching camp

Pitching Camp for youth baseball players continues Thursday at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Registration was required for this two-day event, but there is an opportunity for another two-day clinic 9 a.m., to noon on Wednesday, July 11 and Wednesday, July 18. Cost is \$25. Only the first 12 paid registrations will be accepted. Register at The Crittenden Press. Pictured above are instructors Devin Belt and Adam Driver checking the speed of pitches.

Prospects tryout

The Kentucky Prospects travel baseball program is looking for boys age 7-9 to tryout on July 14 at Stuart Nelson Park in Paducah. For more information, call Matt Moore at (270) 556-4582.

Football dead for now; quite lively next week

STAFF REPORT

With the mandated “summer break” for high school athletes winding down this week, Rocket football coaches are gearing up for a full-throttle approach to the upcoming pre-season workouts.

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association prohibits school-related sports activities for two weeks each summer. It’s called the Dead Period and coaches have come to embrace it, too. But once it’s over this weekend, there will be only five Friday nights between then and Crittenden County’s opening game at home against Stewart County, Tenn. “The dead period is a time for everyone to get a break and recharge. It’s especially important for small schools like ours where we have so many three-sport athletes,” said new Rocket head football coach Sean Thompson.

In fact, Thompson said he wouldn’t oppose a longer dead period.

“I think it’s important to prevent burnout,” he said.

What he will be looking for when players return from their respite on Tuesday is a clear motivation for hard work.

“We’re going to have a week of conditioning like they did back in the day,” said Thompson, who played his high school football here then collegiately at Campbellsville.

Conditioning will be stressed under Thompson’s new rule for Rocket football,

and it’s being embraced by the players. Quarterback Hunter Boone and leading return receiver Ethan Dossett were among a group of players who got together over the dead period to workout on their own.

“We don’t want to come back out of condition,” said Boone.

Dossett said it’s a time, too, for some teammate camaradery with no coaches around.

Thompson was excited to learn about their work ethic, but wasn’t interested in talking too much about it because KHSAA rules are pretty strict when it comes to dead period policies.

“If that is the case, I think that shows where our guys are in their maturity level and I think that means good things for our program,” the coach said.

Once the football boys are back on campus for pre-season workouts, there will be 7-on-7 action on a regular basis for the skilled position players. Crittenden will have weekly competitions with Union and Webster counties and the Rockets will go to a 7-on-7 tournament at McCracken County on Friday, July 13. There will also be a lineman challenge and 7-on-7 competition at Murray State on Thursday, July 19. That event is sponsored by Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The middle school Rockets will join the high school boys

CCHS FOOTBALL CALENDAR

June 25 - July 9 Dead Period
July 16 HS Practice begins
July 16 MS Practice begins
July 30 HS Pre-Season Camp

2018 Season

Aug. 6 Graves Joint Practice (H)
Aug. 10 Scrimmage at Ft. Campbell
Aug. 17 Stewart County
Aug. 24 Bye
Aug. 31 at Trigg County
Sept. 7 at Caldwell County
Sept. 14 Webster County
Sept. 21 Union County
Sept. 28 at Fulton City
Oct. 5 at Ballard Memorial
Oct. 12 Fulton County
Oct. 19 at Russellville
Nov. 2 Playoffs



Coach Sean Thompson said football workouts will start back Tuesday with some old-fashioned conditioning.

Something new this year will be a joint practice session Monday, Aug. 6 with Graves County. Thompson described it as an opportunity to get his players some one-on-one and unit work against a larger school. It will not look much like a scrimmage, the coach said, but there will be some full-squad competition.

“We will run a lot of inside ball carrying drills and then do some 7-on-7 in full pads,” he explained.

The Rockets’ only scrimmage game will be at Fort Campbell on Friday, Aug. 10.

Numbers are up for Thompson’s inaugural season. During summer workouts prior to the dead period, Thompson said 54 different players showed up multiple times. Those workouts are not mandatory so he’s not exactly sure where the roster will settle, but he’s projecting about 50 players.



Adams Pro Tour player Chapman Herwood has been giving free lessons at The Heritage Golf Course at Marion Country Club. Much of the time has been spent on the club’s electronic golf simulators inside the clubhouse. At right, Herwood demonstrates the two most typical golf grips – the overlapping grip at left and the interlocking grip at right.



Adams Pro Tour golfer bringing game to Marion Wants to help youngsters learn

STAFF REPORT

Aspiring professional golfer Chapman Herwood is working hard to make the cut on the Adams Pro Tour this summer and he’s also taking time to help develop young golfers at The Heritage at Marion Country Club.

