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Our longest day

Summer solstice, the day when the earth reaches its maximum tilt toward the sun, is Thursday, June 20. That will be the longest day of the year and the official start of summer. There will be approximately 15 hours of daylight on Thursday with the sun rising at 5:31 a.m., and setting at 8:17 p.m.

Leadership breakfast

Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce will host a Leadership Breakfast starting at 7 a.m., on Wednesday, June 26 at The Venue (former Woman’s Club Building) with Dr. Tyler Hamilton of Livingston Hospital leading a program about addiction in the community. Candy’s Kitchen is catering the event.

WMJL’s McGahan dies

Local radio personality Troy McGahan died on Sunday. He had been diagnosed with cancer only a few weeks ago. His funeral will be in Somerset, Ky. His obituary is on page 2. A benefit singing to aid McGahan’s family and three others in the community suffering from serious illness will be held Saturday at Fohs Hall. More information about the event is on page 3.

Living Tree People

More individuals, particularly men, are needed to join the Living Christmas Tree roster. The Community Arts Foundation is reviving the Christmas tradition after an 18-year hiatus. Christmas selections will be performed by adult and children’s choirs on five dates in early December at Fohs Hall. In addition to vocalists, crew members to help erect and decorate the tree are needed. Visit the Community Arts Foundation Facebook page to find a link to register or call Kim Vince at (270) 704-1446.



Agriculture Hall of Fame

Nominations are being accepted through July 5 for Crittenden County Agriculture Rural Leadership Hall of Fame. Nominees can be a farmer or someone who has supported the community through agriculture. Nomination packets are available at Crittenden County Extension office. The 2024 inductee will be recognized during the Lions Club Fair 4-H Breakfast later this summer.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden Fiscal Court meets at 8:30 a.m., Thursday, June 20 at the county office complex.
- Crittenden County Conservation District will meet at 6:30 p.m., the Thursday, June 20 at its office on East Bellville Street.
- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 4 p.m., Monday, June 24 at Deer Lakes meeting room.
- Livingston Fiscal Court meets at 5 p.m., Tuesday, June 25 at the county office complex in Smithland.
- Crittenden Fiscal Court special meeting 3:30 p.m., June 28.



A sea of numbers in negotiations

FERRY

FY2023 COMPARISON By The Numbers

Ferry	Daily Hrs of Svc.	Annual Funding Including Match	Total Traffic Count	Cost Per Vehicle	Cost to Kentucky
Augusta	12	\$297,000	64,240	\$4.62	\$297,000
Cave In Rock	16	\$1,662,000	261,455	\$6.36	\$831,000
Dorena Hickman	16	\$288,000	7,774	\$37.04	\$144,000
Reeds	10	\$161,728	17,173	\$9.41	\$161,728
Rochester	11	\$161,728	34,366	\$4.71	\$161,728
Turkey Neck Bend	24	\$1,000,000	87,319	\$11.45	*\$1,000,000
Valley View	12	\$416,100	58,427	\$7.12	\$416,100

Turkey Neck Bend cost does not include payroll. Source: KY figures compiled by Crittenden County officials.

Contract back in hands of Kentucky

STAFF REPORT

Hoping to avoid an impasse that could idle Cave In Rock Ferry, negotiators appear to have found common ground and the State of Kentucky is now holding the ball.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom, who chairs the Cave In Rock Ferry Authority, said there is still no word from Kentucky Transportation Cabinet officials on whether the latest offer will be accepted, but he is very optimistic because the sides are close and could soon be inking a deal that

will keep the ferry rolling for another two years. Its current contract expires June 30.

A ferry has operated at the same landings on either side of the Ohio River since 1803. Cave In Rock Ferry is one of 10 ferries operating in Kentucky with seven receiving state dollars. Two are private and one is federally funded.

Based on figures in the hands of negotiators last week, Cave In Rock Ferry is among the most economical to operate. Kentucky and Illi-

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9 Other Ferries of the Commonwealth

State Supplemented Ferries

- Augusta Ferry crosses the Ohio River connecting Bracken County, Ky., to Brown County, Ohio.
- Rochester Ferry crosses the Green River connecting Butler and Ohio counties in Kentucky.
- Reeds Ferry crosses the Green River connecting Butler County and Ohio counties in Kentucky.
- Dorena Hickman Ferry crosses the Mississippi River between Fulton County, Ky., and Mississippi County, Mo.
- Turkey Neck Bend Ferry crosses the Cumberland River in Monroe County on KY 369.

•Valley View Ferry crosses the Kentucky River in Madison County on KY 169.

Federally Operated

Green River Ferry crosses the Green River in Mammoth Cave National Park in Edmonson County.

Privately Operated Ferries

Anderson Ferry crosses the Ohio River connecting Boone County, Ky., to Hamilton County, Ohio.
Rising Star Ferry crosses the Ohio River connecting Boone County, Ky., to Ohio County, Ind. It is operated by Rising Star Casino Resort.

Tolu charm gifted

STAFF REPORT

A relic linked to Tolu’s 1931 basketball championship has a new home at the Crittenden County Historical Museum.

The family of the late Virgil Hughes, who was a member of that team, donated the necklace he and other teammates received when the Indians won the Class B championship, beating Betsy Layne 28-11.

The Tolu Indians advanced after their Class B win to play in the all-class state championship game against Louisville Manual, losing 34-23.

The basketball necklace pre-



sented to historian Brenda Underdown has been passed down through the Hughes family for four generations.

Virgil Hughes’ son Ronnie “Doorknob” Hughes had possession after Virgil died, then passed it down to his son Dane. Most recently it has been in the safe keeping of Dane’s daughter Brittany.

The trophy from Tolu’s Class B state title is on display in a case in the lobby of Rocket Arena, but other trophies and memorabilia from Tolu and other county schools is preserved in a second floor room in the historical museum.

Virgil Hughes’ son Doug re-

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Members of the Hughes family (pictured from left in top left photo) are Ric Hughes, Brittany Hughes and Doug Hughes. They donated the state championship necklace to the local museum. It was accepted by local historian Brenda Underdown.

Cartwright will be interim assistant principal



Cartwright

Retired school administrator Heath Cartwright has been chosen to serve as interim assistant principal at Crittenden County High School for the 2024-25 school year.

Before retiring in 2019, Cartwright amassed years of school leadership experience, including serving as principal at both Ledbetter Elementary and Heath Elementary in Paducah. He also served multiple roles at

McCracken County School District, including director of technology and professional development; assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction; and interim superintendent.

Since retiring, Cartwright has not strayed far from his roots in education. He has served as a home hospital teacher and interim superintendent at Caldwell County; a middle school interim

principal at Livingston County Middle; and an elementary school interim principal at North Livingston.

Cartwright and his wife, Ronda, reside in Paducah and together have three children, four grandchildren and a grandson on the way. They spend a great deal of time at their family farm in Caldwell County. Cartwright will assume his role at Crittenden County on July 1.

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Deaths

Turley

Randall Lee Turley, 67, of Marion, died Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at his home. He was a member of Mexico Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife, Pam Turley; three children, Floyd (Kara) Turley, Austin (Carol) Turley, and Carrie Turley Curnel, all of Marion; nine grandchildren, Dylan, Preston, Emma, Lila, Coy, Jaxon, Hattie, Baylee and Gracie; and three brothers, Curtis (Brenda) Turley, David Turley and Todd (Patti) Turley.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd and Francis A. Turley; and a brother, Billy Turley.

Services were Friday, June 14 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Maplevue Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Earls

Jason Paul Earls, 48, of Marion, died Monday, June 10, 2024 at the Ray & Kay Eckstein Hospice Center in Paducah.

He had been employed by Martin Tire and Harper's Auto Salvage.

Surviving by his wife, Judy Earls; and three sons, Joshua Earls, James Earls and Joseph Earls, all of Marion; a grandson, Jaysen Keith Earls; a sister, Karen Earls of Michigan; two brothers, John (Julie) Earls Jr., of Kevil and David Earls of Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Helen Carter Earls; and three sisters Nancy, Rita and Donna.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Kleinik

Portia Kleinik, 77, of Marion, died Thursday, June 13, 2024 at Parkview Nursing Home.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Victor Kleinik; and parents, George and Roma Diewert.

Private services will be held at a later date, Gilbert Funeral Home is in charge of arrangments.

Wilson

Bonnie Lee Hartley Wilson, 98, of Hermitage, Tenn., died Thursday June 13, 2024.

Surviving are a daughter, Wilda Renee Mairson of Old Hickory, Tenn.; three grandchildren, Erroll Hartley, Annamiek Hartley Gray and Step-

hanie Mairson; two sisters, Lula Ellen Easley Gilmore and Minnie Wanda Easley Ditty; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Bernett Hartley; a son, Mark Bernett Hartley; her parents, Al and Minnie Easley; and a grandson, Sean Mairson.

Graveside services were Wednesday, June 19 at Maplevue Cemetery. Gilbert Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Connor

Marvin C. Connor, father, boat pilot, auto mechanic and body shop owner, marina operator, skilled lathe operator, scuba diver, and a self-taught jack of all trades, died Friday, June 14, 2024 at age 97. He was born Jan. 21, 1927, on a farm halfway between Pellville and Floral, Ky., as the youngest child of Herbert Clyde Connor and Anna B. Harrison Connor.

He grew up in rural Hancock County and Owensboro. After serving in World War II, he relocated to Tell City, Ind., where he began a career as an auto mechanic working at the Pontiac garage. He moved on to his own business, Connor's Body Shop, where he became known as a skilled and well-liked mechanic and auto body repairman for much of the town's populace. Not long after starting this business, he was prevailed upon by some of his fellow pleasure boat owners to take over the operation of the Tell City Marina, a boat dock on the Ohio River. He also learned to scuba dive and assisted the local fire and police departments with rescue operations and bought a small tow boat that he renovated to add a pilot house, the "Carol Sue," which he used to assist in operations on the river.

In the late 1960s, Connor began work on the construction of a dam on the Ohio River at Cannelton, Ind., which began his occupation as a river boat pilot. He worked on various dam construction projects up and down the Ohio, until he finally relocated to Smithland to work on the construction of the Smithland Dam. He continued working as a boat pilot until his retirement in 1989.

In retirement, he and his wife Darla began working as flea market vendors, and Connor taught himself to paint beautiful pictures. He also taught himself carpentry, plumbing and electrical work and built an addition to their Smithland home, as well as various outbuildings.

Connor's hobbies included spending time with his large family, reading Western novels, fishing and hunting with his buddies, raising large and bountiful vegetable and fruit gardens, and, to use his word, "piddling." If he needed a tool or device for himself or others, he would create it. But his passion was his involvement in the Masonic Lodge in both Tell City (Lodge #623) and Smithland (Lodge #138), where he was known for bringing his home-made fried apple pies to functions. He was also a member of the International Union of Operating Engineers for most of his working career. He never met a stranger - he could (and did) strike up an animated conversation with just about anyone he met. His storytelling was legendary.

