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BY THE NUMBERS

A LOOK AT DRINKING WATER FIGURES FOR MARION & COUNTY

WATER CUSTOMERS

City of Marion	1,500
Crittenden-Livingston (C-L)	3,700
C-L Salem Customers*	440
C-L Lyon Co. Customers*	250
C-L Ledbetter Customers*	400
C-L Smithland Customers*	300
C-L Grand Rivers Customers*	1,350

*C-L has wholesale contract with those cities

SEWER CUSTOMERS

City of Marion	1,350
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WATER VOLUME

Lake George	182 million gallons
Old City Lake	12 million gallons

WATERSHED AREA

Lake George	800 acres
Old City Lake	1,500 acres

DAYS SUPPLY OF WATER*

Lake George	365 days
Old City Lake	25 days

*At normal pool

MARION'S WATER DEMAND

Daily	460,500 gallons
Monthly	14 million gallons
Annually	168 million



FREE SUMMER MEALS FOR CRITTENDEN COUNTY KIDS

Courtesy of Crittenden County School District, free summer meals are available to anyone under 18 years old. Meals will be provided each Monday in June, starting on June 6. The packages will include five breakfasts and five lunches. Pickup points are behind Crittenden County Elementary School from 10:30 a.m., to noon; Farmers Market 10:30 to 10:50 a.m., Shady Grove Fire Department 11:20 to 11:40 a.m., Williams' Mobile Home Park 10:30 to 10:50 a.m., Mattoon Fire Department 11:20 to 11:40 a.m., Tolu Fire Department 10:30 a.m., to 10:50 a.m., and Caldwell Springs Fire Department 11:20 to 11:40 a.m., each Monday in June.

HOGROCK COMING TO CAVE

Hogrock, the adult-only event held annually in Cave In Rock, Ill., is set for June 9-12. Travelers headed to the four-day party will be moving through Crittenden County next week.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Sealed bids for the construction of a new high school, football field and softball field will be opened at 2 p.m., Thursday, June 9 on the Crittenden County High School campus.



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DEADLINE TUESDAY

Last chance for mayor, council

2 Board of Ed seats up, too

STAFF REPORT

With a number of pressing matters facing the community, it's surprising to see so few individuals signing up to seek public office when social media is billowing with apparent experts armed with grumblings and countless solutions.

Just days ahead of the deadline for candidates interested in serving as mayor, on the city council or school board, there's scarcely enough to give voters an op-



tion.

A few have already filed for local, non-partisan elections that will be held here in November. Races for mayor, city

council and a couple of school board seats will be on the ballot Nov. 8. Last day to file as a candidate is Tuesday, June 7. Those planning to be on the ballot this fall must file by 4 p.m., in the county clerk's office at the courthouse.

Mayor Jared Byford has signaled that he does not plan to seek re-election and three-term Councilwoman D'Anna Browning is not planning to run.

The way things are shaping up, there will be at least two and perhaps three new faces on the council as water and

sewer issues mount.

Two candidates have filed for mayor. Those are Phyllis Sykes, a retired school teacher who currently serves on the city council, and A.J. Valentine, a former city employee who is now an instructor at the Earle C. Clements Job Corps Training Academy in Morganfield.

Longtime Councilman Mike Byford has filed to seek a new two-year term in city government and incumbents Dwight Sherer and Darrin Tabor are

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Water Bogged

Water Level May 26, 2022

With various options, local leaders endeavor to find best solution to Marion's raw water issue

BY CHRIS EVANS
PRESS EDITOR

Bearing down on some of the driest months of the year, Marion has less than one month's supply of raw water on hand at Old City Lake.

Congressman James Comer was in Marion last week to get a first-hand look at the nearly empty Lake George, and to get further details about the community's drinking water crisis.

Lake George, Marion's source of raw water which is treated at the nearby plant before being piped to customers, has been drained because of a fault in the levee. While Marion has another smaller source of raw water at Old City Lake, and an option to buy some of its drinking water from the county water district, the city must find a long-term solution for raw water.

Comer said he will personally assist Marion's appeal to the Delta Regional Authority for funding to cover an initial engineering study to see which of a dozen options is most viable. Study cost could be around \$1 million.

"We will knock on their door and hand deliver the request to Delta," Comer told community leaders who gathered with him last Thursday afternoon near the boat launching area at Lake George where the water is now a few hundred feet from its normal shoreline.

Only a few feet of water remains in the deepest, very center of the watershed lake that was also once a popular fishing reservoir.

City Administrator Adam Ledford was among local leaders that met with Comer. Ledford told the congressman



City Administrator Adam Ledford gestures toward an almost empty Lake George while talking with U.S. Rep. James Comer last Thursday. Also pictured in the foreground are Marion City Councilman Donnie Arflack and Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom. They were among a large contingent of local leaders who met with Comer last week to discuss funding options for solving the city's raw water issues.

that Marion residents are looking for answers right now and the city needs financial help to develop a plan.

Ledford said no matter what course of action is taken, a solution is years away.

Meantime, the city issued a water conservation order about a month ago when the lake began being drained.

Starting next month, Marion will not

have any guarantees of assistance from the Crittenden-Livingston Water District as a backup water source. The county system typically uses all of its capacity to serve roughly 7,000 customers in three counties during summer months. As of late last week, Marion has not pur-

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CLASS OF

2022

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Graduation Edition



■ CCHS GRADUATION

Valedictory addresses 2022

Alyssa Bozeman

Sitting down to type out this speech, I felt at a loss for words, as I'm sure many of the other speakers have. Mostly, I was deciding between sappy and humorous, neither of which I'm great at purposefully conveying. So, I thought I would at least get the sappy part out of the way for all of your sakes. I knew that this moment would be here before any of us knew it, in fact, it felt like it came

much sooner than that. At the same time, it felt like forever as anticipation grew to just get out. Now we're all here, and the need to take it all in once more is really setting in. I know... a bunch of clichés, but you quickly realize they are all true. Many of us grew up together over these last thirteen years and, truly, we have experienced some interesting things. So, in short, thanks. I think. We've all had our own obstacles and hardships, which is why I want to take this time to thank everyone who has im-



Alyssa BOZEMAN
Daughter of
Jason and Shannon Bozeman

WKU
Educational & Behavioral Sciences

pacted my life thus far and led me here. To all my teachers, friends, family... you know who you are. Thank you for pushing me and, whether you were a negative or positive part of my life, thank you for teaching me lessons along the way. I want to also

thank my Lord and Savior for putting me on this path I have walked so far. There is one person in particular who I can never thank enough for always believing in me and being my biggest supporter even when I did not know it. He has taught me so much

and been there during the most difficult moments in my life. That person is my dad and my hero. Thank you dad. Anyway, I wanna say congratulations to all of us, even though I'm sure the congrats from others will feel never ending over the next few weeks, much like freshman year which I choose to forget. It has been, not exactly a long road, but a short one with twists and blind hills that feels long as you're driving down it. I won't even begin to list all the things I won't miss, so how about I mention some

of the things that I will: Friday night football games, the day before Christmas break, state competitions, that one time we did CREW week, powderpuff, and FCCLA regional meetings (more importantly getting food afterwards). I can safely say that this will be a part of my life I look back on years from now, and feel a mix of emotions as to whether I enjoyed it or had no idea what was happening most of the time. Either way, thank you all for involuntarily being a part of it. I'll see you down that road I just mentioned.

Emma Williams

Good evening, and thank you all for joining us in celebrating the class of 2022. I stand before you today as a proud member of this graduating class, of which there are not enough words to express how wonderful each and every one of you are. Our time here at Crittenden County High School has been short and fleeting, yet felt like it might last an eternity all at the same time. There were moments of happiness, and moments where we all could have given up. Yet here we are tonight, making the fi-

nal step towards becoming adults. Some people will tell you that high school is easy. Whoever told you that was lying. Learning how to grow up in today's world is anything but easy. Friendships, relationships, life decisions, and countless other distractions are thrown at us every day. But we persevered. We fought. We made the best out of sometimes bad situations, and here we are tonight, walking out of the other side of the storm, prepared to face the world on our own. I can think of several people to accredit that to. First and foremost, our Heavenly Father above. He walked beside me when



Emma WILLIAMS
Daughter of
Mark and Crissy Williams

University of Kentucky
Business Major

it felt like no one else might. I would also like to thank my mom and dad for supporting me through every endeavor in life. You all have always pushed me to be independent and taught me that no goal is ever too big. To my little sister Bella, please know that you are one of the biggest reasons why I strive for success. I hope that I always make you proud. I want to

thank my friends for always finding a way to make me laugh, even when I feel like crying. You all truly do not know what you mean to me. Finally, I want to thank the Crittenden County School District, as well as the Crittenden County community, for being so supportive of our youth. There are countless staff in our district who take on each student as their

own child. If it weren't for that extra love and support, some of us might not have made it here today. Being a teacher is one of the hardest jobs in the world, but the work you all do changes lives. I have a support system that spans far past those I just mentioned, and I would rave about you all if I could, but for now, I just want to say that I hope you all know how much I appreciate you. Summing up my experience here at CCHS is difficult to do in just a minute or two, but I would like to leave you with this. I would not trade my time here for the world. CCHS has been a home to me for four years, and it has

been bittersweet trying to find a way to say goodbye to that. It is with a full heart that I close this chapter and open a new one.

Whether you are just starting your high school career, or you are one of my fellow classmates on this floor, please know that every day is a step closer to where you are meant to be. It may not feel like it now, but there is a plan for you, and it has been my greatest joy to watch so many of you start to discover it. Crittenden County, you have given me more than I could ever ask for. I will leave this place with a forever grateful heart. Thank you.

Callie Brown

Good evening everyone and thank you for coming to celebrate the CCHS class of '22. As I was trying to find the perfect thing to write, I realized how unqualified I am to be up here giving this speech. I'm just kidding, but I really didn't know what to say, so here's some clichés and a short speech considering you have 11 to listen to.

