

## COUNTY CONTINUES TO LAG IN PERCENT VACCINATED

Crittenden continues to lag behind most other adjoining counties in the percentage of residents who have been vaccinated. Almost 1 out of every 4 people in Crittenden County have been inoculated for COVID-19. Crittenden ranks fifth when compared to contiguous counties and among the low third in the state. Woodford, Franklin and Fayette counties have the state's highest percentage of people who have been vaccinated. All are over 50 percent inoculated. Christian ranks the lowest in Kentucky at 17 percent. In Crittenden County, 2,247 people have been vaccinated. Of those age 65 or older, half have been vaccinated and 31 percent age 18 or over have gotten their shot(s).

Area Counties	Vaccination rate
Lyon County	43%
Caldwell County	34%
Livingston County	32%
Webster County	27%
Crittenden County	24%
Union County	23%

## PFIZER 2-DOSE SHOT IS NOW HERE FOR 12-OVER

Pennyrile District Health Department is now offering the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to persons 12 and older at each of their local health departments in Crittenden, Caldwell, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg counties. Pfizer is a two-dose vaccine. Local residents and even out of town guests are eligible at any local health department. Each health department will continue to offer the single-dose Johnson & Johnson and two-dose Moderna to persons 18 and older in addition to Pfizer.

Walk-ins seeking a COVID-19 vaccine are now welcome on clinic days at each local health departments. Clinic days and hours for each county are listed below:  
Mondays - Livingston (8am - 4pm)  
Tuesdays - Caldwell (8am - 4pm)  
Wednesdays - Lyon (8am - 4pm)  
Thursdays - Crittenden (8am - 4pm)  
Thursdays - Trigg (8am - 4pm)

You can make an appointment by phoning your local health department or sign up on a wait list. Or register at [www.pennyrilehealth.org](http://www.pennyrilehealth.org) and a clerk will call you to schedule an appointment.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

•Crittenden County Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., Friday, June 11 at the courthouse.

## NEW DUMP FEES COMING

Starting July 1, new dumping fees will go into effect at the Crittenden County Convenience Center on U.S. 60 West at the Road Department's maintenance facility. Here are the new fees:

### New Dumping Fees

Description	New Fee
Each bag up to 13 gal.	\$1
Each bag 13-35 gal.	\$2
Each bag over 35 gal.	\$5
Bag/Can/Barrel 55 gal./up	\$7



Newly ordained Catholic priest Cory Bruns holding mass recently at St. Francis Solanus Parish, in Quincy, Ill.

# A-Massing Grace Bruns is ordained to priesthood

BY CHRIS EVANS  
PRESS EDITOR

To get the only thing he ever really wanted, Corey Bruns had to give up nearly everything.

But that suits Father Bruns just fine, as this week he assumes the Lord's work as parochial vicar at historic St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bowling Green.

Fewer than two weeks ago, Bruns, 26, was ordained as a Roman Catholic priest in the Owensboro Diocese, becoming the first

former parishioner of St. William Catholic Church in Marion to join the priesthood, and very likely only the second priest ever from Marion.

Bruns graduated from Crittenden County High School in 2012. His family moved here when he was in third grade and Bruns worshiped at St. William in Marion and St. Ann in Morganfield with his family. His father Larry worked at Par 4 Plastics and his mother was an elementary school

teacher here.

Bruns is one of five children and among a set of triplets.

"He was an altar boy and served mass for a few years at our church," said Allen Summers, one of the early members of St. William Parish, which was founded in 1966.

Summers said Bruns has shown tremendous dedication and faithful determination in his quest for the

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Local officials along with contractor and engineering specialists posed for a ground-breaking photograph last week at the site of Marion's new \$13.6 million waste water plant on Pippi Hardin Boulevard in Industrial Park North. Pictured are (from left) Alan Robinson, president of Eclipse Engineering; Councilman Mike Byford, City Administrator Adam Ledford, Mayor Jared Byford, Councilwoman Phyllis Sykes, Councilwoman D'Anna Browning, Councilman Donnie Arlack and Cody Lokits of the Walker Company, which is the general contractor for the project.

# Attorney General cites Marion CVS among offenders

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden was among a handful of counties singled out by Kentucky Attorney General Daniel Cameron last week when he filed a lawsuit against CVS Health (CVS) for the company's role in the state's opioid epidemic.

The CVS on Sturgis Road in Marion, Cameron said in a news release, bought more than 2.8 million dosage units of oxycodone and hydrocodone from 2006 to 2014, enough to supply everyone in the county with more than 34 pills every year. In Caldwell County, the chain pharmacy purchased another 2.8 million dosage units of the drugs, enough opioids for every man, woman and child in the county to have over 24 pills every year during the same period.

The lawsuit, filed in Franklin Circuit Court, alleges the company engaged in unlawful business practices and failed to guard against the diversion of opioids. CVS has said it plans to defend itself against the allegations.

Prescription opioids once dominated Crittenden



Cameron

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# Clock on the wall is on stall

Time.

It's a mysterious, apparently indefinite and continued progress of our existence. Some appear to have so much of it; others have so little.

There is a clock on the wall at The Press office in Marion. It's been in the same spot since 1986, that I am certain of. I'd bet it hung there long before. So, for the better part of 35 years it's provided a sense of acclimation for the daily routine.

A few months back, it stopped running before a Double A battery set time on its way once again. Before long, an irregular tempo foretold perhaps greater problems. Then the time-keeper ceased once again. Since then, she's been lost in time with neither movement nor guidance as to the condition of temporal affairs. Maybe it was a bad replacement battery. Time will tell.

Still, the 12-digit face receives a glance every time I walk by her. That blank stare never dissuades another look on the next trip past. They call it muscle memory, when we do things out of repetitive conditioning. They say it takes tens of thousands of repetitions to develop muscle memory. That's why baseball players hit, hit, hit off of a batting tee. They're creating muscle memory, forming a good bat path.

Parents teach infants muscle memory by giving them Cheerios on the high-chair platter. Watch those tots work to get that little O into their mouths. It's a curiosity we can't help but observe with cheer as they try to stick them into nearly every orifice on their head before finding the one for nourishment. They teach themselves where the pie hole is located and how to feed it. Later in life, when we lift an ice cream cone it instinctively finds the mouth instead of the forehead - thanks to muscle memory, and other important motor skills.

Do you remember first learning to tell time? It was a visual experience with a real timepiece. The minute hand, hour hand, and sometimes a quick-ticking second hand. Today, time is given to us by our phones. Those electronic devices in our pockets are pretty good at stealing time, too.

That dead timepiece on the wall still stops me stone cold, almost hissing its lifelessness. Although today's time is missing, the clock is a reminder of how important it is to reset and renew ourselves. These original Tick Tocks are the face of energy, of movement. Generally, with a little renewed Energizer Bunny juice, those stalled hands are back in action. Let's all do our part to restart our post-pandemic clocks.

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Press publisher  
About Town

## MAY 2021

### Weather Yearbook



	Coldest Temp	Warmest Temp	Wettest Day
	38.8	86.5	0.76"
	Fri., May 14	Tues., May 25	Tues., May 4

	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Average Temp	63.2	63.4	68.1	73.3	65.8
Coldest Temp	38.8	32.6	41.0	49.8	40.8
Hottest Temp	86.5	87.7	87.0	88.6	84.2
Precipitation	2.80	4.14	5.55	5.30	4.61
Wettest Day	0.76	0.77	1.32	1.40	1.36

■ With measurable rainfall on 11 of May's 31 days one would be surprised to know that total precipitation for the month was much lower than the five-year average, which was five inches in the years 2016 through 2020. With 2.8 inches of precip, May was the driest month of 2021. The average temperature for May was also below the five-year average.



Deaths

Brown

Jerry Allen Brown, 89, died June 2, 2021. He was born in Detroit, Mi.ch. Jan. 31, 1932 to the late Walter C. Brown and Elois Bradford Brown.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Florence Irene Brown; and three children, Vanessa Brown Claiborne, Walter Scott (Melissa) Brown and Dr. David Allen (Gina) Brown; five grandchildren, Kyle Brown, Clarice Claiborne, Noah Brown, Hunter Claiborne and Quinn Brown.

After graduating from Crittenden County High School, Brown attended Murray State University where he earned a bachelor's degree. He served two years in the U.S. Army in Germany. He obtained his Juris Doctorate degree from Tulane University Law School, graduating as a member of the Tulane Law Review and Order of the Coif. He then clerked for Judge John Minor Wisdom of the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals for one year. He then entered the private practice with the law firm Monroe and Lemann. He remained with that firm for 30 years. He then served as an attorney with Bronfin and Heller for two years before being appointed a bankruptcy judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana in 1992. He held the judgeship for 28 years, retiring in August 2020. While practicing law he was elected president of the New Orleans Bar Association and the New Orleans Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. He was inducted into the Tulane Law School Hall of Fame in 2019. A new statewide Inn of Court specializing in bankruptcy was formed for the State of Louisiana. It was named the Judge Jerry A. Brown Bankruptcy American Inn of Court in his honor. Judge Brown loved sports. He played basketball with his friends until he was in his 80s and played on a Senior Olympic basketball team. He was a world traveler and loved Dixie Land music and reading.