Surviving are six children, Carol Connor (Jeff) Cohen, Cathy Connor (Gary) Grundhoefer, Charles "Chuck" (Darla) Connor, Marvin Craig Connor, Cindy Connor (Darrell) Wiseman and Rosa Connor (Michael) Gilland; 11 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Darla Jean (Richardt) Connor; two sons Michael Ambrose Connor and Christopher Neal Connor; a grandson Jacob Paul Gilland; two brothers, Sewell Connor, Sr. and A.B. Connor; and a sister, Jo Connor Bowlds.

Graveside services were Tuesday, June 18 at Calvary Cemetery in Troy, Ind.

McGahan

Troy Delano McGahan, a beloved husband, father, son, brother, and a dedicated minister of the Word of God, journeyed from this life Sunday, June 16, 2024 surrounded by his family, to open his eyes in heaven after winning his courageous battle against cancer.

Born on Nov. 23, 1972, to Bobby and Margaret McGahan, McGahan's life in Somerset was filled with joy, particularly in his love for sports. His life path led him to answer his calling to become a pastor.

McGahan's unwavering commitment to sharing the Gospel exemplified his faith and impact on others. As a minister, he touched countless lives, guiding many toward the Lord and serving as a beacon of strength and inspiration. His ability to offer encouragement and lead others closer to Christ during their life journeys is a testament to his deep faith and caring spirit.

The union of Troy and the love of his life, Terra took place Sept. 27, 2002, and marked the beginning of a journey filled with love and commitment.

On Dec. 22, 2003, their joy multiplied as God blessed them with the arrival of their son, Zechariah "Zech" Delano

McGahan, adding a new chapter of love and happiness to their lives. These significant dates hold profound meaning and memories that will forever be cherished by those who knew and loved McGahan.

His presence in Marion left a profound impact on the community, where he and his family were embraced with love.

As a radio personality for WMJL, McGahan's daily broadcasts not only shared his faith but also his jovial spirit, bringing laughter and joy to those who tuned in. His ability to intertwine humor with his message reflected his genuine and approachable nature, making him a cherished figure in the community.

Surviving are his wife, Terra; son Zech, his parents, Bobby and Margaret McGahan; a brother, Tim; and nephews Darrell and Trevor and their families; a sister-in-love, Nicole; and her children Tyler, Isabel, Benjamin, Evan, EmaJo, and Shiloh Clark; and numerous beloved aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Juanita and D.D. McGahan and Leslie and James Aker. Their memory and influence surely played a significant role in shaping Troy's life and values, leaving behind a legacy that continues to inspire those who knew him.

Visitation in Marion is from 1-6 p.m., Thursday, June 20 at Central Baptist Church.

Visitation in Somerset is 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Friday, June 21 at Southern Oaks Funeral Home followed by a service at 2 p.m.

Berry

James Martin Berry, 84, of Marion, died Monday, June 17, 2024 at his home.

He was employed by Turner & Conyer Lumber Company for 35 years, enjoyed woodworking in his spare time and was a member of Marion Main Street Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 65 years, Wanda Doom Berry; three sons, Jerry (Amy) Berry and Joseph Berry, both of Marion, and ad Jack (Michelle) Berry of Murra; a daughter-in-law, Cheryl Ann Berry; a son-in-law, Jack Stewart; 11 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Rosey Cummings Berry; a son, James "Marty" Berry; a daughter, Barbara Stewart; three brothers; and two sisters.

Services are at 1 p.m., Thursday, June 20 at Myers Funeral Home with burial in Frances Cemetery. Friends may visit with the family Thursday from 11 a.m., until the service time.

Fund for fire victim at Farmers

Friends of Marion resident Camron Howard have established a fund at Farmers Bank to help the young woman replace personal items lost in a

house fire Saturday, June 15. Howard was not home when her home on Coleman Road was discovered on fire around midnight Saturday.

Community Calendar

Call (270) 965-3191 to share your organization's meetings in this free, weekly community calendar.

Thursday, June 20

- Line dancing class is at 9:30 a.m., at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center.
- Friends of the Crittenden County Public Library meets at 6 p.m., in the library meeting room.

Saturday, June 22

- An all-you-can eat breakfast will be served from 7-10 a.m., at Salem Masonic Lodge #81 located at 237 W. Main St., Salem. Cost is \$6.

Tuesday, June 25

- Summer Reading Program meets from 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- A Positive Employability class will begin at 6:30 p.m., at the Crittenden County Extension Annex. This is a mandatory class for Community Christmas.



The Flash (Rhonda Horak) and young super hero Clark Baker dressed the part while interacting with the participants of the Crittenden County Public Library's Summer Reading Program.

Super time at summer reading

Super heros real and imaginary visited with students participating in the Crittenden County Public Library's Summer Reading Program June 11.

Smokey the Bear and his friend from the Forestry Service stopped by to remind everyone of the need to act responsibly with the summer's dry conditions and to practice safe habits with campfires. Kids received comic books about Smokey and other hero figures.

Marion Police Chief Bobby West explained how the police interact with the community. He told the kids how 911 works and asked if everyone knew how to call 911 if necessary. He also gave each child a gift.

Marion Fire Department and personnel with the Crittenden County EMS explained their jobs

and how they serve the citizens of Marion and Crittenden County. The kids were invited to examine the firefighters' uniforms and ask questions about a firefighter's job and equipment.

The kids were then able to go outside and examine both the fire truck and ambulance closely.

Adventures remain for local youth interested in the Summer Reading Program. Activities remaining on the summer schedule include:

- June 25: Survival of the Fittest with presentations by Forestry Department and campfire safety by Boy Scouts
- July 2 American Adventures
- July 9 Animal Adventures
- July 16 Science Adventures
- July 23 Arctic Adventures
- July 30 Grand Finale



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Old election records have been damaged a bit over time, as illustrated by the pages above smashed together accordion-style. At right, Cory Wilson with Courthouse Computer Systems, a contractor from North Carolina, recently copied old documents at the Crittenden County Clerk's Office, digitizing them for electronic archiving. These were among many that have been or will be computerized with grant funds.



Grants paying to digitize county's legal documents

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County has been working to get a jump on digitizing historic and legal documents at the courthouse archives for several years now. By 2026, there are some benchmarks that must be met.

County Clerk Daryl Tabor was earlier this year granted \$4,800 to digitize mortgage, plats and wills back to 1966, which will be among state requirements in less than two years. Counties are being held to a 60-year standard when it comes to making many types of records available digitally.

Plats are legal documents which amount to a map or a survey, which is drawn to scale, showing divisions of a piece of land. The recent work to digitally photograph and

catalog old records includes 45 plats, three mortgage books and a will book. That amounts to about 11 years of bound wills, three years of mortgages and plats since 2021.

Large, heavy bound books full of legal documents dating back to 1842 when the county was first created are located at the county office complex. They had for years been stored in the basement of the former courthouse. Tabor said digitizing just makes sense because it allows modern technology to archive, protect and improve searchability of records. Over the years, almost all of the work to computerize local records has been done with assistance from state grant funding.

County Attorney Bart

Frazer is also working with grant funds to codify county ordinances. The county received \$12,000 for the work.

"It will allow for more detailed searches, save time when you're researching ordinances and also provide greater transparency," Frazer said about computer-based archiving.

All of the county ordinances will be digitized by late this year or early next year, he said.

Tabor has also received grant money to purchase fireproof storage for hard copies of loose wills and estate settlements. Additionally, he is working with a North Carolina firm to digitize election records back to 1892, which are the earliest bound records available on the county's elections.

Drama is name of game

Community Arts Foundation's Summer Drama Camp got underway this week.

The five-day camp helps youngsters develop drama skills and culminates with a public performance.

Elementary age students in the camp were cast Monday in the Shakespearean tragedy *Julius Caesar*. This kids' version of the play provides students with a way to learn about both



Scarlett Bock auditions for Julius Caesar by providing her best scream for directors Corey and Michelle Crider. All participants gave their best screams, theatrical deaths, evil laughs and melodramatic sobs to audition for the roles.

history and drama and have fun along the way.

The public performance is 4 p.m., Friday, at Fohs Hall. Admission is

free and doors open at 3:45 p.m. The play is under the direction of Corey and Michelle Crider.

TLC TV features local teen pregnancy

BY ALLISON EVANS
THE CRITTENDEN PRESS

Pregnancy challenges of a 15-year-old Marion resident are documented during a 12-episode series of TLC channel's Unexpected.

Now about to enter her senior year at Crittenden County High School with a 15-month old in day-care, Kayleigh Weathers is reliving her teen pregnancy journey while watching herself on the television program, which began on June 3.

She agreed to share her teen pregnancy journey on the sixth season of the show when a TLC producer reached out to her in March 2022 after seeing a video Weathers posted on TikTok relating to teen pregnancy.

Watching the show as it airs each week, Weathers finds it somewhat surreal.

While seeing herself crying on the first episode, Weathers recalls those "emotions of trying to figure out how life was going to work."

"It was a lot at once. Wondering about things like sports and everything else, having friends around and wondering whether they would stay or go," she said.

Some in her family

questioned whether the relationship with Graham, the father of her child, would last.

"I was home more, and less with my friends," she recalls. "But Graham is still around."

She and Graham met in seventh grade and remain together today, sharing time with their son, Easton, between her parents' home in Marion and his family's residence in Caldwell County.

Their story was videotaped during 25 film sessions on a set designed to look like a living room in a second story room at Fohs Hall. TLC rented the facility for about six months.

Weathers is one of six teenagers whose pregnancies are followed on the program. A producer from Nashville joined her for an ultrasound appointment, baby shower and her son's birth. A final interview was done on the Fohs Hall set a week after the baby was born.

"They filmed us at the house a little bit with two of my friends and filmed daily life," she said. "They filmed my 16th birthday, filmed when we went to see Christmas lights and ate at Our Daily Bread."

Weathers said she earned \$5,000 for her participation on the program, which gave her necessary finances to prepare a room for Easton.

Interestingly, if she had to do it over again, she would forego an opportunity to have her pregnancy documented for a national television show.

"I should have just enjoyed my pregnancy instead of putting it out there for everybody to see - it was stressful always having to film. A lot of times things were forced and we did things we didn't want to do like start an argument over a few things."

She gave birth as a sophomore in high school and returned to school for her junior year, resuming her positions on the Crittenden County High School cheer and softball squads with babysitting help from her parents. Jeff and Mandy Weathers.

Weathers plans to attend West Kentucky Technical and Community College after high school graduation and pursue a career in nursing, preferably in labor and delivery.

TOLU

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flected on the basketball championship of a group of boys from the tiny town of Tolu. Doug Hughes said Tolu is likely the smallest school to win a state championship unless perhaps Cuba in Graves County, which also holds a title.