I remember having a conversation with my parents when I was about 13, right before coming into high school. I told them that I would get all A's and wanted to become a Valedictorian. Well, here we are, definitely not as easy as I thought it was going to be. But when things were difficult I would think back to what I said and it acted as my motivator and I have never been more thankful for a conversation. This moment is the one we



Callie BROWN
Daughter of
Carl and Marcy Brown

University of Kentucky
Majoring in Biology

have all been saying is so far away for the past thirteen years and somehow it's caught up to us. I came to the conclusion that there was only one thing to say, thank you. Thank you to the wonderful teachers and

staff at Crittenden, thank you to my classmates that never fail to make me laugh, a huge thank you to my parents for their support, and above all I want to thank God. I want to congratulate every single one of you for

making it here today. As all of us are about to face the rest of our lives, there is no doubt in my mind that all of you will be successful in your own way. Although in the grand scheme of things, high school will only be a small fragment of my life, some of the memories that happened at CCHS are nothing short of unforgettable. From blowing up a projector, Homecoming weeks, having a random 6ft penquin, and the endless Friday

night lights that have somehow come to an end. I cherish every memory made here and all of you were a part of that. I can confidently say I will look back on these years fondly and I thank all of you for playing such a big role in this part of my life. I am beyond proud to say I'm a part of this class of wonderful individuals. I'm sure I'll be seeing you all around, and once again, thank you.

Emma Waters

Well, I obviously got an A in Public Speaking but I'll never be sure how I pulled that off ... It was literally the worst class I took in the past four years, and I really did not want to give a speech, but you all know how my mom is, so here I am. Most of what I would say to you has already been said by my co-valedictorians, but I would like to say that high school is a time of growth and development. It is when we learn who we are, who we aspire to be, and

what really matters. As I close this chapter of my life and embark on my next journey at Murray State University, I know that I will carry the lessons I have learned with me and cherish the memories I have made.

None of us would have made it this far without the educators of CCHS. I personally never would have survived high school without the guidance and love of Mandy York...aka my personal therapist; she and FCCLA gave me a home in difficult times and I am so grateful to her for that. Steffie, you are quite seriously one of the most caring



Emma WATERS
Daughter of
Mark and Leah Waters

Murray State University
Business Administration

people I have ever met, and I will miss your hugs. Jennifer Bell has always supported me but most importantly provided me with some bomb pasta salad. Mr. Bryant, thank you for always having my back.. by the way..eating that worm in 7th grade was definitely worth a chocolate milkshake! My family has always supported me in everything I

have done. Thank you to my grandparents for making the long, boring drive to cheer me on at games. Papaw.. while we've come a long way from that embarrassing picture you've threatened me with for the past 16 years I still look up to you today the same as I did back then. To my brother and sister, I love you guys more than

life itself. No matter how far away I am, I will always join your Roblox lobby. Dad, you might be a man of few words, but because of this, I know that when you do say something that I should probably shut up and listen, thank you for all you have done for me. Mom...thanks a lot for making me do this, but most importantly thank you for pushing me to be the best version of myself possible and providing me with a great example of what a strong and independent woman looks like. I would not be standing up here without you. You are and

always will be more than my mom, you're my best friend. I wouldn't wanna call anyone else once I get to college to ask which bowls can and can't go in the microwave.

I remember sitting in computer class in elementary school and typing in the username Ewaters22...It used to seem impossible and so far away but as I stand here and look at all of you it's become very real. Class of 2022...Remember to always hold your head high and go after what you want in life. Never settle. You are in charge of your own destiny so always show up and never give up.



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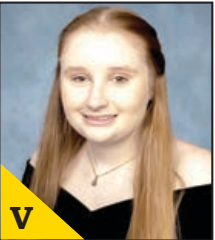
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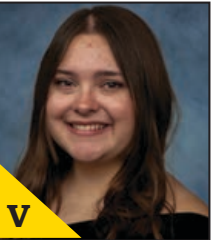
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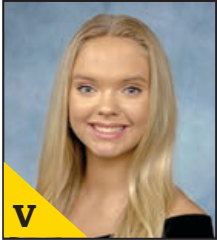
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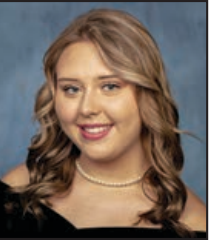
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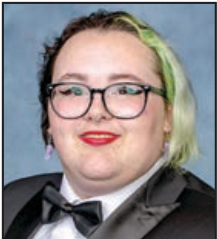
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Ethan Shewmaker
Military Commitment



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Coleman Stone



Ryleigh Tabor
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Chloe Weathers



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Dalton Wood



Dylan Yates
Cum Laude
College & Career Ready



Logan Young

2022 Academic Awards

Teacher

Vocational
Abercrombie
Abercrombie
Abercrombie
Lady
Lady
Lady
Tinsley
Tinsley
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Tinsley
York
York
York
McCord

English

Ford
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Waters
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McCord

Award

Animal Tech
Intro to Greenhouse
Principles of Ag Science
Animal Science
Ag Construction
Greenhouse Tech
Agri-Business
Digital Literacy
Marketing Principles
Money Skills
Office Administration
FACS Essentials
Relationships
Lifespan Development
The Learning Community

English I
English Adv.
Creative Writing
English II
English I Adv.
English III

Recipient

Jazmyn Lineberry
Cutter Singleton
Josh Marshall
Kailyn Stokes
Caden DeBoe
Ethan Hill
Braydon Shirley
Kady Parrish
Baylee Muff
Grace Driskill
Jacob Hoover
Kaylee Goodrich
Callie Dempsey
Payton Maness
Keira Chaney

Baylee Muff
Rachel Mundy
Marley Phelps
Gabe Keller
Caden DeBoe
Alex Jones

Teacher

McCord
Joyce
Joyce

Humanities

McConnell
McConnell
McConnell
Rodriguez
Rodriguez

Health & Physical Education

D. Hodge
D. Hodge
Joyce

Math

West
Martinez
Martinez
Martinez
Cunningham
Cunningham

Award

English III Adv.
English IV
Yearbook

Concert Band

Intro to Guitar
H u m a n i t i e s
Art
Advanced Art

Health & PE

Health & PE
Fitness & Conditioning
Fitness for Women

Algebra I
Geometry
Adv Geometry
Pre-Cal
Algebra II
Adv Alg II

Recipient

Jacob Hoover
Luke Mundy
Abbey Swinford

Faith Conner

William Renschler
A d a m S e f f e n s
Jacie Ricketts
Michaela Smith

Makayla Ford

Cayden Tramel
Bailey Williams

Kayleigh Weathers
Ashayla McDowell
Taylor Haire
Jacob Hoover
Laney Hunt
Caden DeBoe

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Maddox Carlson
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Laynie York
Caldwell County High School



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**A special congratulations to
Ben Evans, Maddox Carlson & Sam Tinsley!**
Best of luck as you take the next step!

Congrats Grads!

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challenging yourself




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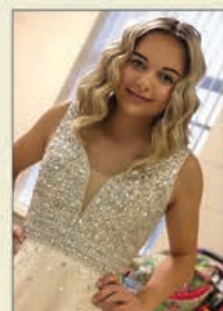
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Grace Driskill



Luke Crider

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Luke is the son of Paja Crider, Chief Operations Officer at Farmers Bank and Trust in Marion.


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CCHS GRADUATION

Eleven seniors earn valedictorian honors

Leah Long

Jeez, my public speaking class definitely didn't prepare me for this one, but we'll roll with it. Determination. Firm intention to complete a task with a purposeful outcome; even when persevering through difficult times. Determination is the reason I am standing here today. After sitting in the stands of the class of 2017 graduation, I knew that one day I wanted to stand up there in front of all of you all and give a speech on the behalf of my class. Right then and there, I set a goal for myself to maintain all As throughout



Leah LONG

Daughter of Jenny and Scott Long

WKCTC Nursing

high school. Throughout the past four years, there were some difficult patches where I questioned my abilities, but I kept my faith in God and accomplished my goal. 2 Chronicles 15:7 says "But you, be strong and do not lose courage, for there is reward for your work."


I would like to thank my mom, dad, and brother for being my rock and helping me keep my head held high in order to accomplish this

goal. Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Martinez and Coach Jessica DeBurgo for being the best coaches and for bringing me friendships that will last a lifetime. Mrs. Bell, thank you so much for saving FBLA and helping us get through the rough patches. Without FBLA, I definitely would not be standing here today as my leadership skills and confidence level would not be near as strong. Thank you

Samantha Tinsley

Good evening. I am proud to stand before family, friends, faculty, teachers, distinguished guests, and my classmates as one of 11 valedictorians of the Class of 2022.

There is a tattered and worn journal which was gifted to me by my sister, that sits deep within a drawer in my room. This journal is home to daily occurrences, strategically-taped movie tickets, doodles, fortune cookie quotes, and practically every detail of my life. A few years ago, I started a tradition in this precious journal of mine. Each year on my birthday, I curate a list. This list entails the most important lessons I've learned that year. The list grows each year, cor-



Samantha TINSLEY

Daughter of Pam and Roger Tinsley

WKU Graphic Design

responding to my age. For example, this February the list was "18 lessons I learned at 18"...and as I reflected on our time at Crittenden County High School and as I pondered what to include in this speech, I found that it was time my list be shared with you all. So, here are 18 lessons I learned at 18:

1. Pray about everything.
2. Your parents are almost always right. Thanks mom and dad.
3. Sometimes not getting what you want is the very thing you need; In life, we often see the failure to obtain what we want as a setback, when truthfully,

this is our greatest stroke of luck.

4. Mental health is equally as important as physical health. Treat it that way.
5. Get off of your phone and go outside.
6. Different does not mean bad. Different means new experiences and new perspectives.
7. Sometimes the best lessons come from the worst mistakes. How can we learn if we are always right?
8. There is beauty in moving on.
9. Cheating isn't just unfair to others, its unfair to yourself - there is no value

McKenzie Quertermous

There is a Latin quote that translates in English as "Fortune favors the bold." Our class is bold. During the past four years, we have grown into amazing people and will continue to grow when we exit these doors as graduates. Our class has had to face several challenges including COVID, and we have conquered them with triumph. Each



McKenzie Quertermous

Daughter of James and Dr. Melissa Quertermous

Murray State University Pre-Law

one of us has completed a goal, whether personal or academic, and we should be proud of those accomplishments. I want to take this opportunity to thank someone for helping me tackle my personal goals, so thank you mom for stick-

ing with me throughout this experience and what lies ahead in the future. Also, my dad has always told me he didn't care what my career was as long as I was happy. Now, I extend that advice to you. Class of 2022, go out and be hap-



Rocket Stadium was filled during the indoor graduation ceremony Friday, May 27.

py. Follow your dreams or passions that you have so when looking back you can say that you've lived a life of happiness and enjoyment. Continue to be bold. Go out into this world and make bold decisions in pursuit of your happiness and create awesomeness wherever you go. Julius Cesar once said, "I came, I saw, and I conquered." We have conquered this chapter in our lives, now it's time to conquer a new chapter that awaits us.

to the many teachers who have exceptionally helped me outside of their class through dual credit courses. A special shoutout goes to Mrs. Brown, Mr. Suggs, Mr. Ford, and Mr. Cunningham for always lending a helping hand. I would also like to thank my boss, Glenn Conger, and coworkers for teaching me work and communication skills and bringing me many friendships of all ages.

