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### **Spring officially** starts Tuesday

Though it's felt like it for some time now, particularly after this week's above-normal temperatures, spring officially begins just after midnight on Tuesday. Additionally, on Saturday, which is St. Patrick's Day, the days will start being longer than the nights, with sunrise at 7 a.m., and sunset at 7:01 p.m.

### **Tree seedlings** available for free

Free tree seedlings will be offered to the public from 10 a.m., until noon Friday in front of the Conservation District

office located at 118 E. Bellville St., in Marion. Seedlings will include dogwood, redbud, mulberry, northern red oak and white pine. Quantities will be limited per

person. The conservation district encourages persons throughout the community, both city and rural residents, to take advantage of this opportunity.

The dogwood, redbud, mulberry and northern red oak seedlings were purchased by the Crittenden County Conservation District with a matching contribution of white pines made by the Kentucky Division of Forestry.

### Free dump days slated for April

Crittenden County won't officially be participating in next week's 14th annual Commonwealth Cleanup Week, but as usual, the county will offer free dumping days at its convenience center on U.S. 60 just east of Marion behind the county road department.

Items not accepted at the trash center include:

- Batteries;
- Wet paint, though cans dried up from age or use of an absorbent like cat litter can be taken;
- Anything with freon; and
- Anything with mercury. Household trash in garbage sacks is not included in the trash amnesty days.

### What's your opinion? Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked: "If the fiscal court opts for an occupational tax, where is financial help most needed?"

The vast majority of voters agree that the county's ambulance service is in the greatest need of financial aid. The 339 voters said:

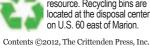
- EMS, 179 (52%)
- Jail, 7 (2%) ■ Parks, 19 (5%)
- Fire departments, 18 (5%)
- Road department, 51
- Employee health insurance, 52 (15%)
- Other, 13 (3%)

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# Water rate increase still needs PSC OK

# District board's 3-1 vote to up rates 5 percent could be approved, altered by end of spring

By DARYL K. TABOR

A spokesperson with Kentucky's Public Service Commission (PSC) said there is still time for the public to weigh in on the proposed acrossthe-board rate increase introduced last month by Crittenden-Livingston Water District's board of directors. The board voted Feb. 27 by a 3-1 margin to increase residential, commercial, bulk and wholesale rates by five percent.

Andrew Melnykovych, spokesperson for the PSC, said the commission's decision is on a bit of an expedited path. The normal utility rate request takes about 10 months for the PSC to reach a decision. The Commission is expected to rule on

the matter before the end of spring. Sid Bean, the lone dissenting vote

rate increase, suggested that if customers oppose the increase, they need to weigh in with the PSC before a decision is made.

"It's at least a matter of a couple of months" before a decision on the rates will be made, Melnykovych

Even at that, the PSC may not approve the entire five-percent acrossthe-board increase.

I felt is was wrong to make the general consumer take another increase. ""

> Sid Bean Crittenden-Livingston Water District board member

> > would from go \$136.90 to \$143.74 for the first 15,000 gallons used.

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Ronnie Slayden, superintendent of the rural water district, said after

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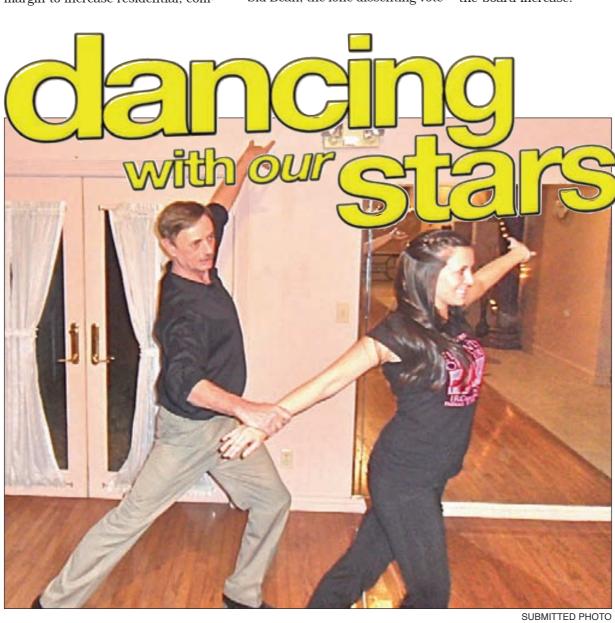
\$16.80, up from \$16.

That levy is for the

first 1,000 gallons.

The base rate for

bill



Morgan Dooms Morris practices with her dance partner, Jack Johnson, in preparation for the sixth annual Dancing with Our Stars event on stage at Harrah's Casino in Metropolis, III. The event, designed much like ABC's "Dancing with the Stars," is a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

# Marion woman competes in ACS fundraiser

By JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN STAFF REPORTER

On March 24, Morgan Dooms Morris will take the biggest risk she's ever taken when she steps onto the stage at Harrah's Casino in Metropolis, Ill., with her dance partner, Jack Johnson, and shows off their samba skills. The pair is one of 20 participants that will be showcasing their dancing skills during Paducah's sixth annual Dancing with Our Stars, an event to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

Set up similar to the television version, Dancing with Our Stars has paired 10 males and 10 females from around the Paducah area with local professional dancers who will have one opportunity to show off their dance moves and donate the funds that they've actively been raising.

Morris, a math teacher at Lone Oak High School, has been pracevent with her partner, owner of Paducah the Dance Academy, since November and even though she's excited about the event, she's quick to admit that the dance she has been trying to learn is hard.

"Samba has to be the hardest dance ever to

learn," Morris said. "I'm very competitive at everything I do, always giving 110 percent; so not being able to get this dance down is a little frustrating at times, but I keep pushing myself forward. Although I'm nervous about it,

I'm also really excited." Morris' motiva-

tion for the event comes from her family, whom she savs has been affected by cancer. Her father-in-law is a cancer survivor, her uncle was recently diagnosed and her grandfather has been battling it for quite some time, recently undergoing surgery.

"I'm doing it for Morris said. them," "They're definitely my motivation. This event

promotes a great cause, and it really touches home for me."

Since she's been participating, Morris has been able to raise

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# **Outbursts** add months to 10-year jail sentence

tory rape Jan. 27 in Crittenden Circuit Court had another outburst in court here last Thursday during his formal sentencing. For his derogatory remarks aimed at prosecutor Zac Greenwell, Judge Rene Williams charged

Ethan Thomas Hughes with contempt of court and tacked another six months onto his 10-year sentence.

At his trial, Hughes, 22, was found guilty of having sex with a 12-year-old girl, who got pregnant as a result of the encounter.

Following the verdict in January, Hughes verbally



lashed out at the jury, the victim and her family seated in the courtroom. He cursed the jury, calling members "(expletive, expletive) whores." He told the judge he wanted to be taken out of the courtroom and back to jail. "Get me the (expletive) out of here," he told the judge. He also pressed the jury to "go ahead and give me the 10-years" maximum sentence, which it later

Security was heavy in the courtroom last week when Hughes, who is being held in the Christian County Jail, was brought to Marion for sentencing. The proceeding was uneventful until the end when Hughes called Greenwell a "(expletive) head."

Greenwell asked the judge for a contempt ruling, which she provided. Hughes responded with more expletives and told the judge she could add another six months to his sentence as far as he was concerned.

Hughes was then taken out of the courtroom and into the stairwell where he was guarded by two armed police officers until he was transported back to Christian County.

# County seeks input for grant to help keep park facility lit, safe

By DARYL K. TABOR MANAGING EDITOR

There may have been "Angels in the Outfield" or it may have just been luck that kept any of the players in a church softball league from being killed when the lights came crashing down last year at the softball field at Marion-Crittenden County Park. But whether you believe in divine intervention or not, it's going to take more than faith to keep the community park up to par. It's going to take money.

That's why Crittenden Fiscal Court is hosting a public forum Tuesday for discussion of lighting and electrical upgrades at

the park funded through a federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant. The 2 p.m., meeting at the courthouse, held in conjunction with Pennyrile Area Development District (PADD), will afford citizens the opportunity to express their views concerning the recreational needs of the community. The deadline for the 2012 grant application is April 30, and the county could be eligible for anywhere from \$5,000 to \$75,000 in matching funds for improvements at the recreational facility.

"The poles are getting rotten See PARK/Page 8



At left, Ethan Hunt takes the mound for a daytime baseball game last summer. The county is planning to apply for a grant to help fund lighting and electrical fixes needed at Marion-Crittenden County Park that will allow baseball, softball and other activities to continue taking place after dark.

INTERNET IMAGE

# The Press News & Views

# Lack of knowing 'how' is life's breaker

Growing up as a child, I was made to feel being ignorant was a shame and learning was to make us feel better. It would also earn us respect from respectable people.

It wasn't easy to get much of an education 80 years ago in rural areas where — rich or poor — we had to walk several miles in rain, snow, sleet, mud or heat. Packed lunches were sometimes leftover breakfast biscuits with a side meat maybe sorghum instead of meat — potato patties or maybe a little jar of blackberries. Sometimes when sugar was available, we had plain cupcakes and on rich days, peanut butter and crackers or peanut butter and jelly.

School days were controlled by the crop and garden seasons, as children were expected to help on the forms

Two weeks out of the



year, we were so excited that we would get to line up and march to the nearest revival meeting and listen to ser-

Someone had to come early to start a fire in the potbelly stove so the schoolhouse could be warm to start classes.

Drinking water was drawn from a cistern. There was an outhouse away from the school room. Softball was one of the main sports. And, if you came to school without your lesson, you were shamed.

Parents always waited to get the teacher's side of the

Rep. Mike

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Frankfort Front

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percentage of cuts to execu-

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be hurtful, to put it mildly.

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this year to get our finances

The facts are simple and

stark: There is a \$742 mil-

lion gap between state rev-

nium that we must bridge,

and the cuts — along with

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to be spent in the next bien-

fund transfers, tax amnesty,

fund lapses and other meas-

ures — are going to help us

do it. The tax amnesty plan,

which would add an esti-

mated \$55 million to the

budget over the next two

years, is found in HB 499

which passed the House by

But our commitment to

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under control. It's again

bite-the-bullet time.

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story before taking the child's side.

Christmas was always "Christmas" and not a "holi-

Many parents could not help children much with their homework, so students had to study and listen, taking responsibility for most of their learning.

Clothes were rarely new, unless at the very start of the school year. They had to last all year unless some other hand-me-downs were made available.

The real pride came when we were privileged to get to go to church, town or visit. Sometimes, visitors would come to our homes, so we would hurry and put on our Sunday best, pick up everything and put out the best food we had.

We were taught to have respect for ourselves and others, and we wanted to look our best when possible, even if clothes could not be new and were sometimes out of style. But we were taught to cover our bodies decently and be clean. We were taught to brush our teeth, even if it was with little peach tree twigs for brushes and salt and soda for paste.

Everyone in the household had their jobs to do and had to do them. We were taught to love each other passionately and always be there for one another. The love our parents had for each other was vivid and drew us to each of them

We were taught by the example of Mom and Dad to share with those less fortunate, and we did.