He recalled stories

passed down through the years of the of the Tolu team practicing on an outdoor court in the absence of an indoor gym and taking a train to neighboring towns for basketball games.

The lore of the Tolu team getting sick on bananas while at the state tournament has long been associated with the Tolu boys' trip to Louisville, but it is un-

true.

Doug Hughes commends the contents of the local historical museum, including county sports displays that include his letterman jacket.

"I've been a lot of places, and this museum is absolutely unique," the Georgia resident said. "People don't know what all is in it."

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Boat dock in water for season at Dam 50

County road crews launched the Riverview Park boat dock on Friday.

The temporary pier is installed seasonally. It is a convenience for pleasure boaters and fishermen.

A concrete ramp is located at the park, which is also known as Dam 50.

Wilkerson named to Alabama’s list

Aislinn Wilkerson of Princeton was named to the University of Alabama Deans List for spring semester 2024.

A total of 13,103 students enrolled during Spring Semester 2024 at The University of Alabama were named to the dean's list with an academic record of 3.5 (or above) or the president's list with an academic record of 4.0 (all As). Alabama has more than 70 undergraduate programs.

Clements, Davis to serve on board

Marion City Council this week appointed Andrea Clements to the Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission. Clements' family owns the world-class mineral collection at the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum. She is also instrumental in operations at the museum. Clements will fill a seat that has been vacant on the tourism commission for some time.

Additionally, City Council member Taylor Davis was chosen to be the council's liaison to the tourism commission.

Fireworks shows planned for Fourth

With the Fourth of July holiday falling on a Thursday, local celebrations will be held on non-typical dates. Thunder Over the Valley, which is Fredonia's large fireworks display, will be on

Wednesday, July 3. Tolu's fire-works show will be sooner, on Friday, June 29.

Alves graduates from Oregon U.

Samantha Peek Alves graduated Monday, June 17 from the University of Oregon with her masters in educational leadership.

Alves is a 2007 Crittenden County High School graduate and a 2013 graduate of Murray State University. She is a teacher in Lakeview, Ore.



Kailyn Stokes

Stokes wins 4-H's biggest award

Marion's Kailyn Stokes received the 4-H Emerald Award during last week's 100th annual Teen Conference Achievement Ceremony.

The Emerald Award is the highest honor a Kentucky 4-Her can receive in the Achievement Program and is presented annually to only four 4-Hers selected from a rigorous application and interview process.

Coon Library receives \$750K for expansion

An addition to Princeton's library was among proposals funded last week and announced by Gov. Andy Beshear as part of \$8.5 million for 12 projects across Kentucky to improve community facilities. The projects include building new community centers, building a new fire station and building a new Emergency Medical Services (EMS) station.

The Caldwell County Fiscal Court, in collaboration with the George Coon Public Library, will use \$750,000 to help build a new multipurpose learning and performance center at the rear of the library.

The new addition will feature a large meeting area equipped with partitions to allow separate events to be held at the same time. It will be complete with a computer lab and an auditorium with theater-style seating.

Former Providence councilman indicted

A former Providence City Councilman was indicted last week by the Webster County Grand Jury following an investigation by the Attorney General's Special Prosecutions Division.

Keith R. Farrell, 69, was indicted on a felony charge of sexual abuse of a minor under the age of 16. According to the indictment, Farrell unlawfully subjected the victim to sexual contact by groping her.

Kentucky State Police investigated the case. Assistant Attorney General Jacob Ford presented the case to the Webster County Grand Jury on behalf of the Commonwealth. The investigation began in January, according to news reports from Providence.

An indictment is based solely on allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

Recycling still on hold

Crittenden County's recycling program remains on hold, but Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said this week that steps are being taken to resurrect a five-county recycling effort.

The multi-county coalition had been using West Kentucky Correctional Complex as an operations center, but the prison ceased its program earlier this year.

Newcom said a company interested in providing a regional recycling program for area counties hopes to occupy a building in Princeton. There is, however, no specific timetable for the program to begin. As for now, Crittenden County Convenience Center is still not accepting recyclable materials such as plastics, glass or cardboard.

For McGahan, Maxfield, Locke, Boone Benefit sing Saturday for 4 local individuals

STAFF REPORT

A benefit singing led by Cutter & Cash and The Kentucky Grass will be held starting at 7 p.m., Saturday at Fohs Hall. Beneficiaries will be four local individuals either deceased or currently battling life-threatening illness.

Troy McGahan, one beneficiary of the concert proceeds, passed away earlier this week. His survivors will be presented with a share of the charitable gifts.

Kevin Maxfield and Amanda Locke, who are fighting cancer; and Lee Boone, who suffered a series of strokes, will also benefit from the event.

There is no admission to the event, but donations are being accepted. McGahan was a WMJL on-air radio personality. He hosted the West Ken-

tucky Wakeup Show weekdays from 6 to 9 a.m. His obituary is on page 2.

Maxfield is a member of the Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission, Boone is a longtime auto body repair specialist and Locke works in the nursing field.

The show will feature a variety of music genres with performances by local entertainers, including Corey and Michelle Crider, David Conyer, The Davis Family, Linda Brown, Lacie Duncan, Anna Beth Blackburn and Eli Moss. Doors open at 6 p.m.

"I expect a very big crowd, standing room only," said Brennan Cruce, bass player for The Kentucky Grass.

Make contribution checks payable to Marion Cares.



50 YEARS AGO

June 20, 1974

■ The week seemed to be a prime week for killing snakes as two large specimens were taken to The Crittenden Press office for photographing. Dan and David Burkes along with Brian Campbell held a six foot chicken snake which they killed on the City Dump Road. Eldon Sutton displayed a 44 1/2-half inch copperhead which he and Leman Little killed at Sutton's Route 10 farm.

■ Magistrates learned of ambulance woes as Wilbur Hunt of Hunt Funeral Home and Ambulance Service notified them he would no longer be operating his ambulance service past Aug. 31. He explained he was losing money each month and withdrew his offer made earlier to accept a county subsidy to keep the service going.

25 YEARS AGO

June 17, 1999

■ Relay for Life netted more than \$91,000. Rain failed to dampen the fundraiser as more than 1,500 walked. There were 64 teams and 834 registered walkers. Hopewell Cumberland Presbyterian Church raised the most money and received a traveling plaque for collecting \$5,685.80. More than 900 luminaries, which were bought in memory or in honor of cancer victims were sold. Eighty-four cancer survivors took part in the survivor's lap held at the beginning of the all-night walking event.

■ Craig Morris of the Pennyryle Area Development District and Crittenden County Judge-Executive Pippi Hardin met with members of the Amish community to discuss the possibility of converting the county's dormant railway into a multi-purpose bike and buggy trail. After Morris and Hardin's presentation at Daniel Ridge School, a letter was drafted and signed by 26 members of the Amish community pledging their full support for the project. The project would be part of the federal-state Rails to Trails program that converted unused railroads into trails.

■ Local government officials Mayor Mick Alexander and Judge-Executive Pippi Hardin shared shovels with representatives of Bee Hive Homes manager Darlyne Fletcher and co-owner and developer Donnie McKinney when ground was broken for a new assisted-care living facility for seniors. The 11-room extended-care home was to be constructed at the corner of Nichols and Moore streets in Marion. The owner said it would be completed during the fall.

10 YEARS AGO

June 19, 2014

■ Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough joined graduates William Henry Odom, Kenneth Wayne Robinson, Felicity Yeah Rowley, Audrenna Swetland and Pathway Academy instructor Vicki Hatfield at the Pathway Academy's 12th commencement ceremony. School officials praised the graduates for their commitment and dedication in earning their high school diplomas.

Crittenden Press Letters to the Editor

Thanks to helpers at Veterans' Memorial

To the Editor:

I would like to give a special shout out to all those who help make the Veterans Memorial at Mapleview Cemetery so beautiful each Memorial Day.

For over 20 years, Connie and Jim Harris provided the beautiful

flowers. The past two years, due to health issues, someone else stepped up to fill their shoes.

Last year, Farmers Bank and this year Peoples Bank with Louise's Flowers filled the need. Jim and Patti Estes have placed flags at each cross for several years. James Smith painted the flag pole and a new American flag was hoisted to its place of honor. Others have filled the needs in years past.

We often never know how things

in our community get done. Thank you to all those who volunteer faithfully year after year in our community.

A special thanks to all who work to maintain Mapleview Cemetery as a place of rest for our loved ones, many of whom volunteered their lives for us. May God bless America and Crittenden County.

Marlene James, volunteer
Marion Cemetery Association

FERRY

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nois equally share expenses to hire a private contractor to operate the ferry. Lonnie Lewis and his family from Hardin County, Ill., have been managing the ferry company since 1994. Lewis owns a franchise that's more than 200 years old, giving him sole authority to operate a ferry on the Kentucky shore.

Cave In Rock Ferry Authority is a local quasi-government agency established to oversee the ferry's operations. However, it has no funding nor administrative staff. The authority is made up Judge Newcom, Crittenden County Magistrate Chad Thomas and community representative Brian Joyner of Cave In Rock, Ill., and Billy Fox of Marion.

Kentucky transportation officials notified ferry authority leaders and the public about two weeks ago that a wide gap in contract negotiations appeared likely to stall ferry operations when the existing contract expires at

the end of June. The states were offering a 13-percent increase in funding while the ferry owners wanted about 40 percent.

After a few days, the ferry conceded to state-offered funding with some concessions on other language in the contract. The ferry authority met last Thursday in Marion and reviewed the counter offer from Lewis and his ferry company. In accepting a 13-percent increase, taking the annual funding to about \$1.8 million, the ferry owner wants no fundamental changes in the existing contract. Judge Newcom said there had been a great deal of alterations made to the contract, increasing administrative oversight and requiring monthly reports. Newcom said the state plan called for the ferry authority – comprised of volunteers and local government officials – to collect and audit all monthly expenses, payments, payroll records, U.S. Coast Guard reports and maintenance schedules. Newcom said the

ferry authority would be in ill positioned to handle such chores without any additional administrative assistance.

"The authority is merely a pass-through agency," Newcom said, pointing out that some tenants of the proposed contract were a bit bewildering.

The authority also reviewed Fiscal Year 2023 ferry operating costs for services elsewhere in Kentucky and compared those to the Cave In Rock Ferry figures. There are seven that receive state funding. Two receive funding from multiple states. Those are the one here and the Dorena Hickman Ferry across the Mississippi River, which is funded by Missouri and Kentucky.

"All of the other ferries that receive state funds, together carry only 70 more vehicles per year than the one at Cave In Rock," Newcom said.

Last fiscal year, 261,455 vehicles crossed the Ohio River between Crittenden County and Hardin County, Ill. Cost to Kentucky was \$3.17

per trip. Illinois paid an equal amount, but still the cost per ferry ride was among the lowest for all Kentucky ferries.