Herwood has been brought to the club by course owner Eddie King for player and course development. Herwood will be sharing his knowledge and organizing a club junior golf event later this month.

A native of Florida, Herwood grew up on a Doral Golf Course and at age four told his father he was going to grow up and make a living playing golf.

Herwood moved to Texas and excelled on the links, playing in the Class 5A State Tournament against big time players such as current pro Jordan Speith. In college, Herwood was captain of the University of Texas - Tyler golf team and after earning a finance and marketing degree, he hit the road with the equivalent of minor league golf, playing on the Adams Tour.

Several young, local boys and girls

have already taken some free lessons from Herwood at the Heritage. He hopes to attract even more with a July 30 clinic that will lead into the King Heritage Junior Classic Tournament and Golf Spectacular on July 31 at the club.

“This will be an all-day event with golf as the theme,” he said.

Teaching the game is a passion for this young pro and he enjoys helping youngsters learn.

“The grip was our first lesson. That’s what I have been trying to teach them today,” he said last Wednesday after a one-hour free session with six aspiring golfers.

“The grip is one of three parts of the setup,” he continued. “The three parts are grip, stance and posture.”

Herwood was showing the mostly pre-teens how to align the hands properly when addressing the ball, lining up the crease of the left hand with the buttons on his shirt. The crease of the right hand points toward the shirt’s backside collar, he said.

“We’ve had new faces here every day,” he said. “It’s great to see these young people enjoying the game.”

Talent gives Cal little bit of everything for next season

Many college basketball analysts projected before the start of the 2017-18 season that SEC basketball would be even better in 2018-19.

The SEC sent a conference-record eight teams to the NCAA Tournament last year, but pre-season projections make it seem like this year could indeed be even better with Kentucky No. 1 in most early preseason polls, Tennessee in the top five and Auburn in the top 10. LSU, Mississippi State and Florida are all in some top 25 polls.

“Any time you have high-end teams and are building off a record eight teams in the NCAA, people around the nation are going to take notice,” said LSU coach Will Wade. “The SEC teams that played in the Big Eight Challenge last year played great to help move the narrative of SEC basketball.”

Auburn won last year’s regular-season SEC title but coach Bruce Pearl also expects the league to be improved this season.

“This is going to be the most competitive year that I can re-

member because the quality at the top of the league is going to be even stronger,” Pearl said.

Kentucky coach John Calipari has never been shy about promoting SEC basketball – or pointing out the need for the league to improve when it was not generating national buzz.

Calipari certainly isn’t backing down now, either. He’s hyping his team as much as the way-too-early pre-season polls are. He’s taken his players to basketball camps across the state to let them understand the passion of UK fans and even let them stop in Midway to sign autographs when the team rode a train from Lexington to Frankfort and back.

“The reason I did it, initially, was because I wanted time with them and we did a lot of team building. Part of that was talking about the expectations that are always on this program and what they want this team to look like defensively. What do you want this team to look like offensively?” Calipari

said. “(We) had them talk and communicate so that they can say, ‘Alright, now we know where we are building.’ What we want to do.”

New Georgia coach Tom Crean says not to underestimate the value of off-season interaction between players and coaches.

“Just being in workouts and conditioning, you almost learn more about them there than you do on the court,” Crean said. “It all goes hand in hand. It’s conversations you have in the office.”

Calipari said he has felt the pressure personally to win a championship ever year he has coached. He joked UK probably has been ranked No. 1 in six or seven of his 10 seasons at Kentucky when the Cats went to four Final Fours and won the national title in 2012.

“Probably could have won a couple of more but didn’t. It is what it is. And these guys know it,” the UK coach said.

He has a roster that looks 10 deep and admits his team will have a “lot of weapons” to use next season. He’s already told his players he would like

to have six or seven players averaging in double figures.

“There’s no one who is going to average 25 a game. You might get 25 in a game, but we don’t play through two guys. Everybody here is treated the same way,” Calipari said. “If you don’t deserve to play, you won’t play. If you do deserve to play, I’ll figure it out.”

“The biggest thing I had to talk to them about is here’s what the culture of Kentucky is. It won’t carry you. You have to carry the culture. You have to take it to that next level. If you don’t move this culture, this culture means nothing. But this is what we built the program on and around.”

Wade can’t speak for what having sophomores P.J. Washington, Quade Green and Nick Richards back for a second season along with redshirt freshman Kemarl Baker can mean for Kentucky. However, the LSU coach does understand the value of experience.