Finally, I would like to thank the class of 2022 for standing by my side through it all. Although I was not with you all since day one, you all welcomed me in 5th grade and made me feel like home. There are so many memories that will never be

forgotten. From playing at Silver Springs Creek in 7th grade to watching Ms. Collins' projector blow up, from Cole McKinney saying "Bow Wow" and quoting Tom and Jerry all day to Dylan Yates dropping his Chromebook in the trash in 8th grade, I could go on and on. It feels like yesterday when we took our class trip to Discovery Park and were all singing the Little Einstein's theme song for whatever reason.

After walking through the doors of CCHS the first day of freshman year, many teachers encouraged us to take in every moment because the next four years would fly by, and this could not be more true. Now it is time for us to close this

chapter in our lives and prepare for the next. I wish all of you the best of luck in your future endeavors and never forget that with hard-work and determination, anything can be accomplished. Adulthood sounds very scary, but never forget to keep your eyes on God. Isaiah 41:10 says, "Do not fear, for I am with you; Do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will also help you, I will also uphold you with My righteous right hand." There are going to be difficult times ahead, but with God, all things become possible. Thank you.

at your classmates. Have you wished away your time with them? Don't focus on the ending, enjoy each moment, as both the good and the bad ones have shaped you. Because years from now, you'll find a shoe box beneath your bed filled with photo booth pictures, you'll find a box in the attic with notes passed around class, you'll run your hands across the fabric of your old prom dress, and you'll think about how foreign this all feels. And no matter how you look back on it, whether you miss it or not, I am positive you will be grateful for the experience. Thank you and may God bless you all.

And finally, number 18. The lesson that stands above all during our final months together was this: don't wish the days away. At some point we have all thought, "I can't wait for this to be over." Classmates, this is no way to live. It is my sincerest wish that you all find a life that makes you excited to wake up and truly live. Not a life that makes you say, "just a few more days until the weekend." Because now that we have wished the days away, we are here, sitting in our cap and gowns, moments away from accepting our diplomas, and leaving behind childhood. Look around

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Good evening. Seasons. Poets write about them. Singers sing about them. The Bible even references them. A famous verse states, "There is a season for everything, and a time for every purpose under heaven."

I've heard the analogies before, but it wasn't until I had the opportunity to hear retiring FFA national secretary, Anna Mathis, speak that I really began to understand the parallels. She flawlessly delivered a 20-minute speech about the seasons she experienced in her life. When I thought about what I wanted to say in these few moments here with all of you tonight, I realized just how impactful her words were and how easy it was for me to relate to her message.

You see, each one of us has gone through seasons. We're in one now, and many more lie ahead. And just like the weather here in Kentucky, those seasons can change quickly...often out of nowhere and with little notice. We may face seasons of doubt, disappointment, uncertainty, and confusion. We may find seasons of hope, excitement, adventure, and celebration.

The good seasons...the ones where everything seems to be going well and falling into place...those are the easy ones. Those are the ones we glide through, laugh until it hurts, and look back on and smile. It's often the tough seasons...the ones that seem to last too long and leave us feeling hurt, disappointed and insecure...that sometimes leave us wondering why.

But here's the thing. There is a REASON for every season. Every single one of them. There is a reason we may find success in the classroom, on the field, and at competitions. Hopefully, we have put in the time

and the work and stayed driven to capture what we went after. When that happens, we feel accomplished and proud. But there is also a reason for times when we fail, when people let us down, or when we simply, well, lose. It's then that things sometimes don't seem to make sense, but when we come out on the other side and look back, often these are the times we learn the most. These are the times that we discover our own resilience, grit, and determination. It's these moments that shape us and prepare us for what lies ahead.

And think about this...our seasons intertwine with others. Sometimes our seasons and how we respond to them have a direct impact on others. So keep that in mind as we all navigate this new season we are about to encounter: life after high school. For me, high school, and especially senior year, has been a season of learning, experiencing, and definitely growing. This fall, I'll attend Murray State University and also begin my year serving as Kentucky's 4-H state president. I'll take with me the 13 years of lessons, love, and learning that our Rocket family has poured into us. I'm so thankful I was able to spend my senior year here at school making memories to last a lifetime. In closing, I'm thankful for each of you and the people closest to me--my mom, my dad, my sister, Mollie, Trace, and my grandparents--for encouraging me, supporting me, and loving me through every season of my life. No matter what life threw in my way, you all were always there for me when I needed it most. I love each of you more than you'll ever know. Congratulations to my fellow Class of 2022. Good luck and best wishes for your next season! Thank you.

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CCHS triplets atop 2022 class

Dane West

My fellow Americans, it may sound a little cliché to say but we've made it! After these 4 years together in high school, and for many of us who've been together since kindergarten, we are finally at the end of the road. First, I want to start with the thank yous. I won't go overboard with them so don't worry! To my parents, family, and friends (whether we've been friends since elementary to those that I just met this year), I love you all. Thank you for always being there for me



Dane WEST
Son of
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and making getting through school and life in general worthwhile. Next, I would like to give just as much thanks to my teachers, you have all been wonderful and out of anybody that I could've had I am glad to have gotten you all! From those of you that I've had since middle school like Mrs. Joyce and Mr. Cunningham to those I met this year like Mr. Ford and everyone in between, I will miss you all as well as the

rest of the staff, so once again thank you! My final thank you must go to my twins Raina and Coby. Having been together since we were born, growing up together every day throughout our lives up to this point where all three of us have made it here is truly special to me. You guys are my best friends and the parts that make me whole, and I am glad that we are finishing this chapter of our lives here

together today. I couldn't have done it without you and I love you both.

Finally, to my fellow classmates, I am glad to have met you all. Each of you, no matter how big or small of a role, has shaped me into the person I am today in some way or form, and for that I am extremely grateful. After today we won't all be together as a class like this ever again, so I want to wish you all the best of luck going forward. Whether you're going to college, straight to work, or even if you just don't know, keep this in mind: do what makes you happy! We have the rest of our lives in front of us, so take this opportu-

nity now to try and make the most of it and do what you think will make YOU happy going forward. I know you all are capable of great things, and I hope that I will be able to see that in you all, whether we cross paths again a month from now or

ten years down the road. To end things with a quote, in the words of Daft Punk and Pharrell Williams, "All ends with beginnings," and this is just one end that will bring forth many beginnings for us. Again, thank you all, and see you later!

Colby West

Good evening everybody! To think that this day has actually come is very odd, as it is one of those things that always felt so far away in the back of my mind. For most of my life this felt like the case and then before I could even tell where the time went, it was right here. With that being said, I never tried to give it too much thought or think too hard about this day, and in all honesty I have struggled to find the right words to say or the correct message to give. Thinking about it a lot and probably a bit too hard hasn't



Colby WEST
Son of Kim and Cam West

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helped me too much, so I'll try to keep this short. We have all come a long way together even if it feels like it hasn't been that long, and for many of us it has been over 12 years that we have spent together. With our work here being just about done, I would like to thank all of my family, friends, teachers and my classmates of course, as you have all helped make this experience what it

is, what it has been and what it will be for me in the future. As for our futures, this is the first time in our lives where it is entirely up to ourselves where we will be in the coming fall, and those endless possibilities can feel overwhelming. Although I don't have much great advice to share with the rest of my class, your path is entirely your own, and even if you aren't entirely sure about

what that is yet, it's okay! As crazy as it might sound, not every 18 year old knows exactly what it is that they want to do, and learning is a big part of that journey as well. We all have room for growth, and change is inevitable. In all honesty I can't think of a whole lot more to say, but I am really glad to have spent this time here with you guys, and I am looking forward to seeing where each of us goes and what we do. While we are moving into a new chapter in our lives, saying goodbye is never fun, so I would just like to thank you for all of the fun memories and experiences, and here's to many more!

Raina Jo West

Since I was in elementary school I have dreamt of this moment- graduating with honors and giving this speech in front of you all today. In elementary school, I had no real idea of what kind of sacrifices that dream was going to cost but I knew I wanted to do it. These past few weeks leading up to graduation I thought about why I worked so hard to give a 2-minute speech. Why did I want to graduate with honors? Was it all worth it? All these questions were consuming my mind when I remembered who I was in elementary school. At the time, I was a shy little girl. I would hide behind my mother if you attempted to speak to me directly and my biggest fear



Raina Jo WEST
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was having to speak in front of a crowd. Since then, I have pushed myself to get over this fear. I think for me, today I am here honoring the little girl I was in elementary school. The little girl who was afraid of taking up space and use her voice. I couldn't have made it to this point without the support of my family. Watching my parents raise five children and three being the same age, I can say it has not been an easy journey, but a unique one for sure. Growing up, I always heard my mother get asked questions like "What are you going to do when they all go


to high school?", "What are you going to do when they all start driving?", "What are you going to do when they're seniors?". The question these days is "What are you going to do when they all graduate?". The answer has always been along the lines of "we will figure it out". That is why I love my mother- because she always finds a way to figure it out. She is tough and she

is resilient. What an honor it has been to be raised by such a strong woman. If you've ever met my dad, you know he is kind and he loves a good "dad joke". He has taught me what it means to work hard and have patience. Most importantly, he has taught me that you have to put the car in park before you can remove the key from the ignition. Being a triplet is like having two built-in best friends. They are my biggest supporters and my other halves. I am so excited to add graduation to the list of experiences we have been able to celebrate together. Congrats boys, we did it!