The authority discussed the possibility and benefits of charging a minimal toll to cross the river. When it was operated as a privately-funded ferry prior to 1994, tolls averaged about \$8 for most vehicles. Newcom said a \$2 toll would generated more than enough to subsidize what the states are willing to pay. However, he pointed out that Illinois officials say charging a toll is out of the question.

"They don't allow tolls for any of their state-funded ferries," Newcom said.

Kentucky would allow it. Newcom points out that Augusta ferry charges a fee. It crosses the Ohio River between Kentucky and Ohio, charging \$7 one way for a passenger vehicle.

Two privately operated ferries cross the Ohio River. They each charge \$5 for passenger vehicles.



Fatherhood and discipline

Discipline is a word that has fallen on hard times in my lifetime, especially when describing parenting. It has fallen off the road and into ditches on both sides of the road. On one side there is the misunderstanding that discipline is nearly equivalent to punishment. The term “disciplinarian” is almost a euphemism for what would pass as abuse today. On the other side, it has disappeared into the world of a corrupted version of “gentle parenting” where children become the emotional tone setters for the household. Both ditches increase the likelihood of emotional distance or estrangement as children grow to adulthood.

Discipline has also often been misunderstood in the Bible. That means that it has been (wrongly) used to support corporal punishment (i.e. spanking). This has caused an unnecessary reaction on the part of some to use this misunderstanding as yet another reason to reject the Bible’s teaching.

When the Bible speaks of discipline it is most often speaking of “edu-

cation.” An unfortunate leftover from some early translations has left us with a word that has changed meaning in the intervening years. Good fathers (and mothers) educate their children. They set boundaries. They teach children how to get along in a world with all kinds of people in it. They teach social skills, financial skills, and ensure “reading, writing, and arithmetic.”

When Paul wrote letters to the Ephesians and Colossians he had some specific instruction for fathers. “Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.”, and “Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.” (Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:21, RSV)

He wrote an encouraging letter to the Thessalonians and included an image of a father with his children. Notice he points to a father’s behavior and the aspects of correction, encouragement, and good behavior. “You are witnesses, and God also, how holy and righteous and blameless was our behav-

ior to you believers; for you know how, like a father with his children, we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own kingdom and glory.” (II Thessalonians 2:10-12)

There is another word we need to consider when thinking about the discipline of children. It is used in Proverbs 13:24, “He who spares the rod hates his son, but he who loves him is diligent to discipline him.” This verse is often replaced by a seventeenth century line in a satirical poem about a love affair by Samuel Bulter in which he says, “Spare the rod, and spoil the child.”

The word in question here is “rod.” Perhaps Psalm 23 can help us better understand that the use of “rod” here is one of guidance and security, “Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me.” Proverbs 13:24, then, means that a good father guides and supports his children and is diligent to educate them. Do not spare your children the guidance and support they need. “Sparing the rod” has nothing to do with corporal punishment. There are no examples of it anywhere in the Bible.

The word in the Bible that is often translated as “discipline” is the same word from which we get

“pedagogy.” This is important in understanding the education we get from God as we live our lives. Hebrews 12:9-10 pulls these together, “Besides this, we have had earthly fathers to discipline (educate) us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined (educated) us for a short time at their pleasure, but he disciplines (educates) us for our good, that we may share his holiness.”

I have come to believe that the best way to honor our fathers, whether they deserve it or not, is to become the best father or mentor we can be. We become better fathers, grandfathers, uncles, big brothers, and mentors as we continue to learn. A good father disciplines a child by providing clear boundaries to make a child feel safe. A good father disciplines children by setting a good example in the treatment of his wife. A good father does not spare correction, encouragement, or support. No one should despise discipline as described in the Bible – especially fathers.

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Mature Christians become more and more like Christ

Question: I received Jesus as my Savior five years ago. I felt like I was OK. I’d gotten my fire insurance policy against going to hell. Recently, my Sunday school teacher talked about becoming a mature Christian. Am I missing something? What does it mean to grow into a mature Christian?

Answer: Mature Christians are believers who are becoming more and more like Jesus. The Bible teaches, “For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the

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By Bob Hardison



likeness of his Son” (Rom. 8:29a). Christians move from being young and inexperienced into being well grounded in their faith by pursuing a close relationship with Christ through Bible study, prayer, and other Christian disciplines. Also, they become more mature by faithfully living through life’s struggles as the Holy

Spirit works in their hearts and minds (Jms. 1:2 & 3). Mature Christians immediately seek forgiveness of all sins they commit. They confess them and repent (turn away from and change their thoughts and behavior). They readily forgive those who hurt them and then, seek complete reconciliation with them. Jesus came to earth not to be served but to serve (Mt. 20:28). He washed feet, served meals to his followers and ministered to the unclean of his society.

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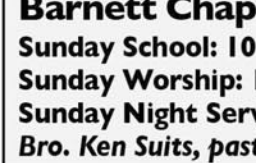
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Memorable times at little community churches

As I've stated many times before, our community schools and churches were such an important part of our earlier days, the center of the community for folks living in and near them. Here are some memorable times for a few of the churches.

Hurricane Church – Past and Present

Hurricane Church is one of the landmark churches in our area, having been formed by pioneer settlers moving Westward over the mountains from the Carolinas, Virginia and Tennessee. Such familiar names as Minner, Love, Moore, Crider, Haynes and others being prominent in the settlement of Northwest Crittenden County, then part of Livingston County, near the center of what was then Hurricane Precinct.

Land for the church was secured from one of the first settlers, Richard Minner, June 20, 1843. The church building now standing is the third building that has graced this beautiful, naturally terraced hillside, having been constructed in 1921, replacing the second building that was destroyed by fire the previous year. The original church building was a log structure with chimney and huge fire place at each end, the pews being made from split logs with legs of wooden pegs.

2024-The Hurricane Church is still active today and this coming Sunday, June 23, it will have its annual Homecoming. Rev. Danny Hinchee and the congregation invite and welcome everyone to come and join the historic church for this day of worship and fellowship in its beautiful, peaceful setting of our countryside. A meal will follow after the morning service.

Some past church events.

June 27, 1930. Singing Fest at Hurricane

Hundreds attend Singing Fest At Hurricane Church. Interest in community and group singing continues to grow in Crittenden County.

More than a thousand persons attended the singing convention at Hurricane last Sunday, many of the assembly coming from nearby counties. Choirs from four churches in the county took part in the day's program. There were the choirs from Hurricane, Hebron, Deer Creek and Tolu churches.

Children choruses from Deer Creek and Hebron were heard, as well as other numbers from these congregations; Mrs. Estella Bracy of Hurricane sang a group of solos.

Representing the Marion Methodist Church were Maurie Y. Nunn, Ted Boston, Trice Yates and Guy Lamb, who played an instrumental quartet. Miss Mary Evelyn Hicklin and Mrs. Louise Love were also present from the Marion Methodist Church and sang a duet. Gene E. Guess of Tolu was accompanist for many of the numbers.

The Rev. T. C. Howell of Tolu presided over the day's service. An impromptu program, in which a number of singers took part, was arranged by Hollis C. Franklin, of this place.

May 27, 1938 – Homecoming At Hebron

The folk who have gone back home to Hebron for the last several years on the first Sunday in June each year will go back home this year as usual but there will be no church home there. The church was destroyed by fire a month or so ago.

But Homecoming will be held at Hebron this

year, as usual. If it is fair weather, the meeting will be held out in the open under the shade of the trees. If it should rain, the meeting will held in the school building. Following the usual custom, a basket dinner will be served at noon. The afternoon will be given to singing and music.

It has been mentioned that the folks at Hebron will celebrate Homecoming this year without a church home but we'll venture to say that next year will tell a different story. Hebron is located in one of the most substantial farming sections of the county. The community has always been a leader in the county. From this community have come some of the county's best known

people, the Wathens, Walkers, Daughtreys, Easleys, Cooks, Franklins, Alvises, Belts, Beards, Greens, Flannarys and others who have helped to build the church and the community and the county.

June 7, 1940 – Hebron Church Dedicated Last Sunday Morning

The new rebuilt Hebron Methodist Church was dedicated last Sunday at the 11 o'clock hour. The church was presented to Rev. Spears for the Methodist Church as an organization by I. W. Cook, E. T. Franklin and Ed Cook, trustees of the Hebron Church, the latter two having been trustees of the church at Hebron for nearly 50 years.

At the dedicatory services, Miss Loleta Lofton, a former member of the Hebron church but now a resident of Evansville and a member of an Evansville Methodist church, sang. The afternoon program continued with singing and visiting with neighbors and friends.

July 5, 1940 – Children's Day Program At Glendale

Glendale Church will hold an all day service



The Hurricane Church, with a long and interesting history, will be have its annual homecoming Sunday, June 23.

Sunday beginning with Sunday school at 10 in the morning; the sermon at 11; dinner on the grounds at noon; Children's Day program beginning promptly at 1; another sermon at 2:30.

Mrs. Harley Kirk and Katherine Stalion, sponsors of the event, said "everyone is cordially invited regardless of creed or denomination. Let everyone who is interested in building up our Sunday school and the cause of the church come and enjoy the day."

After completion of the afternoon sermon, the remainder of the day will be devoted to informal talks and visits. All former residents of the community are especially urged to be present

July 30, 1943 – Crayne Cumberland Church Destroyed

Monday, July 19, the Crayne Cumberland Presbyterian church was destroyed by fire after being struck by a lightening bolt during a late afternoon storm. The bolt struck directly into the bell tower and the blaze burst forth immediately. All contents of the building were saved including the piano and pews but the structure was a total loss.

February 25, 1949 - New church's first service

The new Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Crayne has just recently been completed, replacing the building destroyed by fire some six years ago. The building is of concrete block construction and is quite an addition to Crayne. The people of this congregation are to be complimented on the appearance of this new edifice.

April 23, 1949 - Dedication of new building

On a fine spring day, one of the largest crowds ever



Crayne Cumberland Presbyterian Church built this block building in 1949 after the first one burned. It is now the location of Unity General Baptist Church and has had many additions and remodeling.

to attend church at Crayne CP Church assembled to rejoice with the congregation for the dedication of their new church building.

Pastor Rev. Eugene Lindsey gave a hearty welcome to all, after which Bro. J. M. Cook took charge and delivered the message. He then asked for a donation to help pay for the remaining cost of the church and was pleased to report the amount was raised.

After the dinner hour, everyone was called back for dedication service. Bro Cook made the talk, then the quartets took charge until four o'clock. Cortis Hill led the church singing and Bob Ordway had little children of the community sing two songs.

We are thankful to everyone who helped in any way to make the day enjoyable.

Many good memories and lifetime friendship were made while attending these specials times at some of our old little community churches.