A memorial service will be held at noon, Monday, June 14 at at Rowland Cemetery in Marion. Memorial contributions may be made to the Honorable Jerry A. Brown Endowed Law Scholarship at giving.tulane.edu/law or by check sent to Tulane University, P.O. Box 61075, New Orleans, LA 70161-9986.

Tidwell

Gloria Jean Tidwell, 69, of Marion, died

Sunday, June 6, 2021 at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Center in Paducah. She was a member of Freedom General Baptist Church.

Surviving are three daughters, Sandra Tidwell and Sherry Belt, both of Marion, and Sabrina Tidwell of Elizabethtown; a brother, Glenn (Janie) Binkley of Henderson; a sister, Virginia (Gil) Hubbard of Flaherty; 12 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward Tidwell; parents, Roy and Dorothy Binkley; granddaughter, Catherine Alexis Tidwell; and sister, Mary Ellen Binkley.

Services were Wednesday, June 9 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Freedom Cemetery.

Graham

Priscilla Kennedy Graham of Marion died Tuesday, June 1, 2021 in Marion. Arrangements are incomplete at Myers Funeral Home.

Gipson

Danny Eston Gipson, 75, died Friday, June 4, 2021 at Caldwell County Medical Center.

He was a heavy equipment operator, member of Deer Creek Baptist Church and member of Bingham Lodge F & AM #256. He also served in the National Guard and loved to paint.

Surviving are his wife, Melinda Gipson; four sons, Sammy Gipson of Crider, Dennis Gipson, Keith Gipson and Kevin Gipson, all of Marion; a stepdaughter, Julie Tinsley of Marion and stepson, Darren Tinsley of Paducah; eight grandchildren, Heath Gipson, Meagan Hughes, Alexia Gordon, Dylan Gipson, Delanie Caulder, Annalie Storm, Daniel Gipson and Ashton Penn; step-grandchildren, Jan Cox and Lora Stegall; great-nephew, Kaynan Freeman; and several great-grandchildren; three sisters, Nina Toney of Waco, Texas and Janice Coleman and Teresa Hinchee, both of Marion; a brother, Stanley Gipson of Marion.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Peggy Sutton Gipson; his parents, George Eston and Geneva McDowell Gipson; and a sister, Loeta Faye Riddle.

Funeral services are at 11 a.m., Thursday, June 10 at Myers Funeral Home with burial in Mapleview Cemetery. A Masonic service will be held at 11 a.m., prior to the service.

Visitation was from 5-8 p.m., Wednesday, June 9 at Myers Funeral Home and from 9 a.m., until the service Thursday.

Lilly

William Alston Lilly, 94, died at his residence Saturday, June 5, 2021. He was born Feb. 19, 1927 in Marion.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Carlin Lilly, pastor of the Missionary First Baptist Church for 40 years, and Mildred Lilly as well as his sisters, Jane Corley, Ann Hollister, Joel Johnson, Rosa Cage, Peggy Chandler and brother Daniel Lilly.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, ranked as a corporal in the Army Air Corp. in 1946 when he served in Germany at the conclusion of World War II. In 1950, he moved to Columbus, Ohio to attend the prestigious Zanerian College of Penmanship. He graduated in 1952 with a coveted gold seal on his certificate of merit as a master penman in engrossing script writing. Later he would be known respectfully as "the man with the golden hand" by his peers at the International Association of Master Penman Engrossers Teachers of Handwriting. He taught Engrossers Script workshops nationwide, as well as private lessons at his home.

Mr. Lilly and his wife Sandy met roller skating in Westerville, Ohio in 1956 and married in 1962. If he wasn't roller skating or roller blading he was weight lifting, riding his racing bike, high wheeler bike or unicycle, walking stilts or walking on his hands. There was no physical challenge too great. Always serving others he designed and built handicap bicycles for children with disabilities. He retired from International Harvester in 1978 after 20 years of service.

Surviving are his wife, Sandra Lilly; a daughter Terri (Brian) Ward; a grandson, Todd Ward; a granddaughter, Jenna Ward; and two sisters, Joyce Spencer and Donna Marcus.

If you ever met Bill he would never forget your name. He was fun to be with always teasing, telling jokes and stories. He will be forever missed and cherished. Love never dies.

Funeral services are Friday, June 11 at Newcomer Funeral Home with burial at Grove City Cemetery (old), Grove City, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Ohio Buckeye, 6155 Rockside Road, Suite 202, Independence, OH 44131.

*Paid obituary*

Merrick book signing June 12

Marion author Regina Merrick has released her latest book, "Rebuilding Joy," the second in a series titled Renovations.

The book series is set in Crittenden County and follows the 3-part series Southern Breeze series, the first book of which was released in 2018.

Merrick will have a book singing for "Rebuilding Joy," on the

porch of her East Bellville Street home between 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Saturday, June 12.

The former educator and public library director is an inspirational romance writer of Christian fiction.

Learn more about the author and her work at [www.reginaruddmerrick.com](http://www.reginaruddmerrick.com). Titles are also available on Amazon.com.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why do some choose not to cast a vote?

To the Editor:

For over 240 years, patriots have been sacrificing, sometimes even their lives, so citizens can vote.

Some consider voting a privilege as something granted by the powerful to the deserving. Others consider voting a right, possibly guaranteed by the 14th Amendment.

Either way, voting is a responsibility and an obligation. Whatever opinion we take, the published numbers are clear. In Kentucky, only 68 percent of women and 65 percent of men bothered to vote in the last presidential election.

Your vote is your voice. Some folks are so frustrated by the choices on either side that they won't vote for anyone. You can still write in your own name as a protest vote. Check this paper for an advertisement about a meeting coming up at 6:30 p.m., on June 24 at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. That would be an opportunity to let your voice be heard on issues.

Daniel Rubino  
Marion, Ky.

Thank you for responder appreciation

To the Editor:

This is to say thanks to Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, his staff and the people who worked to put together the appreciation lunch May 22 for persons in the medical field, first responders, firefighters and law enforcement serving our community.

Also, thanks to the people who worked the day of cooking and putting the lunch together.

There are many volunteers in this group, including county fire departments and rescue squad.

Thanks to the sponsors, and hopefully the City of Marion was one of the names overlooked.

The above people serve this community daily, and some of their jobs have been very stressful due to COVID-19.

Thank you, you are appreciated.

Margaret Gilland  
Marion, Ky.

Our nation needs GOP

To the Editor:

What does it take to be a good Joe Biden-Kamala Harris Crittenden County grassroots Democrat?

You must believe in packing the Supreme Court with liberal judges that have no regard for the Constitution of the United States. That rebuilding the military and standing up for America's interest around the world is a waste of time and money. That not securing our border from illegal aliens from any other nation is a bad thing. After all, these are not illegals, they are just undocumented Democrats.

Good Democrats believe voter reform and voter ID is a waste of time. After all, who would cheat an election? Just go to the courthouse, pick up all the ballots you want, pass them out to all your friends and strangers alike, and that way you can vote and vote often. After all, that is the American way.

A real good Democrat believes that if a Presidential election doesn't go their way, they should make up lies with the help of FBI and CIA about the newly-elected president and start impeachment proceedings immediately.

Lying Democrats spent

millions and millions of dollars with lots and lots of help of the Democrat based fake news media and came up with a big fat zero, not one iota or shred of evidence on charges brought against him.

What are good reasons for Donald Trump being impeached by the Democrat Party?

- Cutting taxes for Americans.
- Bringing businesses back to America creating thousands of new jobs.
- Barak Obama said there's no way Trump can bring these jobs back to America, he would have to have a magic wand... wow. Somehow he did! I'm surprised the Democrats didn't try to impeach him for witchcraft.
- America, for the first time in many, many, many years had almost virtually zero unemployment and all races – white, black, Hispanic and so forth.

If you are a good Crittenden County Democrat, you must believe in shutting coal mines down and destroying thousands of good-paying jobs, raising your utility rates, shutting down Keystone Pipeline, stop fracturing wells and creating an abundance of fuels and keeping America from being energy independent.

Good Democrats want to forgive student loans and let the American taxpayer pay them off. That sounds awful nice of the politicians. My daughter just bought a new car and a new house. Why doesn't she qualify for a payoff on these? Both students and individuals made debts on their own, why aren't they both made to pay their own loans off?

Here are some Republican strong points:

- Strong economy and jobs for everyone.
- Energy independence.
- Lower taxes.
- Protecting traditional values.
- Cutting our federal deficit.
- Free speech.
- Electing conservative judges
- Strong military.
- Democrats and their allies are pushing to defund police departments; Republicans are adamantly opposed to this.
- The Republicans want to continue President Trump's policy to build a border wall the length of our Southern border to protect our nation from illegal immigration, human trafficking and

drug smuggling.

Republicans encourage good race relations. Joe Biden and his Democrat backers say if you vote Republican, they are going to put the blacks back in chains. What a race baiter.

I would have to put Joe up there with some of the top notch Democrats – Al Sharpton, Maxine Waters, Barak Obama, Erick Holder.

Instead of pulling different races together, they would rather divide the races. I would rather go with our Kentucky motto which says blankety blank. If you don't know your Kentucky motto, find out what it is and crawl back under your rock.

I know that socialism sounds like a very good thing, but my dictionary tells me it is a political and economic theory of social organization which advocates that the means of production, distribution and exchange should be owned or regulated by the community as a whole, but also says it is a gateway to communism. A transitional social state between the overthrow of capitalism and realization of communism.

