

STAYCATION or VACATION?



Learn how to get your **VEHICLE** Summer Ready!

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FY22 RECORD-BREAKING YEAR IN MARION FOR LEGAL ALCOHOL SALES

With just days left in the City of Marion's fiscal budgetary cycle, it's clear that local liquor sales are outpacing the previous year. Marion legalized liquor sales in August of 2019. The city receives a five-percent tax on the sale of wine, beer and distilled alcohol and places that sell must buy a license. Those revenues are remitted each month to the city. After 11 months reporting from FY22, tax revenue generated from liquor sales and licenses has been \$79,864.11. That's well above the entire amount of tax revenue from legal liquor sales in the previous 12-month period. Fiscal Year 21 tax receipts were \$75,671.30. The amount collected in FY20 was just \$46,766.95, but that was for only 11 months because liquor sales were not legal until the second month of that fiscal year.

Sales tax revenue for alcohol was reached a record high in January of this year when the city took in \$9,030. February's figure was \$8,023, the fifth highest ever. Sales dipped in March, which is typically a slow month for alcohol sales, but April and May were higher than the previous year.

Tax revenue derived from the legal sale of alcohol is primarily spent on law enforcement. The city has also pledged a portion of the funds toward a DARE program at the schools.

AREA FIREWORKS SHOWS

Where to Celebrate Independence

- Faith Church, Salem, Fri., June 25
- KY Dam Village, Friday July 1
- Salem Springlake, Friday, July 1
- Tolu, Saturday, July 2
- Thunder of Eddy Bay, Sat., July 2
- Fredonia, Sunday, July 3

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 4 p.m., Monday, May 27 at Deer Lakes meeting room.
- Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 5:30 p.m., Monday, June 27 at Rocket Arena.
- Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet in special session at 8:30 a.m., on Thursday, June 30 at the Courthouse.

We ♥ Marion Every Gallon Counts



Marion's water treatment plant off Chapel Hill Road should have enough raw water to last another 10 or 12 days without additional rainfall.

Governor visits Lake George; Guard mobilized by decree; bottle water to be distributed

STAFF REPORT

Marion will begin distributing bottled water Thursday with aspirations of relieving the slightest bit of pressure from the town's demand for water.

Bottled water has been stockpiled at the former National Guard Armory and the city has devised a four-day system for distributing it to residents. Identification will be required to pick up water. It's unclear at this time how much water will be given to each family, but it likely will be based upon the number of people per household.

Giving away free water is not a sign that the town's water crisis is worsening, but correspondingly, it doesn't appear to be improving much either. A couple of things have helped a great deal over the past week. Heavy rain on Friday and the governor's declaration of a State of Emergency have provided a great deal of relief for city leaders who are struggling against challenge upon challenge to solve the town's water crisis. The water problem began in late April when

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THINGS TO KNOW AND READ

- Read the entire Water Conservation Order issued last Thursday by the Marion City Council. The entire ordinance is on page 7. Marion is currently at Stage 3 response, details of which are in the ordinance.
 - For now, there is no boil water order in place in Marion.
 - Bottled water for drinking and cooking is being distributed starting Thursday at the former National Guard Armory.
- Bottled Water Distribution Based on Last Name**
City of Marion Residents Only
9 a.m., ot 6 p.m. Each Day
A-G Thursday, June 23
H-L Friday, June 24
M-R Monday, June 27
S-Z Tuesday, June 28
- City leaders recommend that motorists take the following path to the bottled water distribution center: Belleville to Cherry to Rochester and into the large parking on the east side of the former armory.



Marion resident Tanner Tabor disconnected the gutter downspout in the background to catch rain in plastic barrels. It's used for water plants and more.

Water catching again en vogue

Collecting and storing rainwater for later use has been in practice for thousands of years. Ancient civilizations used forms of open cisterns carved in the ground where they saved water captured from the sky.

Most Americans, however, have done away with such exercises as collecting rain in barrels. The expansion of public water utilities has made the practice virtually extinct. Faced with a water crisis, local leaders are now urging citizens to conserve as much water as possible and to capture what they can during periods of rainfall.

A nearly two-inch rain on Friday helped replenish the town's raw water source and staved off a real disaster for now. The rainfall also gave Marion a chance to try out its own



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Tapestry returns to Fohs Hall with Beatles tunes

STAFF REPORT

Return of Tapestry to Fohs Hall features a tribute to the Beatles' Abbey Road.

Tapestry's Remove the Veil show will be a followup to the group's 2019 debut at Fohs Hall that drew rave reviews and a nearly packed house.

Corey Crider of Marion, a professional opera singer, says the community supported the concert four years ago and he predicts that it

will be particularly interested in the music this go round.

Crider and wife Michelle are among the 12 entertainers who will be on stage for the July 23 performance. He puts the show together and says the 1969 Abbey Road album was largely an inspiration for Tapestry itself.

"I just love the whole B side of that album. It blends one thing to the next then to the next," Crider explains.

Tapestry is described as a showcase of opera singers backed by a full-throttle rock band obliterating the divide between classical and popular music. Similarly, Abbey Road is a rock album that integrates various other musical genres such as blues and pop.

"We have added three pop singers to the group since we performed the last time in Marion," Crider adds.

Tickets are available online at FohsHall.org. The are \$20 each. Locally, tickets can be purchased at Bowtanicals or The Crittenden Press.

There will be a VIP program two nights before the performance that will include dinner with the band. Those tickets are \$125 each and can be purchased by contacting Alan Stout at 270-704-9000 or Becky Tyner-Belt at 270-704-0277.

Baker pledges return to local hospital



Reid Baker

STAFF REPORT

When Reid Baker missed his white coat ceremony in medical school, it was emblematic of what his career might look like once he's a full-fledged doctor.

Crittenden Community Hospital has recognized that symbolism in Baker's character – and much more. That's why the local hospital is underwriting some of Baker's education. It's all a long-range plan to bring him home.

Baker is this week beginning his third year of medical school at the University of Kentucky's campus in Bowling Green. He tells the story about forgoing the customary white coat ceremony early into med school. The ceremony is a rite of passage for medical students, during which a white coat is placed on each student's shoulders and often the Hippocratic Oath is recited, signifying their entrance into the medical profession.

"My son was born the week before. He was five days old and I chose to come home and be with him and my wife," said Baker, fortifying his devotion to family and home.

Don't misunderstand. The white coat ritual

is a big deal. Families of students gather to watch it. They take photographs and relish in the moment. The spectacle of it was not lost on Baker. He appreciates the significance and heritage of the ceremony, but with all things considered, he knew where he needed and wanted to be.

"It's not something you have to go to and I knew I had more important things at home."

Precisely the persona Crittenden Community Hospital CEO Shawn Bright wants inside Marion's hospital.

"We wanted to invest in Reid over the course of medical school because he knows exactly where he wants to be and we want him to be here," Bright said.

The hospital and Baker have reached a non-binding agreement that will help him meet financial obligations as he finishes his final two years of med school and moves into a residency program at another hospital. By creating a strong relationship now, Crittenden Community Hospital is betting on Baker com-

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STAY OR GO!

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Have your VEHICLE Summer Ready!

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What has been your *FAVORITE AMERICAN ROAD TRIP?*

Utah by far! Arches, Capitol Reef, Canyonlands, Zion and Bryce Canyon National Parks!

— Valerie Gilbert

Our road trip out west was an awesome experience! The drastic change in scenery starting in New Mexico was so neat to see. The Grand Canyon was amazing! Even the most beautiful pictures don't prepare you for the experience of seeing it in person. Seeing wild horses in the Grand Canyon was such a cool experience that we will never forget. Vegas was extremely interesting and unlike anything you would ever see in Crittenden County.

— Crystal Baty Carr

Our road trip to South Dakota was amazing! We visited The Badlands, Mt. Rushmore, Deadwood to include the gravesites of Wild Bill Hickock & Calamity Jane, Minutemen National Historic Site, & the famous Wall Drug!

This state is rich in history with so much to see & do. We can't wait to make the 17 hour trip back!

— Shelley Paulson Singleton

Any road trip I take, I love. I search for Frank Lloyd Wright houses to tour, Whispering Giants to admire, covered bridges to cross, birthplaces and statues/monuments to connect me to historical events, and so on. Bloomington, Ill., is one place that had lots of surprises. Route 66 exhibition, maple syrup farm, and my favorite Funk Prairie Home Museum. For people that love our mineral museum, you would be blown away by this place.

— Brandi Potter

Best road trip was out West, via Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. I went to El Paso, Albuquerque, Santa Fe, and Amarillo. I visited the Meteor crater, painted desert, Petrified



Photo by: Valerie Gilbert

Forest and the Grand Canyon! The trip was awesome and I'd love to do it again someday. I highly recommend eating at the The Big Texan Steak Ranch restaurant, the food was awesome!!

— Joni Durfey

Man this is a hard question there's been so many.

The Columbia River Gorge between Oregon and Washington was one of the most beautiful

because you're crossing through the Cascade Mountains and they surround you as you drive through the valley along the river. The snow capped mountains are amazing.

But New England in the autumn is breathtaking. Small villages are like walking back in time, the fall color is just WOW!

I've traveled in 44 of the lower 48 and honestly every trip has something amazing. The different

foods in different areas ... yea that's what makes the trip always ... eat where the locals eat and try the local cuisine.

— West Ky. Sports Network

We've done so many it's hard to choose. Probably the most memorable was driving to Alaska with my parents. Over 11,000 miles in 6 weeks. Saw sooo much.

— Dianne Newcom

Montana. We have traveled many, many places, within the U.S. and outside of the states. It would be in my overall top three favorite. Views you just can't adequately describe. Every bend in the road reveals a "wow" moment.

— Jennifer James Bell

We rode our bike to Gettysburg, Pa. I'm not a big history buff and I thought I would hate the trip but I found it to be very informative, relaxing and enjoyable. We

stayed in Gettysburg and toured the battle-field sites and it made history come alive for me.

— Dale Beverly

Does it have to officially be "Road"? Hawaii and Alaska....both amazing for so many reasons.

— Jennifer Trowbridge McDaniel

That road trip I take to Tolu every day.

— Timmy Todd

While my husband was working in Maryland we made a one-day trip to Niagara Falls before his job ended. I booked a tour that lasted most of the day. It was an amazing experience!

— Julie Weatherspoon

Alaska will always be a favorite destination of mine because it is so unique & pristine.

— Monica Dukes Lovell



How to cut costs on your *SUMMER ROAD TRIP*

Metro Services

The most memorable road trips are often the byproduct of ample planning. Careful examinations of maps months before a trip begins can help vacationers find the best sights to see and uncover must-visit restaurants. In fact, many people find pre-trip planning nearly as enjoyable as the trip itself.

Vacationers who planned road trips months ago likely did not think they would be forced to contend with extraordinarily high gas prices, but that's precisely the position drivers find themselves in this summer. The average gas price in many parts of North America exceeded \$5 U.S. dollars per gallon by early June, and economic forecasters predicted prices could climb even higher as June gives way to the summer travel season.

High gas prices likely won't compel most vacationers to cancel their travel plans this summer. And those who are staying the course can rest easy knowing there are plenty of ways for them to cut costs and still enjoy a memorable summer road trip in the months ahead.