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

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deceased. The foregoing settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on July 10, 2024. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once. Melissa Guill, Clerk Crittenden District Court (1t-25-c)

Notice is hereby given that on June 12, 2024 Rachael King of 3840 Cleary Dr., Paducah, Ky. 42001 was appointed executrix of Robert Perry Chippis, deceased, whose address was 325 W. Bellville St.,

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notice

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Crittenden County Clerk Daryl K. Tabor, pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that 2023 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) are hereby published in The Crittenden Press on Thursday, June 20, 2024. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each weekday at the County Clerk's office located in Crittenden County Office Complex, 200 Industrial Dr., Ste. B., Marion, Ky. This list may also be inspected on the Crittenden County Clerk's website. The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is **crittenden.clerkinfo.net**. The tax sale will be held on Friday, July 26, 2024, beginning at 9 a.m. CDT. All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on Tuesday, July 16, 2024. Please contact the County Clerk's office if you need more information about

the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts needed. Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk's office any time prior to the tax sale. Please note, all payments must be received in the County Clerk's office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted will be returned without exception. Personal and business checks are **not** acceptable forms of payment to satisfy a Certificate of Delinquency. Some delinquencies, although they have been advertised, may be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504(10)(b).

If you have any questions, contact Crittenden County Clerk's Office at 270-965-3403.

NO.	OWNER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	MAP ID NO.	ORIGINAL	DUE NOW
22	ADAMS EDNA 1/2 & REBECCA ADAMS 1/2	7570 US 60 W	034-00-00-064.01	\$578.73	\$966.41
235	BARNES BAILEAH & CRUCE COLLYER	341 VIEW RD	023-00-00-007.01	\$596.15	\$995.19
241	BARNES JERRY EST	***COMBINED, 107 S MAIN ST	053-00-00-020.00	\$43.07	\$82.38
242	BARNES LEONARD	128 BLACKBIRD LANE	057-50-02-029.00_ON	\$17.42	\$40.77
363	BELT DAVID ESTATE	1172 ZION CEMETERY RD	022-00-00-013.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
527	BIRCHWELL GARY W	229 NUNN SWITCH RD	087-00-00-024.02	\$509.05	\$851.43
547	BLEICHROTH-KING AMY	2803 CHAPEL HILL RD	059-00-00-001.07	\$47.42	\$89.56
560	BODEAU RANDALL	SULPHUR SPR CEM RD	061-00-00-010.03	\$51.78	\$96.77
576	BONDS BILLY & CAROL	MAPLE SINK	050-00-00-034.02_L1	\$30.00	\$60.79
629	BRADFORD BERNIE AUSTIN EDWIN	6006 US 60 W	034-00-00-014.00	\$47.42	\$89.56
630	BRADFORD CHARLES	128 1/2 BROOKCLIFF	058-30-13-002.00_ON	\$47.91	\$91.08
636	BRADFORD LARRY	352 EAGLE MINE RD	023-00-00-006.01	\$95.33	\$168.62
730	BROWN EDDIE C & HAZEL MILLNER EST	4050 SR 70	049-10-03-011.00	\$51.78	\$96.77
740	BROWN JASON A	186 SR 654 N	078-00-00-014.00_ON	\$151.94	\$262.04
891	CALE PHILLIP	216 S WELDON ST	058-20-14-013.00	\$87.10	\$155.75
1055	CLEARWATER SUSAN	213 W CENTRAL AVE	057-50-02-016.00	\$465.50	\$779.55
1069	COCA COLA CO.	***TANGIBLE, NO ADDRESS		\$33.16	\$66.78
1074	COFFER STORES INC	STURGIS RD		\$290.04	\$490.71
1078	COLE JONATHAN & OCOTLAN	1027 AXEL CREEK RD	025-00-00-015.00	\$99.11	\$161.67
1079	COLE JONATHAN & OCOTLAN AND	AXEL CREEK RD	025-00-00-015.01	\$77.13	\$138.62
1080	COLE JONATHAN FRANK COLE 1/2 AND	785 PADDY'S BLUFF RD	025-00-00-019.01	\$52.30	\$98.30
1082	COLE OCOTLAN	785 PADDY'S BLUFF RD	025-00-00-019.01_ON	\$30.00	\$60.79
1087	COLEMAN MARY LEE	4193 SR 70	049-10-04-004.00	\$217.27	\$369.88
1173	CONNER MELBURN & MELISSA	609 N WELDON ST	057-50-02-002.00	\$304.85	\$515.16
1176	CONRAD CLETIS O	***COMBINED, NO ADDRESS	106-00-00-035.02_ON	\$60.49	\$111.14
1232	COOPER PEGGY DEMOSS	212 FORDS FERRY RD	070-10-10-017.00	\$252.59	\$428.90
1261	COSBY TIM	311 W ELM ST	058-20-08-013.00	\$322.27	\$543.86
1262	COSBY TIM & JASON	135 N WELDON ST	058-20-05-016.00	\$365.82	\$615.79
1263	COTTON MICHAEL & CODY CZOBAT	135 N WELDON ST	091-00-00-024.01	\$82.26	\$147.04
1471	CRUCE HERBERT EST	BRIDWELL LOOP	057-50-01-001.00	\$10.46	\$29.28
1518	CURNEL RICKY EST	638 S MAIN ST	058-20-35-010.00	\$452.92	\$759.51
1578	DAVIDSON BARRY	127 HAWK LANE	070-40-05-016.00	\$100.17	\$177.33
1623	DAVIS T H EST	RED RD	037-00-00-034.00	\$47.42	\$89.56
1706	DILLINGHAM MATTHEW	417 W BELLVILLE ST	058-20-01-015.01	\$34.84	\$69.52
1784	DRISKILL JAMES C	***COMBINED, 2607 US 60 E	047-00-00-011.00	\$3,796.52	\$6,277.03
1813	DUCKWORTH MARTHA RUTH	4695 US 60 E	079-00-00-012.02	\$1,684.90	\$2,792.05
2115	FALLINGWATER ZELVIN	7761 FORDS FERRY RD	054-00-00-008.06	\$130.17	\$226.12
2229	FOWLER JEFFREY R & BRENDA	7992 US 60 E	087-00-00-036.02	\$56.13	\$103.93
2249	FOX MARY ESTATE	204 REITERS VIEW RD	060-00-00-015.00_ON	\$81.39	\$145.62
2255	FRALEY ESCOL	3512 SR 297	020-00-00-048.00_ON	\$90.97	\$161.43
2256	FRALEY ROBERT E	SR 297	020-00-00-048.00	\$47.42	\$89.56
2262	FRANKLIN ROBERT S	102 EAGLE EYE LANE	022-00-00-007.00_ON	\$30.00	\$60.79
2315	FROMAN JOHN III	4697 US 60 E	079-00-00-012.02_ONA	\$313.56	\$529.47
2316	FROMAN JOHN III	4699 US 60 E	079-00-00-012.02_ONB	\$313.56	\$529.47
2353	GARLAND TIM	663 SR 1668	045-00-00-032.00_ON	\$90.97	\$161.43
2402	GERHARDT CRAIG	138 BROOKCLIFF ST	058-30-13-002.00	\$34.84	\$69.52
2458	GIPSON SHELBY EST	ROCHESTER AVE	070-70-02-007.00	\$8.71	\$26.39
2459	GIPSON SHELBY EST	307 ROCHESTER AVE	070-70-02-003.00	\$304.85	\$515.16
2497	GRADY JOYCE ET AL	WESTON RD	066-10-02-044.01	\$34.36	\$68.03
2516	GREEN BRIAN JEFFREY & DAVID GREGORY	646 LEVAS RD	033-00-00-043.00	\$43.55	\$83.95
2517	GREEN BRIAN JEFFREY & DAVID GREGORY	LEVAS RD	034-00-00-001.01	\$73.55	\$132.74
2581	GRIMES TIM & BEVERLY	8903 SR 70	038-00-00-021.00_ON	\$65.33	\$119.83
2599	GUESS BRYAN G	CAMPBELL LANE	071-00-00-025.06	\$93.20	\$165.81
2600	GUESS BRYAN G	220 WELDON RD	071-00-00-026.00	\$1,098.76	\$1,824.66
2681	HACKNEY EDDIE	121 S YANDELL ST	058-20-02-007.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
2720	HAIRE LARRY D	390 COOL SPRINGS RD	100-00-00-006.01	\$881.87	\$1,466.67
2787	HARDESTY KENNETH JR	223 KEELING ST	058-20-05-039.04	\$110.62	\$194.59
2792	HARDESTY TANYA & DUSTY DAWN WATSON B	2133 US 60 W	045-00-00-062.00	\$50.10	\$94.70
2793	HARDESTY TANYA & DUSTY DAWN WATSON B	US 60 W	045-00-00-062.00_ON	\$39.20	\$76.69
2976	HEITGER KEVIN & BRIDGET KIDD	JACK DODDSON RD	044-00-00-005.02	\$52.26	\$98.25
3072	HIGGINS STEVEN & EDDIE ELLES	SR 855 S	050-00-00-020.06	\$275.54	\$466.77
3073	HIGGINS STEVEN & EDDIE ELLES	1775 SR 855 S	050-00-00-020.07	\$418.40	\$701.80
3322	HUGHES DOUG & MILLER KELSEY	120 SHADY LANE	058-30-07-006.00	\$30.49	\$62.35
3325	HUGHES J B EST	SR 387	068-00-00-016.00	\$108.39	\$190.19
3337	HUGHES RONALD D	429 W BELLVILLE ST	058-20-01-016.00	\$34.84	\$69.52
3394	HUNT JACKIE DON	1087 TOWERY RD	098-00-00-001.01	\$47.42	\$89.56
3505	JACKSON ALVIE G	417 N WELDON ST	057-50-01-010.00	\$87.10	\$155.75
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3607	JEFFERS ANDREW	WRIGHT RD SALEM	010-00-00-021.04	\$38.71	\$75.18
3715	JOHNSON PEGGY & JIMMY	174 FIFTH ST	039-10-01-002.01	\$30.00	\$60.79
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3884	KINNIS SAGI	9551 SR 70	039-00-00-026.00_ON	\$86.62	\$154.25
3948	KNIGHT MARK & JAMES MATZICK	FRITZ RD	106-00-00-002.01	\$4,124.70	\$6,818.64
3950	KNOWLTON DONALD	311 DAMERON RD	034-00-00-056.00_ONA	\$65.33	\$119.83
3997	LAMB MICHAEL	SR 120	104-00-00-009.10	\$17.42	\$40.77
4066	LARUE JAMES D & SHARON	428 N COLLEGE ST	070-10-13-001.00	\$718.58	\$1,197.96
4106	LEWIS JERRY & SHERRI	119 SHADY LANE	058-30-07-003.00	\$30.49	\$62.35
4223	LUNDY MARGARET DIANNE	46 SR 2132	046-00-00-021.00	\$322.27	\$543.86
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4226	LUNDY MARGARET DIANNE	64 SR 2132	046-00-00-022.00	\$556.96	\$930.51
4239	LYNCH ROBERT	955 SR 297	033-00-00-023.00	\$108.39	\$190.19