Capitalism – hard work has made America the greatest nation in the world. Why do the Democrats want to change the way we live to a free loader nation?

Steve Haire  
Marion, Ky.

Mother seeks justice for son after arrest

To the Editor:

I want justice for my son.

He was assaulted physically and mentally by two local law enforcement officers. Both of them tackled him and took him to the ground while he was asking for an attorney and his parents to be present. He was denied both.

They left marks on his neck and put handcuffs on him so tight he has bruises to show for it. I have video of this. The sad thing is that he was willing to be arrested the whole time.

He was never read his Miranda rights.

Please don't let these cops hurt another child. Help me get justice.

Kayla Millikan  
Marion, Ky.



CRITTENDEN COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM CURATOR

Bernice MARONEY

*Located at 124 E Belleville St., in downtown Marion, the museum is home to fascinating artifacts, documents, memorabilia and other items significant to the community's rich history. It is open seasonally April through October. Hours are 10 a.m., to 3 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday.*

**Q:** The Crittenden County Bob Wheeler Historical Museum is located inside an historic church, what can you tell us about that?

**A:** It is the oldest church in Crittenden County, built in 1881. The windows are original to the building and they were

made and imported from Germany. The balcony was completely hand carved because they didn't have power tools at the time it was built. The back section of the museum was built on in 1954.

**Q:** What all can be found in the museum?

**A:** All kinds of things. Everything in the museum is from Crittenden County. We have four rooms upstairs, one is a school room with historical school items. We have all kinds of things that have been donated or loaned from people in the community.

**Q:** What are some of your favorite items on display that you think others might enjoy?

**A:** It is so hard to choose just one. I love the windows the most. To be so old and in such good shape, they are amazing to me. I really enjoy how the colors in the windows change with the weather.



We also have some glass cases that came from old businesses that I love. Then, there are some old bells. The biggest one used to be in the old courthouse, I think it is too hard to choose one particular thing I love most.

**Q:** Why do you think it's important to preserve our history in museums?

**A:** I think that it is wonderful for future generations. I think they should know about the county's history and about the people who made this county.

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FAIR DAYS

Union County Fair

June 14-19, 2021

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021

4:30 P.M. .... GATES OPEN

5:30 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA .....MISS UNION COUNTY PRE-TEEN PAGEANT

6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M., PAVILION .....BRIAN HART

7:00 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA .....MISS UNION COUNTY TEEN PAGEANT

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2021

4:30 P.M. .... GATES OPEN

5:30 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA .....LITTLE MISS & MISTER PAGEANT

7:00 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA .....MISS UNION COUNTY FAIR PAGEANT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021

4:30 P.M. .... GATES OPEN

5:00 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA ..... BABY & PRE-SCHOOL PAGEANT

7:00 P.M., GRANDSTAND ..... MOTOCROSS RACE

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021

9:00 A.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA.....4-H/FFA HOG SHOW

10:00 A.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA ..... OPEN HEIFER & STEER SHOW

11:00 A.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA..... MARKET GOAT SHOW

4:30 P.M. .... GATES OPEN

6:00 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA ..... PEDAL TRACTOR SHOW

7:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M., PAVILION ..... RICK ROSE BAND

7:00 P.M., GRANDSTAND .....MOTOCROSS RAIN DATE

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2021

4:30 P.M. .... GATES OPEN

7:00 P.M., GRANDSTAND .....REBEL RUN ENDURO BUMP-N-RUN

7:00 P.M., JOHN ARNOLD ARENA ..... LOEHR NBHA TEAM ROPING

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CRITTENDEN SENIOR CENTER WILL REOPEN WITH OTHERS JULY 1

The Pennyryle Area Development District (PADD) and the Pennyryle Allied Community Services (PACS) will be reopening Senior Citizens Centers in Crittenden and other Pennyryle counties on July 1.

The counties also include Caldwell, Christian, Hopkins, Lyon, Livingston, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg.

Centers will return to their normal hours of operation and services prior to the pandemic. All centers will continue to follow Centers for Disease Control (CDC), state and/or local guidelines.

Centers will resume congregate meals. During the month of July, PACS will also continue providing curbside meal pickup. To better assist PACS in knowing how many meals to plan for it is asking everyone to call the local senior center to reserve a congregate or curbside meal.

All other pre-pandemic services will resume when the centers are reopened. Clients will be getting a letter providing more details and information as it becomes available.

GUESS WILL LEAD FOOD SERVICES INTO SUMMER

When Crittenden County Schools begins its summer feeding program on Friday, it will do so with a new person leading the food services department. Bailey Guess, a six-year employee of the local school district, will be in charge. She has

served as attendance clerk and most recently as administrative assistant at Crittenden County Elementary School.

As the new director, Guess plans to maintain a very visible presence in the cafeterias on both campuses and stay connected with both students and staff.

"I want to make the cafeteria an inviting place for students and staff, while making healthy food choices fun," she said.

Guess holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Murray State University.

Summer food program meals are frozen and five days worth of breakfasts and lunches, plus a gallon of milk, per student will be distributed each Friday through July 30. Because of the volume and the fact that the meals are frozen, advanced registration is required. To register go online to the school district website [www.crittenden.kyschools.us](http://www.crittenden.kyschools.us) or call 270-965-3525.



Guess

LIVINGSTON SCHOOLS RECEIVE BIG GRANTS

North Livingston Elementary School was notified that it received a grant totaling \$10,347.67 through the System of Care FIVE Partner Grant. These funds will be used to place calming areas in classrooms and other areas throughout the school. Within these areas, the children will have continuous access to materials needed to control outbursts, meltdowns and disruptive behavior.

Sensory paths will also be placed throughout hallways to encourage movement

and provide opportunities to learn self-regulation strategies without being disruptive to others in the classroom. Sensory and calming kits will be available for caregivers to check out and use at home with their children.

This will expand the coping skills taught at school beyond the classroom to reinforce the use of positive emotional regulation strategies with the family in the home environment, the school said.

Additionally, North Livingston Elementary and Livingston Middle schools were each awarded a Laura Bush Foundation \$2,500 grant for their school libraries.

There were 205 schools in 43 states to earn part of the Bush Foundation \$1 million charitable grant. Recipients' library collections are outdated, averaging approximately 20 years old. Many of the libraries will use the funds to update their collection, offer more dual language titles, and provide books focused on diversity and inclusivity.

KMA POKER RUN IS SATURDAY FOR CRO

Kentucky Motorcycle Association will be partnering with the Chloe Randolph Organization (CRO) for the third annual CRO Poker Run for Domestic Violence Awareness on Saturday, June 12. Registration will begin at 9 a.m., at Firedome Pizza in Henderson with kickstands up at 10 a.m.

All forms of transportation are welcome. Here are costs to participate: 1 rider \$20, 2 riders \$30, Extra hands \$5. There will be door prizes and a half pot.

"This event allows us to continue the awareness, support and edu-

cation about this silent epidemic in our community," the KMA said in a news release.

HAMS TO MEET FOR 24-HOUR EXERCISE

Princeton Ham Radio Club will conduct a Field Day exercise at 1 p.m., at City-County Park in Princeton on Saturday, June 26. This event will last 24 hours.

The exercise is a nationwide ham radio open house where amateur radio operators ("hams") contact other operators in all 50 states to simulate disaster preparedness and emergency training.

The event is sponsored by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), a national member association for amateur radio in the U.S. Its mission is to advance the art, science and enjoyment of amateur radio.

This is a free event open to the public. Those interested may try their hand on the radio (with a coach) to see what ham radio is all about. Children are invited and there will be an education station for kids to learn how to solder wires together. For more information see [www.arrl.org/Field-Day](http://www.arrl.org/Field-Day) online.

CCHS SBDM MEETS

Crittenden County High School SBDM will meet in special session at 12:45 p.m., Thursday June 10 in the high school library.

FIRE DESTROYS HOME IN FRANCES

A house fire at about 3 a.m., Saturday destroyed a home in Frances.

The residents, Eddie and JoAnn McCalister, were out of town when the fire broke out. A motorist passing by saw flames and called for help.

Caldwell Springs and Crittenden County volunteer fire departments responded to the scene, but fire officials from those agencies say flames were through the roof when the first responders got there.

The home was a total loss and it's unclear how the blaze started.

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den County's criminal court docket, but over recent years the state's KASPER electronic information sharing system for prescription drugs has tamped down abuse. Now, methamphetamines occupy the drug-of-choice top spot when it comes to criminal cases here.

"During the height of the opioid epidemic, CVS allowed millions of dosage units of opioids to flood Kentucky's borders, fueling the crisis and devastating thousands of families and communities across the Commonwealth," said Attorney General Cameron. "As both distributor and pharmacy, CVS was in a unique position to monitor and stop the peddling of these highly-addictive drugs from their stores, yet they ignored their own safeguard systems. By bringing this lawsuit on behalf of the people of Kentucky, we are holding CVS accountable for these decisions and for contributing to a man-made crisis that tragically led to the loss of life of thousands of Kentuckians."

CVS maintained over 100 separate license numbers in the Commonwealth as a "wholesaler," "out-of-state pharmacy" and "retail pharmacy." Between 2006 and 2014, CVS pharmacies in Kentucky purchased more than 151 million dosage units of oxycodone and hydrocodone from its own distribution centers and third-party distributors, accounting for nearly 6.1 percent of the total dosage units in the Commonwealth during this time.