► Book a vehicle

maintenance appointment. Prior to heading for parts unknown, visit your local auto body shop and have your car or truck serviced. The U.S. Department of Energy notes that regular engine tune-ups to ensure a vehicle is running efficiently increases fuel economy by an average of 4 percent. Schedule an oil change and tune-up shortly before your departure date so your car won't be forced to work extra hard, and thus consume extra fuel, during your trip.

► Reconsider your ride. Vacationers with more than one car to choose from may want to reconsider which car they drive on their road trip this summer. For example, families with one SUV and one sedan may save money by driving the sedan instead of the SUV, which is likely less fuel-efficient than the smaller vehicle. In addition, consider the type of fuel each of your cars requires and let that inform your decision. For instance, certain vehicles require more expensive high-octane fuel. If you own a car that requires the more budget-friendly regular 87 octane fuel, take that one on the road with you this summer.

► Look to save on lodging. Roadside motels have undergone something a rebirth in recent years. Many motels have been given full makeovers but remain budget-friendly lodging options for road trippers. Motels won't offer all the amenities of five-star hotels, but they're affordable places for vacationers to lay their heads for a night before traveling on to the next adventure the following morning.

► Take your foot off the gas. Another way to conserve fuel during a summer road trip is to resist the temptation to drive too fast. Avoiding excessive speeds isn't just safer; it's also more fuel-efficient. The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy reports that fuel economy for a light-duty vehicle traveling at 80 miles per hour is about 27 percent lower than when traveling at 60 miles per hour.

Vacationers may be worried that high fuel costs will bust their budgets during road trips this summer. But there are various ways to cut costs and still enjoy memorable trips, even when fuel prices are especially high.

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What's behind **NOISES** your car might be making

Metro Services
Few things can be as unsettling when behind the wheel as a sudden noise. Noises coming from a car can indicate a host of issues, and that's one reason why such sounds tend to be so different. Quickly identifying what's behind car noises can make for safer driving and potentially save drivers substantial amounts of money.

NOISE: RATTLLING COINS
PROBLEM: LOOSE LUG NUT IN A HUB CAP

This noise can be loud and unsettling, but the good news is that it's often a simple fix if addressed immediately. The automotive insurance experts at Geico note that a noise that sounds like coins rat-

tling around in a dryer is likely a loose lug nut in a hubcap. The lug nut might have become loose if a wheel was not tightened sufficiently after a recent maintenance appointment or even if drivers changed a tire on their own. The longer drivers wait to address this, the more dangerous and costly it could become, as it could have an effect on the wheel bearings. If addressed promptly, the damage is likely minimal.

NOISE: SQUEALING ON STAR-UP
PROBLEM: ISSUE WITH THE SERPENTINE BELT

A squealing noise at start-up is among the more annoying noises a driver can hear. This sound is often indica-



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tive of a worn or damaged serpentine belt, which connects the crankshaft to the alternator, power steering and additional components. Thankfully, a worn down serpentine belt is a relatively inexpensive repair, though it's important that it be

addressed promptly. Squealing at start-up also could indicate a loose tensioner, which is designed to keep the serpentine belt at a certain tightness and tension, or wear and tear to the belt due to parking outside. These issues can be addressed

by readjusting or replacing the tensioner or replacing the serpentine belt, particularly if the part is old.

NOISE: ENGINE KNOCKING
PROBLEM: VARIOUS ISSUES

A knocking noise from the engine typically sounds like repeated tapping. The noise will often become louder as the vehicle accelerates. Various issues can be behind the knocking sound, and drivers should avoid self-diagnosing the problem, even if they've experienced it in the past with the same or a different vehicle. Some drivers hear knocking because they're using 87 octane fuel instead the of the high-performance and more expensive fuel the

owner's manual recommends (this could be a common problem in recent months given the meteoric rise in fuel prices). Another potential cause of engine knock could be problems with the pistons or crankshaft. Regardless of what's causing engine knocking, drivers are urged to take their vehicle to a mechanic promptly, as the cost of repairs is likely to rise the longer knocking goes untreated.

No one wants to hear noises coming from their vehicles. However, such noises should be addressed promptly, as the quickness of drivers' responses could make the difference between a simple, less costly fix and a more time-consuming, expensive repair.

How to **ROAD TRIP** in an electric car

Metro Services
Seasoned travelers know that few things match the excitement of taking to the open road. Whether you're heading off for parts unknown or following a carefully planned itinerary, a road trip promises to be a unique experience. Drivers can up the uniqueness ante even further by taking an electric car on their next road trip. Many people who take driving vacations may fly into a new city or country and then rent a car as they prepare to hit the open road. Electric vehicles, or EVs, have become increasingly available in rental fleets in recent years. Travelers interested in trying something new may be intrigued by the chance to get behind the wheel of an EV on their next road trip. This can be a great chance for drivers who are interested in one day purchasing their own EVs to get their feet wet. Some drivers may not know what to expect when taking a long trip in an EV. Though it's understandable to have some hesitation, the following are some ways to

navigate your first extended trip in an EV.
► Determine the charging time of your vehicle. The automotive experts at J.D. Power note that EVs come with different types of charging systems. Level 1 are the most readily available EVs, and these come with a standard 120-volt three prong plug that's common in modern homes in the United States. That's convenient, but charging using a Level 1 outlet may take a significant amount of time and only provide a few miles per hour of charging. If you're renting an EV, confirm which type of car you're getting and emphasize to the rental agency that you prefer a car that can be charged easily and effectively. One that can be charged overnight and provide hundreds of miles of driving time after a full charge is ideal.
► Look for EV-friendly lodging. Many hotels now feature charging stations exclusively for guests with EVs. Some hotels include the cost of utilizing such stations in their parking fees, while others may charge an additional amount.



Either way, the convenience of finding a hotel with its own charging station outweighs any extra costs, as cars can be charged overnight while guests are asleep, leaving more time to travel in a vehicle that's fully charged each morning.
► Find some RV parks along your route. RVs have required charging stations for years, so RV parks typically have these stations available for a nominal fee of around \$50. RVs typically are Level 2, so EV drivers that require Level 2 charging systems should be able to charge their vehicles at RV parks. In addition, many RV parks now also provide charging stations for

Level 1 vehicles, though drivers should confirm which parks have such offerings prior to embarking on their trips.
► Drive in moderate weather. The software experts at Geotab note that cold weather affects EV range. Though battery thermal management systems have been designed to keep batteries within an optimal temperature range to minimize loss in battery performance, battery range is adversely affected when driving in extreme cold. Geotab notes that 70 F is the trip efficiency sweet spot. Drivers can embrace various strategies to keep electric vehicles running strong on long road trips.

How to **PREPARE** for an out-of-town breakdown

Metro Services
Road trips make for excellent getaways. Whether you're embarking on a weekend excursion or a lengthy vacation, driving yourself to your destination is a great way to travel, especially for families looking to save money. Though no one wants to think about the possibility of a vehicle breakdown while out of town, such things do happen. How prepared drivers are can go a long way toward determining how affected they and their passengers will be if this happens.
► Get a checkup before skipping town. It sounds simple, but many drivers may overlook the importance of

vehicle checkups before departing on weekend getaways or longer trips. A full checkup (including an oil change if the recommended interval has passed or is approaching) can uncover any problems that might derail a trip.
► Examine your options in regard to emergency roadside assistance. Insurance providers typically offer emergency roadside assistance to policy holders for a nominal fee, and memberships in clubs such as AAA also are inexpensive. That's especially true when drivers compare the cost of extra coverage or AAA membership to the potential price tag of a tow truck and out-of-town repairs.

Drivers should note that out-of-town repairs may require costly overnight shipping of parts so travelers can get back on the road as quickly as possible. Roadside assistance offered through an insurance company or motor club may include tow trucks free of charge up to a certain number of miles, allowing travelers to get their cars back home without breaking the bank.
► Inspect tires, including your spare. Many a road trip has been derailed or thrown off schedule due to a flat tire or tires. Before departing, check the condition of your existing tires, including the spare, as well as the air pressure in each one.

Firestone notes that many vehicle manufacturers recommend replacing tires at six years, regardless of tread wear. Tires that get heavy usage should be replaced even more frequently. To determine if tread wear is something to worry about, Firestone recommends the penny test, which involves placing a penny head first into several tread grooves across the tire. If the top of Abraham Lincoln's head is always visible,

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DID YOU KNOW?

Fully functional headlights are an important safety feature on cars and trucks. While halogen bulbs were common in the past, modern vehicles now largely utilize high intensity discharge (HID) bulbs or light-emitting diodes (LEDs). HIDs work similarly to fluorescent bulbs by passing an electric current through an inert gas in a glass cylinder. LEDs are semiconductors that emit light when powered by an electric current. LEDs and HIDs are now used because they are efficient and last longer. These headlights quickly replaced halogen bulbs as the industry standard, but many drivers have lamented that they are increasingly feeling blinded by headlight glare. In March 2020, the Ford Motor Company recalled several F-150s because their headlights were too bright. According to Donut Media, an American automotive content brand, the typical halogen bulb puts out 1,300 lumens of light and the average LED emits 1,600 lumens. But HIDs can emit up to 3,000 lumens. Popular Science magazine also says HID and LED headlights are a different color temperature than halogens. These newer lights put out whiter and bluer light. Human eyes are very sensitive to blue light, so these blue-white bulbs automatically seem brighter even when they're not emitting more lumens, according to PowerBulbs reports. Headlights also are supposed to be positioned correctly at a certain angle to reduce blinding glare. People who replace their own bulbs may not be doing so correctly.

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CONSERVE FUEL with vehicle maintenance

Motorists know that 2022 has been a record-breaking year for fuel prices. Data from AAA indicates gas prices jumped 55 percent between June 2021 and June 2022. All 50 states now have an average fuel price that exceeds \$4 per gallon, with many even surpassing the \$5 mark. The fuel cost comparison resource Global Petrol Prices reports that, as of May 2022, gas in Canada was on average \$2.17 CAD per liter, which comes to roughly \$8.22 CAD a gallon, or \$6.52 USD per gallon.

The pinch at the pump is being felt by commuters, casual drivers and weekend warriors alike. People across North America are taking whatever steps necessary to conserve fuel. One of the considerations they may have overlooked is vehicle maintenance. Poor vehicle performance adversely affects fuel economy, so here's



how to maintain a vehicle with an eye toward conserving fuel.

Proper tire inflation
The U.S. Department of Energy says each decrease in tire pressure by 1 pound per square inch for four tires can decrease fuel economy by 0.2 percent. By keeping tires properly inflated, the average driver can improve gas mileage by as much as 3 percent. Drivers can consult their tire manufacturer's specifications for proper tire pressure.

Use recommended motor oil
Engines require the

right blend of products to work efficiently. The DOE says drivers can improve gas mileage by 1 to 2 percent simply by using the recommended grade of motor oil. In addition, look for motor oils that list "Energy Conserving" on the label.

Change the air filter
According to Auto Zone, an engine's ability to produce power is directly related to its ability to draw air in. A clean air filter assists with that function, whereas a dirty filter will reduce engine power and fuel efficiency.

Get a tune-up
Additional mechanical issues may affect vehicle performance and lead to excessive fuel consumption. A mechanic can run diagnostics on the vehicle and make recommendations on things to repair or replace, such as spark plugs, ignition coils or faulty oxygen sensors.