“Just to have some experience helps. If we are going to be good a lot of it will be on the shoulders of guys in the program last year,” Wade said.

Calipari has preached the same thing about Kentucky but he’s also not bashful about the amount of talent he has this season. Kentucky has seven former McDonald’s All-Americans on the roster — only the 2014-15 team that finished 38-1 had more with nine. The 2013-14 team also had eight and it made the national title game.

Washington, Green and Richards were all McDonald’s All-Americans along with freshmen Keldon Johnson, Immanuel Quickley and E.J. Montgomery. Stanford transfer Reid Travis was also a McDonald’s All-American.

Freshman Ashton Hagans would have been if he had not reclassified from the 2019 recruiting class to the 2018 class and freshman Tyler Herro played in the Jordan Brand Classic after not making the McDonald’s Game.

“Normally in the summer I back up and get away but with this group, I told them I’m kinda excited to be around them,” Calipari said. “Got a little bit of everything. Should be physically strong.”



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Ky. has been filed to change the property zoning from R-3, residential, to R-3 w/MH overlay. The planning commission will hear this request on July 12, 2018 at 5 p.m. in the council chambers of Marion City Hall. (2t-1-c)

Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2018 Madeline Henderson of 3550 S.R. 120, Marion, Ky. 42064 was appointed executrix of Kenneth Carlton Drennan, deceased, whose address was 6061 S.R. 120, Marion, Ky. 42064. Wesley Hunt, attorney.

All person having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executrix before the 27th day of December, 2018 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

All person indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-1-c)

Notice is hereby given that on June 27, 2018 Stephen Champion of 2350 Siloem Church Rd., Salem, Ky. 42078 and Scott Champion of 4031 S.R. 723 S., Salem, Ky. 42078 was appointed co-executors with will annexed of James E. Champi-

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky will hold a hearing on July 24, 2018, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the Commission's offices, located at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses in Case No. 2018-00005, which is the Electronic Application of Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for full deployment of Advanced Metering Systems. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

The address for Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company is 220 West Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202

on, deceased, whose address was 3742 S.R. 723 S., Salem, Ky. 42078. Rebecca Johnson, attorney.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executors with will annexed on or before the 27th day of December, 2018 and all claims not so proven and pre-



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NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF BUDGET ORDINANCE

BUDGET SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FISCAL COURT OF CRITTENDEN COUNTY, KENTUCKY:

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the fiscal year 2019 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

(01) GENERAL FUND	Category	APPROPRIATION
General Government	5000	\$429,390.00
Protection to Persons and Property	5100	\$287,500.00
General Health and Sanitation	5200	\$100.00
Administration	9000	\$365,974.00
Roads (FEMA)	6100	\$100.00
Reserve For Transfer	9200	\$260,361.00
Total		\$1,343,425.00

(02) ROAD FUND	Category	APPROPRIATION
General Government	5000	\$100.00
Convenience Center (Solid Waste)	5200	\$55,000.00
Transportation Facility and Services	6000	\$22,500.00
Roads	6100	\$1,172,545.00
Other Transportation Facilities and Services	6400	\$804,000.00
Debt Service	7000	\$208,350.00
Capital Projects	8000	\$500.00
Administration	9000	\$470,764.00
Reserve for Transfer	9200	\$513,747.00
Total		\$3,247,506.00


(03) JAIL FUND	Category	Appropriation
Protection to Persons and Property	5100	\$1,908,245.00
Debt Service	7000	\$568,900.00
Administration	9000	\$509,475.00
Reserve for Transfer	9200	\$64,930.00
Total		\$3,051,550.00

(04) LGEA FUND	Category	Appropriation
General Government	5000	\$138,990.00
Protection to Persons and Property	5100	\$36,550.00
General Health and Sanitation	5200	\$39,000.00
Social Services	5300	\$26,850.00
Recreation and Culture	5400	\$54,750.00
Capital Projects	8000	\$3,000.00
Administration	9000	\$31,475.00
Reserve for Transfer	9200	\$20,000.00
Total		\$350,615.00

(05) E-911 FUND	Category	Appropriation
E-911	5100	\$15,900.00
Reserve for Transfer	9200	\$86,200.00
Total		\$102,100.00

(06) 911 WIRELESS FUND	Category	Appropriation
Equipment	5100	\$100.00
Reserve for Transfer	9200	\$68,500.00
Total		\$68,600.00
FY-2019 BUDGET GRAND TOTAL		\$8,163,796.00

Adopted this 21st day of June , 2018.