The lawsuit argues that because CVS had a dual

role in the opioid supply chain as a distributor and pharmacy, the company's compliance with the law "was vital to safeguard consumers and control the rate of addiction, abuse, and diversion of opioids." CVS had access to prescription opioid dispensing data for all of the company's Kentucky pharmacies, including information revealing the size, frequency, dose and combinations of prescriptions filled by each pharmacy.

Despite supplying staggering quantities of opioids in Kentucky, CVS reported zero suspicious orders for its Kentucky stores from 2007 to 2014. The next year, in 2015, the CDC identified Kentucky as having a statistically significant drug overdose death rate increase from 2014 to 2015. In 2015, drug overdoses accounted for more than 59 percent of Kentucky's statewide accidental deaths, which is more than motor vehicle accidents, fire, drowning and gunshot wounds combined.

Leading up to and during the height of the opioid epidemic, CVS also participated in the marketing, advertising and promotion of opioid products, working with manufacturers like Purdue Pharma and Endo Pharmaceuticals, the Kentucky AG said. The lawsuit states that CVS improperly normalized the widespread use of opioids by participating in these efforts.

Kentucky is also expected to receive \$10.8 million in a multistate settlement with McKinsey & Company, one of the world's largest consulting firms, for the company's role in helping promote drugs and profit from the opioid epidemic.

50 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1971

■ Frank Head, former Crittenden County High School star, was elected captain of Murray State University's football team for the upcoming season.

■ More than 250 Tennessee Valley 4-Hers attended the 4-H Regional Resource Development Conference. Attending from Crittenden County was Randy Knight, Linda Marshall and Gary Robertson.

■ The Crittenden Press was awarded a certificate for Honorable Mention in grocery advertising by the Kentucky Press Association.

■ One hundred twenty-eight piano students participated in the National Guild of Piano Teachers Auditions in Madisonville. Fourteen of the students were from this area and studied with Mrs. Darrel Stringer of Salem. They were Cythia Chittenden, Cathy Mitchell, Lori and Tandy Clarke, Felecia Mitchell, Felecia Rhea, Paula Binkley, Becky Williams, Dee Wilson, Carolyn Watson and Margie Barnes.

■ Three representatives from Crittenden County High School attended the 26th Annual State Meeting of the Future Homemakers of America. Attendees were: Marlyn Wade, Mrs. Wendell Roberts and Sherry Tinsley. Crittenden County was awarded a certificate as an Honor Roll Chapter for participation in national projects.

■ The Kentucky State Association of Future Farmers of America 42nd Annual Convention was held at the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville. Richard Newcom received a \$15 check as winner of the West Ky. FFA Federation of FFA in the Home Improvement

THROW BACK

THURSDAY

OUR MEMORIES GO BACK TO 1879

Achievement Contest. Kenneth Champion received his State Farmer Degree. Mike Walker and Larry Hearrell were the voting delegates from the county chapter.

25 YEARS AGO

June 13, 1996

■ Crittenden County 4-H teens were spending five days at the University of Kentucky campus at the Senior 4-H Conference. Jenni Green, Jessica Holman, Wendy Powell, Heather Peek, Reta Baker, Melissa Hunt, Martha Paris, LeAnn Stone and Josh Haire attended the conference with 4-H County Extension Agent Rochelle Nelson.

■ Final All A Honor Roll for 6th graders was as follows: Scott Belt, Christina Conrad, Lyndsey Hall, Adam Hill, Vince Mitchell, TRavis Slmpson, Jennifer Travis, Eric Watson, Zach Brantley, Leigh Browning, Robert Holloman, Sami Jo Kirk, Jeremy Smith, Beckie Campbell, Amy Graham, Brian McCree and Sheena Weldon. All As and Bs was: Stephanie Kelly, Justin O'Neal, Anna-Jill Robertson, Almaza Vasseur, Necole Arflack, Valerie Barnes, Jacinda Deatherage, David Hunt, Danny Mayo, Kenny Templeton, Jeremy Binkley, Kindra Brisby, Cassie Conditt, Kayla Jepson, Shelly Johnson, Nicholas martin, Cameron Mays, Justin Quinton, Meria Schultz, Michael Watson, Joey Ard,

Brandon Cavins, Shannon Epley, Natalie Fletcher, Aleshia Jackson, Amy Kirk, Jeana McDowell, Matt Stone and John Tyner.

10 YEARS AGO

June 9, 2011

■ Ashlee Davidson Teems completed her first pharmacy school rotation at Salem Clinic Pharmacy.

■ Deborah Hughes Goddard was awarded a Master of Science degree in Human Sciences/Nutrition and Food Science from Middle Tennessee State University.

■ Scott Carter graduated with a Master of Fine Arts in sculpture from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

■ The Crittenden County Rockets basketball team hosted a summer youth camp. Sharpening their skills were Travis Champion, Braxton Winders, Gabe Mott, Xander Tabor, Tyler Boone, Landen Crider, Seth Guess, Caden McCalister, Sean O'Leary, Hunter Boone, Paxton Riley, Matthew Dunham, Eric O'Leary, Jack Reddick and Austin Valentine.

■ Crittenden County High School track and field held its annual awards banquet at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Among those honored were Thomas Scott, Male Most Valuable Player; Tommy Templeton, Senior Award; Casey Stallion, Senior Award; and Lauren Hunt, Female Most Valuable Player and Senior Award; and Katelyn Newcom, Senior Award.

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HURRICANE

CAMP MEETING

JUNE 14-20, 2021

Services Nightly at 7

Hurricane Church Rd.:

Directions: Take KY 1668 (Crittenden Springs Rd.) to its end at KY 135 turn left, go approx. 1 mile to Hurricane Church Rd.

EVANGELISTS

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Sun. Evening. Bro. James Young

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# Hurricane Camp hosted 4,000 in 1905

With this coming week of June 14-20, 2021 being the week of the 133 Annual Hurricane Camp Meeting, it brings thoughts and memories of this historic event from years past. This is also the 100th anniversary for the Hurricane Church building.

Crittenden County is full of so many beautiful scenic places, and Hurricane Church and Campground are definitely one of these areas. Here is some interesting information about the early meetings gathered from the archives of The Crittenden Press.



**Brenda Underdown**  
County Historian

### Forgotten Passages

nine years ago, these meetings have been a success, more than 2,000 people it is estimated, having been converted and added to the various churches of all denomination in the different parts of the county.

While it is peculiarly a Methodist camp meeting, all denominational lines are thrown down and all alike assist in the work of the Lord.

Five hundred or more campers are on the grounds, a number of tents have been pitched around on the hills and covered wagons and other like vehicles dot the grounds outside the enclosure.

Rev. J. J. Smith, the well-known evangelist, has charge of the meeting. Besides being an able preacher, he is a tireless worker and seems to have the confidence and love of all, saint and sinner alike.

He seems to possess a power of making transgressors to see the error of their way, and of bringing them to the altar for repentance, uncommon among ministers of the gospel. It is estimated that 100 or more knelt at the altar for prayer at the evening service Sunday.

Aside from a religious view, these meetings are a source of pleasure to a great many people. Many a hearty hand grasp is given by friends who have not met since the last camp meeting or for years before; old friendships are renewed and new acquaintances are formed.

September 1, 1905 – Large Crowds Are in Attendance. Hurricane camp meeting continues to grow in interest and attendance.

There were five gaso-



**This Hurricane Church building celebrates its 100th Anniversary this year. It's still an active church and has services each Sunday and Wednesday evenings.**



**The old Hurricane shed that burned in 1921 was constructed in the brush arbor style and was quickly destroyed by fire.**

line boats at Tolu landing Sunday and the steamer Royal brought a load of people, which all were bound for the camp meeting.

From Sunday morning until late at night the road from Hurricane to Marion was almost a straight line of buggies and the air a perfect cloud of dust.

The best camp meeting ever held at Hurricane was on Sunday. The best of order prevailed throughout the meeting. A very large crowd was present, something like 4,000 people from Golconda to Caseyville and Marion to DeKoven.

August 12, 1915 – Hurricane Camp Meeting for 1915.

The regular annual Hurricane camp meeting will commence Aug. 19 and close the 30th, 1915. Preacher in charge, W. J. Harney Wilmore.

There will be a charge of 25 cents each to all persons attending these meetings, over 12 years of age. The charge does not apply to families in camps, each family in camp will be required

request of your committee.

October 1, 1920 The tabernacle was destroyed by fire in late September 1920.

Saturday morning the tabernacle at Hurricane, also the church building at that place, was completely destroyed by fire. How the fire originated is unknown, but it is thought by many to have been the work of an incendiary.

The blaze first broke out in the upper or south side of the tabernacle, at about nine o'clock. So far as is known the fire was first seen by Miss Kirk, teacher of the Barnett School, and another lady teacher, who had come early to attend a school fair advertised to be held on that day.

These young ladies, who were seated in a buggy down by the gate some distance from the tabernacle, on discovering the fire, ran to the church and rang the bell. As they ran toward the building, it is reported the young ladies saw a man unknown to them going up from the south side of the tabernacle and disappearing behind the row of camps which surround the building.

The tabernacle was soon a mass of flames and a strong south wind carried the fire to the church and that building was also burned to the ground.

The church building that burned was about 37 years old, the pastor being Rev. R. Y. Thomas. The tabernacle was erected a few years later.