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WATER

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chased any water from the district. It's been pulling its raw water from Old City Lake. Marion has about 1,500 water customers, including residential and commercial users.

One of the city's largest water customers – the school district – is out for summer break, which will relieve some pressure on daily demand. The jail, hospital, nursing home and car wash are among the largest regular consumers, too. The city's largest water user is its own sewer plant. Operating it would be more expensive if Marion cannot make its own water. It is unclear at this time whether the waste water system under construction will use more or less water than the existing plant.

There are concerns that over the next few months, an unseasonably dry summer and fall could exacerbate the crisis.

Over the past seven years, September and October have been drier months than July and August. June has typically been a fairly wet month in recent years, which might keep a catastrophe at bay a bit longer.

The City of Marion last week received official notice from the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection that it violated regulations by altering the physical structure of the levee without a permit. Marion officials contend that they did what was necessary to avoid a possible greater calamity downstream had the levee failed. The state has given the city a deadline for remediation. It demanded that Marion stabilize alterations it made to the levee by the end of May, have a corrective action plan submitted to the state by July 1 and to see some action toward complete remediation by July 31.

“Let’s be honest, I don’t see how that can be done,” Ledford said.

The city administrator said requests for financial assistance from the state have gone unanswered, yet it has threatened to fine Marion \$25,000 a day for failing to comply with the environmental protection remediation order.

Comer dismissed the state’s notice and told Mayor Jared Byford that if a fine is indeed levied, he would intervene on behalf of the community.

“It looks like you all did a good job with the hand you were dealt,” Comer told city officials when reviewing local emergency response to the levee seepage in late April.

While Comer offered federal assistance to help usher Marion’s initial funding request through the fastest channels, he stopped short of anything further. In fact, he suggested exploring state funding sources first before turning to Uncle Sam, which tends to move at a slower pace.

He said the natural resources and recreational opportunities lost at Lake George could promote some additional sources of funding for rebuilding the lake. There are a variety of options on the table, but without an engineering and financial study it has been hard to know which route to take, city leaders have said.

Among the options that have been discussed are buying water from a third-party supplier, running a pipe to the Ohio or Cumberland rivers to siphon raw water, exploring for natural aquifers in the area, enlarging Old City Lake or rebuilding the levee at Lake George. Lake George holds about one year’s worth of raw water while Old City Lake holds about 25 days worth of raw water, based on cursory figures and historic documents. Those are currently Marion’s only two sources of raw water.

The options boil down to basically two paths: 1. Replacing the city’s largest raw water source, or 2. Buying water wholesale from another entity. Both have their challenges. Complicating the idea of renewing its raw water source is that the water treatment plant off Chapel Hill Road is dated and will need renovation soon. The city is currently in the process of building a new sewer plant at a cost that could exceed its original \$13.6 million estimate. Water and sewer customers already are feeling the pinch of greatly inflated costs. Some homes have seen threefold increases in their water and sewer bills.

“This couldn’t have come at a worse time,” Ledford conceded while standing on the bank of Lake George last week.

Buying water from another producer like Crittenden-Livingston or another nearby water district could be a long-term solution, but it, too, is rife with complications. Right now, Crittenden-Livingston Water District does not have the capacity to serve all of Marion’s needs, which are about 14 million gallons a month. Crittenden-Livingston makes two million gallons of water a day, but is under contractual and other obligations to serve its roughly 3,700 customers in the two counties, plus municipalities of Lyon County, Grand Rivers, Smithland, Salem and Ledbetter. Currently, Crittenden-Livingston makes enough water for around 7,000 customers, but it’s maxed out.

There is an eight-inch water line running from Salem to Marion that connects the county and city water systems. Even if the county could manufacture enough water to meet the city’s needs, the line between Salem and Marion is not large enough to carry an adequate amount of water in a 24-hour period to meet full daily demand.

Marion requires just under 500,000 gallons of potable water a day. The county’s water plant at full throttle cannot make enough to guarantee that amount to the city, and the transmission lines right now aren’t big enough to push it even if the plant could keep up.

The C-L Water District plant would need some upgrades to be able to serve Marion. It currently has two clarifiers, but has three filters which are capable of getting to the three million gallon threshold. Kentucky regulation requires some redundancy in a plant’s capabilities, so an additional one-million gallon filter would be necessary at the plant, plus some other improvements. Still, there would be questions, including whether the intake in the Cumberland River would need to be upgraded to bring that much additional raw water into the plant.

The water district is tied to Marion’s distribution system at three places – on U.S. 60 west of town, on KY 120 east of Marion and on KY 506 east of Marion. If the water district started feeding Marion water through all of those valves, there would be too much pressure on Marion’s lines. Therefore, pressure-regulating devices would have to be installed.

Constructing a water line costs about \$100 per foot, according to a civil engineer The Press spoke to who has done work for the county water district in the past. Building an adequate water transmission system from the county’s production system to Marion’s distribution system would cost around \$5 million.

One option being discussed is running a pipe to the Ohio River from Marion’s plant to retrieve raw water. Based on that engineer’s estimate, line construction, intake and pumping systems would almost certainly be around \$10 million. While that option would solve the raw water issue, it does not address an aging Marion water plant. City leaders concede that the water plant is – like its sewer system – reaching obsolesce rapidly. Solving the plant’s inadequacies would cost millions of additional dollars.

Getting Lake George back into service will be costly as well. Rebuilding the levee isn’t as simple as plugging the holes by bringing in new dirt.

“We cannot put it back to the same standards that existed in the 1950s when it was first built,” the city administrator said, explaining that preliminary indication from advisors and engineers is that a new dam will have to be constructed on a stable foundation and be much wider. That would mean excavation down to bedrock then a complete rebuild of the an earthen levee, perhaps using concrete to some degree. Speculation is that \$10 million would be necessary for that course of action.

Scientists from the Division of Water (DOW) have been examining Old City Lake trying to determine its precise potential. Increasing its capacity could be a long-term option. It drains about 1,500 acres while Lake George’s watershed is only about 800 acres.

Ledford said the work done recently by DOW experts will provide decision makers with better information about the ability of Old City Lake to hold an adequate amount of raw water. Right now, city leaders are basing their strategies on data generated decades ago which indicate Old City Lake holds about 12 million gallons of water at normal pool. At normal stage, Lake George, a 65-acre man-made reservoir built in 1954, could hold about 182 million gallons.

Adding capacity to Old City Lake would be the least costly, but it’s unclear if that’s a viable option or the pricetag.

As Marion lurches forward into some of the driest months of the year, there’s hope upon hope that Mother Nature continues to bless the community with adequate rainfall. Over the first four months of the year, Crittenden County received 21 inches of precipitation, almost two inches above normal. As of early this week, May was below the monthly average with the county seeing the second driest May since 2016, although there was about two inches of rain measured in the final 10 days of the month. A dry period for 45 to 50 days could greatly jeopardize the city’s ability to meet demands for drinking water, Ledford admits.

“If that happens we would have to do a good job of educating customers and being more restrictive to make sure we don’t run out of water,” Ledford said.

The options come with a caveat that permission from state and/or federal agencies would be a prerequisite to altering either of existing raw water sources, or siphoning water from a river.

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Saturday, June 4

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If you have loved ones buried in the cemetery please attend.

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Hurricane memories span 133 years

On Aug. 14, 1988 the Hurricane Camp Meeting was to have its Centennial Celebration. For this very special occasion the camp meeting committee put together a little memorial booklet filled with pictures and interesting stories about the meetings and happenings of yesteryear. Let's take a look at some of those very interesting stories and memories from the little booklet.



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

Forgotten Passages

Rev. J. J. Smith was a Circuit Rider. He initiated the first Hurricane Camp Meeting in 1889, and it is still going strong 100 years later. Rev. Smith preached at Hurricane Camp for 50 years and attended after he was physically unable to preach. He lived to be 99 years old.

Camp's Crowd Hits Record High.

People from all over western Kentucky have heard about Hurricane Camp Meeting. Crowds have numbered from the hundreds to the thousands. However, in 1895, Hurricane had its largest crowd ever recorded.

The grounds held more than 5,000 people all at once. Not only that year, but many other years, the crowds were so big that the old Tabernacle could not hold all the people (and the old Tabernacle was bigger than the one today). To solve this problem, while one evangelist was preaching in the Tabernacle, another was preaching standing on top of a stump that was on the camping grounds. There was always enormous crowds at both places.

The Young And The Old

Each year at Hurricane Camp Meeting the oldest person and the youngest person to attend that year are recognized during the evening service. The youngest person to attend the very first Camp Meeting in 1889 was Joe Williams, son of George and Laura (Franklin) Williams. Born on the 22nd day of July, he was 130 days old at that initial meeting a century ago.

The oldest person at the first Camp Meeting was Mary G. Perry. She was the widow of John Beatty Perry. Mary was 77 at the first Camp Meeting and lived to be 82.

Camp Charges Admission

As Hurricane began to get older, the attendance and the funds were not as they had been. To try and stay afloat, Hurricane Camp started charging for each person that came to the meeting. However, it did not work as planned from the start. Admission of 25 cents per person was charged or \$1 for a camping fee. This went on several years until it was decided that this was not a good

way of encouraging people to come to Camp Meeting. Needless to say, admission to Hurricane Camp Meeting was done away with.

The Livery Stables

Years ago there were so many horses and buggies at Hurricane Camp Meeting that the Meeting opened a livery stable where the horses could be taken care of during the day. Elwyn (Jick) Lucas was one of the workers at the livery stable when he was 16 years old. He said that he would take the horses as the people would ride them in and would feed them. If the horses were at the stables all day he would also water them, Jick mentioned that since there were so many people at the camp the saddles would sometimes get vandalized, so he would take care of them also.

However, as the years moved on and automobiles became more popular, the livery stables were done away with.

Fashions Of The Past

People from all over always looked forward to Hurricane Camp Meeting, especially the women. They would spend the summer sewing new clothes for the Camp so they would look their best.

In the late 1890s and early 1900s, it was the style to wear "shirt-waists," which is equivalent to today's blouse. These shirt-waists would be worn with long skirts. During that time it was also the style to wear sharp-pointed shoes.

It was an unwritten rule that the second best outfit would be worn the first Sunday and the very best was to be worn the last Sunday. Since there were always big crowds at Hurricane Camp, the ladies had to look their best.