So two points I want to stress are to learn and share. As I grew up, I wanted to learn all I could and wanted to share that with all who would listen. I wanted to make a lot of money so I could share with all my precious family and others as the need arose.

That has been true in my work here in learning the Bible and different trades and wanting to help everyone I could to learn the Bible so they could have a much happier life here and have Heaven in the end.

After I was born again, I realized how ignorant I was on the Bible, our government and how to be healthier. So I have been busy ever since trying to learn all I can and how to help people have Bible knowledge and healthier lives. I also wanted to teach people how to take care of their priceless soul Jesus gave His life to save, and about all the hell on earth thousands of Americans have suffered to protect our freedoms and way of life.

Many years have passed over me. I'm so sorry I have not been able to do a better job for Jesus, the county I love — which God drew me back to — and the country I adore. I suffer seeing it slouching toward Sodom and the once bright, powerful Rome which both were destroyed by moral decay from within.

I've never wanted to hurt anyone in the process of all of this. I've just wanted to help, and I hurt when I

can't.

The bottom line is, had I known more all my life I could have done a better job of glorifying God and helping people.

A closing note to all: When we do not learn how to live for Jesus and be a better citizen for this Godblessed nation, all of life is broken. Jesus is still not only the Healer, but the Only Healer.

(Rev. Tedrick is a Marion minister. Her opinions are her own, and are not necessarily those of the newspaper. Her column appears in this newspaper regularly.)

# Austere 2-year budget includes 8.4 percent cuts Distressed over the loss of a 67-28 vote earlier last allowance (COLA) increase. Vancing last week was a check. The checks required

Distressed over the loss of life and property in Kentucky counties ravaged by recent tornadoes, last week we faced the hard, but necessary, task of voting on an executive branch budget bill. It represents yet another round of cuts from already stripped-bare state agency budgets over the next biennium.

The \$19.5 billion executive branch budget plan in House Bill 265 — which passed the House 78-17 on last Wednesday — closely mirrors the governor's proposal to cut an additional 8.4 percent from most agency budgets over the next two years. Like previous cuts approved in recent years, the new round results from the anemic economy which has plagued the state since revenues bottomed out at a negative 2.7 percent "growth" rate in 2009. All this is tied to the terrible lingering recession that began in 2007. Kentucky has recently experienced an encouraging turnaround in growth and revenues, but the bottom line is we're not even back to even.

State agencies are as tired of budget cuts as the rest of us Kentuckians are tired of the slowly improving, but still poor economy and job market. And the agencies have a right to be stressed and weary. Over \$1 billion has been cut from agency appropriations in Kentucky over the last four years — yes, that's billion with a 'b.'

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State universities would have their budgets reduced by 6.4 percent, with smaller cuts of 4.2 percent for the education cabinet (excluding SEEK, which would be spared actual cuts) and 2.2 percent for some areas of the justice cabinet, excluding corrections and funding for commonwealth's and county attorneys.

Only critical service areas like base average daily attendance funding (SEEK), Medicaid, corrections and a handful of others would be exempt from the 8.4 percent biennial cuts proposed in HB 265. A few areas — including aging services, family resource centers, extended school services and some others — would see funding that was not included in the governor's budget proposal "restored." We have found a little money to reduce state social worker caseloads, allow more people with disabilities to live in non-institutional settings, cover burial services for veterans and a few other areas. The budget would also authorize construction of the state's fourth veterans' nursing home near Fort Knox.

This budget contains no pay raises for state employees, as was the case in the last budget. This includes legislators and judges and means that we will all go four consecutive years without a raise or, as some would call it, a cost of living

allowance (COLA) increase. Speaking of COLAs, state retirees will not get one the next two years and, yes, that includes retired members of the legislature and judicial branches. (You might be surprised how many people contact me thinking we exclude ourselves from such action. How wrong that would be.) Suspending this 1.5 percent COLA will save \$400 million in our retirement system's unfunded liability and reinforce the concept that all of us must share our state and, for that matter, country's economic

I am personally optimistic that this executive branch budget, as well as the judicial and legislative branch budgets which we also passed and also include 8.4 percent cuts, will be the last of the state's bare-bones budgets, at least for a while. We all certainly hope that is the case. But, from July 2012 through July 2014, Kentucky state government will literally be watching every penny because every penny will be precious.

Now, HB 265 and the other two budget bills are headed to the Senate where the executive budget, at least, will likely be amended. That will lead to the assignment of a House and Senate conference committee to work up a budget compromise in the 14 legislative days left in this session.

Among non-budget legislation of particular note ad-

vancing last week was a movement to increase the number of bachelor's degree holders in far eastern and southeastern Kentucky. HB 260, which cleared the House Education Committee, was originally a measure that would have paved the way for the University of Pikeville to become the state's ninth public university. However, it was amended by the committee to allow multi-county coal severance dollars to be invested in college scholarships for degree-seeking students in the region, and not to create a new statesupported public university. The bill now goes to the full House for its consideration.

Social workers with social work degrees who work directly with clients in child abuse, neglect and other socalled "front line" cases would have to be licensed under a Health and Welfare bill. HB 237, which is now before the Senate after clearing the House by a 74-18 vote, would require current employees to be licensed by July 2015. All social workers who are hired on or after the date the bill becomes law (in mid- to late June) would also have to be licensed.

Improved safety in nursing homes and other longterm care facilities is the push behind another Houseapproved bill that would require potential employees of long-term care facilities to undergo a state and federal fingerprint background check. The checks required under HB 250 would be funded, at least in part, through a \$3 million federal grant and \$1 million in state matching funds to ensure that potential hires with a history of abuse and neglect, robbery, pornography and certain other intimate or violent crimes are disqualified from employment.

Finally, the House voted 81-7 to pass legislation that would crack down on Kentucky's prescription "pill mills," which are essentially fly-by-night physician's offices that indiscriminately prescribe and dispense controlled pain medication to make money for what is typically an out-of-state owner. By giving the attorney general control over prescribing and dispensing practices along with the KASPER electronic tracking system that monitors prescribing practices in-state and HB 4's other requirements and penalties for noncompliance supporters hope the bill will help to end the prescription drug abuse scourge in Kentucky. Data show that prescription pill abuse kills more Kentuckians than automobile accidents.

(Rep. Cherry Princeton Democrat serving House District 4. He represents Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of McCracken County in Frankfort. His column appears regularly when the Kentucky General Assembly is in session.)

I hope to hear from you.

# Senate starts work on biennial budget

We returned to Frankfort on March 5 with heavy hearts for the thousands of our fellow Kentuckians coping with the aftermath of the previous week's devastating torna-Our commonwealth has not faced a tornado outbreak of this magnitude for decades, but the response at the local, state and federal levels has been outstanding. The resiliency, courage and unity of Kentuckians have been even more so. While we mourn the 23 dead and deeply regret the loss of property, we celebrate the persevering spirit of the commonwealth. Although the recovery process will be long and hard for many, we have no doubt about our communities' ability to survive, recover and thrive.

Even though it was difficult to conduct business as usual when so many of our friends and constituents were still reeling from the weekend's devastation, the work of the legislature continued.

We received the House-approved budget plan last week. Senate subcommittees began the difficult task of vetting that plan in our chamber, with some of them planning to work through last weekend. There will almost certainly be changes — the scope of them yet unknown at the time this was written on Friday — before the proposal clears the Senate and then the full general assembly. Balancing the state's biennial budget is never easy. This year the job feels even more daunting as we con-



tinue our slow recovery from the "Great Recession."

While the final details of the budget are still uncertain, we do know that painful cuts to nearly every state agency are unavoidable. Still, our commitment to protecting necessary core services remains. We are working hard to ensure the final appropriations — and cuts — are made in the most effective and least painful way possible.

The full Senate also approved numerous bills last week and sent them to the House for consideration.

Among them, Senate Bill 58, with a 35-2 vote, addresses an increase in hospital emergency room violence. Similar to the exception made for misdemeanor shoplifting and domestic-violence situations, the bill would allow police officers to make an arrest, based on probable cause alone, for misdemeanor assault occurring in an emergency room. Under current law, the police officer would have to witness the crime before being allowed to make an immediate arrest.

In an effort to give the Kentucky Agricultural Finance Corporation more lending power, Senate Bill 108 gained

### **Staying in touch with Frankfort**

Stay informed of legislative action on bills of interest this session by logging onto the Legislative Research Commission website at www.lrc.ky.gov or by calling the LRC toll-free Bill Status Line at 1-866-840-2835. To find out when a committee meeting is scheduled, call the LRC toll-free Meeting Information Line at 1-800-633-9650.

To share comments or con-

cerns with any legislator about a particular bill under consideration, call the toll-free Legislative Message Line at 1-800-372-7181 or write any legislator by sending a letter with their name to: Capitol Annex, 702 Capitol Ave., Frankfort, KY 40601.

Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) can be reached by e-mail at mike.cherry@lrc.ky.gov and Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) at dorsey.ridley@lrc.ky.gov.

unanimous support. The measure increases the maximum loan amount for established farmers — those who have owned a farm for at least a decade — fivefold, from the current \$1 million to \$5 million.

Senate Bill 88 makes an allowance for Kentucky high school students earning Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship, or KEES, money. Currently, students who transfer from an eligible to an ineligible non-public high school forfeit their KEES earnings. This bill would allow them to keep the KEES funds they earn while at the eligible school as long as they obtain a high school diploma or GED within two years of their presumed graduating class.

Senate Bill 131, unanimously approved, would affect post-secondary education. The bill allows the state's six comprehensive public universities — among

which are Murray State, Western Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky, Northern Kentucky, Morehead State and Kentucky State universities—to offer a combined total of 18 advanced-practice doctoral programs. We hope that the measure will increase the number of quality advanced-degree programs offered in the commonwealth.

Several other bills cleared the chamber as well. Many more will be considered in these final and busiest working days of the legislative session. As always, I encourage you to stay informed and involved in the work of the legislature.

(Sen. Ridley is a Henderson Democrat serving state Senate District 4. He represents Crittenden, Livingston, Webster, Union, Caldwell and Henderson counties in Frankfort. His column appears regularly when the Kentucky General Assembly is in session.)

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To the editor

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ra-cy). A system of government where the least capable to lead are elected by the least capable of producing and where the members of society least likely to sustain themselves or succeed are rewarded with goods and services paid for

by the confiscated wealth of a diminishing number of producers.

The problems we face today are there because...
The people who work for a living are outnumbered by those who vote for a living.

Larry A. Orr Marion, Ky.

(Editor's note: This letter was also signed by six other individuals).

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Magistrate and Crittenden County Historical Society Chairman Percy Cook shows off a new sign erected at Riverview Park at Dam 50 with a muddy Ohio River in the background. The sign was originally posted on Ky. 91 pointing the direction to the old U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dam site.