Treat fuel occasionally
Debris and moisture in the fuel tank can compromise combustion and impact performance. A fuel treatment product can clean out debris and dry up moisture to restore function and improve miles per gallon.

Use the air conditioning sparingly
The air conditioning unit in a vehicle uses power directly from the motor of the car. This means the vehicle consumes extra gas to keep the AC unit running, thereby reducing fuel

efficiency.

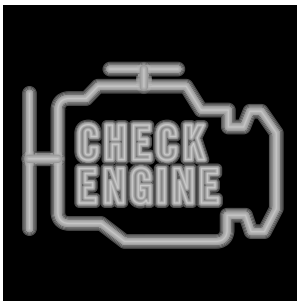
Remove excess cargo
Clear the trunk or cargo area of extra items that can weigh down the vehicle, requiring more power to move it. Any heavy load will negatively affect mileage. Keeping a vehicle in top form can improve fuel economy, which can be especially beneficial in a time marked by soaring fuel costs.

6 reasons for a CHECK ENGINE LIGHT

Modern vehicles utilize various technologies to ensure drivers remain as safe as possible behind the wheel. Technology also can alert drivers when their cars are in need of examination, and such is the case when the often dreaded "check engine" light comes on.

While a check engine indicator is seldom good news, it may not mean that expensive repairs are right around the corner. The following are six reasons why check engine lights come on and how to remedy these situations.

1. **Faulty/loose gas cap:** A faulty gas cap is one of the reasons a check engine light might turn on. A cap that is not tightly closed or one that is poorly sealed enables vapors to escape, which can trigger the light. Opening the gas cap and then resealing it tightly may help; otherwise, a replacement cap may be necessary.
2. **Faulty sensor:** Sometimes there is nothing wrong with the engine or other components, but the light sensor itself. The check engine light might come on because its sensor is corroded or not working properly.
3. **Oxygen sensor failure:** The oxygen sensor sends data to the vehicle's computer, which it uses to create the right mix of air and fuel to enter the engine's cylinders. The check engine light may come on when the sensor fails or registers a problem with the fuel/air mix.
4. **Ignition coils/spark plugs:** A check engine light may come on to warn drivers it is time to replace spark plugs and/or ignition coils. According to DigitalTrends, ignition coils generate the electricity needed for spark plugs to ignite the fuel and air mix in the cylinders. Worn coils or fouled plugs can cause any number of issues, including engine misfire.
5. **Catalytic converter issues:** The catalytic converter heats up hydrocarbons and other emissions so that they turn into carbon dioxide and water vapor to help protect the environment, offers AutoZone. The converter usually does



not fail on its own, but a mechanic can help diagnose what might cause the failure.

6. **Electronic powertrain controls:** Vehicles are large computerized devices with an array of sensors and modules that run powertrains. Any issues with these sensors, networks or modules can trigger the check engine light.

Depending on the make and model of a

vehicle, a check engine light may require less urgency than a flashing light. It always helps to consult with the owner's manual to help determine issues. Automotive retail stores and mechanics can connect the car's computer to diagnostic equipment that will issue a diagnostic trouble code (DTC) that can serve as a starting point to address check engine light issues.



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then your tires are shallow and worn and need to be replaced. But if part of Lincoln's head is always covered, your tires can probably withstand the trip. Worn tire treads can make it hard for tires to safely navigate roads in inclement weather, so don't discount the importance of this simple step.

► Bring along some basic tools. Pack some basic tools, such as screw drivers, wrenches, pliers, a trolley jack, a battery charger, and, of course, duct tape, which may help you temporarily solve some issues on your own. This is especially important for drivers who intend to visit remote locations where mobile phone networks may be inaccessible and the nearest tow truck might be far away. Hone your tire-changing skills before hitting the road and make sure tools are still capable of performing the kind of basic maintenance that might help your vehicle safely return to civilization.

Vehicle breakdowns happen, even while on vacation. Some advance preparation can help drivers avert out-of-town disasters.

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MARION MAN FACES BURGLARY CHARGE AFTER HOMEOWNER FINDS HIM IN BARN

A resident of U.S. 60 East discovered an alleged burglar in his barn last week just two days after tools and other items had been stolen from the same building.

Crittenden County Sheriff’s Deputy Ray Agent answered a call in north-east Crittenden County last Tuesday. The property owner, who lives across the road from the barn, said he found a man allegedly trying to steal more items. The man fled on foot and the owner called police.

Deputy Agent’s investigation determined that Jimmy Dale Rose Jr., 34, of Marion was a suspect in the case. A description of Rose’s silver Dodge Dakota pickup truck and surveillance cameras in the neighborhood helped identify the suspect.

The deputy said tools and a welder were missing from the barn on Sunday, June 12.

Rose is charged with the incident on June 14. He’s facing a misdemeanor charge of third-degree burglary and arraigned June 15 in Crittenden District Court. He is to appear in court on July 6 for a pre-

trial conference.

Rose pleaded guilty to drug charges in Lyon County on June 9 and is scheduled for sentencing in August.

MARION, FREDONIA SALEM AMONG CITIES GETTING ARPA CASH

Gov. Andy Beshear announced last week the second half of Kentucky’s American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding would be distributed to towns across the commonwealth to help defray costs incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The awards amount to more than \$162 million for more than 360 smaller cities in the state.

Marion is getting \$379,610.04, Salem gets \$96,606.15, Fredonia has \$52,912.91, Providence will get \$400,721.76 and for Sturgis there will be \$237,974.47.

This is the second round of ARPA funding for eligible local governments, and these cities received their first funding awards last year.

The money, which began being distributed last week, can be used by local governments to pay for such things as the costs of personal protective equipment, vaccination clinics, loss of revenue, payroll, and more.

The Department for Local Government, or DLG, is tasked with distributing these funds. Non-entitlement cities, or cities with populations under 50,000 that did not file for a different distinction with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, were required to submit budget certification forms to

DLG. The total amount of funding to be sent out to cities in this second round is \$162,101,603.

FED PUSHES RATES UP, SIGNALS MORE TO COME TO HELP FIGHT INFLATION

The United States Federal Reserve has beefed up its attempts to confront record-high inflation. Last week it raised the key interest rate by three-quarters of a point — the largest increase since 1994. The Fed signaled more rate hikes ahead as it tries to cool off the U.S. economy without causing a recession, the Associated Press reported.

The rare huge rate hike came after recent data indicated U.S. inflation rose last month to a four-decade high of 8.6% — a jump that made financial markets uneasy. The Fed’s benchmark short-term rate, which affects many consumer and business loans, will now be pegged to a range of 1.5% to 1.75% — and Fed policymakers forecast a doubling of that range by year’s end.

The central bank said its efforts to quell inflation won’t be painless, a sharp pivot from earlier postering that indicated the Fed believed the labor market would remain strong.

“It’s going to be a far bumpier ride to get inflation down than what they had anticipated previously,” Matthew Luzzetti, chief U.S. economist at Deutsche Bank, told the AP.

Fed officials forecast unemployment ticking up this year and next, reaching 4.1% in 2024 — a level that some economists said would risk a recession.

LIVINGSTON’S FLIP IS AMONG COUNTIES HELPING GOP MAKE GAINS ON DEMS

Kentucky voters are continuing to leave the Democrat party to register as Republicans, according to the latest report from Kentucky’s Board of Elections, and Livingston County is part of the movement.

According to a news release by the Kentucky Republican Party, the state’s election roll update reveals that more than half of Kentucky’s 120 counties – 63 of them – now have a plurality of registered Republican voters. The GOP says that underscores positive momentum for the party as it shrunk the advantage held by Kentucky Democrats to 4,120 voters.

“Kentuckians know that the Republican Party is Kentucky’s party,” Republican Party of Kentucky Chair Mac Brown said. “The Republican Party of Kentucky has the ideas, the values, and the leaders to make Kentucky a better place to work and live. It’s very clear: by the end of this calendar year, Republicans will outpace Democrats in terms of party registration.”

The five counties that flipped most recently include Clark, Fleming, Henry, Livingston and Owen counties. There are several other counties poised to flip this year.

Republicans gained 8,897 voters from the April 28 close of books for the May Primary Election to June 15, 2022, while Democrats lost 5,738 voters. Currently, 45.1% of the electorate is comprised of Republicans, while the Democrats stand at 45.2%.

50 YEARS AGO

June 22, 1972

■ Doug Shepherd was selected as the new Crittenden County Extension Agent for Agriculture.

■ Mrs. Doyle Walker, Special Education Teacher for Crittenden County Schools, was employed for the summer to teach two courses on Special Education at Murray State University.

■ Ricky Hatfield and Steve Gilland represented Crittenden County at Bluegrass Boys’ State held in Richmond, Ky.

■ Shannon Travis and Mary Jo Arflack, both seniors at CCHS, attended the Kentucky Girl’s State Assembly.

25 YEARS AGO

June 26, 1997

■ Shanna Moore and Ginger Orr competed at the Miss Kentucky pageant. Orr made it to finals, while Moore finished in the Top 10.

■ Diedre Hodge, a 1992 graduate of Crittenden County High School, won the international title of Mrs. United Nation.

■ Regan Mott, Jody Porter and Jeffrey Riley were named to the Campbellsville University honors’ list for the



spring semester.

■ Libby Maddux of Marion was crowned 1997 Kentucky High School Rodeo Queen.

■ Wesley Belt was awarded a University Scholarship and a Mabel Barrett Pullen Agriculture Scholarship at Murray State University.

10 YEARS AGO

June 21, 2012

■ Plans by the City of Marion to annex the Airport Road area were put on hold.

■ The Crittenden County High School cheer squad received two superior ribbons at a recent cheer camp. The squad was recognized for strong technique, leading the crowd well and performing no noticeable mistakes. They also received a technical excellence certificate awarded for motions, jumps and stunts, as well as a S.P.O.T. certificate awarded for excel-

lent technique in safety, spotting and stunts. Members of the squad were: Lauren McKinney, Chloe McKinzie, Madison Lynch, Jerri Ann Duncan, Ella LaPlante, Madisyn Jones, Elizabeth Brown, Brittany Buell, Courtney Conger, Katie Travis, Arieal Wright, Lauren Beavers, Sydney Hunt, Case-lynn Clark, Kali Travis, Taylor Belt and Sadie Easley.

■ Joe Lanham, VFW commander, stepped down after eight years of service to veterans in Crittenden County.

■ The Chamber of Commerce chose the Crittenden County Public Library as the June business of the month.

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School bids prompt second look

STAFF REPORT

School board members are calling it a perfect storm of inflated costs and a shortage of labor and building materials that has left the Crittenden County Board of Education scratching heads while trying to decide how to proceed with construction of a new high school.

The lowest of three bids for a new Crittenden County High School and related campus improvements came in about \$3 million higher than school officials had expected.

MP Lawson of Paducah submit-

ted the lowest of three general contracting bids received last week. Its bid totaled \$16.5 million, which includes a new football field surrounded by a competition track and a softball field. A new football field is necessary because engineers determined that the most logical place for the new school will be where the current football is located.

Bids were opened June 14, and immediately Craig Thomas of RBS Design Group began discussions with engineers and finance officials, exploring options for scaling

back the project to meet the school district’s budget.

“Right now you do not have the funding mechanism to do the project with the low bid so moving forward, so we have got to come up with an acceptable solution for you all and determine what you are willing to do from a finance side,” Thomas said.