The Devil's Wagon

For about the first 25 or 35 years of Hurricane Camp, soft drinks could

Not only is there spiritual growth at Camp Meeting but also growth between family and friends. Pictured in front of their cabin are (front from left), Steve and Greg English, (second row), Nancy (Lucas) Mick and Ann (Jacobs) English, (back), Paul Mick holding baby Allison and Phil English.

not be sold on the grounds. Neither was tobacco smoked.

Some referred to the soft drink truck as "the devil's wagon." However, several can remember that stronger drinks than soft drinks were available in the woods nearby where the local bootlegger was more than happy to supply the good brethren with moonshine.

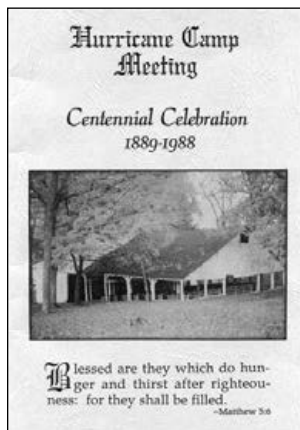
Moore vs. the Devil. By
Miss Helen Moore

One morning during Camp Meeting in the late 1890s, Burnett Moore was making his way on a path through the woods to visit the local bootlegger who had set up shop nearby, when suddenly there was the devil standing on the path before him beckoning him to come on.

Burnett stopped, looked around, but when he looked back, the devil was still standing there saying, "Come on." Just then voices seemed to be calling him to come to the Tabernacle.

As he stood there wrestling with himself, the devil seemed to be coming toward him. Burnett turned and ran back through the woods and up the hill to the Tabernacle where he interrupted the preacher and the morning service, "The devil was after me!"

There that morning he left the devil behind and the prayers of his family were answered.



The front cover of the now historical Hurricane Camp Meeting Centennial Celebration booklet.

cided to leave the grounds to go to Tolu so they could swim in the river. The preacher at Hurricane Camp, as well as Belle, heard of this.

During the morning service the next day the preacher preached on "the sins of mixed bathing." For the altar call, he asked for all the people that promised to never go mixed bathing to come to the altar. Belle was the only one to go, the lady who did not even want her ankles to show promised never to go mixed bathing.

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<p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-08 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 7/1/2022 THROUGH 6/30/2023 BY ESTIMATING REVENUE AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF CITY GOVERNMENT</u></p>								
<p>Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky at a special called meeting held on May 24, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on May 16, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:</p>								
	General Fund	Water Fund	Sewer Fund	ABC Fund	Municipal Aid	LGEA Fund	Rest./Motel	Total
<i>Revenues</i>								
Property Tax	368,400						236,000	
Payroll/Net Profits	485,000							
Intergovernmental Payments	387,428				60,000	2,000		
Interest & Miscellaneous	146,000	12,100	3,500	77,500	75	8	50	
Insurance Tax	210,000							
Water Sales		578,600						
Sewer Sales			420,600					
Service Chrgs.		10,000						
Penalties		15,000						
Environmental fee			705,000					
Loan Proceeds			5,000,000					
Franchise Fees	111,000							
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,707,828	\$615,700	\$6,129,100	\$77,500	\$60,075	\$2,008	\$236,050	\$8,828,261
<i>Expenditures</i>								
Administration	509,214	27,475	141,919	74,808				
Appropriations	7,768							
Police Dept.	528,995							
E911 Dept.	340,040							
Fire Dept.	58,966							
Street Dept.	92,027							
Lights	88,500							
Planning/Zoning	73,420							
Building Fund								
Water Plant		383,162						
Sewer Plant			5,303,260					
System Maint./Debt		200,531	171,544					
Public Transp.					1,375	1,375		
Tourism							236,050	
TOTAL EXP.	\$1,698,929	\$611,168	\$5,616,723	\$74,808	\$1,375	\$1,375	\$236,050	\$8,240,428
Projected Net Increase (Decrease):	\$8,899	\$4,532	\$512,377	\$2,692	\$58,700	\$633	\$0	\$587,833

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

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Garage sale, Friday, June 3, 8 a.m.-? At 2364 Weldon Rd., TVs, household items, adult clothes, too much to mention. (1t-22-p)

315 Harmon Dr., Marion, Saturday, June 11 from 8 a.m.-noon. Furniture, outdoor decor, lots of nice things. (1t-22-p)

Multi-family yard sale, 501 E. Bellville St., Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m.-? both days. Many household items, home décor, women clothes and shoes, girl's bicycle, children's toys/games, brand new sewing machine. Cash only. Something for everyone! (1t-22-p)

331 Lilydale Rd., Marion (between Crayne and Fredonia), Friday, June 3 and Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Men and women clothes, furniture, knick-knacks, too much to mention. Rain or shine. (1t-22-p)

Multi-family yard sale, Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., 2922 S.R. 506. Baby and kid's clothes, jewelry, home décor, tools, furniture, toys, kitchenware. (1t-22-p)

119 East Gum, Marion, Saturday, June 4, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Vintage household items, tools, lots of items. Rain cancels. (1t-22-p)

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The Pennyryle District Health Department is accepting applications for a full time Local Health Registered Nurse I for Lyon County. Starting Salary: \$22.00 hour negotiable with additional experience and benefit package. Applications and a full listing of qualifications may be obtained at Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg County Health Departments. Completed application and transcript must be postmarked by Thursday June 2nd, 2022, to HR Manager, PDHD PO Box 770 Eddyville, KY 42038. Resume will not substitute for completed application. Qualified applicants/employees are subject to a pre-screening, selection for interview and/or demonstration of skills testing. Pre/Post employment may be contingent upon a successful drug screening test and background check. Equal Opportunity Employer. (2t-22-c)

The Pennyryle District Health Department is accepting applications for a full time Public Health Hands Specialist: "Parent Visitor" for Caldwell / Crittenden /Livingston County. Starting Salary: \$18.00 hour negotiable with additional experience and benefit package. Applications and a full listing of qualifications may be obtained at Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon and Trigg County Health Departments. Completed application and transcript must be postmarked by Thursday June 2, 2022, to HR Manager, PDHD PO Box 770 Eddyville, KY 42038.Re-

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The Defendant, Joshua Phelps, is hereby notified that on March 22, 2021, Plaintiff, Fischer & Van Thiel, LLP filed a Complaint for breach of contract, and common count in San Diego Superior Court of North County, 325 S. Melrose Dr. Vista, CA 92081 (Case No. 37-2021-00012716-CL-BC-NC) seeking a judgment for costs of suit, for such relief as is fair, just, and equitable; and for damages of \$24,626.62 by Defendant. CIVIL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE: June 10, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Dept. N-31. In the event the Defendant fails to respond to the Compliant within 30 days after this publication of this Notice, the Court may proceed to enter a Default Judgment and grant the relief requested by the Plaintiff. A letter, phone, or court appearance call will not protect you. The attorney representing the Plaintiff is Michael A. Fischer, Fischer & Van Thiel, LLP 2424 Vista Way, Suite 200, Oceanside, CA 92054; phone (760) 722-7646. (4t-24-p)

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-09 AN ORDINANCE 21-03 AMENDING CHAPTER 50

WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM, SECTION 50.2, RATES AND CHARGES

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The flat rate environmental assessment fee set to go in effect on July 1, 2022 is hereby deleted.

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

PREPARED BY: /s/ Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY FRAZER LAW OFFICE ATTORNEYS –AT- LAW P.O. BOX 361 MARION, KY 42064 270/965-2261 May 24, 2022 (1t-22-c)

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE ORDINANCE NO. 22-07: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE REGULATORY LICENSE FEE FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN THE CITY OF MARION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023.

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As determined from review of the prior fiscal year and determining that the current regulatory license fees are reasonably estimated to partially reimburse the City for additional policing, regulatory and administrative expenses, the regulatory license fee for all alcoholic beverages sold by the drink, package distilled spirits, wine, and sales of package malt beverages in shall be FIVE PERCENT (5%) upon the gross sales.

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

PREPARED BY: /s/Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY FRAZER LAW OFFICE ATTORNEYS –AT- LAW P.O. BOX 361 MARION, KY 42064 270/965-2261 May 24, 2022 (1t-22-c)

Notice is hereby given that on May 25, 2022 Lisa Evans of 5021 Spider Lilly Rd., Frisco, TX 75035 was appointed administrative of Doris Ann Large Stubblefield, deceased, whose address was 1112 Hwy. 838 West., Marion, Ky. 42064.

Marvin Lee Wilson, P.O. Box 460, Eddyville, Ky. 42038, agent for service of process. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the agent for process on or before the 30th day of November, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please cal and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-22-c)

I, Melissa Guill, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court Marion, Ky. do certify that the following has filed notice of Final Settlement: Rommel Ellington, Jr. of 3287 Fishtrap Rd., Marion, Ky. 42064. Executor of Loretta J. Eberle, deceased. The foregoing settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on June 29, 2022. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once. Melissa Guill, Clerk Crittenden District Court (1t-22-c)

Notice is hereby given that on May 25, 2022 Ryan Christine Roberts of 7 Washington Place, Edwardsville, IL 62025 was appointed administrator of Keith Gregory Roberts, deceased, whose address was 123 S. Yandell St., Marion, Ky. 42064. Caitlyn Chandler Epley, 108 E. Carlisle St., Marion, Ky. 42064, agent for service of process.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the agent for process on or before the 25th day of November, 2022 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-22-p)

notice

The Crittenden County Board of Education has issued an addendum to its notice for sealed bids for the furnishing of all materials, tools, equipment, labor and supervision required for the Crittenden County High School addition to Rocket Arena, Football Field & Softball Field. Proposals will now be received on until 2:00 PM, prevailing time, on June 9, 2022, at the office of the Owner, Crittenden County Board of Education, Rocket Arena Conference Room, 601 West Elm Street, Marion, Kentucky, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

Copies of the bidding documents may be obtained from Maco-Evansville Blue, 600 Court Street, Evansville, IN 47708 (812-464-8108) or visiting their website macoplanroom.com. Any questions should be directed to the office of the Architect, RBS Design Group, 723 Harvard Drive, Owensboro, KY 42301 (270-683-1158).