# Old sign rare remnant of Dam 50's history

By JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN PRESS REPORTER

When visiting Riverview Park in Crittenden County, many of those camping overnight, using the picnic or playground equipment or launching their boat may not realize that it once was a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dam location. But thanks to Percy Cook, a magistrate and chairman of the historical society in Crittenden County, a unique sign has been erected to help keep the memory of the dam

The sign is one of the originals placed long ago on Ky. 91 marking the location of the dam. Since the dam was removed with explosives in early 1980, Cook, a Riverview Park board member, said that the signs mysteriously disappeared until one showed up in a creek and was donated to the Crittenden County Historical Society two years ago by Donnie Arflack

After the donation, Cook immediately had an idea.

"I told them that I knew exactly where it needed to be. It needs to go to Dam 50," Cook said. "So they let me take it with me and I had it sandblasted from its years of wear and tear and restored to its original colors.'

Riley Tool (and Machine) then did all of the post work without charge," Cook added. Once restored, Cook enlisted the help of local Boy Scouts who are working on the sign in three phases. The first phase, Cook said, was setting the sign. The second phase will be landscaping around the sign, and the final phase will be to add a roof to shelter it.

Treating it as a historical marker, Cook said that it's the only landmark at the park, officially dubbed Riverview Park at Dam 50 on Kentucky tourism websites, that tells the history of the former dam that was part of a series of wicket locks and dams on the Ohio River.

"Many people don't know that there was ever a dam here," Cook said. "It's a part of our history and I think it's important to have that marker here, showing that."

"The system of 50 movable dams was built on the Ohio River between 1879 and 1929, making the Ohio navigable for its entire length at all times," according to the webmarion

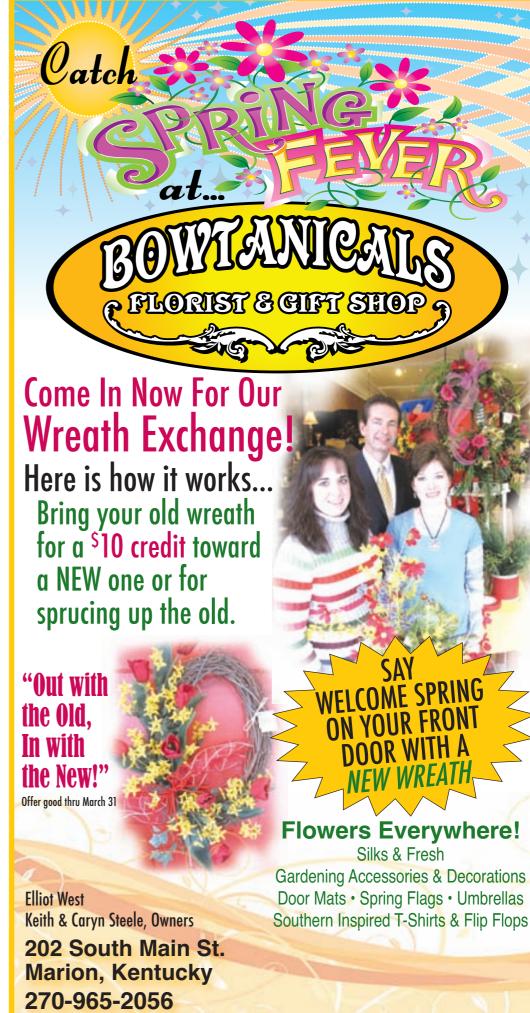
ky.biz/local1373/LOCK. "Each dam actually consists of a row of 300 or more little dams, individually hinged to a foundation on the river bottom. The wickets are constructed of heavy timber about four feet wide and up to 20 feet long. Raising or lowering the wickets is done by a crew on a maneuver boat that moves along the upstream

face of the dam. A bar is connected to the back of each wicket with the free end riding in a groove in the foundation. To raise them, a grapple hooks a wicket and pulls it from the bed of the river. The bar slides up the groove to a niche, where it catches and supports the wicket upright against the flow of the river."

By 1977, all but the lowest four dams were blown up as modern locks and dams were installed along the river. There are now only 21 locks and dams along the length of the river, six of which already produce hydroelectricity. A seventh at Smithland should be ready to generate electricity by early 2015.

After its destruction 32 years ago, the property surrounding Dam 50 remained largely underdeveloped. But in 2008, Riverview Park at Dam 50 became a tourist attraction for camping, boating and fishing.

"It's beautiful here and we're proud of what we have to offer the public," Cook said. "The sign's been around once but it's here to stay now."



Hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mon., Tue., Thur., Fri. • 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Wed. & Sat.

The Community is invited to the Crittenden Health Systems Board of Directors' Annual Meeting of CRITTENDEN HEALTH SYSTEMS, INC. Date: Thursday, March 29, 2012 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center

**Guest Speaker:** Mike Rust, President, Kentucky Hospital Association

### Future of Health Care in Kentucky

As president of the Kentucky Hospital Association (KHA), Mike Rust leads the Association's representation and advocacy efforts in both Frankfort and Washington, D.C. One of Mike's accomplishments since he joined KHA, 16 years ago, was recruiting and maintaining 100 percent of Kentucky's hospitals as members of the Association.

Prior to joining KHA, Mike was the Senior Vice President at the Florida Hospital Association (FHA) heading up the regulatory efforts of the Association and serving as Chief Operating Officer of the Association's four, for-profit subsidiary corporations. He was with FHA for 13 years.

Mike has hospital management experience in addition to his extensive association background working as an Administrator of a small rural hospital and Vice President of Operations for a 300-bed hospital both in West Virginia.

A graduate of the University of Tennessee's Health Care Administration program, Mike has a master's degree in public health and an undergraduate degree from Glenville State College in Glenville, WV. A member of the American College of Health Care Executives, Mike became a fellow of that organization in 1998. In 2001, Mike was elected to the Council of Regents, the legislative body of the American College of Health Executives.

Please R.S.V.P. by March 19, 2012 (270) 965-1001 or Email: sdeatherage@crittenden-health.org Dinner catered by Main Street Italian Grill.

### **Marion Police February activity**

Marion Police Department reports monthly activity courtesy of Police Chief Ray O'Neal. Below, February 2012 activity is compared to the previous month.

CATEGORY	JANUARY '12	FEBRUARY '12
Miles Patrolled/ Driven	2,596	2,613
Criminal Investigations	28	9
Domestics	8	6
Felony Arrests	4	2
Misdemeanor Arrests		
Non-Criminal Arrests	4	4
DUI Arrests	0	2
Criminal Summons	0	5
Citations	20	64
Traffic Warnings	15	23
Parking Tickets		
Traffic Accidents		
Safety Checks/Alarms		
Calls for Service/Complaints		





# **LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS FROM USDA MARKET NEWS**

Tuesday, March 13, 2012 KDOA-USDA Market News **Livingston County Livestock Auction** Ledbetter Auction (cattle weighed upon arrivall)

Receipts: 518 head.

Compared to last week: Slaughter cows 3.00-4.00 higher. Slaughter bulls 1.00-2.00 higher. Feeder steers 3.00-5.00 lower, with 500&600 weights 2.00-4.00 higher. Feeder heifers under 600 lbs 1.00-5.00 lower, over 600 4.00 higher.

Slaughter Cows Breaker 75-80%

Head	d Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
13	800-1200	1107	71.00-80.00	76.74
1	800-1200	1180	85.00	85.00 HD
1	800-1200	1120	70.00	70.00 LD
7	1200-1600	1403	73.00-81.00	78.32
2	1200-1600	1408	86.00-87.00	86.55 HD
1	1200-1600	1250	72.00	72.00 LD
2	1600-2000	1760	73.00-75.00	73.93
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Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90% Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 700-800 748 59.00-65.00 52.00-65.00 13 800-1200 944 1 800-1200 1160 52.50 LD 52.50 1 1200-1600 1210 62.00 62.00

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1 Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 4 1500-3000 1812 100.00-105.00 102.79 Slaughter Bulls Y.G 2

Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 2 1500-3000 1835 92.00-97.00 94.52 1 1500-3000 1825 82.00 82.00 LD Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

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Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2 Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 200-300 282 163.00-195.00 300-400 378 194.00-197.00 194.98 2 400-500 458 162.00-180.00 171.44 10 500-600 569 145.00-164.00 160.35 5 600-700 651 120.00-140.00 Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

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Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2 Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price 2 300-400 328 180.00 180.00 4 400-500 456 132.00-154.00 142.86 500-600 562 120.00-146.00 136.23 2 600-700 642 115.00-134.00 124.46

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Market Specialist: Chip Stewart Source: Kentucky Department of Agriculture-USDA Market News, Louisville, Ky. Phone: (502) 582-5287

Web: www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sv ls150.txt

### Wildlife meetings give public chance for input

People have the opportunity to exchange ideas and engage in open conversation with staff from the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources during a series of town hall meetings being held across the state.

The nine town hall meetings, including two that cover Crittenden and surrounding counties. are subject to rescheduling due to bad weather.

The meetings encompass Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's goal of striving toward a more informed and involved public. Commissioner Jon Gassett and managers of the departments' various programs will be on hand to answer questions, provide updates and discuss issues of interest to hunters, anglers, trappers, other boaters and

The commission members representing the district will also attend the meeting.

All meetings will begin at 7

The First Wildlife District meeting will be in Gilbertsville on March 26. The session will be held at the Kentucky Dam Village Convention Center, 113 Administration Drive. This district includes Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Lyon and 10 other counties.

The following day, in Powderly, the Second Wildlife District will host a meeting at the Merle Travis Music Center, 750 Cleaton Road. This district includes Union, Webster and 13 other counties.

For more information about the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, visit online fw.ky.gov.

### Beginning Kentucky farmers invited to participate in survey

Researchers at the University of Kentucky, in partner-Cooperative with Extension and Community Farm Alliance, invite beginning and aspiring farmers and ranchers to participate in an important statewide survey. Findings from this survey will help program and policy developers in university, community and government organizations better serve the farmers.

Participants in the survey

may register to win one of four \$50 gift cards to Southern States.

Anyone with 10 years or less experience owning or operating a farm, as well as anyone who aspires to someday have their own farming operation, regardless of type, size or location, can participate.

For more information the survey, visit http://uky.ag/lcfa/BF-Survey. To take the survey, visit https://uky.qualtrics.com/S E/?SID=SV bloDxOcUpMY-WKZS&Referrer=CFA.

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### The Press AGRICUL

### Kentucky beef expo reaches \$1 million

The \$1 million barrier fell at the 26th annual Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo March 2-4 in Louisville. Beef Expo records were set for gross sales, average per head, and top price for a single lot, and several other records were shattered in the individual breed sales.

"Many of the highestpriced lots were from Kentucky, including the sale topper," Agriculture Commissioner James Comer said. "These results show that Kentucky's beef cattle industry and the Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo have the well-deserved respect of cattlemen from all over the United States.

In all, 485 lots sold for \$1,062,940, an average of \$2,192 per head, in the 11 breed sales and the pen heifer sale. Gross sales were 24.1 percent higher than the 2011 total of \$856,545, and the average was a 27.4 percent increase over last year's average of \$1,720.

"Being a beef cattle producer myself, I certainly appreciate the importance of a strong genetic base in a successful cattle herd," Commissioner Comer said. "So it's especially gratifying to me that the Kentucky Farm Bureau Beef Expo is recognized nationwide as a source of top-quality seedstock. Congratulations to everyone involved for making this year's Beef Expo a resounding success." For more information, go

to http://kybeefexpo.com.