During a special meeting Tuesday, RBS Design Group proposed several possible solutions for reducing the cost and scope of the project. A followup meeting will be held Monday, June 27.

Lyon getting park grant

A new 80-acre development project planned for the Eddyville Industrial Park will enhance its potential and growth opportunities.

The development includes constructing a new park entrance off US 62, abolishing Industrial Park Road that bisects the site, and grading and construction of a stormwater retention basin. The project will be funded in part through a \$172,560 Opportunity Kentucky Grant from Louisville Gas and Electric Company and Kentucky Utilities Company (LG&E and KU).

The site has rail service, interstate access to both Interstates 69 and 24, and water access to the Eddyville Riverport.

Crittenden County Detention Center Census				
	JAIL CENSUS	June 16, 2022	May 19, 2022	Monthly Average 2022
	State Inmates	87	80	89.5
	Federal Inmates	62	67	68.5
	Other County Inmates	25	28	27.5
	Crittenden County Inmates	20	21	11.8
	TOTAL INMATES	194	196	197.3
	Weekenders	4	4	3.3
	Work release	0	0	0.0
	Out to Court	0	0	0.0
	Actual Inmate Bed Count	198	200	200.7
DETENTION CENTER REPORT JUNE 16, 2022	REVENUE	May 2022	April 2022	'22 Monthly Avg.
	State Housing Payments	\$78,067.94	\$77,190.42	\$81,786.95
	Federal Housing Payments	\$112,864.53	\$107,223.54	\$114,661.32
	Federal Transport Payments	\$8,739.53	\$3,980.54	\$6,640.82
	Lyon Co. Housing Payments	\$28,296.00	\$28,836.00	\$25,572.00
	Other County Housing Payments	\$2,016.00	\$4,480.00	\$3,349.33
	Weekend/Work Release	\$448.00	\$768.00	\$720.00
	TOTAL HOUSING	\$221,692.47	\$218,497.96	\$226,089.61
	ANALYSIS			
	Cost of Crittenden Inmates	\$18,048.00	\$12,608.00	\$10,010.67
• Federal Inmates \$49 Per diem • State Inmates \$31.34 Per diem • Lyon County Inmates \$36.00 • Other County Inmates \$32.00	Numbers of Co. Housing Days	564.00	394.00	312.83
	Daily Housing Rate	\$32.00	\$32.00	32.0
	Avg Daily Population Co. Inmates	18.20	13.14	10.35

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Eyes to see, ears to hear

Today I stood in a wood-
en 15 foot square struc-
ture that a group of mostly
young and inexperienced
builders constructed in
about five hours. I stood
there with 14 Americans
as the Honduran recipient
of a new house
prayed with us.
He prayed for
nearly five min-
utes; most of
his prayer was
thanking God
for us and for
our strength.
He thanked
God enthusi-
astically for his
new house and
said he wanted
God to give all
of us a hug. He
wanted us to
love his country
and come back
to help others.
Perspective.



Sean NIESTRATH
Faith-based columnist

Guest Columnist

Yesterday my niece and
I were invited into a house
(one big room divided by
a couple of sheets) as we
were delivering fresh veg-
etables. The woman of
the house told us she had
a sick child who need-
ed medicine.
It happened
that our group
was doing a
clinic nearby
that day. As
soon as I said,
“Let’s go,” she
picked up her
four-month-old
son and beat
me to the door.
I asked if my
niece could car-
ry the baby; she
was happy to let
her. We walked
about two-
thirds of the
way with her.
Perspective.

Every summer tens of
thousands of people travel
from better- off countries
to those that are worse off.
The groups are religious
and secular – often a com-
bination. Every summer a
new group of people have
their view of the world
changed forever- if they
have eyes to see and ears
to hear.

Of course, there are fas-
cinating stories all around
us, wherever we are, if we
make the effort to share

our lives and listen to oth-
ers. The more stories we
hear, the more we will un-
derstand the world we live
in.

Then there is The Story.
The Story of God’s inter-
action with His creation
from the beginning until
now. So many of the sto-
ries we hear are a result
of people trying to recon-
nect with God’s story in a
world that often forgets it.
It happened to Judah and
Jerusalem. It was because
they had forgotten their
story that Isaiah was told
to say, “And he said, “Go,
and say to this people:
‘Hear and hear, but do not
understand; see and see,
but do not perceive.’ Make
the heart of this people
fat, and their ears heavy,
and shut their eyes; lest
they see with their eyes,
and hear with their ears,
and understand with their
hearts, and turn and be
healed.” (Isa. 6:9-10).

If we forget The Sto-
ry, we will not be able to
perceive what we see or
understand what we hear
properly. When Jesus was
going about his work in
Palestine two thousand
years ago, there were
those that saw who did not
believe. Others saw and
believed but were afraid to
do anything about it – they
liked their position better
than growth and truth.

The Gospel of John tells
us there were those who
could not believe because
they were blinded by their
love of the praise of people
and fear. He quotes Isaiah,
then says, “Isaiah said
this because he saw his
glory and spoke of him.
Nevertheless, many even
of the authorities believed
in him, but for fear of the
Pharisees they did not
confess it, lest they should
be put out of the syna-
gogue: for they loved the
praise of men more than
the praise of God.” (John
12:41-43, RSV).

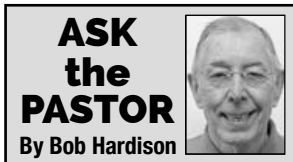
One of the themes that
runs through this column
is perspective. It constant-
ly matures and changes
as we venture through
this life if we are paying
attention. This means we
must keep a passion for
both learning and being
exposed to the lives of oth-
ers. Every person has a
story. Every person’s story
can be seen through the
eyes of The Story. It takes
eyes of faith to believe and
see this. Keep a soft heart
or find it again. See and
hear and understand.

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We reflect Christ when we serve others with humility

Question: I teach kinder-
garteners. I tie lots of shoes,
wipe snotty noses, mop up
messes and occasion-
ally wipe butts. I didn’t get a
masters degree in education
for demeaning, mundane
jobs like those. I know my
thoughts toward such tasks
are not right, but how can I
change my attitude?

Answer: Little children
have to be served a great
deal in their younger years.
It’s part of their growing up.



**ASK
the
PASTOR**
By Bob Hardison

To change your attitude
toward serving the children
in your class, you need to
change your perspective on
service. Jesus Christ was
God in the flesh. He was the
strongest person in history.
He healed the sick (Jn. 4:46-

54), fed the multitudes (Jn.
6:19-44), raised the dead
(Jn. 11:41-44).

Jesus created every-
thing—the world and ev-
erything in it. Yet, He sur-
prisingly wrapped a towel
around His waist, poured
some water into a basin and
bowing before His disciples,
washed their feet (Jn. 13:3-
5, 14-16). Isn’t that incredi-
ble? He humbled Himself
further by taking our sin as
His own and dying on the

cross to take the punish-
ment we deserve (Jn. 19:16-
30).

Jesus beautifully mod-
eled humble service for us.
We reflect Him powerfully
when we humbly serve. He
taught, “Whoever wants to
become great among you
must be your servant” (Mt
20:26). Let’s ask God to em-
power us to humbly serve
those around us this week.

Send your questions to:
bob@bobhardison.com

Community Events & News

■ Piney Fork Cumber-
land Presbyterian Church
will have its homecoming
Sunday, June 26 with Bro.
Steve Stone preaching and
The Stone Family singing
in the afternoon. Every-
one is invited
■ Veterans, active-duty
Military, Firefighters,
Emergency Personnel
and Law Enforcement will


be honored and recog-
nized during a free South-
ern Gospel Concert fea-
turing Gordon Mote and
the Meadows Family with
Fireworks to follow. The
event will be held in front
of Faith Church located
at 1849 US Highway 60
E., Salem, Ky. (between
Salem and Burna) on
Sat., June 25 beginning

at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is
welcome. For more infor-
mation visit @faithchurch-
salem

■ The VFW in Marion
will be having Bingo start-
ing at 5 p.m. every Tues-
day at 412 N. College St.,
Marion.

■ Marion Show and
Shine will be the fourth
Thursday every month


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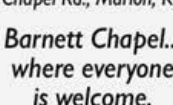
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The Kentucky Division of Water has opened a public comment period on a draft Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) report that addresses bacteria im-
pairments in Kentucky in minor tributary watersheds of the Ohio River. The
report includes TMDLs for 49 stream segments in the following counties:
Ballard, Boyd, Bracken, Breckinridge, Campbell, Crittenden, Daviess,
Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Jefferson, Meade, Oldham, and Union.


The Clean Water Act requires each state to periodically identify waters in
which water quality standards are not being met, and to develop a Total
Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for pollutants in those waters. "Total Maxi-
mum Daily Load" is the amount of a pollutant a waterbody can receive and
still meet water quality standards; determining this amount is critical in re-
storing and protecting water quality. A TMDL report contains the TMDL as
well as related supporting data and information.

The report is available for review on the Division of Water Public Notice web
page at <https://eec.ky.gov/Environmental-Protection/Water/Pages/Water-Public-Notices-and-Hearings.aspx>. The report adds one new appendix (Ap-
pendix J) to the Kentucky Statewide Bacteria TMDL, which contains impor-
tant background information and is also available on the web page. Com-
ments on the draft report submitted by email or mail must be dated or post-
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Iron furnaces in the county

The history of the iron furnaces in our coun-ty isn't too well known. Without the three Ken-tucky Highways Markers (provided by the Critten-den County Historical Society many years ago) telling us the location and some of the history, it might well be a part of our forgotten past.

The county's min-ing history goes back to around 1815 when An-drew Jackson organized a prospecting venture to hunt for silver ore in the area. Jackson bought many acres of land in the Hurricane District. Small quantities of silver were found in the lead sulphide, but they were too small for the cost of mining, so Jackson dis-posed of the large tracts of land he acquired.

Many years later An-drew Jackson Jr. re-turned to the area and built an iron furnace in the Hurricane district.

Back in Sept. 2011, I was so fortunate to be able to visit with the late Ed Belt, who at that time owed the property where the Hurricane Furnace was located and mined. Belt passed away just a short time lat-er on Nov. 28, 2011, and I'm so grateful for time spent with him and the tour he gave me of his farm and the mementos that he gave me of the iron fur-nace history.

For many years I thought that there were two iron furnaces built in the Hurricane area. This thought came from the two his-torical markers located in the area. One was at the junction of S.R.1668 and S.R. 135. It reads: "Deer Creek Furnace stood one mile south. It was a brick blast furnace, smelting iron ore from the numer-ous small pits still visi-ble nearby, using locally made charcoal fuel, and having a steam powered air blast. Built in 1850 by Alleniah Cole and Carey Allen Darlington, but op-erated only briefly. Land owned later by Hurricane Furnace, one mile West." The second marker, a short distance to the right on S.R. 135 locat-ed close to the Alexander grain bins, states, "Hur-ricane Furnace built ¼ mile southeast in 1850 by Andrew Jackson, Jr. Also known as Jackson fur-nace. As rebuilt in 1856. It was 34 ft. high, with a maximum inner diameter of 1- ft. In 6 months of 1857, made 1200 tons of iron from ores of the Jackson Bank, 2 miles south. Its soft iron was prized by rolling mills. Operations ceased in the early 1860s."

The information from these two markers seems to indicate that this was one furnace and had been rebuilt for later use, this fact was also con-firmed by Ed Belt.