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4345	MARSHALL JERRY	516 OWENS RD.	027-00-00-010.00_ON	\$56.13	\$103.93
4347	MARSHALL KEMBERLY & S. MATTHEWS	1113 SR 295	039-00-00-050.00	\$465.50	\$779.55
4348	MARSHALL KEMBERLY & S. MATTHEWS AND	SR 295	039-00-00-051.00	\$11.77	\$31.44
4352	MARTIN ANNIE MRS	YANDELL MINES RD.	049-00-00-012.00	\$38.71	\$75.18
4403	MASON LISA M	N WELDON	058-20-11-018.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
4441	MAXFIELD TONY ESTATE	202 LARK LOOP	037-00-00-001.02	\$78.78	\$141.29
4453	MAY LLOYD R & ET AL	NUNN SWITCH RD & RAILROAD	087-00-00-000.00	\$32.61	\$65.15
4482	MCCAIN J C	S MAIN ST	058-30-06-003.01	\$65.33	\$119.83
4495	MCCLOURE LURA MRS	899 LEVAS RD.	033-00-00-040.00	\$82.26	\$147.04
4497	MCCLOURE TROY EST	108 WALNUT ST.	070-40-02-003.00	\$43.55	\$83.95
4609	MCKINNEY TYLER & KAITLYN	232 W BELLVILLE ST.	058-20-13-004.00	\$252.59	\$428.90
4671	MILLER BRENDA	1800 SR 506	071-00-00-001.05	\$92.06	\$163.97
4672	MILLER BRENDA	1800 SR 506	071-00-00-001.10	\$52.23	\$97.51
4682	MILLER JOANNIE MARIE	JACKSON ST	057-50-01-016.00	\$7.84	\$24.92
4698	MILLER SHANNON & ASHLYNN MILLER	1790 SR 70	062-00-00-023.03	\$185.56	\$317.55
4699	MILLER SHANNON & ASHLYNN MILLER	SR 70	062-00-00-023.05	\$30.49	\$62.35
4711	MILLIKAN CHANTEL ET AL	523 N MAIN ST	070-10-06-004.00	\$479.05	\$802.64
4712	MILLIKAN CHANTEL ET AL	614 W ELM ST	058-80-03-012.00	\$435.50	\$730.76
4724	MILLNER HAZEL ESTATE	4034 SR 70	049-10-03-012.00	\$64.84	\$118.31
4866	MURRAY H H	OLD FORDS FERRY RD	053-00-00-021.00	\$36.10	\$70.85
4913	NELSON ANGELA DON	306 N YANDELL ST	058-20-05-001.00	\$43.55	\$83.95
4957	NEW HAVEN ASSISTED LIVING	NICHOLS LN	058-20-17-010.00	\$34.84	\$69.52
5087	ORT BRENDA & DAVID	1530 MAIN LAKE RD.	050-00-00-030.02	\$30.00	\$60.79
5200	PARKER LYMAN P JR AND	270 EAGLE MINE RD	023-00-00-006.05	\$284.34	\$480.57
5262	PEEK DONALD RAY	49 FIFTH ST	039-10-13-004.00	\$38.71	\$75.18
5263	PEEK DONALD RAY	9 FIFTH ST DYOUSBURG	039-10-13-005.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
5326	PERRY PAT T CUSTODIAN FOR	SR 295	039-00-00-046.05	\$38.71	\$75.18
5327	PERRY RICHARD W	6034 US 60 W	034-00-00-013.00	\$56.13	\$103.93
5470	PRECISION PLUMBING & SEPTIC INC	801 E DEPOT ST	070-40-12-017.00	\$217.75	\$371.40
5482	PRITCHARD WAYNE C	409 N MAPLE ST	070-10-04-005.00	\$30.49	\$62.35
5491	PRYOR KENNETH R JR	503 W BELLVILLE ST	058-80-01-010.02	\$174.20	\$299.52
5544	RANKIN R L EST	OLD FORDS FERRY RD	053-00-00-002.00	\$17.42	\$40.77
5607	RICE FAYE	2760 US 60 E	069-00-00-030.04	\$117.10	\$204.54
5622	RICHARDSON JAMES R II AND	9632 SR 70	039-10-11-002.00	\$51.78	\$96.77
5706	RIVERBEND WHITETAILS LLC	***TANGIBLE, 6190 SR 365		\$761.43	\$1,269.03
5729	ROBERTS DARLENE	142 ARLEEN ST	058-30-09-038.00	\$52.26	\$98.25
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5805	ROBINSON AUSTIN	683 CHAPEL HILL RD.	058-30-10-019.00	\$944.87	\$1,406.39
5885	RUSSELL AUSTIN SHANE	302 W ELM ST	058-20-10-005.00	\$670.67	\$1,118.89
5944	SCHWARTZ ELJ & RUBY	***COMBINED, WATER ST	067-00-00-007.00	\$38.71	\$75.18
5994	SHERER LELA	WATER ST	011-10-01-007.00	\$17.42	\$40.77
5996	SHERER ROBERT	WATER ST	011-10-01-005.00_ONA	\$56.13	\$103.93
6022	SHEWMAKER LEE	109 STARLING LANE	057-50-02-029.00_L32	\$56.13	\$103.93
6037	SHIELDS HAZEL OR	124 BROOKCLIFF ST	058-30-13-002.00	\$15.67	\$37.90
6060	SHUECRAFT JANET	136 BLACKBIRD LANE	057-50-02-02.029.00_L	\$17.42	\$40.77
6128	SISCO CHRISTOPHER	202 ROCHESTER AVE	070-70-01-007.00	\$243.88	\$414.44
6132	SISCO JASON W	LILLY DALE RD.	073-00-00-001.01	\$26.13	\$55.14
6222	SMOCK MARVIN & REBA	202 BRIDWELL LOOP	057-50-06-002.00	\$348.40	\$586.99
6223	SMOCK MARVIN DAVID	BRIDWELL LOOP	057-50-01-018.00	\$43.55	\$83.95
6224	SMOCK MARVIN DAVID	234 BRIDWELL LOOP	057-50-06-001.00	\$130.65	\$227.64
6246	SPIEGEL JASON ROBERT & CHERIE	1259 SR 1668	045-00-00-008.01	\$2,176.16	\$3,602.79
6247	SPIEGEL JASON ROBERT & CHERIE	SR 1668	045-00-00-008.02	\$163.02	\$281.07
6249	SPIEGEL JASON ROBERT & CHERIE	SR 1668	045-00-00-039.01	\$365.09	\$614.56
6359	STINNETT RODNEY PAUL & TAMMY ANN	8520 SR 70	038-00-00-017.02	\$596.15	\$995.19
6371	STOLL CORI LYNAE	220 W CENTRAL AVE	057-50-02-028.00	\$304.85	\$515.16
6373	STONE GARY & STACEY	525 ZION CEMETERY RD.	022-00-00-016.02	\$73.55	\$132.74
6427	SUN INDUSTRIES INC	251 CLUB DR	070-70-03-007.00	\$322.27	\$543.86
6428	SUN INDUSTRIES INC	CLUB DR.	070-70-03-008.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
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6433	SUN INDUSTRIES INC	CLUB DR.	070-70-03-013.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
6504	TABOR COY ALLEN	1289 SR 855 N	049-00-00-003.00	\$43.07	\$82.38
6576	TAX EASE LIEN SERVICING LLC	421 S WALKER ST.	058-20-41-006.00	\$73.55	\$132.74
6957	TRUSNER ROBERT J & VERNA E	COUNTRY VIEW DR	071-00-03-018.00	\$99.68	\$175.79
6958	TUCKER DAVID D	218 W DEPOT ST	058-20-15-003.00	\$322.27	\$543.86
6966	TURLEY KATHERINE EST	DYOUSBURG	039-10-05-002.00	\$17.42	\$40.77
6990	TYNER JOHN ALAN	SR 855 N	023-00-00-024.04	\$81.00	\$145.70
7009	UNKNOWN OWNER	LEWIS ST	070-10-03-022.00	\$17.42	\$40.77
7058	WALKER BETTY S	2641 SR 365	077-00-00-002.03	\$404.63	\$679.05
7061	WALKER CHARLOTTE	2637 SR 365	077-00-00-002.03_ON	\$38.71	\$75.18
7071	WALKER ROCKY	120 N YANDELL ST	058-20-05-030.00	\$26.13	\$55.14
7075	WALLACE JENNA & WOOD COLE	2903 SR 855 N	024-00-00-008.01	\$317.43	\$535.16
7085	WALTON ANDY LEE & SHIRAL LENE	SR 91 N	044-00-00-008.04	\$11.09	\$30.33
7086	WALTON ANDY LEE & SHIRAL LENE	2704 SR 91 N	056-00-00-031.00	\$30.14	\$61.03
7130	WATSON MARY ELIZABETH	201 CHERRY ST	058-20-46-005.00	\$34.84	\$69.52
7157	WATSON WILLIAM G JR.	715 CLAYLICK RD	046-00-00-010.07	\$2,477.51	\$4,100.13
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7302	WILLETT MATTHEW EDWARD & HEIDI ANN	COTTON PATCH RD	053-00-00-009.05	\$9.58	\$27.85
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Marion puts bounty on dilabitated property

STAFF REPORT

A bounty of sorts is being placed on dilapidated buildings in Marion.

The city has been quite active recently in code enforcement, pressing owners of blighted properties to take action. At the behest of Councilwoman Wanda Olson and Mayor D’Anna Browning, the effort is being kicked up a notch.

At Monday night’s Marion City Council meeting, Olson urged city leaders to do more to clean up the town.

“We need to look at new ordinances if that is what it takes. If you get off the beaten path, our city looks horrible. We need to do something about houses falling down and junk setting everywhere. I have seen children playing in front of abandoned houses, one where the porch is about to fall off,” said the second-year councilwoman.

She also pointed out that Marion has a high percentage of rental properties, suggesting that some landlords are not keeping their units up to ex-

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pected standards.

In response, Mayor Browning said a new policy is being put into place that will reward the city’s nearly 20 employees for helping identify potentially hazardous and run down homes or commercial buildings. The mayor points out that Marion at one time had a full-time code enforcement officer, but now that position is only part-time due to cost-saving measures. She wants to incentivize the entire city workforce to help make up the difference. At the end of each month, the employee with the most bona fide reports of blighted or unkept properties will be given time off with pay – a half day.

“These properties that need to be condemned, we are going to knock them out one at a time,” the mayor told the council.

Perhaps the highest profile exercise of code enforcement in recent memory was the forced

razing of the former Marion High School on College Street. The building was brought down about two weeks ago after the city determined it was unsafe.

“We have to beef up our ordinances. The Kentucky League of Cities is providing us with some model ordinances to look at,” Browning added. “We have to give our city ordinances more teeth and go after these kind of places.”

The city’s legal counsel, Bart Frazer, pointed out that each case of code enforcement is unique. He said legal due process will certainly be exercised in each case. Time and money are necessary variables in such enforcement, the city has learned by experience.