October 15, 1920 An all day meeting with dinner on the ground was held at Hurricane Camp Ground Saturday, its object being to arrange plans for the erection of a new church building and also a new tabernacle to take the place of those recently burned.

As a large number of people are expected to be present, everyone will be expected to be as thoughtful and considerate of his neighbor as possible. Where there is plenty of time to pray, preach, sing and shout, yet after the closing hour at night, everyone without exception, will be expected to be quiet, so all may rest. Come praying and let us have a great and good meeting is the

A good size crowd was present and a number of addresses were made. It was decided that a new and handsome church should be erected on the site of the old building as soon as possible and a building committee was chosen to raise funds and look after the other matters pertaining thereto. It was agreed at this meeting that later on a new tabernacle should be built so that the annual camp meetings may continue.

August 5, 1921. Dedication of new church.

A large crowd assembled in the sacred spot of old Hurricane grounds Sunday, July 31, 1921, to attend the dedication services of the new church. No better built church is in the county and it is nicely furnished. The house and furniture cost over \$4,000. The building committee composed of Josh Hamilton, S. R. Lucas, and A. B. Griffin deserves much credit for the splendid house. The Marion Quartet was present and furnished some great music. The sermon was preached by Rev. W. F. Hogard. An offering of \$500 was taken during the service.

For a wonderful spiritual experience, think about attending one of the revival services in the old wooden tabernacle built so many years ago, visit with old and new friends, and enjoy a good home-cooked meal in the dinning hall on the grounds and be a part of the oldest continuing tradition in Crittenden County, Hurricane Camp Meeting Revival.

(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).

## Events

■ The descendants of William Sullivan Duvall, Sr. will meet at the Marion Womans Club on East Carlisle St., Marion on Saturday, June 12, 2021. They will gather at 5:30 pm and share a potluck meal at 6 pm. All relatives and friends are invited and welcome.

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See the good

I know people who seem to see nothing but the good. They are encouraging and find the right words even in difficult situations. I am certain that their eyes are perhaps clearer than mine, but not much is said about the negative. It is not ignored. It is turned around. There is often not so much accomplished by blame (we have courts and congress for that) and always seeking the worst examples (we have cable news for that).

Seeing good takes discipline. Doing good takes more. But first it must be seen. Goodness is seen in the actions of people who have developed the capability to look beyond themselves and present circumstances. It is seen in granting forgiveness even when it comes at a cost. It is seen in the appropriate discipline toward children or employees. It is seen in the courageous acts of those who may seem to cause trouble by standing for justice.

Seeing goodness recognizes failure and works to overcome it. Enough people doing enough good can overwhelm evil. It does not fear the success or lifting up of others but encourages it and rejoices when it happens. The success of others who are doing good and doing well is a blessing to all of us.

Goodness is not always obvious. "That was a good thing you did," are words that often follow a sacrificial decision for the benefit of another. They can almost be words of consolation because something unpleasant for one or both parties had to be done. The path that was being taken had to be changed. Such actions taken out of the context can look unkind.

If one is a believer in God through the avenue of Christ, then we can see that goodness

is complex, for goodness expressed on a cross is beyond us. Later, the apostle Paul says in Romans 8:28, "In everything God works for good with those who love him." (RSV) Too often we read it, "In all things God works for the good of those who love him." It will say that in some of our Bibles. The danger here is we have been so heavily influenced by the health and wealth of the last century that we read it as "everything will be ok if we just believe enough." If we

take a longer view, less focused on the individual or the here and now, we will be nearer to our experience. For all of us have experienced times when things did not go so well for us but did for someone else or a larger group.

Here is a thought from Augustine of Hippo (354-430) concerning God and goodness. "But neither does He use after our fashion of using. For when we use objects, we do so with a view to the full enjoyment of the goodness of God. God, however, in His use of us, has reference to His own goodness. For it is because He is good we exist; and so far as we truly exist we are good. And, further, because He is also just, we cannot with impunity be evil; and so far as we are evil, so far is our existence less complete. Now He is the

first and supreme existence, who is altogether unchangeable, and who could say in the fullest sense of the words, "I AM THAT I AM," and "Thou shalt say to them, I AM has sent me unto you;" So that all other things that exist, both owe their existence entirely to Him, and are good only so far as He has given it to them to be so. That use, then, which God is said to make of us has no reference to His own advantage, but to ours only; and, so far as He is concerned, has reference only to His goodness. When we take pity upon a man and care for him, it is for his advantage we do so; but somehow or other our own advantage follows by a sort of natural consequence, for God does not leave the mercy we show to him who needs it to go without reward. Now this is our highest reward, that we should fully enjoy Him, and that all who enjoy Him should enjoy one another in Him." (On Christian Doctrine, chapter 32).

Goodness has a reference outside of itself, otherwise we would all act only for our own benefit. While many may do this, I am of the optimistic opinion that many do not. I believe it to be true that what is good for one is ultimately good for all, and the opposite is true as well. It may take time, but goodness – like truth – will out.

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Sean NIESTRATH  
Faith-based columnist  
Guest Columnist

Church Events & News

■ The 133rd Annual Hurricane Camp Meeting revival services will be held June 14-20 at 7 pm. Evangelist Bro. Steve Stone will be preaching with nightly music by the Stone Family. Saturday night music by Classy and Grassy. Meals will be served nightly and on Sunday noon in the dining hall. Mark your calendar and watch for further details.

■ The Clothes Closet of the First Baptist Church in Fredonia is open to serve the area with free clothes.

For the time being, the Clothes Closet is operating outdoors from 1-3 p.m. each Thursday. Please observe social distancing. The Clothes Closet will be closed in case of rain.

■ Fredonia Unity Baptist Church's clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month.

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

■ The clothes closet at

Mexico Baptist Church is open from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.

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

Does Your Congregation Have Something Planned?

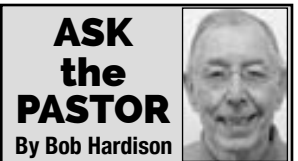
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Abiding in Christ is essential

**Question:** Recently, my pastor preached on the importance of remaining in Christ from John 15:1-8. What does it look like to remain in Jesus on a daily basis?

**Answer:** When Jesus taught his disciples, "Remain in me, and I will remain in you" (John 15:4). He was emphasizing the importance of a mutually intimate relationship they should have with Him and He with them. He uses the attachment of a branch to its vine to illustrate this inter-connective relationship. "Abiding in Christ" begins when one receives Christ



through a new spiritual birth into God's family. This "new birth" begins when one willingly turns from his sins (repents) and places his faith in Jesus who died for him on the cross as his Savior and Lord.

"Abiding in Christ" deepens as a believer reads his Bible every day. The more one comes to know God through reading and studying His Word, the stronger

the attachment to Christ he will have.

Also, "abiding in Christ" is strengthened by talking to God in prayer every day. By prayer throughout the day, one reinforces this vital connection to Christ.

Why is it essential to "remain in Christ"? Staying connected to Christ produces the fruit of people being lead to faith in Jesus, acts of service, and personal growth into acquiring a Christlike character. Through our bearing fruit, God is glorified.

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Commonwealth of Kentucky  
Crittenden County Circuit Court  
Jason Lee Walters, plaintiff  
vs.  
Archie Lee Koontz defendant  
Affidavit for Appointment of Warning Order Attorney  
Comes the affiant, Jason Lee Walters, and after first being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. That the affiant is the Plaintiff in the above-captioned action.

2. That Defendant, Archie Lee Koontz, requires that appointment of a Warning Order Attorney for the reason set forth below:

3. CR 4.05 Information: \_\_\_X\_ (a) an Individual

who is a nonresident of this state and known or believed to be absent therefrom, or

\_\_\_\_\_(b) a corporation, or a partnership or unincorporated association which is subject to suit under a common name, having no agent in this state known to the plaintiff upon whom a summons may be lawfully served, or

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\_\_\_\_\_(d) an individual who has left the county of his residence to avoid the service of a summons or has so concealed himself that a summons cannot be served upon him, or

\_\_\_\_\_(e) an individual whose name or place of residence is unknown to the plaintiff.

4. CR 4.06 Information: \_\_\_X\_ The last known address of defendant is follows: (Address) 3623 Power-sway, Youngstown, OH 44502

\_\_\_\_The last known address of the Defendant is unknown, and the plaintiff is ignorant of such of those facts as the affiant does not know, but a possible address for the Warning Order Attorney to use is as follows:

\_\_\_\_The Defendant is one designated under Civil Rule 4.05(e), and its address is unknown but the last known address of one upon whom service may be had on its behalf, is as follows:

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undersigned is ignorant of such of those facts as he does not know.

5. The Affiant is the Plaintiff and the Affiant is ignorant of such facts as are unknown to the Affiant.

6. That the Affiant requests the appointment of a Warning Order to notify said Defendant of the nature and pendency of this action and requires that said Warning Order attorney make a report to the court upon the results of his/her efforts to notify said Defendant, Archie Lee Koontz.

Further, the Affiant sayeth naught.

Jason Lee Walters  
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# Three-way QB battle challenges freshman Allen

Even though he did not come out of spring practice as Kentucky's No. 1 quarterback, redshirt freshman Beau Allen thought everything went well not only for him but the entire team.

Allen especially enjoyed having a chance to work with and get to know new offensive coordinator Liam Coen.