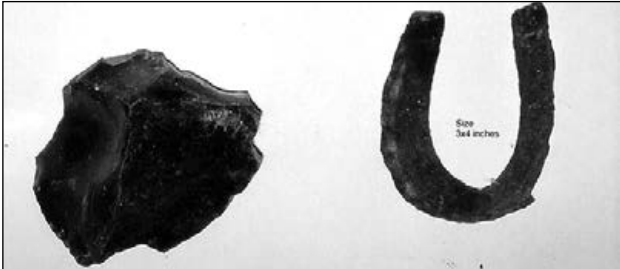
Ed Belt. The only per-son in the area that knew any information about this old furnace was Belt. His farm was located just a short distance from the, also historical, Hur-ricane Church and Camp Grounds. When I asked Belt if he knew any in-formation about the old furnace, he informed me, oh yes, he knew about the old furnace for it was located on his farm. He graciously offered to show me some interesting sites on his farm. (This farm land today is owned by Dr. Gary James.)

The first area we visited was a large wooded area where large and small orange-copper colored rocks, some the size of small cars, were scat-tered over the ground.

Belt asked me if I no-ticed how the hillside was covered in trenches, he told me these trenches were dug by the slaves as they were looking for the iron ore to be loaded and hauled to the blast



Ed Belt showing a large piece of the iron ore that was on his property. It measured about six feet in length. Although the ice storm of previous years had partially covered it with limbs, you could still see how large it was.



A treasured glassy black piece of slag and a souvenir burrow shoe that measures only 3x4 inches.

furnace some distance away.

Many pieces of the or-ange looking rocks were scatted all around. How strange they looked lay-ing in the green foliage of the woods, all orange and coppery colored looking.

Process of Making the Iron Ore. Our next stop was along the top of the hill where the blast furnace was built. The furnaces were always built on a side of a hill, so the top of the furnace would be accessible for the workers to unload their wagons of raw

iron ore into the furnace. The furnaces were about 30 feet high and built of bricks.

The fuel used was charcoal made from the neighboring forest. The timber was cut in 4-foot lengths and placed in rav-ines near the furnace and covered with dirt and wet leaves. There was an opening in one end and a fire was started at the other. The opening caused a draft and this made the charcoal for the furnaces that produced the heat. Some of these trenches were still visible on the hill where the fur-nace was located.

The water source came from a natural pond some distance from the furnace, and was fed to the furnace through 6-inch lead pipes con-nected from the pond to the furnace.

Another interesting tidbit Belt shared with me was that the old lead pipe, years ago, had been used by Jim Kirk and Hayden Winders to make fishing sinkers.

The slaves and/or workers used little mules known as bank mules, they were like little bur-ros and they would pull the wagons with the load-ed ore to the furnace from the nearby woods. They would back the wagon up to the top of the furnace and then empty the raw ore into the blast furnace. Belt had found several of these small horseshoes that the mules had lost in their daily work and he shared one with me.

When the raw ore was heated in the blast fur-nace, the impurities which contained large quantities of calcium and silica, became molten and were separated from the raw iron. The waste after the smelting was called "slag."

The slag from the Hur-ricane furnace is a glassy black, like none I had ever seen before, where other slag I've seen in the area of the Critten-den Furnace near Fran-cis, is all shades of blues and looks more like a rock, this is shinny and smooth and looks like black glass. There were many pieces still to be found all along the bot-tom of the hill. To Belt they were just something he saw every day, but to me they were wonderful,

something so beautiful and created from such a long time ago, I treasure my souvenir slag as a jewel from the past.

The workers would draw off the slag first through a small clay plug in the cinder notch of the furnace. The molten met-al shot out of the furnace into a "feeder" trench. When the trench was filled, the molten materi-al was diverted into side trenches that formed a series of side bars. The long bars of iron in the main trench were known as the "sows" and the smaller bars were called the "pigs." This would produce the iron bar, known as "pigs" each pig being about 4 foot long, 4 inches wide, and 6 inch-es deep. (We all probably know this is where the phrase pig iron originat-ed.)

Belt then told me that these iron bars, or pigs, would be loaded on a wagon and pulled with a team of oxen to the Ohio River to a landing known as the "iron landing." Al-though I didn't get to see this site, he told me that it was at the end of the Flanary Rd. off of S.R. 135. The old gravel road used to go all the way to the river and the landing was located there. The iron ore would be loaded onto a flat boat on the river and floated to its desti-nation.

Another piece of forgot-ten history Belt shared with me was that when the iron furnace was op-erating there was a large two-story hotel located not too far from the fur-nace, where the workers would stay. Although nothing is left of the structure today, it was really interesting to know it was once there.

The Historical Marker of The Crittenden Fur-nace located on Hwy. 70 near Frances reads: "Crittenden Furnace built a mile west by Gide-on D. Cobb in 1848, 9 ft. across inside, 30 feet high, charcoal-fueled, with steam-powered ma-chinery. In 1855 made 1,300 tons of iron. Named for newly formed county, it was last of several iron-works operated by the Cobb and Lyon families, who came to area about 1800, when Andrew Jackson told them of iron ore deposits here."

The reverse side of all three markers tells the beginning and ending of these furnaces. A ma-jor producer since 1791, Ky ranked 3rd in US in 1830s, and 11th in 1965. Charcoal timber, native ore and limestone sup-plied material for numer-ous furnaces making pig iron. Old charcoal fur-nace era ended by deple-tion of ore and timber and the growth of railroads.

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

CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY
ORDINANCE NO. 22-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARION, KENTUCKY AMENDING CHAPTER 50, WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM, TO CLARIFY PROHIBITED USES AND ESTABLISH WATER CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, the City of Marion operates a water and sewer enterprise; and

WHEREAS, the City's water reserves have been compromised by a levee breach; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor has declared a State of Emergency in the city limits of Marion due to the lack of water reserves the general welfare requires that the water resources available to the City be put to the maximum beneficial use to the extent to which they are capable, and that the waste or unreasonable use or unreasonable method of use of water be prevented, and the conservation of such waters is to be exercised with a view to the reasonable and beneficial use thereof in the interests of the people of the City and for the public welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that a mandatory water conservation plan is required to minimize the effect of a shortage of water to the Customers of the City and, by means of this Ordinance, to adopt provisions that will significantly reduce the consumption of water over an extended period of time, thereby extending the available water required for the Customers of the City while reducing the hardship of the City and the general public to the greatest extent possible, voluntary conservation efforts having proved to be insufficient.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE City Council of Marion, Kentucky that an emergency was declared by the Mayor of the City of Marion and a vote of two-thirds of the City Council members present affirmed the emergency as the necessity to conserve water and was deemed to be an immediate exigent need due to loss of Lake George and further without conservation measures the loss of water would endanger the general health, welfare, and safety of the population of the City of Marion, now therefore:

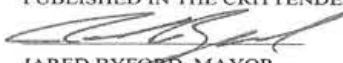
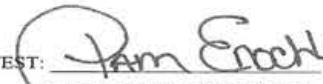
SECTION 1. That §50 of the Marion Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

WATER CONSERVATION:
(A) Minimum Standards: The following minimum standards are considered the foundation to "best practices of water use". These standards are in effect upon adoption and publication:
1. Increase public awareness of the water supply situation and provide educational materials about best practices of water use.
2. Encourage the entire community to conserve water wherever possible.
3. No eating establishment, restaurant, hotel, cafe, cafeterias, etc., shall serve drinking water unless expressly requested by a patron and will display notice of such policy.
4. Hotels will provide notice of declared water conservation program and encourage conservation practices.
5. City facilities will be limited to the following irrigation schedule:
(a) Three (3) days a week for facilities using a potable water source,
(b) Every other day for facilities using TFCC shares through a pressure irrigation (PI) system.
6. Vehicles will be washed only on scheduled irrigation day.
7. When using the city of Marion potable water source, landscape irrigation is restricted to the following schedule:
Even numbered addresses: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Odd numbered addresses: Wednesday, Friday, Sunday.
Premises with no street address, such as a median: Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
8. When using the city of Marion potable water source, watering will only be allowed on appropriate irrigation days before eight o'clock (8:00) A.M. or after eight o'clock (8:00) P.M.
9. Outdoor landscape watering with a drip irrigation system or handheld container is allowed at any time.
10. All irrigation systems must be maintained in a manner that promotes efficient watering and limits leaks or damage to the system that would allow flow of water beyond property lines.
11. When using TFCC shares through a pressure irrigation system, landscape irrigation is restricted to the following schedule:
Even numbered addresses: Irrigate on even calendar days.
Odd numbered addresses: Irrigate on odd calendar days.
Premises with no street address, such as a median: Every other day.
(B) Additional Stage 1 Through 3 Restrictions: When deemed appropriate based on engineering evaluation of projected supply and demand of the city's potable water sources, the Mayor may move to additional restrictions for use of the city's potable water supply as outlined in stages 1 through 3.
1. Stage 1:
(a) No water customer shall apply water to impervious surfaces such as streets, sidewalk, patio, deck, etc.
(b) Landscape irrigation two (2) days per week on designated days.
City facilities are restricted to two (2) days a week.
Even numbered addresses: Tuesday, Saturday.
Odd numbered addresses: Wednesday, Sunday.
Premises with no street address, such as a median: Monday, Friday.
2. Stage 2:
(a) No water customer shall apply water to impervious surfaces such as streets, sidewalk, patio, deck, etc.
(b) Landscape irrigation one day per week on designated days.
City facilities are restricted to one day a week.
Even numbered addresses: Tuesday.
Odd numbered addresses: Friday.
Premises with no street address, such as a median: Monday.
3. Stage 3:
(a) No water customer shall apply water to impervious surfaces such as streets, sidewalk, patio, deck, etc.
(b) Indoor use may be reduced by a percentage to be determined by Mayor.
(c) Landscape irrigation two (2) days per month on designated days.
City facilities are restricted to one day a week during the first and third weeks of the month.
Even numbered addresses: Second and fourth Tuesday.
Odd numbered addresses: First and third Friday.
Premises with no street address, such as a median: Second and fourth Monday.
(C) Additional Restrictions: Based upon evaluations of the expected yield of the city's potable water supply and projected demands the Mayor may impose additional restrictions on water use of the city's potable water supply during any stage up to and including, but not limited to, any of the following:
1. No additional water connections to the system allowed; moratorium on building permits.
2. Outdoor watering prohibited except for large trees with trunks of at least six inches (6") in diameter.
3. Operation of water features prohibited.
4. Filling or refilling of water features, pools or ponds prohibited.
(D) Duration Of Restrictions: Regular evaluations of the expected yield and projected demands to determine whether it is necessary to continue the water use restrictions. If water supply conditions warrant restrictions may be either downgraded or withdrawn subject to approval by the Mayor.
(E) Exceptions: Water customers may use water essential to protect the general public health, safety or welfare.
(F) Violations And Fines:
1. Water Customer's Premises: Each water customer shall be responsible for compliance with this section with respect to the water customer's premises and shall be responsible for applicable fines for noncompliance with this section. In the event of an alleged violation of this section, proof of the existence of a declared water shortage and proof of any violation of any restriction set forth in this section, together with proof that the violation originated at any water customer's premises shall constitute a rebuttable presumption that the water customer is responsible for the violation.
2. Fines Through Stage 2:
First violation: Written warning.
Second violation: Written notice and add a forty dollar (\$40.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
Third violation: Written notice and add an eighty dollar (\$80.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
Fourth violation and subsequent: Written notice and add a one hundred twenty dollar (\$120.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
3. Fines Through Stage 3:
First violation: Written notice and add an eighty dollar (\$80.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
Second violation: Written notice and add a one hundred sixty dollar (\$160.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
Third and subsequent: Written notice and add a two hundred forty dollar (\$240.00) fine to the water bill for the premises.
4. Fine Assessed: Any fine assessed shall be added to the customer's water bill.
5. Appeal: Any appeal of a fine imposed may be appealed within fifteen (15) days of the billing date through the City Administrator. Any decision of the City Administrator may be appealed to the city council within fifteen (15) days of the decision. Appeals must be in writing addressed to the utility billing department.
6. Notice: Written warning or notice shall be delivered in person to the customer's premises by leaving it with a person at the premises or posted on the front door if no one is present to accept it.