Local ordinances and state law provide the framework for how private property can be condemned. Browning suggested that changes to city ordinances might help expedite moves to clean up the town.

The mayor said properties identified as dilapidated or in need of attention in some manner would be visited by code



enforcement officers. Verbal requests will be the first step in motivating those owners to make improvements. A formal letter would follow if owners fail to act. Fines can be issued due to further delays of action. As a last resort, properties can be condemned and in extreme cases forced to be sold at public auction.

In other business, council members heard updates on its water and sewer projects. Work at Lake George to shore it up as a raw water source has been beset by weather and other complications. Water consultant Tim Thomas said

the project continues and that barring a major drought, Marion’s water security is okay for now.

Marion’s new wastewater plant is scheduled to be turned on this week after more than a year’s delay. Construction of the \$13 million sewer plant was began in 2021 following years of demands by state regulators for Marion to fix its sewer treatment problems.

The old sewer plant will eventually need to be decommissioned, the cost of which remains unknown at this point, city officials said.

Study looks at Ohio bridge in far west Kentucky

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky has released the year-long US 60 Connectivity Study report that examined options for either replacing the existing Ohio River bridge between Wickliffe and Cairo, Ill., or creating a new US 60 bridge closer to Barlow in Ballard County.

Based on the study, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has recommended advancing the US 51 Bridge Replacement project, which has widespread support, a lower cost and fewer environmental impacts than the US 60 corridor

project, the state said in a news release.

The study examined the feasibility of constructing a new US 60 corridor and Ohio River bridge crossing between Barlow and Interstate 57 near Future City, Ill. The current US 51 Ohio River bridge is just south of Cairo and serves as a north-south connector for U.S. 51 and an east-west transportation corridor for US 60 and US 62.

About 5,400 vehicles per day cross the existing bridge between Kentucky and Illinois with 43% of that traffic being com-

mercial trucks.

Opened in 1938, the Cairo Bridge is the longest bridge in Kentucky and the westernmost bridge over the Ohio River.

The existing bridge needs to be replaced because it is narrow, does not allow oversize or overweight loads and does not accommodate pedestrians. Sight distance on the bridge is also inadequate, and a tight horizontal curve on the Kentucky approach does not meet current federal or state design

standards.

A new bridge would meet modern standards for traffic and would offer both roadway safety improvements and enhanced earthquake resistance as the structure lies in the New Madrid Fault zone.

It would cost an estimated \$1.3 billion to construct the U.S. 60 Connectivity Study project versus \$450 million to construct the U.S. 51 Bridge Replacement project.

The study also determined that a U.S. 60 cor-



ridor would impact a wide range of wetlands, endangered wildlife and protected public lands that would require the highest level of federally mandated environmental assessment, resulting in a rigorous, multi-year

process. Meanwhile, the U.S. 51 bridge replacement plan has already received federal environmental approval and can be ready to proceed with construction upon completion of design.

Allied Construction asks judge to halt county from entering into roof contract

STAFF REPORT

Allied Contracting Group has filed action in Crittenden Circuit Court asking for a temporary injunction and restraining order to prevent Crittenden County Fiscal Court from entering into a contract with Miller Construction to repair a dozen county-owned buildings damaged by hailstorms.

Allied is protesting the county’s acceptance last month of a bid by Miller Construction of Madisonville to do the repairs. According to information provided during the May fiscal court meeting, Allied bid \$935,668 to make repairs and Miller Construction bid \$578,000 for the work, which is covered under insurance. Another local company bid on some of the roofs, but not all of them; therefore, it was not accepted either.

Allied, owned by Kent Withrow of Marion and represented by a law firm from Nashville and co-counsel Allen Wilson of Eddyville, wants to prevent the county from entering into a contract with Miller until a judge

or court can hear their complaint.

Arguments will be presented before Judge Daniel Heady at 9 a.m., Thursday, June 27 at city hall as Allied pursues an injunction.

Allied’s protest of the bid process calls the county’s award to Miller Construction “erroneous, arbitrary, capricious and contrary to law.”

Crittenden County is being represented in the case by attorney Stacey A. Blankenship of Paducah, who is retained by the county’s insurance provider, Kentucky Association of Counties.

In its complaint, Allied alleges that Miller Construction did not have the lowest bid, that Miller was not responsive to terms of the project bid notice and that the bid award was not made in accordance with applicable public purchasing laws and requirements.

A formal response by the county’s attorney had not been filed as of press deadline. County officials say they cannot comment on the matter because of the ongoing litigation.

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So, how can you prevent your investments, and your overall financial strategy, from going on “vacation”? Here are a few suggestions:

- Check your progress. You want your investments to be working hard for you, so you’ll need to check on their performance periodically — but be careful about how you evaluate results. Don’t compare your portfolio’s results against those of a market index, such as the S&P 500, which tracks the stock performance of 500 large U.S. companies listed on American stock exchanges. This comparison may not be particularly valid because your own portfolio ideally should include a range of investments, including U.S. and foreign stocks, corporate and government bonds, certificates of deposit (CDs) and other securities. So, instead of checking your progress against a market index, use benchmarks meaningful to your individual situation, such as whether your portfolio is showing enough growth potential based on a compounding rate of return to keep you moving toward a comfortable retirement and other long-term goals.
- Invest with a purpose. When you work intensely at something, it’s usually because you have a definite result in mind. And this sense of purpose applies to investing, too. If you buy a stock here, and another



one there, based on “hot” tips you might have seen on television or the internet, you may end up with a jumbled sort of portfolio that doesn’t really reflect your needs. Instead, try to follow a long-term investment strategy based on your financial goals, risk tolerance, asset accumulation needs, liquidity and time horizon, always with an eye toward where you want to go in life — how long you plan to work, what sort of retirement lifestyle you envision, and so on.

• Be strategic with your investments. Over the years, you will likely have a variety of competing financial goals — and you’ll want your investment portfolio working to help achieve all of

them. That means, though, that you’ll likely need to match certain investments with specific goals. For example, when you contribute to an IRA and a 401(k) or similar plan, you’re putting away money for retirement. But if you want to help your children go to college or receive some other type of post-secondary education or training, you might want to save in a 529 education savings plan, which allows tax-free withdrawals for qualified education expenses. Or, if you want to save for a short-term goal, such as a wedding or a long vacation, you might choose an investment that offers significant protection of principal, so the money will be available when you need it. Ultimately,

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Summers chosen as West All Star



Summers

Rocket baseball sophomore Quinn Summers was chosen following the regular season to participate in the East/West All Star Game representing the Second Region and the West team. The statewide all-star event is for those who played as sophomores this spring. Players are chosen by members of the Kentucky High School Baseball Coaches Association and it is or-

ganized by Prep Baseball Report (PBR), a national amateur baseball scouting program. Summers is the first player from CCHS chosen to participate in this game in many years, perhaps ever. A combine was held in conjunction with the event last week at Centre College in Danville. Summers participated in the combine, but did not play in the game due to a hamstring injury.

BASEBALL

Cats in College WS game, postponed due to weather

University of Kentucky's history-making baseball team suffered its first loss in the NCAA Tournament Monday and fell into the elimination bracket following a 5-1 defeat by Texas A&M in the semifinals of the College World Series in Omaha. The Wildcats (51-13) were scheduled to take on SEC foe Florida Tuesday night in the loser's bracket, but severe weather postponed the game until Wednesday night. The Gators (35-29) stayed alive with a 5-4 win over North Carolina State on Monday. The Florida-Kentucky winner will face Texas A&M on Wednesday in Omaha.

KHSAA Dead Period

Kentucky High School Athletic Association will enforce its annual summertime

Dead Period between June 25 and July 9. The Dead Period creates a dormant two weeks for high school athletics. During the period, coaches are not to have any type of workouts or sports-related contact with their players.

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

Here are some of the most common hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up:

Bullfrog	May 17 - Oct. 31
Squirrel	May 18 - June 21
Coyote	Year Round
Ground hog	Year Round

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ESPN analyst Fran Frascilla believes Kentucky coach Mark Pope has a "zest for life" that will help him at Kentucky. (UK Athletics Photo)

ESPN analyst likes Pope's zest

ESPN college basketball analyst Fran Frascilla, a former head coach at Manhattan, St. John's and New Mexico, had a chance to get to know new Kentucky coach Mark Pope when he first got into coaching. "I am a huge fan of him as a human being and think he is a heck of a basketball coach," Frascilla said. "I have known Cal (John Calipari) since 1978 when we were college sophomores. Cal needed a new lease on life (at Arkansas). He did a terrific job at Kentucky but Mark is going to be a great fit. He has a terrific offensive mind. If he gets the kind of players I think he will, the program will continue rolling.



Larry Vaught
UK Sports Columnist
Vaught's Views

"He played for a great coach (Rick Pitino) and is following a great coach. Mark has become a good coach and may be a great coach. He has a zest for life exactly like what he did as a player. He has not changed and that's what makes him a player's coach. He gave kids at BYU a lot of freedom. Guys who can shoot will love him." Frascilla said he doesn't believe Kentucky fans should expect "greatness" in Pope's first season because he had so little time to put together a roster. "But he's going to be able to concentrate on future recruiting and I think you will see the

program take back off again," the ESPN analyst said. "He has some good pieces but this will be a transition year. I think Kentucky will be capable of making the (NCAA) tournament and doing damage but the best is yet to come." Pope has only one player on his roster — Jaxson Robinson — that he has coached before and no one on the roster who has played at Kentucky. "That's the new challenge in college basketball. All coaches have to deal with roster management," Frascilla said. "Coaches get paid to handle adversity but managing a roster in today's college basketball is so different. Mark is not in any different position than anybody else. "It's very hard to mesh a team together every single year with eight to 10 new players. Cal was great but even he could not master that aspect because not every class has a John Wall or Anthony Davis. Mark will get some one and done guys but he will build his program around kids staying two or three years."

Kentucky associate coach Vince Marrow didn't have to see Georgia transfer linebacker Jamon "Pops" Dumas-Johnson play in spring practice to know what he could add to the Kentucky defense. "Our tight ends had to block him (when UK played Georgia). He's a very good player and leader," Marrow said.

"This is the NFL now where you can be a star guy with the (Kansas City) Chiefs one year and then in unrestricted free agency you can look around. "The good thing about Georgia is that they have so many good players that when Pop got hurt (in 2023) one of their freshmen came in and played pretty good. So do we rotate them. Pop wasn't sure that was what he wanted to do." Marrow said even though Dumas-Johnson played on two national championship teams at Georgia he also understood what Kentucky was doing. "A lot of guys in the SEC know we are very close. They know that. He looked at us and thought it was a good fit and he liked the other guys we have coming in. He thinks we can be special," Marrow said. The Kentucky associate coach believes freshman offensive lineman Aba Selm of Simon Kentucky can be special, too. "He was probably one of the most underrated guys in our (recruiting) class and was heavily recruited. Alabama kept trying to get him to come down for a visit," Marrow said. "He is a very big kid who wears a size 18 shoe, so he is still growing. He is 6-4 and is about 285. "Smart kid, very physical, very athletic. He could play defensive line too. Our fans should remember that name because I think he will be a three-year starter."