A 5% Bid Security and 100% Performance and Payment Bond are required for this project.

The scoring of proposals is subject to reciprocal preference for Kentucky resident bidders and preferences for a Qualified Bidder. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and/or waive any informalities in bids received where such acceptance, rejection, or waiver is considered to be in the best interest of the Owner.

bid notice

The Crittenden County Board of Education invites you to submit sealed bids for the following surplus items: 4 - EPCO Brand Stainless Steel Warmers (used in school cafeterias) Bids will be accepted at the Crittenden County Board of Education, 601 West Elm, Marion, KY 42064. Please write "Warmer Bid" on the outside of the envelope. Submit sealed bids until June 9, 2022, at 1:30 PM. at which time they will be opened. Contact Bailey Guess with any questions at 270-965-5052, or bailey.guess@crittenden.ky-schools.us. (1t-22-c)

The Crittenden County Board of Education invites you to submit sealed bids for trash pickup and pest control services for the 2022-2023 school year. Please submit bids to: Crittenden County Board of Education, 601 West Elm, Marion, KY 42064, attention Vanessa Shewcraft. Bids will be received until June 9, 2022 at 2:00 P.M., at which time they will be opened. Any interested party may attend; however, no immediate decisions will be made. Please contact Vanessa Shewcraft with any questions or bid specifications at 270-965-3525. (1t-22-c)

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NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NUMBER 22-06: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PAY PLAN FOR CLASSIFIED CITY EMPLOYEES AND NON-ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SETTING COMPENSATION FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022, AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2023, AND ADOPTING THE PAY PLAN FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS FOR THE SAME FISCAL YEAR

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EXHIBIT A				
CITY OF MARION - EMPLOYEE PAY PLAN				
July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023				
Position	Current Pay	New Pay	\$ Increase	% Increase
<i>City Hall</i>				
City Administrator	\$ 66,300.00	\$ 70,941.00	\$ 4,641.00	7.00%
City Treasurer	\$ 38,250.00	\$ 41,673.38	\$ 3,423.38	8.95%
City Attorney	\$ 12,607.20	\$ 13,489.70	\$ 882.50	7.00%
<i>Planning & Zoning</i>				
Planning/Zoning Coordinator	\$ 27,040.00	\$ 28,932.80	\$ 1,892.80	7.00%
<i>Police</i>				
Police Chief	\$ 49,084.00	\$ 52,519.88	\$ 3,435.88	7.00%
Assistant Chief	\$ 46,028.10	\$ 49,250.07	\$ 3,221.97	7.00%
Sergeant	\$ 44,828.54	\$ 47,966.54	\$ 3,138.00	7.00%
Senior Officer	\$ 42,985.74	\$ 45,994.74	\$ 3,009.00	7.00%
Officer	\$ 42,471.34	\$ 45,444.33	\$ 2,972.99	7.00%
Assistant ABC Officer	\$ 12,000.00	\$ 12,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
<i>911</i>				
911 Coordinator	\$ 35,048.00	\$ 36,800.40	\$ 1,752.40	5.00%
FT Dispatcher	\$ 29,079.18	\$ 30,533.14	\$ 1,453.96	5.00%
<i>Fire</i>				
Chief	\$ 3,078.36	\$ 3,293.85	\$ 215.49	7.00%
Assistant Chief	\$ 1,050.60	\$ 1,124.14	\$ 73.54	7.00%
Fire Fighters (23 total) per run	\$ 39.47	\$ 42.24	\$ 2.76	7.00%
<i>Water & Sewer</i>				
Maintenance Supervisor	\$ 40,912	\$ 43,776.05	\$ 2,863.85	7.00%
City Clerk	\$ 33,970	\$ 36,347.99	\$ 2,377.91	7.00%
Lead Operator (Wastewater)	40,490	\$ 43,324.21	\$ 2,834.29	7.00%
Lead Operator (Water)	40,490	\$ 43,324.21	\$ 2,834.29	7.00%
Operator (Wastewater)	37,150	\$ 37,269.13	\$ 119.46	0.32%
Operator (Water)	34,831	\$ 37,269.13	\$ 2,438.17	7.00%
Operator (Water)	34,831	\$ 37,269.13	\$ 2,438.17	7.00%
Equipment Operator	29,436	\$ 31,496.15	\$ 2,060.50	7.00%
Laborer (Wastewater)	23,988	\$ 25,667.55	\$ 1,679.19	7.00%
Meter Reader	23,988	\$ 25,667.55	\$ 1,679.19	7.00%
Distribution & Collection Certification Adjustment	1,500	1,500	-	
Operator (Water - Part Time)				

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Deaths

Conyer

Melisa Gay Conyer, 63, passed from this life on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville.

She was of the Baptist faith. She was a transplant coordinator for Vanderbilt Hospital for 40 years. She loved crafts, travel, the beach and family.



Surviving are her mother, Peggy Conyer; a sister, Mel Conyer (Ted) Gillum; a brother Mike (Vicki) Conyer of Paducah; two nephews, Tyler Porter of Odenville, Ala., and Drew (Hannah) Conyer of Paducah; three nieces, Emily (Frank) Phillips of Monticello, KY, Katelyn Gillum of Frederick, Md., Chelsey Gillum of Owensboro; three great-nieces, Emma Jane Phillips, Maggie Anne Phillips, Libby Rose Phillips; and a great-nephew, Warner Conyer.

She was preceded in death by her father David "Dave" Conyer.

Funeral services were Sunday, May 29 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Liver Transplant Patient Assistance Fund at Vanderbilt Transplant Center Center, Attention: Ed Zavalva, 805 Oxford House, 1313 21st Avenue South Nashville, TN 37232-4745.

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Rocket recognition

Rocket Way employee and students in the Crittenden County School District during May are (front from left) Kasen Whitfield, Gracie Orr, Blake Beck, (back) certified employee Jessica Abercrombie, Will Renschler and classified employee Lisa Williamson.

Community Events

•The annual meeting of the Sugar Grove Cemetery Association will be after morning worship Sunday, June 12.

•Virgil Jones VFW Post 12022 will meet at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 9 at the VFW building at 412 N. College St., Marion.

•The Marion VFW post hosts Bingo starting at 5 p.m. every Tuesday at

412 N. College St., Marion.

•Marion Show and Shine is held the fourth Thursday of every month through October around the Crittenden County Courthouse, weather permitting. Cars, trucks and motorcycles welcome. Sponsored by City of Marion Tourism. City of Marion Police Dept. authorized.

Extension Events

The following is a list of activities scheduled during June through the Crittenden County Extension Service.

•A painted door hanging class will meet at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., Thursday, June 2 at the Extension Annex. Call the Extension Office to register at 270-965-5236.

•The Hooks & Needles Crafter's Corner Club invites anyone interested in needlework – embroidery, knitting, tatting, etc. – to join them Tuesday, June 7 at the Extension Office. Club meets from 1-3 p.m. Bring your projects to work on.

•Quilt Club will meet from 1-3 p.m., Thursday, June 16 at the Extension Annex. There are sewing machines available. Participants of all levels are invited.

•The Leader Lesson "Skillet Cooking" will be presented at 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 7 at the Extension Office. Join us for a lesson on cast iron cooking that includes new non-stick finishes, over-safe pans, how to clean and care for your cast iron, and much more.

•Challengers will have a salad potluck luncheon at noon, Wednesday, June 8 at Piney Fork Church on Hwy. 506. If

you want to car pool, meet at Farmers Bank parking lot at 11:30 a.m.

•Crittenden County 4-H will have project days for youth aged 9-18 and Cloverbuds age 5-8 starting Tuesday, June 7. The first class offered will be Acrylic Painting from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. On Wednesday, June 8, a Self Portrait class will be held from 12:30-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. On Thursday, June 9, a Pinch Pots and Watercolor class will be held from 9 a.m.- 12:30 p.m., for \$5. Contour drawing will be taught from 1-3 p.m. Cost os \$2. On Friday, June 24, a Color Collage & Red Work or Chicken Scratch Embroidery will be taught from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Cost is \$5. A Boho Yarn Wall Art class will begin at 1 p.m., for a cost of \$5. All classes are at the Extension Annex. You must pre-register by calling the Extension office at 270-965-5236. If you plan on staying all day please bring your lunch. Youth age 5-8 must be accompanied by a parent. You can pay the day of classes.

•Snap-Ed Assistant Vickie Belt will present "Healthy Choices – Lesson 2" at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday, June 13

at the Extension Annex. This class counts as credit toward Community Christmas. Please call the Extension office to pre-register at 27.

•On Friday, June 17 there will be a field trip to Big Roots Lavender Farm in Hawesville. Participants will learn the farm's history and how to grow lavender. This is part of the 2022 Garden Series presented by Ag Agent Dee Heimgartner. Call the Extension Office for more information and to pre-register. You must RSVP by June 14.

•The Extension Office will be closed on Monday June 20 for Juneteenth.

•Snap-Ed Assistant Vickie Belt will present "Healthy Choices Lesson 3" at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 28 at the Extension Office. This class will count towards Community Christmas. Please call the Extension Office to pre-register at 270-965-5236.

•FCS Agent Janeen Tramble will host a pin weaving workshop at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m., Thursday, June 30 at the Extension Annex. Please call the Extension Office to pre-register at 270-965-5236.



Kentucky State Police is selling chances on a 2022 Sierra 1500 Limited Denali to benefit Trooper Island youth camp. The \$10 tickets are available locally at The Crittenden Press. Trooper Island is a free camp for kids.

Mineral show Saturday

After a COVID-19 imposed break, the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum's Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show returns to Fohs Hall Saturday and Sunday.

Show hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday.

On Saturday, there will be a Fluorescent Mineral Show and the annual meeting of the Midwest Chapter of the Fluorescent Mineral Society.

There will be free children's activities, hourly door prizes and a silent auction along with tours of the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum each day.

Vendor tables with various types of jewelry and memorabilia will be set up inside the Fohs Hall auditorium adjacent to the museum.

Browse the museum's one-of-a-kind collection or shop in the gift shop

for unique gifts for gem enthusiasts.

The museum located at 201 N. Walker Street in Marion houses a world class collection of minerals and memorabilia that details the rich fluorspar history in Crittenden County.

For more information, visit the Clement Mineral Museum on Facebook or email beclement@att.net.