"I love coach Coen. He is a great guy. I learned a lot about football and probably even more that was not about football," Allen said. "He can handle things extremely well and he can get guys to rally around him. I love him a lot."

Allen figures to be part of a three-way battle for the starting quarterback position along with Joey Gatewood and Penn State transfer Will Levis. Coen has said he won't pick a starter until pre-season camp gets underway.

The former Lexington Catholic standout said that made spring practice both challenging and fun.

"We had a lot of fun times and a lot of challenging times. We would start hot, finish slow or start slow and finish strong. Practice went all kinds of ways but people had fun," Allen said. "We got better. It was both a struggle and fun. I can't wait for more of it and the rest of the team feels the same."

Not having anything settled at quarterback is not intimidating or discouraging to Allen, a prolific high school passer who played only sparingly last season. Allen says it is "inspiring and motivating" knowing he's part of a three-way quarterback competition.

"Me, Joey and Will will all compete. I know we will all be grinding as hard as we can just like everybody on the whole team. Everybody is going to be battling for spots. It is going to be fun," Allen said.

"Everybody has a great opportunity to be the best player they can be. I think we are all going to grind, have fun and the best outcome will happen."

No one will have to explain to junior guard Sahvir Wheeler how much teams want to beat Kentucky. He knows first-hand from playing two years at Georgia before transferring to UK and helped the Bulldogs beat UK last season.

"I knew coming into it (transferring to Kentucky) that when we step on the floor we are their Super Bowl and biggest

game of the year and have targets on our back," Wheeler, who obviously has paid attention to John Calipari's Super Bowl comparison, said.

"I am looking forward to that. My whole life I have been looking forward to that. When the lights are the brightest and the stakes the highest, you are either a confident big dog or you are sitting down."

Wheeler doesn't expect opponents to want to beat UK any less because of last year's 9-16 season the Cats had.

"Having a target on your back and the fact people are coming after you forces you to stay sharp, watch film, constantly be in the gym," Wheeler said. "You just have to be ready for it."

Wayne County (Ga.) High School coach Ken Cribb says it wasn't anything magical that Kentucky linebackers coach Jon Sumrall did to persuade linebacker Trevin Wallace to sign with Kentucky in December.

"He just did an incredible job. He was not pushy. He did his sales pitch about Kentucky and nothing else," Cribb said. "Trevin was planning on signing with Auburn but they fired the coach (Gus Malzahn) and did not retain the linebacker coach, either, so he opened his recruitment back up."

"Georgia had eight to 10 linebackers already on the roster. Kentucky's image of high character went a long ways with him and the coach really sold it in a great way. Auburn thought they had him. But the Kentucky coach was very honest with him and showed Trevin the opportunity to get on the field right away."

"Trevin liked the idea of playing against the best teams in the country and I think he has a bright future. He's a guy who will be playing football for a long time."

Cribb says Wallace has a high character that Kentucky coaches, teammates and fans will love.

"He is big on family. He's not on social media at all," Cribb said. "He is a great student. Teachers loved him. He is all smiles, has great manners. He is an old school type kid who makes really good grades. He might not be the most blessed as far as academics coming naturally but he works hard to make good grades."

"He's such a good kid that after practice he would go over and help his dad coach the little league team. Most kids would just sit in the truck and get on their phone. Not him. He

wanted to help teach kids."

The high school coach remembered one time when there was a ruckus in the high school hallway.

"Two kids were getting after it. One kid had the upper hand and there was not a lot the teachers could do. Trevin swooped in out of nowhere and picked the kid up off his feet and ran about 10 yards to put him in another classroom," Cribb said. "He just stopped it. The teachers thought he was a hero. That's just the kind of kid he is."

Want more reason to believe that Kentucky coach John Calipari — who has added three skilled outside shooters in Kellan Grady, CJ Frederick and TyTy Washington to his roster — is putting more emphasis on shooting next season? Junior forward Keion Brooks Jr. provided that at a recent media opportunity when he was asked what he had been working on since last season ended.

"Continue to build on my versatility and the ability to guard multiple positions. I got to get better at shooting the 3, attacking people off the dribble, being more perimeter oriented," Brooks said. "The game is changing. I don't want to get left behind. I've got to change my game as the time's come."

Not get left behind is what Calipari seems to be doing, too, as he has indicated he's looking for skills and shooting over athleticism. Brooks gets that and also felt no pressure to leave UK after two years rather than return for another season to improve his game because Immanuel Quickley, PJ Washington and Nick Richards did it and got rewarded in the NBA draft.

"They made it okay to come back and they've had great success here," Brooks said. "My journey wasn't to be one and done. It took me a couple years. I'm just continuing to get better, keep doing that and hopefully I can reach my dream."

After becoming UK's all-time rushing leader, Benny Snell has played in 29 games the last two years with the Pittsburgh Steeler and ran for 794 yards and six touchdowns on 219 carries. Forty-four of his carries have gone for first downs and six runs have been for 20 or more yards. Snell has caught 13 passes for 84 yards with 10 of the catches coming last season.

Snell played in a run-oriented offense at UK where he holds the

school record for career rushing yards (3,873), total touchdowns (48), rushing touchdowns (48) and 100-yard games (19). However, Snell caught only 28 passes for 205 yards and no touchdowns in 34 games at UK.

Former UK all-SEC running back Anthony White doesn't like to compare players but I asked him if getting to play in a pro-style offense this year would have Chris Rodriguez more prepared to play in the NFL than Snell was when he left UK.

"Chris will probably make the better NFL player. He seems to be faster and a little bigger. But the thing they cannot measure is Benny's heart and ability to pick up yards when you need them. I just don't think Benny is getting a fair shot right now with the Steelers (because of the way they throw the ball so much), White, who ran for 1,758 yards and 11 touchdowns and caught 194 passes for 1,520 yards and eight touchdowns at UK, said.

White said getting to play for Coen will "absolutely" give Rodriguez an edge starting his NFL career.

"There were all kind of questions about Benny catching the ball coming out of college because he didn't get to show that he could," White said. "Chris will be playing in a pro-set offense and will be more of a passing game option."

"You will see how he fits into different offenses where Benny did not have that luxury at UK. Benny has the heart and grit but teams never get to see how he would fit in a pro-style offense. They will get to see Chris do that."

Former Danville High School all-state defensive lineman Nathan Fuqua is the defensive coordinator at Georgia State and believes Kentucky made a wise decision hiring Chris Collins, the safeties coach at Georgia State, to fill the position vacated by Steve Clinkscale when he left for Michigan.

"Chris has a good football background," Fuqua said. "On the field, the communication part is outstanding. He can get guys to take it from the classroom and implement it on the field. He is a really good communicator with the way he delivers his message."

Fuqua says Collins is not an intimidating coach or someone players fear. However, he makes his points in a strong way.

"Some guys respond one way and some guys need coached another way," Fuqua said. "Chris

can feel that and knows what buttons to push and when to put his arms around them or when to really get after them. He builds relationships with guys and knows a lot about them and that helps him coach them. He will do that at Kentucky. Kentucky fans and players are going to love him."

Quote of the Week: "He is going to be special. He reminds me of Jager (Burton). That athleticism on the offensive line for a guy 300 pounds is going to be scary," former UK linebacker Donte Key, and father of UK recruiting target Dane Key, on UK offensive lineman commit Grant Bingham of Johnson Central

Quote of the Week 2:

"He plays just like Isaiah (Jackson). He's blocking shots. He dunks the ball. He's going to be a great player for us," Kentucky junior Jacob Toppin on UK freshman teammate Daimion Collins.

Quote of the Week 3: "He likes to hang out with friends. He's always with his little brother. He likes video games. But he's always chasing his craft and trying to improve. He's a baller and pace is what makes him special. He can have 20 guys chasing him and he'll play at his own. He has a James Harden-ish pace," Pete Kaffey, basketball program director at Arizona Compass Prep, on UK freshman point guard TyTy Washington.

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## Riverview dock work to begin

After years of planning, maneuvering for grant money and then outlasting pandemic delays, it appears boaters will by August have a docking option at Riverview Park on the Ohio River.

Park users will in the coming days – if Ohio River levels cooperate – begin to see work near the boat ramp. Concrete pillars will be built, onto which a T-shaped pier will be seasonally attached. The dock will be taken out of the water when river levels threaten it. The pier will provide short-term tie up, primarily for launching and returning watercraft. There will be no longterm mooring there.

The dream of building a portable docking facility at the park – formerly known as Dam 50 Recreation Area – was conceived not long after the county got title the land 40 years ago. In 2017 Crittenden County was granted \$44,000 to install a dock.

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## LOCAL SPORTS

### SPRING SPORTS

#### 2ND REGION RESULTS

##### BASEBALL

###### Saturday's Quarterfinals

Henderson Co. 9, Christian Co. 5  
Crittenden County 9, Caldwell Co. 7  
Lyon County 9, Union County 3  
Hopkinsville 11, Madisonville 3

###### Sunday's Semifinals

Henderson Co. 6, Crittenden Co. 4  
Lyon County 4, Hopkinsville 2

###### Monday's Championship

Lyon County 6, Henderson Co. 0

##### SOFTBALL

###### Saturday's Quarterfinals

Union County 3, Christian Co. 2  
Madisonville 9, Livingston Central 2  
Henderson Co. 10, Caldwell Co. 2  
Lyon County 16, University Heights 0

###### Sunday's Semifinals

Madisonville 5, Union County 0  
Henderson County 2, Lyon County 0

###### Sunday's Championship

Henderson County 6, Madisonville 0

##### FOOTBALL

### Rocket Youth Camp

Find a registration form for Rocket Youth Football Camp at The Press Online. The camp will be held June 22-24 on the Crittenden County High School campus. It's for youngsters age 5-15. Camp begins at 9 a.m., each day and runs until 11:30 and lunch will be provided. Cost is \$30 and there are family discounts. You can complete registration form on site the first day of camp.