Federico



Evans

2 earn all-state mentions

Two Crittenden County softball players have been recognized by the Kentucky Softball Coaches Association. Sophomores Andrea Federico and Elliot Evans were named as Class A Honorable Mentions among KSCA All State Softball selections. Federico hit .426 and hit 11 home runs for the Lady Rockets while Evans hit .381 with a team-high 38 runs and 21 stolen bases.

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6:00 P.M., Arena Pedal Tractor Show
7:30 P.M. Dummy Roping

Friday, June 21, 2024

4:30 P.M. Gates Open
7:00 P.M., Arena Kids Fun Rodeo
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Princeton man jailed for year on contempt for courtroom outburst

STAFF REPORT

A defendant’s screaming, profanity-laced outburst in Crittenden Circuit Court last week has landed him behind bars for a full year before he’s allowed back in the courtroom on a strangulation charge brought last Thursday by the grand jury.

Courtroom decorum is a quite sacred part of the legal system, respectfully and loyally followed and demanded in order to preserve the dignity of the court. From attire of those present to language during proceedings, it’s a venerated part of court. Those who stray beyond its guidelines typically pay a price.

Clayton Austin Cotton, 34, of Princeton was in front of Circuit Judge Daniel Heady for arraignment following his indictment on a Class C felony charge of first-degree strangulation and misdemeanor charges of second-degree dis-

orderly conduct, resisting arrest, fourth-degree assault (domestic violence) and third-degree terroristic threatening.

The police citation signed by Marion Chief Bobby West says that Cotton was taken into custody at 10:29 p.m., on the night of May 28 at a home on Yandell Street. The arrest report says that police responded to a 911 call and found a woman claiming to have been assaulted during a domestic confrontation. The report says that Cotton “began yelling and cursing and would not calm down.” Out of safety concerns, West’s report says Cotton was placed in handcuffs as the suspect allegedly re-



Cotton

sisted and threatened bodily harm to the officer.

As members of the grand jury walked out of the courtroom following formal reading of its indictment, Cotton made comments, thanking them for his indictment. He was at the time seated in the courtroom alongside other jail inmates awaiting hearings.

Once he was standing before the judge, Cotton made several comments about his “constitutional rights” while asking for a property bond to be issued so he could get out of jail in order to begin proving his innocence. He suggested to Judge Heady that a property bond could not be denied.

After some questioning regarding the defendant’s assets, Judge Heady left the bond at \$15,000 cash, citing Cotton’s previous felony assault convictions, risk level as determined by probation and parole and the serious-

ness of the current charges.

Cotton used the F-word and other slang curse words and accused the judge of denying his rights.

“You better look at your handbook,” he told the judge at one point.

Heady slammed his gavel on two different occasions, and issued a harsh contempt of court order after a fairly lengthy disturbance that some said was unprecedented in Crittenden Circuit Court, at least over the last 20 years. Heady ordered Cotton to be held in jail for one full year on two counts of contempt.

Surrounded by bailiffs, Jailer Athena Hayes and other security personnel, Cotton was led away to the Crittenden County Detention Center.

The case that brought him to the courtroom will not be heard until he completes the contempt sentence.

Prosecution withdraws plea deal following remark about sheriff

STAFF REPORT

A defendant had a plea offer removed last week in Crittenden Circuit Court after making a statement about Crittenden County Sheriff Evan Head.

Cody Rogers, 33, of Grand Rivers agreed to plead guilty to felony fourth-offense DUI and resisting arrest. A third charge of driving while his license was suspended for DUI was set to be dismissed and he was offered a cumulative one-year sentence on the other two.

As he was signing paperwork to complete the plea deal, Rogers said aloud, “You all have a crooked sheriff here.”

At that point, Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Wes Hunt responded by withdrawing the commonwealth’s plea offer and asked the judge to set the case for trial.

Circuit Judge Daniel Heady scheduled a pre-

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trial hearing for July 11.

According to Kentucky statutes, fourth-offense DUI in Kentucky can be penalized by up to a \$10,000 fine and jail time from one to five years.

Following are dispositions in other cases before Judge Heady:

•William T. Mayers, 36, of Marion pleaded guilty in two cases, receiving a 10-year cumulative sentence.

Mayers pleaded guilty to an amended charge of unlawful imprisonment, a Class C felony, and received a 30-month sentence enhanced by a persistent felony offender charge to five years.

Court records alleged that on May 31, 2023, Mayers robbed two individuals with threat of physical force, brandishing a gun and pointing it at the head of one of the

alleged victims. Mayers was originally charged with a Class B robbery charge.

Additionally, Mayers pleaded guilty to an amended charge of felony first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, a Class C felony; and misdemeanor charges of having prescription medicine not in its original container and possession of drug paraphernalia. He was sentenced to five years on each felony and less time for the misdemeanors with all time concurrent, but consecutive to the previous case.

Court records say Mayers was found at his home in possession of 18 grams of meth during an investigation stemming from the previous case.

•Jacob Mooney, 22, of

Marion pleaded guilty to two Class D felonies for third-degree rape and third-degree sodomy.

Court records indicate that the victim was under the age of 16 and that the encounter took place on May 7, 2023.

Mooney was sentenced to 18 months on each count with the time to run concurrent. The court also ordered a lifetime obligation to register as a sex offender.

•Judge Heady agreed to a 10 percent bond for Christopher Laureana, 45, of Madisonville who was indicted in March on a Class C felony charge of receiving stolen property (\$10,000 or more). Investigators believe Laureano stole a skid steer in December from Princeton and sold it to the recycling center in Marion.

He has been held in the Crittenden County Detention Center on a \$10,000 cash bond.

•Kristy Moore, 44, of Marion pleaded guilty to felony first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine), possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia from a 2021 case. Moore was sentenced to three years on the felony charge and shorter terms on the lesser crimes. The time will be probated so long as she completes long-term rehabilitation.

•Adam B. Shoults, 33, of Marion had his probation revoked for not completing a court-ordered drug treatment program. He was ordered to begin serving his original three-year sentence from 2023 for first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia.

•Quante Askew, 18, of Paducah pleaded guilty to felony first-degree wanton endangerment

and misdemeanor charges of resisting arrest, fleeing or evading police on foot and disorderly conduct. A more serious charge of second-degree assault was dismissed. He was sentenced to pre-trial diversion for five years.

•Rusty Renner, 37, of Lola had his probation revoked for absconding from drug court more than a year ago. Renner’s original sentence was three years for a 2023 drug conviction after he was found with a backpack standing in front of the Chapel Hill Head Start School. Inside the backpack was a 9mm Taurus handgun and 12 rounds of ammunition along with 12 syringes, some of which are believed to have contained methamphetamine, and other drugs and paraphernalia.

8 indicted by grand jury

STAFF REPORT

After issuing no felony indictments last month, a rarity, Crittenden County Grand Jury indicted eight individuals last Thursday on a variety of charges, including drugs, theft and burglary.

A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely decides whether the state will continue prosecution of a case in circuit court.

Following are those indicted.

Makaley J. Davis, 27, of Marion was indicted on felony charges of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and first-degree possession of a controlled substance (opiates) and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and illegal possession of a legend drug.

Court records indicate that Davis was present at a home in rural Crittenden County on May 22 where a meth lab was found by law enforcement officers. She is believed to have been in possession of drugs and drug-use-related items.

•Richard Rozwalka, 41, of Salem was indicted on a Class A felony charge of enhanced manufacturing of methamphetamine, a Class A felony; second-degree burglary, a Class C felony; and misdemeanor charges of possession of burglary tools and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Rozwalka is suspected in a burglary on May 22 and for being involved in the manufacture of methamphetamine inside an outbuilding at property on KY 723. Court records also allege that on the same day, the defendant had gone into a dwelling with intent to commit theft. He is alleged to have had bolt cutters in his possession when arrested.

Court records indicate that Rozwalka is scheduled July 9 for sentencing in a McCracken County possession of meth case.

Rozwalka is being held in the Crittenden County Detention Center on a \$100,000 bond.

•Taylor B. Henderson, 26, of Sturgis was indicted on a felony charge of enhanced manufacturing of methamphetamine, a Class A felony; convicted felony in possession of a handgun, a Class C felony; and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. The case stems from an investigation into an alleged meth lab found by local law enforcement and investigated by state police.

Court records indicate that officers had gone to a residence in rural Crittenden County between Salem and Irma where a burglary suspect was potentially living. When they arrived, Henderson was located inside an outbuilding along with a handgun and items consistent with alleged methamphetamine manufacturing. Kentucky State Police’s Western Division Drug Enforcement Special Investigations (DESI) investigated the site and determined that there was indeed an alleged active “shake-and-bake” lab based on its findings.


•Jacob R. Walker, 33, of Marion was indicted on a Class C felony charge of theft of an automobile worth more than \$10,000; six Class D felony charges for complicity to third-degree burglary; and a misdemeanor charge of second-degree criminal trespassing. The charges stem from an alleged burglary of hangars at Marion-Crittenden County Airport.

•Clayton Austin Cotton, 34, of Princeton was indicted on a Class C felony charge of first-degree strangulation and misdemeanor charges of second-degree disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, fourth-degree assault (domestic violence) and third-degree terroristic threatening. The charges stem from a domestic altercation at a home in Marion on May 28.

•Shawn A. Slayton, 43, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of first-offense operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a controlled substance, leaving the scene of an accident, three counts of third-degree possession of controlled substance (Suboxone, Diazepam and other unspecified pills) and three counts of possession of prescription medication not in its original container. Court records indicate that Slayton is believed to have been operating a vehicle on June 1 that crashed into a guard rail on US 60 West.

•Gregory S. Munsell, 30, of Princeton was indicted in two cases. In the first case, he was indicted on a Class D felony for third-degree burglary and misdemeanor possession of burglary tools. In the second case, Munsell was indicted for first-degree unlawful imprisonment and attempted escape from a penitentiary. Court records allege that on April 20 Munsell entered Victory Auto Sales on US 60 West with the intent to commit a crime. He is alleged to have used a crow bar to gain entrance to the building. In the other case, he is alleged to have on May 24 attempted to escape from Crittenden County Detention Center and in the process restrained a jail deputy inside of a secured cell vestibule. He was able to escape his cell and get into another part of the jail before being detained by deputies responding to the situation.

•Christina Abegglen, 39, of Marion was indicted on a Class D felony charge of theft by unlawful taking \$1,000 to \$10,000. She is accused of embezzling \$1,650 in cash from Five Star in Marion where she was employed between Sept. 22, 2023 and Oct. 15, 2023.



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