County Judge Executive

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations in Crittenden County are hereby notified that a copy of the county's adopted budget in full is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge Executive during normal business hours of Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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heat index above 100 degrees on all but three days. At sunrise Monday, the temperature was already 80 degrees in Marion. In fact, Monday continued a string of nine consecutive days with the heat index reaching the "danger" or "extreme danger" designation.

The trend is expected across Kentucky through at least next Monday, according to the National Weather Service (NWS), prompting heat advisories and words of caution from health officials. At press time, Independence Day was on course to perhaps be the hottest day of the year thus far, according to the NWS forecast for Marion.

"This has been the strangest weather year in my 32 years of forecasting," said Joe Sullivan with the NWS in Louisville, pointing out a colder than normal April, the warmest May on record and more heat and humidity in June and early July.

The sticky, muggy air over recent weeks has easily pushed heat indices – a reading that indicates how hot the combination of air temperature and relative humidity feels to the human body – into the extreme danger area of 104 degrees or higher.

"Heat indices that high mean the body cannot cool itself off by sweating," Sullivan said. "This could be dangerous over the next several days, especially for people who have no access to air conditioning."

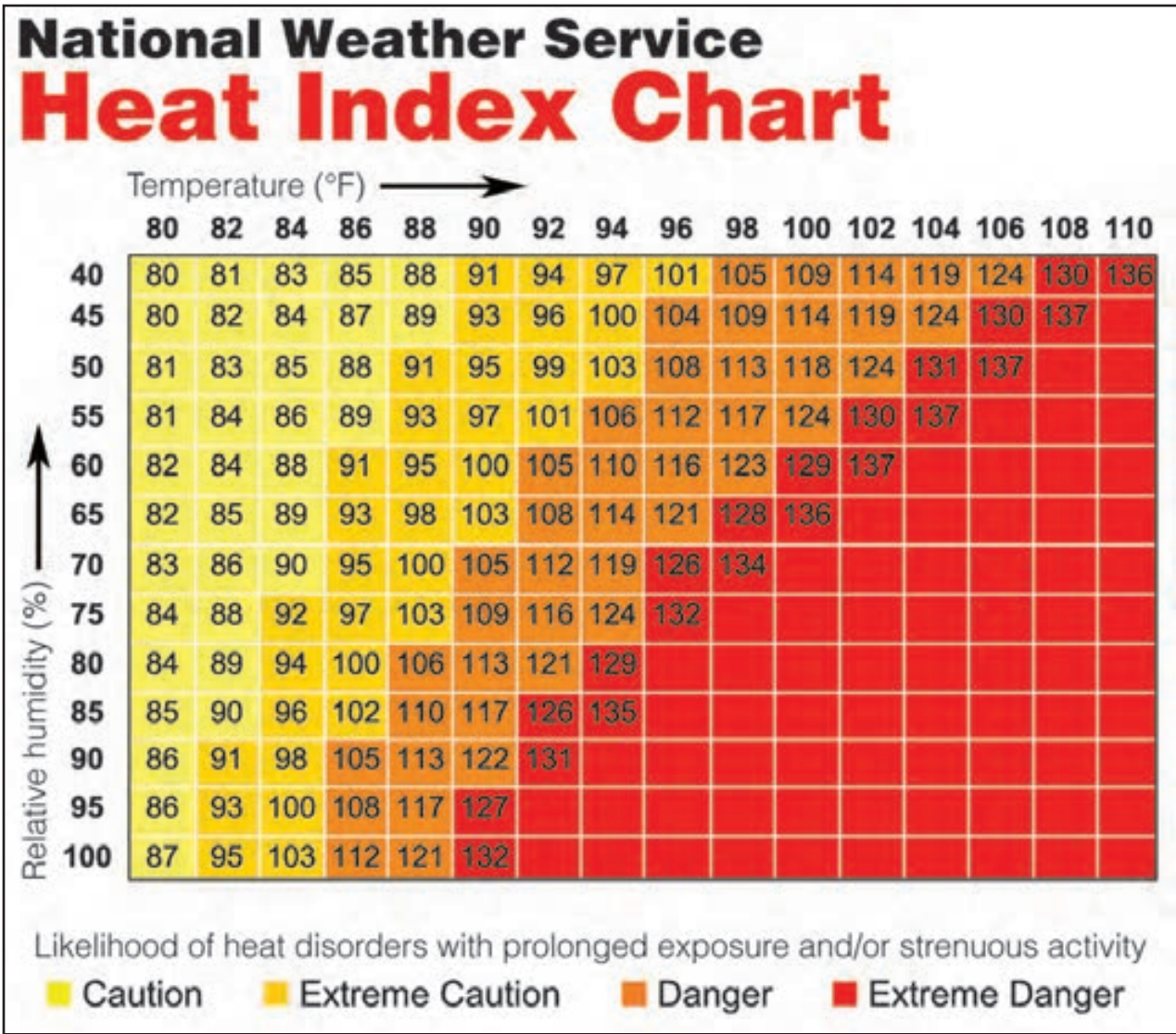
Sullivan said while rural areas won't have readings as high as the so-called "urban islands" like Louisville and Lexington, if you are in the downtown area of even a small town where there is a lot of asphalt, you'll experience hotter conditions. In fact, while the Kentucky Mesonet station near Mattoon recorded 90.2 degrees as the high Sunday, at 5:30 p.m., the thermometer on The Peoples Bank clock in downtown Marion read 98 degrees.