### KCA donations total \$12,000 for victims

In the wake of the terrible storms that ravaged farms across the Commonwealth, Agriculture Commissioner James Comer commended the efforts of the Kentucky Cattlemen's Foundation for raising funds and assistance from farm supply companies to aid in the disaster relief efforts.

In just one day, the foundation raised more than \$12,000 from agriculture companies and individual farmers. This money was used to purchase fencing and other farm materials desperately needed to rebuild cattle farms affected by deadly tornadoes earlier this month. In response to the foundation's call for help, Tarter Farm and Ranch **Equipment in Casey County** drastically reduced its prices and will deliver the muchneeded materials to the affected areas. The Blue Grass Livestock Marketing Group also contributed \$5,000 to the foundation's efforts.

"I'm so proud of the agriculture community for im-

mediately stepping up to help our farm families in need," Commissioner Comer "I encourage other companies to follow the lead of Tarter Farm and Ranch Equipment and Blue Grass Livestock Marketing Group and donate money, materials, and manpower during this crisis.'

### Kentucky Grazing School starts in April

The University of Kentucky Research and Education Center in Princeton will offer a Kentucky Grazing School from 7:30 a.m., to 5:30 p.m., April 10-11.

Grazing is the most costeffective way for producers to feed their ruminant animals. The agenda for the school includes region-specific grazing information where participants will visit field sites, participate in field exercises, tour demonstration plots and participate in

hands-on activities. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited to the first 45 registrants. The cost: \$50, which includes materials, manual, breaks and lunch. To obtain an ap-

plication, visit www2.ca.uky. edu/grazer or contact Crittenden County Cooperative Extension Service at 965-

### Rural energy funds aid farms, business

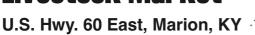
The USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) offers funds to help agricultural producers and rural small businesses reduce energy costs and consumption. Visit AGFP: Growing Kentucky Agriculture http://www.growkentucky ag.com/programs/reap.html for basic information about the program, along with some first steps for how to start an application. The deadline is March 30.

Details of the program are available on-line http://www.rurdev.usda. govv/IA bc energy reap.

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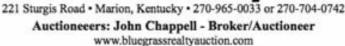
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### The Press **BRIEFS**

### Pizza restaurant shuts down store

Pizza Roundup on U.S. 60 East just outside of Marion closed Saturday.

Owner Pam Hinderliter, who initially planned to shut down March 17, said she was simply tired and run ragged with the hectic pace of running a restaurant. She decided to close a week early because most of her employees had already found other jobs, she said last Thursday.

The restaurant had been open for seven years, opening in 2005 inside the city and a year later moving to its most recent location just outside of town. Hinderliter said if she just had to contend with the hours posted on the door, it might not be so bad. But coming in early to prepare for the 6 a.m., breakfast crowd and staying late to finish bookwork and other behind-thescenes duties made for long

"Running the business is just all-consuming," she said. "If it was just about the customers, I'd be okay.

The restaurant was open five days a week.

Though the frantic pace and hard, long hours have taken their toll, she said there's a part of her she'll be leaving behind at the eatery.

"I've made a lot of friends," she said. "That's what I'm going to miss."

She said a lot of her breakfast crowd showed up every

As for the future, Hinderliter said there have been some people who have expressed interest in taking over the business, but at this point she doesn't know how serious those interests are.

### **Polling changes** affect 2 precincts

A change in polling locations for May's primary election will see voters in two Crittenden County precincts casting ballots in new build-

According to County Clerk Carolyn Byford, those in Precinct 7 who have traditionally voted at the Liberty Lodge - identified as E101- in Frances on Ky. 70 will begin voting at Mexico Baptist Church a couple of miles northeast on Mexico Road. Those voters are a part of Magistrate Donnetta Travis' district.

Meantime. voters Precinct No. 8 (D102) who had voted at Frances Baptist Church until the last election when their poll was moved across the highway to Liberty Lodge, will continue to vote at the Frances Lodge. These are residents of Glenn Underdown's magisterial district.

### **Bald eagle still** recovers at center

She's moved back into the fresh air of nature and has improved her eating habits.

The bald eagle struck by a vehicle in northeast Crittenden County last month continues to improve at Raptor Rehabilitation of Kentucky. Inc. (RROKI), according to a volunteer at the center.

"We finally moved her to an outside cage, and she has started eating on her own," Eileen Wicker said in an email from a wildlife rehab conference in Baton Rouge, La. "We were having to hand feed her.'

Identified as BE 12-30 at the center, the 11.5-pound, approximately 17-year-old raptor is recovering from a broken wing and several scrapes and lacerations after being struck by a vehicle on Ky. 365 as she flew low over the road. The lacerations were



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### **Upcoming public** meetings slated

- Carrsville City Commission will meet at 7 p.m., Friday in the back of the Baptist church located on the corner of Fleet and Church streets.
- Marion City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Monday at Marion City Hall.
- Salem City Council will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Salem City Hall.
- Crittenden Public Library Board of Directors, will meet at 5 p.m., next Thursday at the li-

caused by "road rash" after hitting the pavement.

Once fully recovered, she will be released in the approximate location of the incident.

### Fiscal court alters meeting date, time

Crittenden Fiscal Court has cancelled its regular March meeting set for Tuesday and scheduled it for later in the week. Magistrates will now meet at 1 p.m., next Thursday under the rules of a special meeting.

On the agenda will likely be discussion of the proposed one-percent occupational and net profits tax. Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said the court will probably review the document and its wording with County Attorney Rebecca Johnson.

Newcom added that any first reading of the tax ordinance would likely be made at another special meeting. Then, before any vote is made on the tax issue, a public hearing would be held.

### **Kentucky smoking** ban clears hurdle

One of the nation's top tobacco-producing states would ban residents from smoking cigarettes in public places under a bill that cleared a legislative hurdle on Tuesday, reports The Associated Press.

The House Health and Welfare Committee voted 10-2 to protect people from secondhand smoke inside workplaces, jails, bars, restaurants and even private homes if those residences are used for child care or adult daycare.

The proposal has the endorsement of House Speaker Greg Stumbo, who said Tuesday he supports calling the measure for a floor vote.

State Rep. Ben Waide, a youth minister at Marion United Methodist Church from 1984-85, one of the two Republicans who voted against the measure, said he considers the proposed smoking ban an overreach by state government.

"I think that this piece of legislation takes government into an area where government should not be. Takes it just one step too far," said

### Judge revokes probation for five

Circuit Judge Williams last Thursday revoked probation for five individuals who had broken terms of their early release programs.

Testimony in each case showed that the convicted men and women had violated various tenants of their probation or pre-trial diversions. When probation is revoked, the defendant is required to serve out his or her entire sentence. In cases where violations of pre-trial diversion programs exist, the court reopens the case and formally sentences the individual.

- John W. Lynch, 45, of Marion was revoked in two previous felony convictions because he pleaded guilty to DUI in November.
- John Cummings was revoked for felony flagrant nonsupport of a minor child. He was ordered to serve five vears.
- Sabrina Gayle Jones was revoked for failing to report to her parole officer in January and February. Judge Williams said she would consider a substance abuse program for Jones. Jones had been on parole since 2007.
- Amy Jo McClure, on parole since 2008, was revoked because she pleaded guilty to a felony charge in Graves County last month. She was ordered to complete her fivevear sentence.
- Pre-trial diversion was set aside in a drug conviction against Brenda Miller of Marion. Miller pleaded guilty last month to DUI in Crittenden District Court, therefore Judge Williams revoked her 2007 felony probation.

### 2 area men waive formal sentencing

Two people pleaded guilty in Crittenden Circuit Court last Thursday and waived formal sentencing.

Judge Rene Williams sentenced Allen Curtis Hoover, 31. of Marion to five years in prison on four third-degree burglary by complicity charges and five years on a charge of third-degree burglary, which was amended down from first-degree burglary. Hoover was also sentenced to one year in prison for flagrant non-support of his minor children.

Hoover admitted to a series of late December burglaries that occurred in Marion and in rural Crittenden County. A co-defendant, James Eddie Millikan, 35, of Marion is

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### charged separately in some of those cases. He has pleaded

Hoover pleaded guilty last week in return for prosecutor Zac Greenwell dropping four persistent felony offender charges and reducing the one count of first-degree burglary.

not guilty.

Judge Williams ordered Hoover's sentences to run concurrently for a total of five years.

In an unrelated case, Micheal D. Driver, 32, of Paducah pleaded guilty to possession of drug paraphernalia, a Class A misdemeanor. He was sentenced to 12 months, which will run concurrent with time he's currently serving for a Livingston County felony drug conviction.

Another charge of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) against Driver was dropped because the commonwealth attorney said police laboratory analysis of the material believed to be meth came back negative.

### Man arrested on multiple warrants

A Marion man was held without bond after police arrested him Monday on multiple outstanding warrants.

Timothy Grant Adams, 26. was also wanted by the department of probation and parole. He was scheduled to appear in Crittenden District Court Wednesday morning.

Adams had not appeared for a scheduled court trial and was also wanted on other warrants for failure to comply with terms of his probation.

Adams was seen driving a red Jeep in Marion Tuesday. Police Chief Ray O'Neal and Patrolman Jerry Parker observed a female get out of the vehicle and go into a dentist's office. At that point, the officers moved in and made the arrest.

Adams is on probation for a felony drug conviction in

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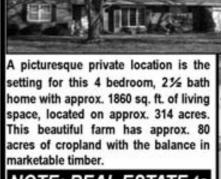
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# God can turn bad into good

Recently two ladies who are dear to me were diagnosed with invasive breast cancer. I received the troubling news about the first one; and before I could recoup, news came of the second.

My response to this information was typical for me. "Lord," I prayed, "I don't understand. These are wonderful people. It would be easier to accept if it was me." When faced with the sadness of my friends. I often feel like Moses who prayed, "Lord if you can't restore my people, then just let me die.'

Part of the frustration in praying for our suffering loved ones is we can't pray that it not be so. It would be easier to pray before the diagnosis, "Lord, make the tests negative." But that can't be. The tests were positive. Now I must pray they each receive good care.



Cancer treatments are much more effective these days. I pray that God will give them comfort, peace and will surround them with love.

I have been in contact with these ladies. They are brave, positive people. One is already receiving chemotherapy and has lost her hair. When I visited her, she was wearing a headscarf. I was trying to describe how she looked; and with a chuckle, she said, "Like a gypsy!" Honestly, she looked quite lovely.

Many who read this article will be able to identify with

someone in it. I share it to be an encouragement to you. An encouragement? Yes, God has a way of turning bad into good. I could recite to you multiple times when I thought the worst had been visited on me, only later to be blessed by it. I have no idea how God can turn this situation into good, but that is what I am praying for now.

Often when I am distressed, I sing. Usually I sing to myself because others would probably not appreciate hearing me. This afternoon, while cleaning out one of our many flowerbeds, I found myself singing, "There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole; there is a balm in Gilead to heal one's troubled soul." I realize I have changed the words to that hymn slightly, but that's the way I am singing it.