##### BASEBALL

### Babe Ruth sign up ending

Registration for Babe Ruth baseball will end Monday. A registration form can be found at The Press Online or a paper form can be picked up at The Crittenden Press office. This league is for players age 13-15 and will include travel to nearby communities during June. Cost is \$50. For more information, call 270-704-0435.

##### BASKETBALL

### Summer action rolling

Crittenden County's girls' and boys' basketball teams have begun summertime workouts. The Rockets are at Bethel University in McKenzie, Tenn., for camp and competition. The Lady Rockets will be there next week.

##### OUTDOORS

### Hunting Seasons

Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up soon:

Squirrel	May 15 - June 18
Bull Frog	May 21 - Oct. 31
Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round
Turtles	Year Round

### Hunter Ed options

Now is a good time to start thinking about getting those young hunters who will be 12 or older ready for the fall seasons. Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' Hunter Education regulation requires anyone born on or after Jan. 1, 1975 to have a hunter education course completion card in their possession while hunting, as well as the appropriate Kentucky hunting license. There are some area hunter education courses coming up this summer, including one in Providence in August. You can register online for an in-person class nearby or take the course online at fw.ky.gov.

### Boudro Shooter of Yr

Local competitive archer Tucker Boudro won another statewide recognition award last week, finishing second in the state Archery Shooters Association competition at London, Ky., and being named Kentucky's S3DA Shooter of the Year.



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# 10 QUALIFY FOR STATE

## Keller, Davidson, Martinez are regional champions

STAFF REPORT

Although its participation numbers are lower than in recent years, Crittenden County's track and field team has proven its fortitude, earning 27 regional medals and qualifying 10 athletes for this week's KHSAA Class A State Meet in Lexington.

"I am excited to see what they will do at state," said third-year track coach Sandra Martinez. "They're small in numbers, but it's a mighty group."

Crittenden County's girls placed fourth out of 11 teams and the boys were fifth out of 11 at the First Region Class A meet last weekend at Murray. Senior Kate Keller qualified in the 800 and 1600 meters and and junior Tristen Davidson qualified individually in the 100 meters and high jump and also was on the 400 relay that received an at-large state meet berth.

Top two finishers in each category at the regional meet earn a berth in the state meet, but then the KHSAA doles out additional berths based on performances compared statistically to others across the state. Three CCHS athletes earned at-large bids.

Regional champions were Davidson in the high jump, Kate Keller in the 1600 and 800 meters and Mary Martinez in the 3200 meters. Regional runners-up were Eli Moss in the 400 meters and he was joined on the state-qualifying 1600-meter relay team by Noah Perkins, Rowen Perkins and Kaleb Nesbitt.

At-large berths went to the 4x100 relay squad that includes Nesbitt, Perkins, Davidson and Moss; Davidson in the 100 sprint, Noah McGowan in the discus and shot put, Payton Maness in the high jump and Nate Faith in high jump.

Keller, who has been a regional medalist since she was a middle schooler, is among the most likely candidates to challenge for a state championship. Davidson's high jump chances are very strong as he's already jumped 6-foot-2 this season and so far that's about the highest anyone in Kentucky has leaped in Class A competition.

#### CCHS SENIORS WHO EARNED STATE BERTHS



Moss



Keller



McGowan



Perkins

"And he probably has a couple more inches he could get," Martinez said.

Track and field rules allow field competitors only 12 minutes to leave their area to compete in another running event. Davidson barely had time to run in the regional 100 meters and get back to the high jump area, the coach said.

"We may end up having to scratch him in the 100 if he's right in the middle of jumps because the high jump is where he stands to do very well."

McGowan, who didn't have his best outing in the regional meet, is another Rocket athlete who the coach says could earn a medal when the teams participate at UK's Shively Field Wednesday and Thursday.

Most of the state qualifiers are first-timers for the state meet, the coach said. Moss, Keller, Noah Perkins and McGowan are the team's seniors. McGowan is a first-year track and field athlete.

### Regional results

#### Meet on June 5 at Murray Crittenden Girls Results

3200 Meter Relay 4. Crittenden County (12:49.29) 1. Mary Martinez; 2. Jayden Duncan; 3. Ari Suggs; 4. Ella Geary; 5. Kara Fulkerson.  
100 Meter Hurdles 3. Kara Fulkerson (19.54).  
100 Meter 7. Laycee Lynn (14.48); 9. Karsyn Potter (14.55).  
1600 Meter 1. Kate Keller (5:51.01).  
300 Meter Hurdles 3. Kara Fulkerson (55.42).  
800 Meter 1. Kate Keller (2:34.68); 9. Ella Geary (2:56.84).  
200 Meter 7. Karsyn Potter (30.34); 11. Laycee Lynn.  
3200 Meter 1. Mary Martinez (14:31.95).  
Shot Put 9. Leauna West (23-04.00)

Discus 8. Leauna West (68-06).  
High Jump 3. Payton Maness (J4-06.00).

#### Crittenden Boys Results

100 Meter 3. Tristan Davidson (11.45).  
400 Meter Relay 4. Crittenden County (46:61) 1. Kaleb Nesbitt; 2. Noah Perkins; 3. Tristan Davidson; 4. Eli Moss.  
400 Meter 2. Eli Moss (53.67); 5. Kaleb Nesbitt (55.62).  
300 Meter Hurdles 4. Noah McGowan (48.31).  
800 Meter 11. Dennon Wilson; 12. Cole Swinford.  
1600 Meter Relay 2. Crittenden County (3:43.78) 1. Noah Perkins; 2. Rowen Perkins; 3. Kaleb Nesbitt; 4. Eli Moss.  
Shot Put 4. Noah McGowan (41-05.50).  
Discus 4. Noah McGowan (114-08); 13. Sam Impastato.  
Long Jump 7. Noah Perkins (17-05.00); 13. Rowan Perkins.  
Triple Jump 10. Rowan Perkins (33-06.00).  
High Jump 1. Tristan Davidson (J6-00.00); 5. Nate Faith (5-06.00)

#### Livingston Central Girls Results

100 Meter Hurdles 8. Olivia Ramage (21.47).  
100 Meter 13. Jansen Freeman (15.34).  
800 Meter Relay 5. Livingston Central (2:18.01) 1. Jansen Freeman; 2.

Bella Freeman; 3. Sophie Michonski; 4. Lexi Waters; 5. Angelene Michonski.

1600 Meter 10. Kaydence McCormick (8:19.58); 11. Sidney Hubbard.

400 Meter Relay 5. Livingston Central (1:05.38) 1. Jansen Freeman; 2. Lexi Waters; 3. Sophie Michonski; 4. Angelene Michonski; 5. Bella Freeman.

800 Meter 10. Kaydence McCormick (3:43.14); 11. Sidney Hubbard.

200 Meter 13. Lexi Waters; 15. Sophie Michonski.  
Shot Put 11. Angelene Michonski; 14. Ashley Adams.

Discus 14. Angelene Michonski; 15. Ashley Adams.

Long Jump 6. Jansen Freeman (13-06.50); 9. Olivia Ramage (11-01.50).

#### Livingston Central Boys Results

3200 Meter Relay 2. Livingston Central (8:55.13) 1. Carson Kitchens; 2. Jack Thomasson; 3. Machi Davidson; 4. Robert Schmitt; 5. Aiden Morgan.

110 Meter Hurdles 5. Ryder Watson (20.99).

100 Meter 13. Talon Sanchez; 14. Machi Davidson.

800 Meter Relay 6. Livingston Central (1:50.53) 1. Talon Sanchez; 2. Aiden Morgan; 3. Robert Schmitt; 4. Jack Thomasson.

1600 Meter 2. Carson Kitchens (4:55.55); 6. Robert Schmitt (5:25.54).

800 Meter 2. Carson Kitchens (2:13.78); 10. Aiden Morgan (2:33.10).

200 Meter 10. Jack Thomasson (27.02).  
3200 Meter 1. Carson Kitchens (10:55.83); 10 Alex Parks (13:22.63).

Long Jump 14. Machi Davidson.  
Overall Team Ranking  
Girls 11th, Boys 7th

#### CCHS Post-Season Track & Field Awards

##### Top girls thrower

Leauna West

##### Top male thrower

Noah McGowan

##### Top boys jumper

Tristan Davidson

##### Top girls sprinter

Karsyn Potter

##### Top boys sprinter

Eli Moss

##### Top girls distance

Kate Keller

##### Top middle school boy

Ethan Long

##### Top middle school jumper

Aerie Suggs

##### Top middle school distance

Mary Martinez

##### Top middle school hurdler

Ella Geary

##### Most improved middle school

Jayden Duncan

##### Most improved high school

Dennon Wilson

##### Best all around

Rowen Perkins

##### Mr. and Miss CCHS track

Eli Moss and Kate Keller

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County's storied baseball season ended Sunday evening in Hopkinsville, a couple of runs shy of a berth in the regional championship game.