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Co-op, dual credit, virtual students put real work toward goals

STAFF REPORT

COVID-19 changed the country in many ways and education has been perhaps a beneficiary to some degree.

While the pandemic created incredible challenges for educators from elementary to college levels, it has inspired development of new avenues of thought when it comes to schooling.

About 50 Crittenden County High School students, a number of them who graduated last week, have found that school and work can go hand-in-hand in non-traditional ways.

"There are several who haven't been in the classroom since the pandemic began," said Gaige Courtney, the high school's remote learning coordinator the last couple of years.

He points to several students who have earned money and gained invaluable experience on the job while most of their peers were in classrooms.

"Several of them have worked ahead," Courtney said. He singled out Cale Minton, who graduated last week. Minton has been employed regularly on a farm in Union County for the past couple of years. Courtney said he's been done with his coursework for weeks.

Ben Evans, another senior who earned his diploma Friday, hasn't seen a classroom since the pandemic first began in April 2020. His plans of getting a trade certification in electrical or HVAC was jump-started by opportunities to work alongside local electricians Randy Dunn, Dan Wood and Larry Tinsley. He also learned a great deal about the carpentry trade by working with local contractor Matt Jent for the past year.

Briley Berry is just a junior who has worked full time the past two years on the family farm and started his own lawn care business while doing all of his school assignments online.

And there are many more. Kara Fulkerson has worked at the Mexican restaurant while learning virtually. Colton Gilland has been employed at Liberty Fuels and Caden Langston at Dairy Queen. All of them have been among remote learners, an opportunity that was not widely afforded to students prior to the pandemic.

Many of the remote learners have also been athletes, participating in football, baseball, cheerleading and other sports.



Ben Evans was working at Crittenden Community Hospital for Matt Jent Construction, which had a contract last month to renovate part of the lobby.

With all of the demands on their time, they've still maintained self-discipline to complete school work through the online program Edgenuity.

"It hasn't been for everybody, but some have done very well with it," Courtney said.

Most students in the virtual program have been high achievers over the past year, he explained.

Whether the full-time virtual learning options will be available going forward is still unclear. Local educational leaders have been weighing the benefits and challenges. Tiffany Blazina, a spokesperson for the school district, said a final decision has not been made. Remote learning could be something that's offered only to high school students in the future, but nothing has been determined at this time.

There are other similar programs such as senior/junior academy, dual credit and traditional co-op programs that have allowed students to get a head start on their futures.

John Sigler, who walked through the graduation line late last week, says his co-op opportunity at Riley Tool and Machine was highly beneficial.

"It was so much different than trade school," said Sigler, who is working toward earning a certificate in welding.

"I learned a whole lot more working here than I did at trade school," he said.

Sigler used his co-op and dual credit opportunities to get a head start on classwork he will need from Madisonville Community College to finish

his certification.

"I chose welding because not a whole lot of people around here know how to do it, and there should be plenty of jobs," he said.

A new report released by the Council on Postsecondary Education has good news for those with a record of employment prior to earning college-level certificates.

The Earnings & Employment of Certificate Earners in Kentucky report, conducted in partnership with the University of Kentucky's Martin School of Public Policy and Administration, found that certificate holders increase their earnings about 14 percent on average, have higher rates of earnings growth and are more likely to be employed than before they earned their certificate.

"Certificate programs are becoming more and more popular, especially in Kentucky, which warrants a study of their value to both the individual and the state," said Travis Muncie, CPE's executive director of data and advanced analytics. "The goal of this report is to better understand the costs and benefits of certificate programs and the career trajectories of graduates to help inform policy decisions."

Nationally, sub-baccalaureate certificate granting has grown nearly 80 percent over the past 20 years. At public institutions, the number of certificates granted annually was up over 140 percent during the same period. Kentucky is a national leader in short-term cer-



Todd Riley said John Sigler has been a valuable employee during his co-op time at Riley Tool and Machine this semester. Riley said he hopes more students pursue these types of options.

tificate granting, awarding about four times the national average.

"As careers and technology continue to change, employers and workers are understanding the value of short-term training programs," said Kentucky Community and Technical College System President Paul Czarapata. "It's a win for both of them because certificates can be earned in weeks or months, not years, so people are getting upskilled or reskilled quickly. That's extremely important in this competitive environment."

The report focuses on Kentuckians who have earned one postsecondary certificate and who were employed prior to pursuing their certificate. By focusing on this group of students, the study authors could compare their subjects' earnings and employment after completing their certificates to their earnings and employment before entering a certificate program. The authors also compared certificate earners to students who earned associate degrees and those who started, but did not complete, a sub-baccalaureate credential.

The study found certificate earners who studied a STEM field experienced the highest earnings increase followed by

health care professions and skilled trades.

Earnings increases are largest among students who took more credits while earning their certificate. Students who took 15 or more credits in their fields of study have earnings increases that are about twice as large as those who completed certificates with fewer credits related to their fields of study.

Students who pursue certificates are different in important ways than those who earn associate degrees or those who never earned a college credential. Those differences include their chosen fields of study, gender, race, ethnicity and age. Moreover, certificate earners have distinctive labor market experiences, with relatively low pre-enrollment earnings and employment rates as compared to other students in the study's sample, suggesting that certificate students have unique needs and reasons for pursuing postsecondary education.

"It is important to recognize the wide variation of experiences in the job market and motivations for attending college among students earning certificates," said Muncie. "They need different supports that necessitate different policies and practices."

Student academic honors at Murray, Ole Miss, Midway

Several local students were named to the Murray State University Dean's List this semester. Students must have attained a term grade point average of a 3.50 or above are eligible for the Dean's List.

On the Dean's List from Marion were Brandy Book, John Claude Duvall, Lauren Gilchrist, Austin Johnson, Matt Lynn, Brandy Murray, Carissa Powell, Dayton Simpkins, Seth Taylor. From Fredonia were Tyler Ashley, Christian Campbell, Oli Martin and Ellie McGowan. From Livingston County were Josey Tolley and Emily Brown. From Sturgis were GraciLou

Ackerman, Tyler Fuesler, Riley Jones and Kyle Shirel.

Olivia Ramage of Smithland was named to the University of Mississippi's Spring 2022 Honor Roll. Ramage, majoring in Biomedical Engineering, was named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll, which is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.75-4.00.

Cameron Head of Burna was named to Midway University's Dean's List for the spring semester. To be named to the list, a student must be classified as full-time and obtain a 3.60 grade point average for the semester.



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Family literacy event June 14 at Marion-CC Park

Family Literacy Night will be held from 4-6 p.m., Tuesday, June 14 at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

This program is open to anyone in the community and is presented by Crittenden County Early Childhood Council.

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FOOTBALL
Rocket Schedule
Rocket football skipper Gaige Courtney has put together an interesting schedule for his second season as the CCHS head coach. While the slate includes some traditional neighboring opponents such as Webster County, Union County and Caldwell County and district games against Fulton County and Russellville, the Rockets will have some long-distance foes in 2022.

A team from inner city Baltimore will be arriving in Marion in September. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel is a private Catholic school that put up some incredible offensive numbers last year en route to a 6-3 record.
CCHS will face another out-of-state opponent Oct. 7 when it goes to Liberty Creek, Tenn., a new high school in Gallatin. This will be the Wolves first season as a team as the 700-student school is opening in August in the Sumner County School District.
The schedule also includes Bethlehem, a perinnniel top 10 Class A team and Murray, a typical top 10 Class 2A team, plus Class 4A Madisonville.
The team will be starting its Lift-a-Thon fundraising event in June. This year they've designed a way for local businesses to get involved in the competitive spirit. Players will be contacting local businesses soon with more information.

2022 Crittenden County Football SCRIMMAGES
Aug. 5 at Hopkins Central
Aug. 12 Calloway County
REGULAR SEASON
Aug. 19 at Murray
Aug. 26 at Webster County
Sept. 2 Madisonville
Sept. 9 at Caldwell County
Sept. 16 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Penn.
Sept. 23 Union County
Sept. 30 at Bethlehem
Oct. 7 at Liberty Creek, Tenn.
Oct. 14 Fulton County
Oct. 10 Russellville
Oct. 28 Bye
Nov. 4 Playoffs

GOLF
Buck-Doe couples
Marion Golf and Pool will host its annual couples golf event on June 25-26. The Buck and Doe Tournament will be 36 holes. Call or text 270-969-4376 to enter.

OUTDOORS
Hunting Seasons
Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up:

Bullfrog	May 21 - Oct. 31
Spring Squirrel	May 21 - June 17
Fall Squirrel	Aug. 20 - Nov. 11
Dove	Sept. 1 - Oct. 26
Deer Archery	Sept. 3 - Jan. 16
Turkey Archery	Sept. 3 - Jan. 16
Canada Goose	Sept. 16 - Sept. 30
Deer Crossbow	Sept. 17 - Jan. 16
Teal	Sept. 17 - Sept. 25
Turkey Crossbow	Oct. 1-16
Deer Youth	Oct. 8-9
Deer Muzzleloader	Oct. 15-16
Turkey Shotgun	Oct. 22-28
Deer Gun	Nov. 12 - Nov. 27
Turkey Crossbow	Nov. 12 - Dec. 31
Fall Squirrel	Nov. 14 - Feb. 28
Quail, Rabbit	Nov. 14 - Feb. 10
Duck	Nov 24 - Nov. 27
Canada Goose	Nov. 24 - Feb. 15
Dove	Nov. 24 - Dec. 2
Turkey Shotgun	Dec. 3-9
Duck	Dec. 7 - Jan. 31
Deer Muzzleloader	Dec. 10-18
Dove	Dec. 24 - Jan. 15
Deer Free Youth	Dec. 31 - Jan. 1

More athletes qualify for state meet

STAFF REPORT
Nearly a dozen Crittenden County High School athletes are headed to the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Class A State Track and Field Meet in Lexington.
Senior Tristan Davidson and sophomore Karsyn Potter qualified with their performances two weeks ago at the Class A Region 1 Track and Field Meet at Murray. Davidson won the regional high jump championship and finished second in the 200-meter dash. Potter was runnerup in the region's shot put event.
Now, another nine athletes have received at-large invitations to the state meet. They include members of two relay teams and Payton Maness in the girls' high jump. The boys' 1600-meter relay team comprised of Jordan Hardesty, Rowen Perkins, Kaleb Nesbitt, Tristan Davidson and alternate Isaac James is headed to Lexington and so is the girls' 4x800 relay team of Ella Geary, Presley Potter, Aubrey Grau and Mary Martinez.