Salem United Methodist Church will have a community singing at 6 p.m., Saturday featur-ing local talent. For more informa-tion call 719-2510.

■ Unity General Baptist Church will host the gospel group, New Heritage, at 6 p.m., Sunday. The church will also have revival at 7 p.m., March 19-23. Bro. Nicky Winders will be the evangelist.

■ St. William Catholic Church will have its Lenten Fish Fries from 5-7 p.m., March 23 in the parish hall. Cost is \$8 for all you can eat fish, hushpuppies, potatoes, slaw, dessert and drink.

■ Life in Christ will host a Couples Connection dinner for married couples at 6:30 p.m., March 24. The title of the event is Jesus at the Center of it All. Have fun, fellowship and learn how to put God at the center of your marriage. Cost is \$20 per couple for the choice of a steak or chicken dinner. Call 965-9200 or Christy at 556-5252 to pre-register. Registration required by March 21 due to food count. Childcare will be

provided. ■ The Marion Baptist Family Life Center's weight room and walk-ing track will be open 5-8 p.m., Mondays, 5-6 p.m., Tuesdays, 6-8 p.m., Thursdays and 9 a.m.-12 p.m.,

Saturdays. ■ Marion Baptist Church will have AWANA for children ages two through fifth grade at 5:45 p.m. Sunday night along with several special classes that begin at 6:30 p.m. Classes are Foundations led by Bro. Mike Jones, which will meet in the worship center; youth Bible study which will meet in the basement, The Quest for Authentic Man-hood, led by Stuart Collins and will meet on the third floor in Steve Crider's Sunday school classroom and Becoming a Woman of Extraordinary Faith led by Pam Collins, meeting in the Family Life Center's conference room. For more information regarding the Sunday evening classes, please call the church at 965-5232.



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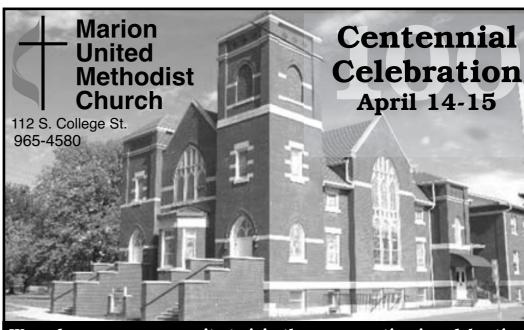
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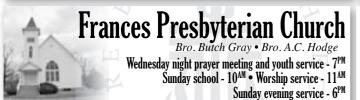
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### The Press OBITUARIES

### Eskew

Kathryn Naomi Eskew, 89, of St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Marion, died Thursday, March 8, 2012 at St. Anthony's Hospital in St.

Petersburg. She was of the Methodist faith. She was born in Marion and moved to Florida in 1967.



was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Eskew; her parents, Silas and Mary Yates; two sisters, Reba Young and Mary Wheeler; and one brother, Ivan Yates.

She is survived by three daughters, Martha Odom, Carol Borgeson and Janice Goff; two sons, Jack Eskew and Jim Eskew; and several grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Anderson-Mc-Queen Funeral Home in St. Petersburg.

The family's guestbook is available online at www. AndersonMcQueen.com.

### **Ellis**

Jesse Eli Ellis, Jr., 88, of Tolu died Saturday, March 10, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

He is survived by three sons, Jeff Ellis of Marion, Danny Ellis of Greenville. Miss., and Randy Ellis of Madisonville; two daughters, Fay Dalton of Tolu and Linda Tinsley of Marion; one sister, Aylene Berryhill of Isola, Miss.; 14 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

Ellis was preceded in death by his wife, June H. Ellis; his parents, Jesse Eli and Letha Ellis, Sr.; two brothers and three sisters.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Whites Chapel Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to: Tolu Community Center, General Delivery, Tolu, KY 42084.

### **Jones**

Matthew J. Jones, 33, of Marion died Thursday, March 8, 2012 at his home.

He is survived by one son, Hayden Wesley Jones of Marion; his father, Steve Jones of Marion; one sister, Kristi Nicole Tischer of Shawnee, Okla.; and grandparents, James "Bud" and Katie Crider of Marion.

Jones was preceded in death by his mother, Linda Jones, and grandparents, James Houston and Elizabeth Jones.

Funeral services were Sunday at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Mapleview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please donations Suicide.org, 122 I St., Chula Vista, CA 91910.

### **Barnes**

faith.

David Nicholas Barnes, 57, of Salem died Saturday, March 10, 2012 at his home. He was of the Baptist

Barnes is survived by his mother, Marie Barnes of Salem; four sisters, Cynthia and husband Ralph Moore of Eddyville, Janet and husband Jim McCloud of Grand Rivers. Pamalyn and husband Ty Hardin of Burna and Lisa and husband Joey Types of Gilbertsville: and one brother, Phillip and wife Sandy Barnes of Salem.

He was preceded in death by his father, Nicholas Barnes.

Funeral services were Monday in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors with the Rev. Roger Rice officiating. Burial was in Pincknevville Cemeterv.

Condolences may also be online at boyd funeraldirectors.com.

### Laidacker

Francine J. Laidacker, 65, of Marion died Sunday, March 11, 2012 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services in Salem.

She was a member of Mc-Clure's Chapel Church.

Laidacker survived by her husband, John C. Laidacker Marion: of two sons, Bill Ackerman of Pennsylvania and Allen



Laidacker

Ackerman of Florida; two daughters, Star Ackerman of South Carolina and Pam Bensinger of Smithland; one sister, Nellie Julius of Pennsylvania; 12 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Thomas and Audrey Elizabeth Amerson: one brother; and one sister.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m., Friday at Gilbert Funeral Home with interment in Dycusburg Cemetery.

Visitors will be from 10 a.m., until service time Friday at the funeral home.

### **Auto fatalities in** state reach 104

Kentucky State Police report weekly the year-to-date traffic fatalities across the commonwealth. Below, the number of deaths through Sunday are shown alongside the difference through the same period in 2011.

		CHANGE FROM 2011	RELATED
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Automobile	104	60
Pedestrian	8	n/a
Motorcycle	2	1
ATV	2	1
Bicycle	0	n/a
Scooter	0	n/a
Horse-drawn	0	n/a

## **Hardin County, III., Sheriff Cullison dies**

Lloyd "Smokey" Cullison, sheriff of Hardin County, Ill.

since 2010, succumbed to an aggressive form of cancer March 6 at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah. He was 71. "I'm a guy that likes a

challenge. It keeps me active," Cullison told WSIL News 3 in a December 2010 interview after winning the elected post at the age of 70.

Cullison, of Rosiclare, Ill., had been in law enforcement for almost four decades, retiring in 1995 as an officer for the City of Eldorado, Ill. He also worked for a year as a police trainer in Bosnia for the United Nations.

Cullison earned the nickname Smokey by putting on the Smokey the Bear costume and teaching Eldorado Elementary School youth not to play with matches, reported The Daily Register of Harrisburg, Ill.

As sheriff in 2011, Cullison was responsible for investigations related to the massive annual Gathering, a festival of followers of the musical group Insane Clown Posse. He also worked the annual Hog Rock motorcycle rally in the county, and was a key factor in the recovery

from last vear's historic flooding along the Ohio River.

"He had a lot of contacts and he knew where to go for financial help from the state and federal governments," Hardin County Board Chairman Wayne Eichorn told

South-The ern Illinoisа newspaper in Carbondale, Ill. "He was able to get extra security events, and it didn't cost

us anything



but the price of gasoline. He was a good sheriff, and he is going to be missed.

Cullison is survived by his wife Joyce; three sons, Tony, Michael and Russell; and one daughter, Angie.

Hardin County Coroner Roger Little will take over as sheriff until the November election, according to the Hardin County Independent newspaper in Elizabethtown. Ill.

Funeral services were Friday at Potters Church in Cave In Rock. Cox Funeral Home in Rosiclare was in

charge of arrangements. (Editor's note: Photo courtesy of Jack Howser.)

### Cromwell

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Lola May Vick Cromwell, 93, of Saratoga Springs, Utah, died Friday, March 8, 2012 at Beehive Home in American Fork, Utah.

She was a beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Born July 21, 1918 in Lisbon, N.D., to Edward and Laura Permalia Heavenhill Vandermark, she loved her family with all her heart. On Feb. 24, 2007, she married the love of her life, Claire Cromwell in Fremont, Calif., at the LDS Chapel. They had known one another for more than 73 years and had double-dated at the age of 20.

Her children and grandchildren were her greatest source of joy and happiness. She enjoyed visiting her extended family, all over the United States. Lola had been married several times Robert Bates, Sidney C. Vick, James H. Watts, Shelly Brown, William Putnam and Claire Cromwell, all of whom are deceased.

Mom was very organized and immaculate in her personal appearance. She was a "Rosie the Riveter" in World War II as a parachute inspector

She and William Putnam, who were sealed in the LDS Washington Temple, served a Temple Mission in Dallas, Texas in 1991. She worked for many years as a Temple Worker in Atlanta and San Diego.

Her legacy will live on in our hearts forever.

Her parents; brother, Orville; sisters, Letha Cornwell and Marjorie Ruud; husbands; children, Connie Diane and Udell; and grandchild, Jena Marie, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her children: Gailen Vick of Saratoga Springs, Wanda May Kwiatt of Ramona, Calif., William Sidney Vick of Paducah and James Edward Watts of Ovacello, Calif.; grandchildren, John Wiedemeier of Livermore,

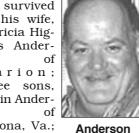
### Anderson

Richard "Dick" Allen Anderson, 65, of Marion died Friday, March 9, 2012 at Crittenden

Health Systems. He was a retired coal and fluorspar

miner, a U.S. Marine who served in the Vietnam War where he earned a Purple Heart and a member of the VFW and the American Legion. Anderson

survived by his wife, Patricia Higgins Anderson of Marion; three sons, Kevin Anderson



Verona, Va.; Jeffrey Scott

Anderson of Newburgh, Ind., and Christopher Anderson of Hudson, Fla.; two brothers, Fred Anderson of Batavia, Ill., and Donnie Anderson of Rosiclare, Ill.; one sister, Judy Blakely of Cincinnati, Ohio; and six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oliver and Nancy Morrow Anderson, and one step-son, John Scott Hardin.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Myers Funeral Home with Rev. Mike Jones officiating. Burial was in Rosebud Cemetery.

### Stovall

James W. Stovall, 71, of Marion, formerly of Eddyville, died Friday, March 9, 2012 at his home.

He was a retired carpen-

Stovall is survived by two stepdaughters, Mary M. Lester of Marion and Lisa Litchfield of Paducah; two stepsons, Hobert Kinney and Michael Kinney, both of Decatur, Ill.; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother. Dwayne Stovall of Decatur; three sisters, Pam Stovall of Greenville, Fla., Lila Stovall and Diane Stovall, both of Decatur; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary JoAnn Carlock Stovall; one stepson, James Kinney; one brother; and his parents, Hoberet and Pauline Monroe Stovall.