SECTION 2. That all ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of the conflict, hereby repealed, and that this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage by law pursuant to Kentucky Revised Statutes.

COUNCIL MEMBERS	YES	NO
Donald Arfleck	<u>X</u>	
Phyllis Sykes	<u>X</u>	
Darrin Tabor		<u>X</u>
Michael Byford	<u>X</u>	
Dwight Sherer	<u>X</u>	
D'anna Browning	<u>ABSENT</u>	

It appearing that 4 Council Members voted for the adoption of this ordinance, and 1 voted against, with 0 abstaining, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted.

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ORDINANCE NO. 22-11: NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 01-23, TO CHANGE ZONING STATUS OF 200 Watson Street Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at its regular meeting held on June 20, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code

of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at a special called meeting of the City Council held on June 16, 2022, at 5:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows: This Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 01-23 such that the property located at 200 Watson Street is amended from C-3 Mixed Commercial District to R-3 Multi-Family Residential. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection. PREPARED BY: /s/Robert B. Frazer ROBERT B. FRAZER CITY ATTORNEY FRAZER LAW OFFICE ATTORNEYS -AT- LAW P.O. BOX 361 MARION, KY 42064 270/965-2261 June 20, 2022 (1t-25-c)

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A representative of the AOC will make an appointment to inspect all proposed lease space that meets the requirements stated above. A determination will not be made until a visual inspection of all proposed properties has been made. Property must be approved by the Department of Housing, Buildings, and Construction, Division of Building Codes Enforcement, and must meet OSHA and the Americans with Disabilities Act specifications, as well as existing applicable building codes. For additional information, contact Sandra Starks at (502) 573-2350.

PUBLIC NOTICE			
The 2nd Reading of the Crittenden County Fiscal Court proposed budget ordinance for Fiscal Year 2223 is scheduled to be held at the courthouse on Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 8:30 am.			
BUDGET SUMMARY			
AN ORDINANCE relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations. Be it ordained by the Crittenden County Fiscal Court of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:			
WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Crittenden County Fiscal Court on the 19 day of May, 2022, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer on Wednesday, June 8, 2022.			
SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the Fiscal Year 2223 and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.			
01-GENERAL FUND			
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		1,079,762.00
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		511,650.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION		274,590.00
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES		56,175.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE		9,500.00
7000	DEBT SERVICE		129,356.00
9000	ADMINISTRATION		565,502.00
TOTAL 01-GENERAL FUND			2,626,535.00
02-ROAD FUND			
6000	TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND SERVICES		48,750.00
6100	ROADS		1,457,000.00
6400	OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND SERVICES		1,662,000.00
7000	DEBT SERVICE		210,250.00
9000	ADMINISTRATION		934,351.00
TOTAL 02-ROAD FUND			4,312,351.00
03-JAIL FUND			
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		2,249,575.00
7000	DEBT SERVICE		513,150.00
9000	ADMINISTRATION		911,125.00
TOTAL 03-JAIL FUND			3,673,850.00
04-LGEA FUND			
9000	ADMINISTRATION		6,550.00
TOTAL 04-LGEA FUND			6,550.00
06-STATE GRANT FUND			
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		53,995.00
TOTAL 06-STATE GRANT FUND			53,995.00
07-FEDERAL GRANT FUND			
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES		20,000.00
TOTAL 07-FEDERAL GRANT FUND			20,000.00
14-PARKS AND RECREATION FUND			
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION		1,000.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE		11,700.00
9000	ADMINISTRATION		69,500.00
TOTAL 14-PARKS AND RECREATION FUND			82,200.00
31-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND			
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT		126,500.00
TOTAL 31-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND			126,500.00
75-MCC911 FUND			
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY		940,040.00
9000	ADMINISTRATION		55,460.00
TOTAL 75-MCC911 FUND			995,500.00
84-ARPA FUND			
9000	ADMINISTRATION		1,001,000.00
TOTAL 84-ARPA FUND			1,001,000.00
97-CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT FUND			
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS		1,501,000.00
TOTAL 97-CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT FUND			1,501,000.00
SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in a local newspaper by title and summary within thirty (30) days following adoption.			
SECTION THREE. This ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication.			
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY			
All interested persons and organizations in the County are hereby notified that a copy of the County's adopted budget in full is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/Executive during normal business hours.			

SportsShorts

GOLF Couples event in Marion

Marion Golf and Pool will host its annual Buck and Doe couples golf tournament on Saturday, June 25. The 18-hole event will include cash and prizes for all flights. Cost is \$100 per team. To register, call 270-969-4376 or send a message on the club's Facebook page.

GOLF SCHEDULE FOR MG&P	
June 25-26	Buck and Doe Couples
July 16	Par 3 18-hole Invitational
July 27	QB Club 4-Person
July 31	Junior Tournament
Aug. 6	Club Championship
Aug. 13	4-Person Friends of Library
Aug. 20	1-Person Scramble
Sept. 10	2-Person Glow Ball
Sept. 24	2-Person First United Bank
Oct. 15	Trail of Tears Cup, Deer Lakes
Oct. 16	Trail of Tears Cup, Marion

BASEBALL Summer collegiate game

About 200 fans watched Owensboro beat Paducah 6-5 Saturday in an Ohio Valley Collegiate Baseball game in Marion Saturday night. The contest was played at Gordon B. Guess Field at Marion-Crittenden County Park. It was facilitated by Guess, the field's namesake; Marion Tourism Commission and local business partners. Ben Hargrove of Morganfield pitched seven innings and got the win for Owensboro. A few other aera players participated in the game, including some former Lyon County High Schoolers.



McDaniel & Evans



Federico

SOFTBALL Local girls win titles

Three local softball players have had great success over the last few weeks playing travel ball. Andrea Federico was named MVP of a tournament last weekend in Evansville as her Sudden Impact team based out of western Kentucky went 8-0 to win the event. She hit two home runs. Two other local teens have won back-to-back state championship tournaments in two different leagues. Elle McDaniel and Elliot Evans play for the Talons, a 14-under team based out of Mayfield. Their team won the NSA Tennessee-Kentucky State Tournament two weeks ago and last weekend won the USGF Summer State Tournament. The girls are also members of the Crittenden County High School team.



Alan Piltz



Miley Hayes

ARCHERY Marion shooters place high

Two shooters from the Marion-based Inside Out Archery team were podium finishers in the S3DA National Tournament last weekend at Rend Lake, Ill. Alan Piltz was second in Youth Open Male and Miley Hayes was second in Eagle Barebow. Lucian McDowell, Cabott Sutton, Will Piltz, Colt Hayes, David Piltz, Maddie Ziegler, Lucas McDowell and Tucker Boudro all competed in the tournament as well.

KHSAA RULE Dead Period starts soon

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association dead period begins on Friday, June 24 and lasts for two weeks through July 10. The dead period was instituted years ago to provide student-athletes a break from scholastic sports activities. Coaches are to have no contact with atheltes, including electronic contact, during the dead period.

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Lady Rocket Softball Awards

Crittenden County High School held its annual post-season awards ceremony early this week. Among those honored during the event were (from left) Hadlee Rich, MVP and Defensive MVP; Andrea Federico, Offensive MVP and Batting Champion with a .463 average; Hannah Jent, Junior Varsity MVP and Junior Varsity Defensive MVP; Aubre Conyer, Varsity Most Improved; and Georgia Holeman, Junior Varsity Most Improved.

PLEDGE

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ing home to serve the community where he was raised.

Baker, 24, is married to the former Jill P'Poole of Eddyville. They now have two children, the youngest, a daughter, is about a month old. His son is almost two years old and the strains of raising a family while studying for medical school is challenging. The Bakers are making it work. She's a nurse and works when she can, but spends much of the time rearing the children. Their families help, too. Baker's father Reese is a longtime Crittenden Hospital computer systems and technology specialist. Baker says that connection helped lure him into medicine. An excellent student at Crittenden County High School, he looked at other fields first, including engineering and law, but fell for medicine when he spent some time with Dr. Jonathan Maddux.

"I just thought it was the coolest thing in the world to have people come to you with their needs. Doctors are usually very respected and they serve everyone from all walks of life. I could just see the relationship that Dr. Maddux had with his patients, some of them people he'd known since they were kids."

It couldn't have worked out any better for the local hospital. Bright says recruiting and retaining physicians is tough in a rural area. It's no different than any other profession, but there's a whole lot on the line when it comes to a community's health and well being. Over the past few years, six area doctors have retired, moved on or passed away. It's left a void in the community.

Dr. Maddux is the sole medical doctor at Family Practice Clinic, but the clinic keeps pace thanks to a half dozen nurse practitioners who do a tremendous job, Bright said.

"Most medical schools focus on primary care in an urban environment," Bright explains. "So we have to focus on getting more people in medical school exposed to the rural environment. We have to bring more here for clinicals so they can see what it looks like. We are working to identify medical students with an interest in being in this type of setting and getting them here. Our focus is to do more of that and getting in on the front end with Reid is part of it."

Baker is a 2016 CCHS grad, has an undergraduate degree in biology and chemistry from Murray State and is on target to complete UK's medical school in a couple of years. The length of his residency will be determined by which specialized field he pursues. If he stays on course with primary care or family medicine, he will be ready to hang his own shingle in Marion by 2027. Baker could choose a more specialized route, a residency for which would take him longer and there's a good chance that path might take to another destination. If so, he has an out-option in the agreement with CCH. Both sides know it could happen, but that's not going to cripple the relationship that's been forged.

"For us, it's a longterm investment in him," the hospital CEO added. "He has four or five years left, but we're making an investment knowing that when everything comes to fruition, he will be a lifelong physician in this community."



Agriculture Hall of Fame nominees are sought

Nominations for the 2022 Agriculture Leadership Hall of Fame are now being accepted.

The purpose of the Crittenden County Agriculture Leadership Hall of Fame is to recognize contributions made to agriculture and community leadership.

Awards will honor those who have made outstanding contributions to Crittenden County Agriculture. Nominee forms are available at Crittenden County Extension office and honorees will be announced during the Fair Breakfast Aug. 5.

For more information, contact Dee Brasher Heimgartner, Crittenden County Agent for Agriculture and Natural Resources Education, 1534 US Hwy 60 E, Marion, KY 42064 or 270-965-5236.