"We had several goals when we started this season. Winning a regional championship was one of them," said coach Chris Evans. "We fell a little short of that one, but we have to celebrate all that this team accomplished."

Indeed. The Rockets won a school record 23 baseball games, captured the team's second All A Classic Second Region crown, earned Crittenden's first trip to the All A Classic Final 8 and made the KHSAA regional semifinals for only the fourth time in school history. The other years were 1977, 2008 and 2009.

Individually, there were a number of milestones. Junior Maddox Carlson was the team's Triple Crown winner, leading the club in batting average .495, RBIs 38 and home runs 3. He also tied the school record for hits in a season with 50 and set the team's new RBI record.

Senior Caden McCalister played just three years because the pandemic eliminated his junior season, but he was hit 39 times by pitched balls, setting a school record.

The Rockets were runners-up in the Fifth District Tournament, losing by one run last week to Lyon County. They still qualified for the Second Region Tournament and ousted Caldwell County 9-7 at Hopkinsville on Saturday. The opening round game was played at University Heights Academy, but rain on Sunday forced the tournament to move over to nearby Hopkinsville High School where



Rocket infielder Logan Bailey pivots a double play against Henderson County in Sunday's regional semifinal matchup at Hopkinsville.

Crittenden lost 6-4 to Henderson County.

Against Caldwell, CCHS started slowly. Caldwell (13-13) jumped ahead 6-2 early, but the Rockets played seven runs in the fifth to take the lead for good.

CCHS starting pitcher freshman Jeremiah Foster was lifted in the first inning when Caldwell rallied for four runs out of the chute. Junior Logan Bailey went to the mound in the first and worked the next six frames, keeping the Tigers at bay. Junior Maddox Carlson got the save, closing out the seventh with two strikeouts in the inning.

Carlson, senior Braxton Winders and junior Ben Evans each had two hits to pace the Rocket offense. McCalister, Trace Adams, Tyler

Boone, Gabe Mott, Hunter Smith and Bailey also had hits. Every player in the CCHS batting order got in on the action as the Rockets touched Caldwell pitching for a dozen hits.

Against Henderson, things went much the same way with the Rockets stumbling a bit out of the chute. Stellar defense, which included two double plays, kept the game close until the Colonels opened up a 6-1 lead in the bottom of the sixth.

However, the Rockets rallied in the final frame, scoring three runs on a Carlson homer over the right field fence. Henderson was able to work out of the jam despite the Rockets having the tying run at the plate in that final inning.

Carlson had three hits in

the game and senior Trace Adams had two. Seniors Tyler Boone, Gabe Mott and Braxton Winders also had hits for the Rockets.

Carlson started the game on the mound and worked 3½ innings before Boone was called on for relief to close it out.

"This is a team that will be talked about for many years to come," coach Evans said. "It's such a shame that the pandemic took one full season away from them. What might these young men have done with one more spring under their belts, and in the books? That's a question that will never be answered, but I have an idea that there was a whole lot more unrealized magic left in this remarkable bunch of student-athletes."



Just the Numbers

COVID-19

CRITTENDEN COUNTY CASES APRIL 2020 THROUGH MAY 2021

Month	COVID Cases	GENDER		AGE RANGE OF CASES IN COUNTY							
		Female	Male	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80+
APRIL	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0
MAY	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
JUNE	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
JULY	18	10	8	3	1	2	1	4	6	1	0
AUGUST	38	20	18	5	0	7	10	6	5	4	1
SEPTEMBER	63	35	28	10	8	7	13	10	5	7	3
OCTOBER	52	22	30	7	10	7	7	9	7	4	1
NOVEMBER	98	59	39	12	14	7	18	24	14	6	2
DECEMBER	141	75	66	21	9	10	14	28	17	26	16
JANUARY	134	71	63	15	15	22	15	17	11	21	17
FEBRUARY	46	23	26	7	2	14	10	8	5	1	1
MARCH	51	25	26	12	6	8	11	8	2	0	0
APRIL	45	28	17	12	2	6	7	9	3	4	2
MAY	9	3	6	2	1	1	4	1	0	0	0
TOTAL	704	376	331	106	68	92	111	126	77	77	43

Age is unknown for one individual in November and one in January. Source Ky. Dept. of Health

Crिटtenden County Special Olympics track and field team traveled to Princeton for competition on June 5. Because of COVID restrictions, local athletes competed closer to home rather than at Eastern Kentucky University as is typical. Pictured are (from left) Mandy McConnell, Hunter Miles, Kaitlyn Head, Andrew Holt, Sarah Phillips, Jessica Hunter, Carmen Orr, Austin Hazel and David Walker, all Rocket athletes who raced in 50-meter and 100-meter events and competed in the softball throw.

PRIEST

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priesthood.

Summers also said the local parish is proud of Bruns.

For the young priest, who has made promises to devote his entire life to the Lord as a priest, Bruns says he cannot be more excited about reaching a milestone he first envisioned as a fifth grader.

“I had people in our church tell me that I had a lot of gifts and talents, and that the priesthood would suit me. So I started thinking about it and praying about it and when I was in seventh grade I heard the Lord invite me.”

He applied to seminary his junior year of high school and as soon as he left Crittenden County with a diploma, Bruns enrolled in Bishop Simon Bruté College Seminary at Marian University in Indianapolis where he earned a bachelor's degree in catholic studies/philosophy.

In his second phase of a nine-year program toward becoming a priest, Bruns studied at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, also in Indiana, where he received a master's degree in divinity.

“My dad was a convert,

but my mom's family was Catholic as far back as I can go,” says Bruns, whose family and friends watched his ordination May 22 in Owensboro at St. Stephen Cathedral.

As with most Catholic priests, Bruns has taken timeless promises, including a vow of celibacy. He shall never marry nor have children.

“I am a priest forever,” he said. “At my ordination, I laid down on the floor which is symbolic of laying down my life before the altar of God.”

Bruns said that he and fellow seminary students have periodically discussed those promises and what it means for their futures.

“Each of us has a desire to be a father, to have a wife and family. We're not saying that's not a good life, but it's not what we have been called to do. We have forsaken those good things in order to serve more people.”

Married preachers who come from other protestant religions can be ordained as a Catholic priest, but otherwise, it's not allowed by the church. Priests are to be available to serve the Lord and their parish.

Bruns says he's heard arguments that the Roman Catholic Church should reconsider the no

marriage requirement in order to attract more to the ministry. He says, however, that data and studies do not back that up.

Prayer and service is the lifestyle he's sought since adolescence and his faith and vision have never wavered.

“Everything feels very natural,” Bruns said in a recent phone interview. “After celebrating my second mass at St. Stephen Cathedral, a parishioner said, ‘Father, you act like you have been celebrating mass your whole life.’ I told him I have been waiting my whole life for this.”

In seminary, Bruns studied Latin, theology, scripture, music and Liturgy. Official church correspondence, when it deals with doctrine, is usually written in Latin, Bruns said, so that nothing can be lost to translation. He also learned Spanish, because a majority of the church he will serve in Bowling Green are Spanish speaking.

It's likely that all of Bruns' work will be in the Owensboro diocese, rather than any sort of monastic life. That's what he feels called to do. His mission is to care for people, fill them with the Eucharist and meet their daily needs whether

# FIVE-COUNTY AREA

Most info in this graphic current as of June 4. \*Updates with June 8 data.

County	Confirmed Cases Ever	Currently in Home Isolation	Currently Hospitalized	Recovered Cases	Deaths
Caldwell	1,235*	5	0	1,197	32
Crittenden	705*	2	0	680	23
Livingston	833*	3	1	806	22
Lyon	1,574*	0	0	1,553	20
Trigg	1,290*	1	0	1,271	15
Total	5,631	11	1	5,507	112

Source: Pennyriple District Health Department

Chamber temporarily ceases operations to retool mission

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce is temporarily ceasing normal operations and activities in order to reorganize and develop a plan for its future.

In a special called meeting Tuesday morning, the chamber decided to not elect new officers at this time. Instead, it formed a four-person committee to chisel out a fresh blueprint and vision.

The group's officers' terms expired in May, but the chamber had not held its annual meeting to select new leadership. The annual meeting is typically held in May. An annual meeting was not scheduled in 2020 or 2021 because of the pandemic.

Elizabeth Floyd, who had been the group's president for two years, said she will not serve another term.

The group has two paid employees – Staci Blackburn and Kayla Maxfield. Both will be temporarily idled and go unpaid until a four-person committee selected by the chamber can develop a plan take the group forward.

Chamber members at this week's special meeting say they have received comments from the community showing dissatisfaction with the group's work and direction, characterizing it as a fundraising and festival committee.

“We're just temporarily halting in order to reconstruct the chamber,” said Elliot West, who was one of the four directors chosen for the ad hoc steering committee to look at revamping things. “We want to visit chambers in other communities to find out what works best, how we can best serve our local businesses.”

The September Pumpkin Festival has not been canceled at this point, but could be in jeopardy unless another group steps up to organize it. The fall festival has been one of the chamber's signature events for many years.

West said some conversations have been held to determine whether the chamber can collaborate with other local organizations, such as the Marion Tourism, Recreation and Convention Bureau.

The chamber is not expected to meet again as a board until sometime this fall.

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