Eleven Crittenden County athletes are headed to this weekend's state track meet.

CCHS basketball squads play full June schedule

STAFF REPORT
New Rocket basketball skipper D.J. Pigg has hit the ground running this offseason.
In addition to a full-blown weightlifting and practice regimen, the team will play a busy summer schedule. On the slate are typical offseason trips to McKenzie, Tenn., for Bethel University's team camp and a jaunt across the Mississippi River to play in

the Rib City Shootout at Dexter, Mo.
Pigg has added some games at Henderson County's Summer Slam, which is right around the corner on Saturday. The team began offseason, open-gym workouts a few weeks ago. CCHS has its top scorers returning with guards Travis Champion and Preston Morgeson.
CCHS will also play at Mar-

ion, Ill., Mayfield and will host round-robin action at Rocket Arena on June 16 that will include McLean County and perhaps other teams from around the area.
The Lady Rockets will also be playing a full schedule in June as senior stalwart Taylor Guess begins the first leg of her final season. She is already the school's all-time leading scorer and will have

her sights set on a 2,000-point career.
The girls open play June 7 at Christian County, then go to McLean County two days later. They will be at Bethel in McKenzie, Tenn., on June 12-14 for team camp then finish up the month June 23-24 at the Rib City Shootout in Missouri.
The KHSAA dead period begins June 26.

Warmer temps signal hot start to spring fishing

By Lee McClellan
Kentucky Afield Outdoors
Summer-like weather floated into Kentucky over the past few weeks. An obvious sign is when you notice people venturing outside in T-shirts and shorts still wrinkled from being stored away since last fall.
Hotter weather also drives people to get their kayaks out and paddle a stream. Many a first kayak purchase is made when the first real short-sleeve weather of the year hits.
Now that Memorial Day weekend is behind us, scores of Kentuckians will begin to have rivers, lakes and streams to themselves for fishing. Whether you're a first-timer or an experienced paddler, float trips require planning and execution for a safer and more enjoyable experience. Following are some tips and resources for a better float.
Getting started
Consult the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources' Canoeing and Kayaking Page before floating any stream in Kentucky. Here you'll find helpful links, including the Stream Fisheries page. The fisheries page provides excellent information on access points (including location photos), fish in the stream, best water flow levels



for paddling and fishing tips.
The new license year started March 1, so remember to purchase a fishing license if you plan to fish. Licenses and permits can be purchased online via fw.ky.gov and in person at various locations throughout the state.
The link to the Blue Water Trails page profiles three dozen floats across Kentucky, with fishing tips, some local history and a printable map for planning.
Safety is paramount when kayaking. The Canoeing and Kayaking Page also contains a link to a free Paddle Sports Safety Course that beginning floaters should take before their first paddling trip.
Check water flows
Floating a moving stream requires an awareness of the water conditions. There are resources available for you to do some scouting from your computer before you go.
To start, consult the United States Geological Survey water levels online at water-data.usgs.gov. This will help you determine whether the stream is currently floatable. Click on the Kentucky image on the map, then "Statewide Streamflow Table" to show streams in the different river drainages.
The streamflow table chart is expressed in cubic feet per second (CFS) - how much water is moving down the stream. The blue line on the chart shows the current water

flow. The triangles represent the median, or midpoint, of flows over the years.
A blue line well above a triangle likely means high, and potentially dangerous, flow levels. A blue line near the triangle usually means good flows for kayaking. Flows well under the triangle mean low and clear water, which is often excellent for fishing.
If you're at the stream trying to decide if the water conditions are right for a paddle, use this rule of thumb: if the water is flowing brown, turn around. High, muddy water gets many inexperienced kayakers in trouble. If a paddler's boat hits an unseen, submerged snag, it can quickly lead to a flip.
Study the route
Use online satellite imagery to study unfamiliar water. Look for foamy lines across the stream - this usually indicates a low-head dam. If this is the case, consider another section or another stream. Low-head dams are incredibly dangerous.
If you haven't scouted an unfamiliar stream beforehand, listen for any roar in the distance while you're on the water. If you do hear it, slow down and look downstream for a rapid or a dam. From the water, a low-head dam looks like a straight line across the horizon.
Take out immediately if you spot a dam. Carry your boat around the dam and put it in well downstream. Water flowing over a low-head dam creates a reverse current that can pull a canoe or kayak back into the dam. Even the strongest paddler cannot break free of this current.
Look for landmarks toward the end of the float when studying satellite imagery: re-

member a particularly sharp bend, a bridge, power line or any unique feature that can alert you that the take-out is just downstream. When you park a shuttle vehicle at a take-out, be sure to pay attention to nearby landmarks while you're there. Few things in the outdoors make for a worse situation than floating past your take-out - and your vehicle.
Try to not bite off more than you can chew when deciding on the length of the float. Most floats should be 8 miles or less until you gain experience. A paddle under 6 miles will give you time to enjoy yourself, fish, pull over for lunch or take a break without worrying about darkness falling before you reach the take-out.
Be prepared
Keep your keys, cell phone and valuables in a waterproof dry bag secured in the boat, along with a small first aid kit. Remember, too, to keep your fishing rods secured when running rapids and paddling underneath overhanging trees.
Keep track of your time, because floating in the dark should be avoided at all costs. You cannot tell the water's depth in the darkness. You can't negotiate rapids. It is easy to float past your take-out.
Your float kit should include a waterproof flashlight in case you are delayed in reaching your take-out. A turned ankle, a tree blocking the stream or just fishing too long can lead to a dark float. Keep track of your time to ensure your group does not dilly-dally too long at any one spot to avoid paddling in the dark.

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About 100 attended Saturday's Memorial Day Weekend ceremony at the Blackford Veterans Walk of Honor in rural Crittenden County and another large crowd was on hand Monday for a ceremony at Marion's Mapleview Cemetery Veterans Memorial. Pictured are (clockwise from top left) Burna American Legion Post 217's color guard folding the American Flag at the Marion ceremony (pictured: David Brown, Mark Girten, Darryl Goodaker, Jason Hurley); Post 217 Legionnaire Larry Porter played Taps at Mapleview; First Sgt. (ret.) Lynn Goodrich of Marion prepares to place the wreath at the Blackford event; and a group of Early American 4-Hers, Sons of Confederate Veterans, Sons of the American Revolution and others fire a salute during the ceremony on Saturday at Blackford. The Crittenden Press YouTube Channel has a video from the Blackford event. Please subscribe to our YouTube Channel. It's free and it helps ensure we can continue to bring you videos like this one.

50 YEARS AGO

June 1, 1972

■ Eleven Crittenden County High School students were chosen for the nation's leading high school honorary society. Selected for Society of Outstanding American High School students were Brenda Croft, Lana Aldridge, Joan Heines, Rene Hughes, Diana Simpson, Todd Love, Curtis Turley, Ginny Runyan, Suzie Brown, Shanan Travis and Steve Gilland.

■ James Willoughby, a sophomore at CCHS, placed second in the mile run at the Class A Competition.

■ Steve Farmer received his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree.

25 YEARS AGO

June 5, 1997

■ Marion City Council members and Crittenden County magistrates voted unanimously to okay a financial incentive package they hoped would keep Par 4 Plastics in Marion.

■ Fluorite crystals form the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum were exhibited on a display at the state capitol building.

■ CCHS band members were honored at the annual awards banquet. Director's awards were presented to Bruce McClure and Martha Paris. Outstanding Freshman was Amanda Waters. Amanda Alvis won Most Improved. Award for Musical excellence was give to Ashley Gass. The USMC Award for Musical excellence went to Mary Vickery. The Patrick Gilmore Award was given to Martha Paris and the Philip Sousa Award went to Mary Vickery. Color guard awards were given for: Best Attitude, Lisa Brown; Most Improved, Kerri Barnes; Outstanding Guard, Angel Mayes, Shannon Mayes and Amy Hill.



10 YEARS AGO

June 7, 1997

■ Crittenden County High School held its track and field awards ceremony. Among those honored were Elliot Day, Senior Award; Kaitlyn Moss, 100 Points Club and Senior Award; Ragon Dossett, 100 Points Club and Senior Award; Korey Mayes, Senior Award; Leah Scott, 100 Points Club; Margaret Sitar, 100 Points Club and girls' MVP; Thomas Scott, 200 Points Club and Boys' MVP; Dustin Roberts, 100 Points Club; Josh Gaston, 100 Points Club; and Zach Tinsley, 100 Points Club.

■ Several Crittenden County High School students participated in the local American Private Enterprise System Program. Those participating were Randi Brill, Ashlee Harris, Morgan Williams, Kaylee Gibson, Ian Cartwright, Ellen Merrick, Nikki Conger, Dominique LaPlante, Terra Williams, Dallas Haire, Maggie Harrison, Alyssa Leet, Hannah Roberts, Whitney Kinniss, Abby Mills, Whitney Williams, Megan Wheeler, Will Hayes, Kaylin McConnell, Matthew Pendrick, Daniel Patton, Bobby Knox, Thomas Scott, Tucker Frazer, Devin Clark, Ethan Hill and Corey Bruns.

■ Crittenden County had five baseball players earn a spot on the All Fifth District Team. They were Travis Gilbert, Wes Evers, Bryce Willis, Brenden Phillips and Aaron Owen. Owen was also named to the All Second Region Team.

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planning to file. It's unclear whether Councilman Donnie Arflack will run for council or mayor. He's been considering both options.

Some newcomers have filed to run for council.

They are Marty Wallace, who is retired from the U.S. Navy; Bobby Belt, who is a sales manager at Johnson's Furniture; and Troy McGahan, a local pastor and host of WMJL radio's West Kentucky Wakeup Show.

Two Crittenden County Board of Education seats are up for grabs, Dis-

tricts 2 and 5, which are currently held by Eric LaRue and Ryan McDaniel, respectively. McDaniel has already filed and LaRue was planning to file this week.

The last day to file as a write-in candidate for the fall general election is Oct. 28.

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