Funeral services were Monday at Dunn's Funeral Home in Eddyville. Burial was in Mount Zion Cemetery in Lyon County.

### Morgan

Janet Marie Morgan, 72 of Marion, formerly of Allen Park, Mich., died Wednesday, March 7, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

She had been employed as an admissions clerk at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, a member of Beacon Baptist Church in Taylor, Mich., and a member of the Red Hat Society.

Morgan is survived by one sister, Virginia and husband John L. Patton Hopkins of Marion, Ill.; one brother, Frank and wife Glenda Blackburn of Marion, Ky.; one niece; one nephew; and several great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, J.D. and Cecil Donovan Blackburn.

Funeral services were Saturday at Myers Funeral Home with Rev. Mike Jones officiating. Burial was in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in



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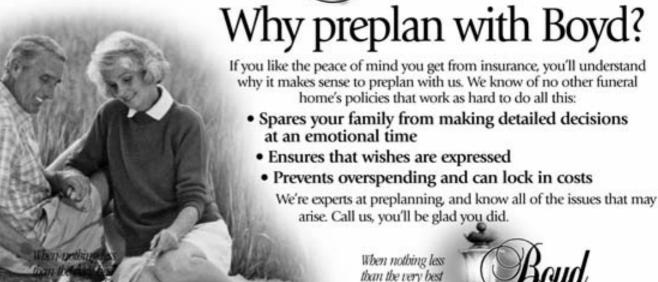
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or Pam Campbell, Food Giant is Ther second home. Working Monday through Friday, the cashier of 32 years says that it's the draw of meeting new people that keeps her coming in each morning.

Since working at the original Sureway next door to where Food Giant currently sets in Darben Plaza, Campbell has had a lot of

time to make friends, learning regular customers by name, and always greeting them with a smile. For her, the grocery store is more like a second home where she's not just met new customers, but has also acquired long-lasting friendships with other long-time employ-

When Campbell isn't sporting

the grocery store's navy blue shirt and name tag, she can often be found babysitting her three grandchildren, Hadlee, 7, Jake, 3, and Brodi, six months; or antiquing with her husband, Bobby. During a recent antiquing trip, she bought a vintage Coca-Cola bottle opener.

"Bobby and I like to go antiquing as much as we can, mostly on the

weekends," Campbell said. "We always find something that we have to get. This is a new hobby that we've started, and we both love it."

Campbell also finds enjoyment in working in her flowerbed. She expects to start planting in June but given the unusually warm weather this week, she might begin planting even earlier.

### WATER

Continued from Page 1

last month's board meeting that the rate hike would be the first for residential customers since February 2006 and the first for wholesale customers — other water districts — since November 2004.

Bean, a Crittenden County appointee to the board, said he was not altogether opposed to some type of increase, but certainly not across the board.

"As far as my reasoning, I felt it was wrong to make the general consumer take another increase," he said. "I felt that at this time if an increase was warranted it should be on the wholesale level.'

The Shady Grove-area resident wanted to make sure his position on the matter was known.

Voting in favor of the overall five-percent increase were Joe Kaiser of Crittenden County and Bill Barrett and J.W. Clarke of Livingston County, Bean said. David Travis, Crittenden

County's third appointee to the board, was not present. Randell O'Bryan of Grand Rivers did not have to vote as chairman of the board.

Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom attended the three-hour meeting last month when the decision was made, as did Livingston County Judge-Executive Lasher.

"We did not have input other than general discussion and opinion as to the proposed tax increase," Newcom said of his role at the

The only control either county's fiscal court has over the water district is appointees to the board of directors.

Slayden, in charge of filing the paperwork to the PSC for the request, explained last month that any increase is justified, considering the rising costs to operate the water district or any business or household.

Newcom and Lasher both agree some type of rate increase is warranted, but pushed for a lesser burden on residential customers.

"Chris (Lasher) and I both lobbied for a slight increase to the base price rather than an overall percentage increase to the charge of the water," Newcom told The Crittenden Press.

Melnykovych was unsure if users would have the opportunity to comment on the rate request at a public hearing, but said if one did occur, it would be in Frankfort where the PSC is based.

Before the PSC rules on the matter, water district customers may register their opinion to the PSC to consider in its decision-making process. Support or opposition to the rate request can be made in writing and sent to the PCS by e-mail at psc.info@ky.gov, by fax at (502) 564-3460 or mailed to P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602-0615. Customers may also call the hotline at 1-800-772-4636

The PSC is charged with regulating the intrastate rates and services of more than 1,500 utility companies throughout the commonwealth, including 74 water districts.

# Happy Feet to host Zumbathon Saturday

When Union County resident Jerry Baird decided to create the Happy Feet Equals Learning Feet program three years ago, his mission was to simply to find ways to supply new pairs of shoes to children who needed them. He wanted to increase students' school performance by offering basic personal items like shoes.

In its first year, the program supplied 450 shoes to students in Union County. Since then, it has grown to include Crittenden, Henderson, Webster, Logan and Ohio counties, as well as Russel-Iville and Dawson Springs independent schools.

Last year was the first year Crittenden County school district was involved in the program, and Holly White, Family Resource Director and Community Educator, said when Baird first approached her, she thought it was a great program to offer.

In its first year at Critten-

den County, White said Happy Feet was able to hand out 62 pairs of shoes to students. This year's goal is 100

Shoes handed out through the program are made possible through partnerships with various businesses and individuals who donate money to the program. In turn, that money is used to buy the new shoes from a vendor.

Happy Feet is always accepting donations and this Saturday, there will be a Shamrock Shuffle Zumbathon at the Crittenden County High School multipurpose room to help raise money. The event will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. The cost of the event is \$10 or a new pair of shoes. A kids' fitness program will also be available for \$5 and will include Just Dance for Kids on the Wii and other activities.

To find out more information, visit Happy Feet Equals Learning Feet on Facebook or call White at 965-3525.

### **Detention center** prisoner count

Following is a census of the 133-bed Crittenden County Detention Center as of Monday:

CLASSIFICATION FEMALE MALE Federal 102 12 State Crittenden 4 0 0 Other Gender total 110 16 **Total population: 126** 

Last week, 36 detention center work release inmates put in 1,524 hours of community service, saving taxpayers approximately \$11,049.

### **DANCE**

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a little more than \$6,000 to donate to ACS but she says she couldn't have done it alone.

"Lone Oak High School raised \$3,000," Morris said. "My students and coworkers have really helped me out." The rest of her funds have

come from private donations and bids on her silent auction items. Of the 20 pairs, Morris

and her partner will be the last in the lineup during the event, adding to her jitters.

"Over 800 people will be there and I'm going to be the last one to go," said Morris, the daughter of Dennis and Angie Dooms of Marion. "I'm definitely nervous. I didn't realize how big of a deal this was. Tickets for the show are sold out and have been for months, which is also exciting. It's going to be fun."

Since its beginning nearly six years ago, Dancing with Our Stars has raised more than \$300,000, which has been donated to ACS.

**PARK** 

Continued from Page 1

and the lights are falling off," said Kory Wheeler, cochair of the park board along with Jim Tolley.

Besides the softball field, another light standard has fallen to the ground at Gordon Blue Guess Field where the high school and Marion Bobcats play baseball. The wooden poles are a lot of the problem, but many of the light standards have been hanging above the diamonds since the park opened in the early 1980s, Wheeler added.

She said the \$26,000 in the annual budget funded by equal contributions from Marion Tourism Commisand Crittenden County's school district is simply not enough to keep up with the rapid pace of deterioration and steady needs at the park.

"Everyone thinks we have unlimited funds," Wheeler said. "It's really not enough." While the fiscal court

does not pour any cash into the joint city-county park, it does provide more than \$13,000 of in-kind labor through mowing and trash collection by trusties from Crittenden County Detention Center. They will also be the facilitator of the fedgrant application, aimed at correcting lighting and electrical problems at the park.

"What we give is hardly enough to maintain it," Marion City Councilman Darrin Tabor said at a Sept. 19, 2011 council meeting, adding that he believes the park brings more outside people to the county than any other attraction or event.

Wheeler said the board has had to take out loans and host annual fundraisers to keep up with the needs of the recreational facility.

two or three times, Wheeler said, and in most cases it's a juvenile and the board is left to repair the problems. They have paid water bills as high as \$3,000 to keep the fields in good shape, dumpsters cost about \$360 each month, electric bills run high and each light that

burns

rings up an-

other \$400

expense, not

to mention

the cost to

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**Tabor** 

"They are really, really expensive," Wheeler said of replacing bulbs.

But those are the small issues.

"We spent \$17,000 two years ago to get them all fixed decently after a wind storm," she said of the lights. "Lights themselves don't bring people to the park, but without lights, you don't have much of a park."

Coupled with the light standards themselves, the park has had its share of electrical problems. Breakers are regularly thrown and a low wattage issue with the lights at the high school baseball field don't meet Kentucky High School Athletics Association (KHSAA) standards, keeping the park from hosting the district tournament. That was a blow to tourism and felt by city's economy, as

Wheeler knows all too well. "That would have meant hundreds of people from all these towns coming to Marion" said Wheeler, who along with her husband Bill owns The Front Porch restaurant in town, which would have likely fed many of those visitors.

Public input at next week's forum or in writing to Every year, vandals strike the Kentucky Department

for Local Government (DLG) will help the fiscal court in completing the 22-page grant application for the annual LWCF awards.

However, the competition

Community Enhancement Branch Manager Jodie Mc-McDonald said each year DLG received 80-100 grant

for funds is tight, said DLG

requests through the LWCF totaling about \$3 million in projects.

We have \$500,000 to fund with," she said. "It's very competitive.'

Each application scored based on certain criteria, primary need, community support and the quality of plans for improvements.

"They need to do their homework." McDonald said of applicants' efforts.

She said DLG will commonly try to award each of Kentucky's area development districts one or two awards to make sure the grant money is spread across the state. That's why PADD is partnering with Crittenden Fiscal Court in hosting next week's meet-

Grant money typically becomes available the year following the award announcement and every dollar must be matched by local funds or in-kind contributions. Governments then have two years to spend the money.

In fact, the City of Marion it was announced last December, earned a \$15,050 LWCF grant to make repairs at the park's oval track. Mc-Donald said it will probably be next year before funding will allow construction to

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work, fundraisers and even Wheeler begging. For special projects, like \$3,500 tarp to cover Guess Field to meet KHSAA standards for hosting a dis-

trict baseball tournament. Wheeler said tourism and the school system have each been good about pitching in additional money or labor beyond their \$13,000 annual allotments, but those wells are not bottomless.

The Kentucky House of Representatives, in its version of the state budget passed last week, has \$90,000 in upgrades to park lighting among six local projects listed as eligible for funding from as much as \$400,000 in coal severance funds. However, that total amount is predicated upon the former mine in the northeast corner of the county extracting coal again by Sept. 30. If that does not happen — and it appears that will be the case — the county is slated to receive only \$111,000 in coal impact funds. If it even remains in the final version of the budget signed by the governor, there would likely be very little money left for the park once two mandated projects are funded \$60,000 set aside in the spending plan for fixes to the septic system at the animal shelter and \$40,000 tied to the purchase of a backup generator at the new emergency operations cen-

There also have been plenty of volunteer work days with efforts from people across the community to make repairs and upgrades.