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7:00 P.M.Loehr NBHA Team Roping

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Deaths

Kirby

Anna Faye Kirby, 76, of Marion, died June 19, 2022 at Crittenden County Health and Rehab. She was a member of Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church, a lifetime Member of VFW Auxiliary Post 12022 and a member of Crittenden County Homemakers.

Surviving are three sons, Robert (Kelly) Kirby and Brian (Kay) Kirby, both of Marion, and Paul (Lee Ann) Kirby of Evansville; seven grandchildren, Elizabeth, Alex, Daniel, Brandon, Ryan, Addy and Riley; a great-grandchild, Violet; a brother, Joe (Susie) Ritcheson; a sister, Brenda Bailey and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob Kirby; a brother, Benny Newman; a sister, Phyllis Herder and her parents, Ernest and Maylon Ritcheson.

Visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m., Thursday, June 23 at Gilbert Funeral Home. Private graveside services will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 556 Sugar Grove Church Road, Marion, KY, 42064.

Travelstead

Charles Rickey "Rick" Travelstead, 62, died Sunday, June 19, 2022 at his home in Burna.

He worked for the Livingston County Road Department for the last few years helping mow the right of way. He was a member of the Lakes Area Archeological Society for over 25 years and the Green River Archeological Society for over 30 years. He was of the Baptist faith.



Surviving are his wife of 42 years, Kimberly Anne Travelstead; a son Christopher (Sarah) Travelstead of Brookport, Ill.; a daughter, Ashley (Justin) Patton of Tiline; a sister, Christy Money-maker of Grand Rivers; two brothers, David Travelstead of Ledbetter and Timmy Travelstead of Smithland; four grandchildren, Braxton Travelstead, Kaylynn Harris, Ashton Harris and Emma Grace Patton.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jackie Travelstead and Elizabeth Layne Travelstead.

Funeral services are at 2 p.m., Thursday, June 23 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery in Ledbetter.

Friends may visit with the family from 11 a.m.,

until the funeral hour in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

Brock

Robert "Bob" Brock, 79, died June 16, 2022 after an eight-year battle against cancer. Originally from Louisville, he lived in Marion for over 40 years, the majority of which he taught special education at CCHS. He was a member of St. William Catholic Church in Marion, an avid gardener and hobbyist beekeeper.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Nancy; his children, John (Margie), Meg (Derrek) and Sarah (Whashington); a brother, a sister, eight grandchildren and an army of family and friends who loved him.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his mother-in-law and his father-in-law.

A funeral mass was held Tuesday, June 21 at St. William Catholic Church.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to stdjude.org.

Brantley

Jerry Brantley, 80, died May 4, 2022 at Baptist Health Paducah surrounded by his family.

A celebration of life will take place at 1 p.m., July 1 at Gilbert Funeral Home. A military ceremony will follow at Repton Baptist Church, 6289 US 60 E, Marion, KY, 42064.

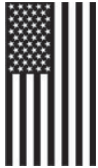
Brantley joined the U.S. Air Force after high school. He retired in 1979. He had a variety of jobs afterward until finally living out the good life on the Brantley farm. He will be remembered for many things, especially that twinkle in his eye.

Surviving are two sons, Lee Brantley and Chris Brantley; five grandchildren, Alexandra, Delaney, Mia, Benjamin and Emma Brantley; three sisters, Carolyn Salvati, Sandra Hawthorne and Dottie Brantley.

He was preceded in death by his parents, L.H. and Christine Brantley; a sister, Patsy Rotondo; and two brothers, Michael and Leonard Brantley

Brantley

Clarence Brantley, 97, of Roseville, Mich., formerly of Marion, died Thursday, June 16, 2022. He served in the US Army during World War II and the Korean conflict. He worked for over 30 years at Conrail as fireman, locomotive engineer and in management.



He enjoyed his family, doing yard work (best tomatoes in town) and helping his neighbors, and got great joy from bringing milkshakes to his daughter Susan.

Surviving are a sister, Irene Howerton; a son, Jeffrey (Carolina) Brantley; a daughter, Susan Brantley; and a niece who was like a daughter Dottie Brantley; three grandchildren, Rocio Brantley, Elaine (Khortnal Delvecchio) Brantley and James (Catherine) Brantley; and five great-grandchildren, Thomas Brantley, Bridget Brantley, Claire Brantley, Brantley Delvecchio and Gifford Delvecchio.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy (Rasegan) Brantley; a son, David Brantley; a daughter-in-law, Marsha (Watson) Brantley; and three grandchildren, David Brantley, Stephen Brantley and Michael Brantley.

Visitation is at Kaul Funeral Home in Roseville, Mich., on Thursday June 23 with burial in the Roseland Park Cemetery, in Royal Oak, Mich., June 24.

Memorial contributions may be made to Integrated Living, the organization that has been providing care for his daughter, Susan, and other developmentally disabled individuals. Integrated Living is a 501(c)(3) organization, located at 43133 Schoenherr Rd., Sterling Heights Michigan, 48313.

Combs wins writing event

Caleb Combs placed first in the spring GFWC Kentucky youth writing contest short story division.

His entry "The Barb and the Troll" won the Level 3 age group.



Combs

Combs' entry was sponsored by the Woman's Club of Marion. The local short story and poetry contests for students in K-12 grades is held each winter.

Dalton wins national contest

At 13, Crittenden County Middle School student Dalton Murray already has a great start on his college savings. He recently learned that he was one of only two national winners of a scholarship opportunity, earning him a \$5,000 gift card to a 529 college savings plan.

As a student in Neal Bryant's financial literacy class, an enrichment course taught outside of Bryant's usual science classes, Murray and other students participated in the Everfi curriculum through the Mass Mutual Foundation. Students who successfully complete the course have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship through an essay contest, and Bryant said that Murray was quick to take advantage.

An aspiring architect, Murray explained how he would apply the knowledge he learned from his coursework to help one day create a business plan for his own career goals.

"I hope to attend Murray State University and get a degree in architecture," said Murray.



Neal Bryant (left) and his student Dalton Murray were honored with Rocket Way employee and student of the month honors last week. Murray recently was notified that he won a national essay contest.

The \$5,000 award will help Murray do just that.

Bryant explained that the 529 investment plan allows for the money to be invested in the stock market until Murray reaches age 18 and applies it toward college or trade school expenses. Murray's grandmother will manage his account until that time.

Bryant said when he received the news that his student had won, he

instantly contacted Murray and his grandmother.

"I was sitting at home when I read the email stating Dalton had won the grand prize," said Bryant. "I was so excited that I went straight to Dalton's house to see his reaction when I told him. It's always exciting when one of my students gets to see his hard work pay off in a big way."

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Club treated to tea party

Challenger Homemakers members and guests were greeted with a feast for the eyes and palate at its 24th "Tea Party" held in the Marion Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, Wednesday, May 18.

Hostess Micki Crider had tables set to include colorful table covers, napkins and lovely tea cups. Each table was adorned with an antique teapot as a centerpiece. A variety of bite sized sandwiches, fruit, clotted cream, strawberry jam, and tea cookies were on the main table and enjoyed by all. Crider offered a variety of teas served from a beautiful silver tea set for the enjoyment of the group.

A brief business meeting was also held after

the tea luncheon. The club will have its last meeting before summer break June 8. The first fall meeting will be in September.

The June meeting will be a potluck salad lunch held at noon at the Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church fellowship hall. Members and

guest will carpool, meeting at 11:30 a.m., at the Farmers Bank parking lot.

Each member was provided a list of upcoming Extension activities and the Homemakers' May lesson "Basic Guide to Smartphone Savings" to take home.

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Fixture / Appliance	Efficient Fixtures	Less Efficient Fitures	Frequency / Duration of Use	Default	Reduced	Efficient Fixtures	Less Efficient Fixtures	Efficient Fixtures	Less Efficient Fixtures
Washing Machine	15 Gallons	40 Gallons	Loads per Week	7	6	15.0	40.0	15.0	40.0
Kitchen Faucet	1.5 gpm	2.0 gpm	Minutes per Day	15	10	22.5	30.0	15.0	20.0
Dishwasher	3 Gallons	9 Gallons	Loads per Week	7	6	3.0	9.0	2.6	7.7
Shower	1.5 gpm	2 gpm	Minutes per person per day	10	5	60.0	80.0	30.0	40.0
Bathtub	30 gallons	30 gallons	Baths per person per week	1	1	17.1	17.1	17.1	17.1
Toilet Use	1.6 gpf	3.5 gpf	Flushes per person per day	4	4	25.6	56.0	25.6	56.0
Bathroom Faucet	1 gpm	1.5 gpm	Minutes per person per day	5	2.5	20.0	30.0	10.0	15.0
Total Daily Indoor Consumption						163.2	262.1	115.3	195.9
Percent Reduction in Consumption								29%	25%

Every household is encouraged to implement the following: 1. Run one less load of laundry per week, 2. Limit run time of kitchen faucet to a necessary minimum, 3. Run one less load of dishes in dishwasher per week, 4. Cut shower time to 5 minutes or less, 5. Limit run time of bathroom faucet to necessary minimum.

WATER

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the city drained one of its two raw water lakes to avoid a levee failure.

As Marion moves through its ninth week of this predicament, there's renewed hope that complete disaster will be averted and the town will not run totally out of water. Gov. Andy Beshear late last week declared the State of Emergency in Marion, ensuring resources to help prevent the town from running out of water. Conservation mandates by the City of Marion remain in force as the city will not likely have its typical supply of potable water for perhaps years, except during periods when nature provides sufficient rainfall.

Gov. Beshear visited Marion early Wednesday morning to get a look at the emptied Lake George and to meet with a small contingent of local officials. The governor's decree for emergency status put the Kentucky National Guard on alert, and it will transport raw water from either the Ohio or Cumberland rivers to Marion's treatment plant if necessary. Bottled water is being stockpiled at the former armory and other warehouses. Much of the water has come from reserve stocks in Mayfield, left over from the response to December's tornado. Other private and government entities have also been pitching in to get bottled water to residents. If residents need to make special arrangements for pickup due to health or transportation needs, contact Marion City Hall at 270-965-2266.

Meantime, efforts to tie other nearby water districts into Marion's system has met with further stumbling blocks. On Friday, Webster County Water District opened a value to allow water to gravity feed Shady Grove area customers on Crittenden-Livingston (C-L) Water District's lines. Hopes were that sufficient volume would allow C-L to free up capacity in order to pump water directly to Marion. It didn't happen.

Pressure issues with lines in Crittenden County and insufficient water volumes sparked a setback. Marion City Administrator Adam Ledford said neither the Webster County nor Princeton links are operational at this time. Both continue to be explored, but even if Webster can provide water, at this point it appears to be far less than anticipated.

"We might get 25 gallons per minute. We were hoping to eventually get 100," Ledford said.

While Webster County is providing the extra water to make this collaboration possible, the H2O flowing to Marion residents would actually come from Crittenden-Livingston (C-L) Water District's plant in Pinckneyville on the Cumberland River in Livingston County. Readers who have been following the water crisis would be aware that C-L has been



unable to assist because of commitments to its own customers. It currently does not have capacity to sell water directly to Marion. However, it is involved in the facilitation effort involving Webster County water. More customers in eastern Crittenden County will be getting water from Webster County in order to continue efforts to free up C-L volume for Marion.