Last month was also one of the wettest months recorded by the local Kentucky Mesonet station since it began weather monitoring in June 2009. The 7.59 inches of rain that fell made it the wettest June recorded by more than an inch.

June also saw some stormy weather. Extremely high winds were recorded several days, including a hurricane-force wind of 62.7 mph on June 19, 55.8 mph last Thursday and 42.5 mph June 12.

Meantime, the Kentucky Department of Public Health offers steps to help cope with the heat:

- Drink plenty of fluids. Increase your normal fluid intake regardless of your activity level. You will need to drink more fluids than your thirst level indicates. This is especially true for people age 65 or older who often have a decreased ability to respond to external temperature changes. In addition, avoid drinking beverages containing alcohol, because they cause you to lose more fluids.



- Wear appropriate clothing and sunscreen. Choose lightweight, light colored, loose fitting clothing. In the hot sun, wear a wide-brimmed hat that will provide shade and keep the head cool. Sunscreen should be SPF 15 or greater and applied 30 minutes before going out into the sun.
- The most efficient

way to beat the heat is to stay in an air-conditioned area. If you do not have an air conditioner, consider visiting a mall or public library.

- If you must be out in the heat, try to plan your activities so that you are outdoors either before noon or in the evening. Rest periodically so your body's thermostat will have a chance to recover.

- When working in the heat, monitor the condition of your co-workers and have someone do the same for you. Heat-induced illness can cause a person to become confused or lose consciousness.
- Monitor those at greatest risk of heat-related illness, including infants and children up to 4 years of age and people

who are 65 years of age or older, overweight, ill or prone to overexerting during work or exercise.

Pets and other animal owners should provide plenty of shade fresh water during the extreme heat, as they can also succumb to the dangerous conditions.

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



Marion Baptist Church last Wednesday hosted the 17th annual community patriotic service, with a few dozen people of all ages coming together to celebrate America. Just above, children stand at attention during the "Star Spangled Banner." Top left, Allen Summers (left) holds the Christian flag during prayer while standing alongside Crittenden County Sheriff Wayne Agent, who presented the Kentucky flag during a presentation of colors. Top right, featured speaker Mark Girtten, and ex-Marine and current pastor at Crooked Creek Baptist Church, addresses the crowd with the U.S. Marine Corps flag in the foreground.

FOURTH

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at 7:15 p.m. Fireworks will begin after dusk.

The following day, the annual Tolu celebration kicks off at 4 p.m. at the Tolu Community Center with concessions and entertainment, and fireworks will begin after dusk.

Elsewhere, another red-white-and-blue tradition in the county, the patriotic service at Marion Baptist Church, has already taken place. The 17th annual celebration recognized military service and emergency responders last Wednesday in order to avoid conflicts with the actual holiday.

While few celebrations of the nation's 242nd birthday are landing on the actual holiday, many businesses and all government offices took Independence Day off.

Americans typically don't celebrate the independence on country's true birthday, even when it falls on the weekend. That's because the Fourth of July commemorates the

adoption of the Declaration of the Independence document by the 2nd Continental Congress in 1776. But the initial declaration of breaking free from British rule came two days early when delegates approved the formal act.

In fact, on July 3, 1776, one of the nation's founders and eventual second President, John Adams, wrote to his wife from Philadelphia that "(t)he Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America."

For those planning to mark the Fourth of July at home with fireworks, there are rules to follow.

Kentucky law prohibits the use of most fireworks within 200 feet of structures, vehicles or people. In addition, the City of Marion limits use to between noon and 11 p.m. on July 4 and will allow for displays a day later from noon to 10 p.m. After today (Thursday), however, it won't be legal to use fireworks in Marion until June 27, 2019.

Violation could result in a \$250 fine.



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