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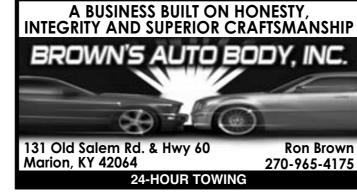
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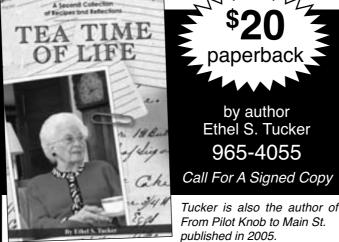
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# Barnett school, church date back to 1800s

Barnett School and Barnett Chapel Church - you can hardly write about one without it also being a part of the other. The school came first, but the church was nearby and later was rebuilt where the one-room school used to be. Both were named for the P.C. Barnett family that included large land owners during this early time. (This is the P.C. Barnett that was featured in my article from the March 1, 2012 edition of the Press.)

Barnett Chapel Church is located on Barnett Chapel Road, which is about 12 miles from Marion off of S.R. 297. This is another instance where our county road signs helps preserve the history.

#### **Barnett School**

The first Barnett School, a one-room log building, was built in the mid 1800s and was located in southwestern Crittenden County not too far from Tolu. It stood on the property of P.C. Barnett.

Later Mr. Barnett gave the school trustees enough land to build a new school building. It was located just east of the original one-room school in a corner of his land. It is not known for sure when this new school building was

From the archives of The Crittenden Press are some interesting items about the Barnett School.

#### J.F. Price visits Barnett School in 1879

Nov. 25, 1879, I visited Barnett School. Juline Newman is the teacher. I found a small school and one of not great interest; 21 is the average attendance; very good order is kept; and the instructor is rather superficial in some branches, but the teacher seems to labor very hard for the improvement of his pupils. If he does not advance them, as rapidly and thoroughly as some, it is not for want of a proper motive. The instruction in arithmetic in this part of the county seems to be mostly of the old fashioned character. Again a small log house is found, not such a one as the wealth of the district could afford by \$1,000.

### February of 1915

We the students of Barnett School ask for a little space of your valuable paper to tell you of our school. Prof. J.C. Hardin taught us one of the



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best schools we have ever had. We had four to graduate from the common school to high school, the first graduates we ever had at Barnett.

We wish to thank Mr. Hardin for his interest in taking us in. We never had a teacher who was so particular as to the thoroughness we must have in our lessons, and a thorough and scientific explanation as to the hard points. We the pupils think we have had the best school we have ever had at Barnett. and invite Mr. Hardin to come this way when looking for a school

#### **Barnett Chapel Church**

The Barnett Chapel General Baptist Church was organized on Aug. 11, 1911 by elders A.S. Johnson and J.W. Ellington, with 25 charter members. It was received into the Ohio Association of General Baptists on Sept. 7,

In the period from 1911 until 1913, the services were held at Pleasant Hill, which was located between Tolu and Irma. Services where held the first Saturday night and Sunday of each month until 1947 when the church began having services twice a month on the first and third weekend. In April of 1963, it



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Pictured above is the old Barnett School building before it was sold to Russell Hardesty to be torn down.

began having full-time serv-

In 1913, a church was built on land deeded by Buckner Croft, and it joined the Barnett School lot. The church was named Barnett Chapel due to the Barnett School being there and widely known in the nearby communities.

The Barnett School was closed in 1948, along with many other one room schools nearby and consolidated with the Tolu School.

In 1949, the members of Barnett Chapel voted to build a new church where the schoolhouse stood. The school building was sold to Russell Hardesty for \$300 and the Barnett Church, as it is now, was built on the old school lot.

In 1958, an addition to the present building was built for Sunday school rooms, with many members and friends donating their time and money. In 1974 the church was remodeled and bricked. (This information was given by Mona Hale McDaniel for the Crittenden County History Book, Volume I, 1991.)

Here is some early history of the Barnett Chapel Church and community from the archives of The Crittenden Press.

#### Nov. 16, 1911 **Barnett community items**

Dark shadows were fast gathering over our section and it seemed that it was to be numbered with the many communities, forgetting God and going down to long night and keen despair, preaching was very rare and prayer meeting was a thing of the

The country was given over to all the vanities of modern times, but thanks be to God for sending his good servant, Rev. J.W. Ellington, with Rev. A. Johnson, assistant, in the Milford community, who, after building a brush arbor, began a series of meetings and was given many precious souls and added many stars to their crowns.

Rev. Ellington organized a General Baptist Church at Barnett schoolhouse with 16 members, and within about four months the church had grown in membership to the number of about 65.

Well done thou good and faithful servant. At that place Rev. Ellington began a protracted meeting in the later part of September and was joined later by Rev. M.B. Batman. They had one of the greatest revivals ever known in our land and country. Many were revived and 59 souls were saved.

There had once been a thriving church there, but it had gone down, the members had disbursed, the interest had died away, the windows were broken out, the doors had tumbled down and the squirrels and bats had made it their fort. But now, there is a good prayer meeting organized there and the people meet there every Saturday night and give thanks to God.

Satan's kingdom has been overthrown and Christ's kingdom reared instead and all is peace, harmony and love and the earnest prayer of the writer is that it may go

### July 17, 1913

Meeting will begin at Barnett Chapel Church July 20, 1913 and continue till Aug. 1. This is a new church, and will be dedicated Aug. 3 for the purpose of paying the



Pictured above is Barnett Chapel Church as it appears today.



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The plaque above was set in mortar when the church was bricked in 1974. It is a nice way to help preserve the history of the church.

balance due on the church. There will be a basket dinner on the ground.

#### Sept. 11, 1913

Protected meeting commences at this place Sunday. Our school is progressing nicely with Homer Davidson as teacher.

John Rodgers, of Berry Ferry, died Sunday and was buried at the Boyd burying ground. (This old abandoned cemetery is located about one mile north of the Barnett Chapel Church on the land of Maxine Croft. At one time this was a rather large cemetery with some nice markers in it.)

Mrs. Nannie Davis of near Lola visited her niece, Mrs. Forest Burns. Richard Miles and wife were guests of her brother Sherda Hale of Tolu. Miss Flosie Glore, of Marion is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Matie Hill. Joe Moore of the Hurricane neighborhood was the guest of John Hardin Saturday.

#### Oct. 23, 1925

J.A. Gilliand and family returned home after spending a few days with W.H. Hardesty and wife. Miss Ernestine McMaster visited relatives in Rosiclare, Ill., during the weekend. Mrs. Myrtle Watson and children were the guests of J.H. Hardesty and wife Sunday. William Harden, who has been in Maywood hospital for some time, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruby Winters and baby were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Winters Sunday. Orbin Croft has returned home from Oklahoma.

There will be a pie supper at Barnett School house Friday night. Everyone is in-

(The old community items that were submitted each week to The Press, by someone living in the community, were interesting to read and kept everyone up to date on what and how everyone was doing.)









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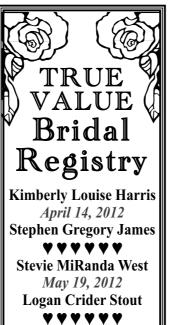


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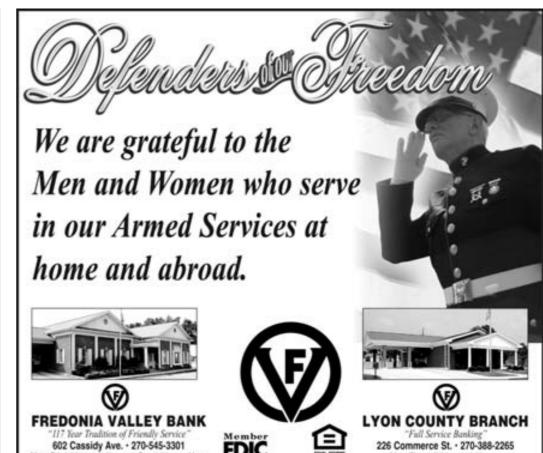
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# The Press Lifestyles



# Painting the town green

Girls Scouts of Crittenden County celebrated their 100th birthday Monday and included local businesses in the celebration by painting the town green. Divided by troops, Girl Scouts scattered through town tying green bows to store fronts Monday afternoon as they sang Happy Birthday. Girl Scouts was founded in 1912 by Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low and was created with the purpose of providing young girls the opportunity to grown and gain confidence. There are seven troops in Crittenden County, one in Livingston County, with 40-50 girls participating. Pictured above are (from left) Kaila DiMaggio, Chiann Loyd and Cheyenne Lady as they tie a green ribbon to The Crittenden Press' mailbox.

### Grandparent of the Year essay winner selected

NEWS RELEASE

Shelby Summers, a fifth grader at Crittenden County Elementary School, was selected as the district winner in the 2011-2012 Grandparent of the Year essay contest sponsored by AARP Kentucky, Ken-Retired Teachers Association (KRTA) and the Crittenden County Retired Teachers Association. Caitlyn Lynch placed second in the contest, followed by Jorden Claycomb third.

Summers is among thousands of fifth graders in Kentucky who participated in the 11th annual essay competition. Students submitted essays answering, "Why my grandparent should be the AARP Kentucky Grandparent of the year." Fifth grade teach ers then selected the school's

In Summer's essay, she



Pictured above are Rita Watson (Retired Teachers Associations representative), Jordan Claycomb (third Place), Caitlyn Lynch (second place), Shelby Summer (first place), and Phyllis Sykes (Retired Teachers Association representative).

wrote that the reason her grandparent, Arlene Summers, should be selected was because, "she is strong-hearted,

loves the outdoors and can cook like nobody's business." As county winner, Summers' essay will be submitted for district competition, and she will become eligible to participate in the state finals. In a recognition ceremony, the grandparent of the year and student will be honored at the annual KRTA Convention in Louisville April 24. The winner will also receive a \$100 savings bond.

The essay competition is a unique way to recognize the significant contributions that older Kentuckians make toward shaping the lives and values of youth across the commonwealth.

The AARP Grandparent of the Year contest is organized by local Retired Teacher Association units and AARP Chapters, who help secure local school participation, promote the activity and serve as local contest judges.

Summers is the daughter of Tricia Summers and Van Summers, both of Marion.

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### Free resources available for adults returning to college

Kentucky adults considering returning to college have a free resource to help them make decisions about higher

Adults Returning to School is published by the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority (KHEAA), the state agency that administers Kentucky student financial aid programs and provides college planning materials.

The book provides information about entrance exams, financial aid programs and Kentucky colleges and universities. It also includes information about

four ounces and was 19½ inches long.

Tenn., and Bettye Hinson of Nashville.

adult education programs and GED testing centers, as well as other state programs that can help adult students.

Adults Returning to School is available at adult education centers. Free copies are available through KHEAA by m a i l i n publications@kheaa.com.