Webster County Water District collects raw water from the Green River at Onton which is on the county's eastern border near Hopkins and McLean counties. The treatment plant is in Onton, and water is pumped westwardly to a tower in Dixon from where it gravity feeds customers. Gravity flow is a key component to maintaining good pressure for all customers involved in the alliance between the rural water districts and Marion. However, there are some options to pumps going to aid water pressure from Webster or Princeton.

"What we believed it would do from a gravitational standpoint is not working," Ledford told Marion City Council and others gathered for Monday's regular meeting at city hall.

Fewer than 100 C-L customers in the Shady Grove area began receiving Webster water late last week and agents from the league of water providers were monitoring consumption, pressure and other details of the arrangement.

Marion and Sturgis officials met early this week to begin exploring options whereby the southern Union County town might help provide water on a short-term basis.

Marion officials have been intentional about making sure its customers know that water purchased from third-party providers will cost the city more than it does to make its own. Marion says it can manufacture potable water for just over \$2 per 1,000 gallons, but to buy it will be more than \$3.

City officials say that no matter how much

help it gets from state or federal sources, it will not be enough to prevent a further financial burden on Marion.

"Regardless of how much grant or aid money we receive, there will be an expectation of local skin in the game," Ledford said. "One hundred percent funding is not how government grants work."

Marion city council has met in full session multiple times over the past couple of weeks to deal with issues. Last Thursday it held a nearly two-hour meeting that was attended by more than 100 citizens. Many spoke during the meeting. Some vented and others offered possible solutions. The entire meeting was broadcast live on The Press YouTube page and it remains archived there for viewing at any time.

Approved during that special meeting last week was an emergency ordinance setting up a three-stage system for water conservation and establishing penalties for those who don't comply. The full text of the order can be found on page 7 of this issue.

The council met Monday with about 30 residents attending. A handful were property owners who live on the shore of Lake George. They have questions about whether the lake will be rebuilt even if it doesn't meet standards to hold raw water for the town. Answers to those queries remain fleeting at the moment, but most of the long-term options that appear favored by Kentucky drinking water agencies do not include reworking Lake George.

Mayor Jared Byford and other city leaders have made it clear that state authorities who control the permitting process for making drinking water appear opposed to options other than regionalization.

"My feeling is the long-term solution is going be regional," Byford said, but points out that all options are on the table in short term.

Jackie Logsdon, a specialist with the Kentucky Division of Water, was at



Division of Water representative Jackie Logsdon speaks at Monday's city council meeting.

Monday's meeting and answered many questions. Those she could not address will be sent up the command chain, Logsdon told council



A large crowd gathered at last Thursday's Marion City Council meeting. A video of the meeting is archived on The Press YouTube channel.

members. Some of the questions were concerned with the Lucile Mine, a source of raw water some city leaders are eager to pursue. The old mine is near the city maintenance garage and

Marion has rights to the water. Preliminary tests have indicated the water has too much natural fluoride to be safe for drinking despite several options posed by the city council for cleaning it up.

CATCH

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rain-catching skills.

"We just take for granted our water," said Tanner Tabor, who lives on Old Morganfield Road and caught nearly 80 gallons in large garbage cans during last week's rain.

Tabor, like most folks in the community, has no background in harvesting rain, but realized he needed water to keep his gardens and flowers alive.

"These cans filled up in about 20 minutes," he said.

Where a gutter downspout was coupled together, Tabor pulled out two screws to create a free-flowing faucet right into the plastic containers.

"This is free. I don't know why we don't do this all of the time," he added. "We're not going to drink it or shower in it, but we can use it to flush the commode and water the gardens."

Kevin Householder of Marion remembers friends who lived in rural Crittenden County and used rain barrels to water their gardens and for other needs of everyday life. It wasn't until Householder's Facebook

feed brought forth a "suggested for you" post showing a diagram of a rain barrel system that he decided to purchase his own container and screen. Householder says he, too, believes he could have easily harvested 400 to 500 gallons of rainwater from his home's guttering system.

On the other side of town, hairdresser Casey Winstead detached part of the gutter system on her shop and caught water in a mop bucket. That container filled up so quickly, she began looking for anything else to collect water such as trashcans and tea pitchers. She gathered enough water to fill the utility sink and used it for various purposes.

While rain-catching has helped people in Marion with watering flowers and flushing toilets, A Cut-Above Meat Market owners Tony and Sharon McDonald have purchased a 1,000-gallon water tank and pump to connect to their building on South Main Street.

Large water tanks can be purchased from farm stores such as Akridge in Fredonia. McDonald said she and her husband purchased a black tank in order to discourage

bacterial growth. It will be fastened on a trailer with a disconnect valve so it can be transported to a water source and filled as needed.

Another Marion resident told Marion City Council members that she has moved here from California and understands the need to conserve water. Sharon Bauchman said she captures water with a basin in her shower while it's warming up. The water can be used for various other purposes.

"Otherwise, it just goes down the drain," she said.

Conserving water can help alleviate effects of water shortages in any given community. The Crittenden County office of the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service is hosting a water collection class at 2 p.m., Wednesday, July 6 at Crittenden County Public Library. The beginner's course will demonstrate ways to safely collect rainwater using rain barrels. At registration, the first 15 households will receive a free rain barrel. Contact the Extension office to register at 270-965-5236.

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Clark points to team work as he’s honored on way into retirement

STAFF REPORT

Community members and colleagues past and present expressed well wishes June 14 for retiring Crittenden County Superintendent Vince Clark.

Clark’s lasting legacy to the school district was announced during his last meeting of the Crittenden County Board of Education.

The Rocket Foundation, which was established and has grown to \$193,544 under Clark’s leadership, was renamed the Vince Clark Rocket Foundation. Funded through community and school district employee contributions, the foundation assists students with dual credit expenses for college classes and industry certifications.

Clark spent all but one of his 32 years in public education in Crittenden County, beginning as a middle school math teacher and coach, and climbing the administrative ladder to serve as the

Shrock joins district

When Tonya Driver officially assumes her role as the district’s next superintendent on July 1, a Christian County native, Lacey Schrock, will fill her role as supervisor of instruction.

Schrock has degrees from Murray State and Austin Peay.

She has previously taught at Hopkinsville Community College, Christian County High School, Lyon County High School and most recently in the Trigg County School District.

Her husband Scott is a math teacher and fishing coach at Trigg County.



“He laid the foundation for what it means to be part of this Rocket Nation,” Clark said. “You always say you start with relationships and wrap it up in teamwork.”

Leading a school district of 1,330 students through a two-year COVID-19 pandemic had its obvious challenges, but Clark always has credited the team that surrounded him for making the process as smooth as possible to ensure a quality education for children.

“Nothing was done in this district that wasn’t done as a team, and if I did one thing, it was putting the right people around the table,” Clark said. “It has been my honor to lead such a great group of people on behalf of our kids and this community, and I can say we gave our best effort every day to help kids realize their potential.

“I will miss this, miss people, miss it all.”



Board chairman Chris Cook presents Superintendent Vince Clark a plaque recognizing his 31 years of service to the Crittenden County School District. Clark attended his final board of education meeting June 14. Clark’s contract ends June 30. Assistant Superintendent Tonya Driver takes over the helm of the district July 1.

Magistrates approved task force funds; AOC will replace boiler at courthouse

STAFF REPORT

After debate on whether to fund the Pennyryle Area Narcotics Task Force (PANTF) in its 2022-23 budget, county magistrates were nearly split on whether to give the investigative agency an annual contribution of \$1,400.

In April, Crittenden County Fiscal Court delayed approving the requested funding until it had some type of correspondence from task force leadership. David Thompson, PANTF director, sent a letter to Judge-Executive Perry Newcom outlining the group’s work in Crittenden County and spelling out why it relies on a multiple-county partnership to maintain operations.

After reading the letter and discussing the benefits of the task force’s presence in the county, magistrates voted 4-2 to approve the funding with Greg Rushing and Dan Wood dissenting.

Rushing has served on the PANTF for about eight years. He said the agency used to hold regular board of directors meetings, but had not in the last few years. His opposition to the payment was based on recent experiences as a board member.

Judge Newcom said the need for undercover drug investigations in the county is worth the small price being paid. The task force director said in his letter that it had worked 23 cases in Crittenden County over the past year that netted nine arrests and more than 202 grams of methamphetamine, 23 grams of cocaine and other drugs.

Thompson’s letter also said the PANTF is in the process of applying for a federal grant which requires a 10-percent match from participating counties. “Your contribution aids in our funding,” the leader reads.

The task force serves 11 counties, including Caldwell, Henderson, Livingston, Lyon,

Fiscal Court

McLean, Muhlenberg, Ohio, Todd, Trigg and Webster.

County Attorney Rebecca Johnson said the task force’s work in other neighboring counties also benefits Crittenden.

“Because those drugs in other counties will come into this community,” she said.

The agency has a 2022-23 spending plan of \$338,443 with \$33,844 coming from city and county contributions within its jurisdiction.

In other business, Judge Newcom provided magistrates with an update on progress toward construction of a new courthouse in downtown and work to expand and renovate Marion Ed-Tech Center where county offices will be moving.

Construction at the Ed-Tech Center is on schedule, the judge said, however; there are delays in the justice center project. Therefore, the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) has approved buying a new boiler for the existing courthouse. The boiler has been a source of great maintenance problems the last few years. Newcom said the county wasn’t willing to put local taxpayer dollars into a heating system at a building targeted for demolition in a few months, but the AOC has agreed to do it.

Newcom said demolition of the existing courthouse will begin sometime next year.

“AOC figures it will be spending another winter in this building, so they will reimburse the county for any expenses to replace the boiler,” Newcom said. Cost is \$17,500 for the boiler.

AOC had been negotiating a possible lease agreement with a couple of local property owners, but Newcom said it appears neither of those deals will come to fruition. The state is needing temporary space

for courtrooms, circuit court clerk and other judicial support staff while the courthouse is torn down and a new one built. Newcom said there are ongoing discussions about using city hall’s council chambers as a temporary courtroom and state officials are looking for additional temporary office space in Marion.

Inflation has also pushed the price of the new courthouse from its original \$11.9 million estimate to more than \$19 million.

Engineering and design work has begun on the new justice center so bills must be paid. The county approved release of funds from a bond sale associated with the construction project. The approved maximum annual payment is \$1.9 million. Those funds are coming from sources approved by the Kentucky General Assembly.

•The county will soon repave a portion of Adams Street on the north edge of town. It only recently came to light that part of the street is in the county and outside of the city limits. Ownership of the street was discovered during a right-of-way issue during construction of the city sewer system lift station at the intersection of US 60 and Adams Street. Newcom said once construction of the lift station and transmission system are finished, the county will repair the street.

CONGRATULATIONS to these talented kids!

Crittenden Community Hospital presented new bicycles to winners from Crittenden County Elementary and both Livingston County Elementary schools in a recent coloring contest.

GREAT JOB! 1st Place Winners

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Pop-up licensing center booked solid

There will be a temporary driver’s licensing site at the former Marion Armory on July 6. The so-called Pop-Up Driver’s Licensing Centers typically fill up quickly and this one is completely booked after being announced online last week.

Go online to drive.ky.gov to find other

options for driver’s license renewal.

This is the second pop-up opportunity to come to Crittenden County since driver licensing responsibilities were moved from local courthouses to regional locations. Beyond this temporary center, local residents must go to Madisonville, Paducah or other locations.

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