To learn how to plan and prepare for higher education, visit www.gotocollege.ky.gov. For more information about Kentucky scholarships and

www.kheaa.com; write KHEAA, P.O. Box 798. Frankfort, KY 40602; or call (800) 928-8926, ext. 6-7372.

### Thursday, March 15

■ Crittenden Health Systems Auxiliary will have a meeting at 4 p.m., today (Thursday) at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. Saturday, March 17

■ There will be a St. Patrick's Day Dance to benefit Marion-Crittenden County Park. The event will be held starting at 7:30 p.m., with a live band, Reflection, from 8 p.m., to midnight Saturday at Marion Country Club. Cost is \$30 couple or \$15 single. Tickets may be purchased at the door. There will be finger food and soft drinks available. For more information, call Allen Lynn 965-5154 or Tony

O'Neal 965-5452. ■ A shamrock shuffle Zumbathon will be held from 10-11:30 a.m., Saturday in the Crittenden County High School multipurpose room. Cost for the event is \$10 or a new pair of tennis shoes. The first 50 people will receive a free t-shirt. All proceeds raised will go to the Happy Feet Equals Learning Feet program. To find out more on how to be a partner or to donate to the program, call Jerritt Hovey-Brown at 704-3425 or Holly White at 965-3525.

■ The Crayne Cemetery Association will have its Crayne Cemetery Clean-up day at 9 a.m, Saturday. Rain date will be the same time, March 24.

### Wednesday, March 21

■ The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association (NARFE) Chapter 1373, will meet at 11:15 a.m., Wednesday at The Marion Cafe. All current and retired federal employees are invited to the monthly meeting. Ongoing

■ Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 12022 in Marion is offering free coffee for veterans on Tuesdays from 7 to 11 a.m., at its 412 N. College St. headquarters.

■ Monetary donations to assist Brad and Rochelle Walton of Marion continue to be accepted at Louise's Flowers, where Rochelle is employed. Brad Wal-

ton, 31, is undergoing chemotherapy in Harrisburg, III. For more information, contact Teena York at 965-2749.

■ AARP Tax Aide Program is provided each Wednesday at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center. Tax counselors will be on hand from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., to assist local individuals in filing their tax returns. This free service is for seniors or anyone considered low to moderate income level. Services will be provided each Wednesday through April 11. Please make an appointment by calling 704-2160. Walk-ins accepted, but appointments pre-

#### ferred. Upcoming

■ Best selling author Shelley Shephard Gray will be at the Crittenden County Public Library at 11 a.m., March 24 to talk about her new book, "Missing." It is the first book in her series, "Secrets of Crittenden County." Books will be available for purchasing and signings. For more information, call the library at 965-3354. Gray is the author of several Amish romance series, as well as other fic-

The Marion Ed-Tech Center will offer Elements of Underground Mining April 9 to May 3. Monday through Wednesday from 8 a.m.noon and Thursday from 8 a.m.noon, at Madisonville Community College. Only 12 seats are avail-

second annual The Mother/Daughter Tea will be held from 2-4 p.m., April 28 at the Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center. Cost is \$15 per couple or \$50 for a table of eight. Registration forms are available at the hospital. All proceeds go to Relay for Life. There will be a Mad Hatter hat contest, fashion show by Gran Grans Clothesline and photos available for purchase. Call Misty Pugh at 965-1020 for more information. Registrations are due by April 15.





Hazel Croft and Betty Bak took The Press to Hawaii in February while touring Oahu, The Big Island, Maui and Kauai.



Jason, Randa, Briley and Lily Berry, Bonita and Randy Poindexter, Eddie and Gay Ann Priest took The Press to Panama City Beach, Fla., in January.



Daniel Jackson Stoner, Robert Allen and Billy Barnes visited the world's third largest blue adirondack chair east of the Mississippi River above 3,000-foot elevation during a trip to Snowshoe Mountain, W. Va., Jan. 14.

## Home decorating tips can reduce energy use

A fresh coat of paint and new window treatments may add style to your home décor, but did you know that they can also conserve energy and reduce your utility bills? Follow these home decorating tips to reduce your energy consumption and utility costs:

■ Place furniture, such as reading chairs, desks and sewing machines, in areas that take advantage of daylighting. Daylighting is the practice of using windows and skylights to bring natural lighting into your home, thereby reducing the need for artificial lighting. In addition, make sure furniture and window treatments do not block air vents.

■ Avoid setting TVs and lamps near thermostats. The air conditioner thermostat senses heat from these appliances. This may cause the air conditioner to run longer than needed.

■ When painting a room, consider a light color for walls. Lighter colors minimize the need for artificial lighting.

■ Use window treatments. such as curtains, blinds, shades or interior shutters. In winter months, open curtains and shades during the day to allow in the warmth of the sun, and close them during the night to prevent heat loss. In summer months, close curtains on south- and westfacing windows during the day to keep heat out. During warmer months, consider white shades, drapes or blinds, as they will reflect

heat away from the house. ■ Use multiple layers of bedding during colder



months.

■ Use throws. Throws not only accent your home décor but can help keep you warmer during cooler months without adjusting your ther-

■ Use area rugs on tile, wood or laminate floors.

■ Install glass fireplace doors to reduce drafts and loss of heated or cooled air.

■ Replace outdated faucets and shower fixtures with lowflow faucets and shower-

■ Use a circulating fan, such as a ceiling fan, table fan or floor fan. During summer months, ceiling fans allow you to increase your thermostat by around 4 degrees F, while maintaining the same level of comfort. However, when you leave the room, turn off your ceiling fan. Ceiling fans cool people, not rooms, by producing a wind chill effect.

In 2009 the average American family spent roughly \$1,900 on home utility bills. Not only is this amount a burden for the family budget, but it is also costly to the environment. By making a few simple changes in regards to your home décor you can conserve energy, reduce your utility bills and help the environment.

Wheeler

Michael and Cassie Wheeler of Clarksville, Tenn., an-

Maternal grandparents are Katrina McFadden of Palmyra,

nounce the birth of a daughter, Kara Ann, Feb. 29 at Gate-

way Medical Center in Clarksville. Kara weighed six pounds,

Tenn., and Andy Hinson of Dover, Tenn. Maternal great-

grandparents are Herbert and Ann McFadden of Palmyra,

Marion. Paternal great-grandparents are the late Bruce and

Mary Coleman Wheeler and the late James T. and Mary Belt

Kara was the first leap day baby born in Clarksville and is the first girl in the Wheeler family in over 100 years.

Paternal grandparents are Eddie and Karen Wheeler of

Chris and Keri Dees of Covington announce the birth of a son, Braxton James Dees, Jan. 25 at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. Braxton weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces and was 211/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Dale and Janet Kemper of Marion. Maternal great-grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Williams B. Lloyd and the late Mr. and Mrs. Garvis Kemper.

Paternal grandparents are Imogene Dees of Highland Heights and the late James Dees and Elaine Brenning of Fort thomas and the late Donald Brenning. Braxton has a sister, Addison Elizabeth.



During separate birthday celebrations, first cousins Mary Sherer and Nancy Landreth bumped into one another at Cracker Barrel in a chance encounter. Pictured are (from left) Sherer, Landreth and Naomi Jamison.

### Cousins share Leap Year birthday

With Leap Year only occurring every four years, it's a unique opportunity to say that a person was born on that day. But it's even more unique to share the same birthday with a family member.

Marion residents Nancy Landreth and Mary Sherer, first cousins, share the same Leap Year birthday and though neither will disclose their true ages, it has been said that Sherer remains younger than both of her two sons and Landreth is finally able to get her driver's license.

As both celebrated their birthdays individually on the rare day while dining out, Landreth's daughter Suzian Cunningham, said that the back of a woman walking by in the restaurant caught her

eye.
"For some reason, Mary came to my mind and I asked mom if that was her," Cunningham said. "She said she wasn't sure so of course I had to find out.

And as it would be, both cousins had decided to celebrate their special day with a dinner at Cracker Barrel.

"What are the odds of that?" Cunningham asked. "To be in the same place, same time, celebrating these two special leaplings?

Landreth was also joined at her birthday dinner by her son Shannan



## Reading across America

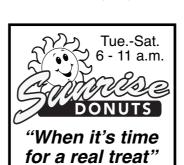
Crittenden County Elementary School students celebrated Read Across America Feb. 27 - March 2. Several guests, like Mayor Mickey Alexander, read a book to students, and students dressed up as their favorite characters from books on March 2, Dr. Suess' birthday. Each classroom had a winner and grade-level winners were awarded a Dr. Seuss "Cat in the Hat" hat. Pictured are students in kindergarten through fifth grade who dressed up. They are (front from left) Karsyn Potter, Bryanna Dunning, Aubre Conyer, Sophia Madden, Kiley Croft, Katie Perryman; (second) Tori Ladd, Natalie Boone, Jacob Hoover, Carly Towery, Logan Myers, (third) Brady Smith, James Crider, Sarah Anderson, Mary Holeman, Charity Conyer, John Sigler, Mary Perryman, Maggie Blazina, Raina West; (back) Shelby Brown, Daelynn Hardin, Shea Martin, Emma Stoner, RheaVynn Tabor, Mackenzie Watson, Emmie Smith and Haily DiMaggio.



#### Hatfield remains on MCC board until 2017

Gov. Steve Beshear last week reappointed Bonita Hatfield of Marion to the Madisonville Community College Board of Directors. Her term will expire in 2017. She has served multiple terms on the board and is a past chairman.

Hatfield is a retired teacher from Crittenden County's school system. In 2011, she and her late husband Jim were recognized as benefactors from the Kentucky Community and Technical College System for



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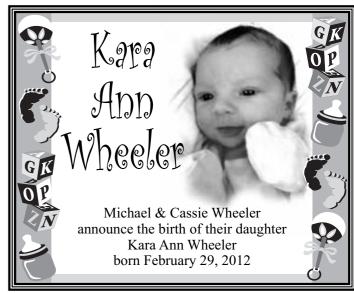
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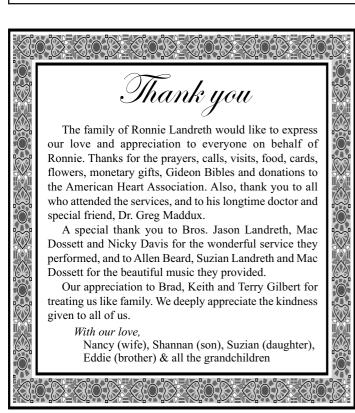


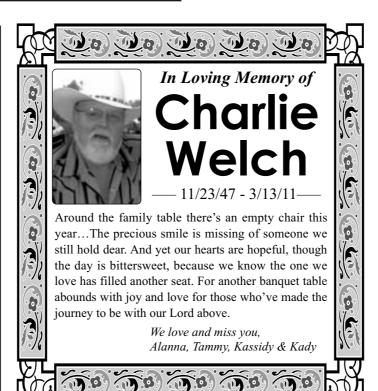
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### Ladies Auxiliary presents flag to homemakers

The VFW Ladies Auxiliary post 12022 presented the 0.5. Hag to the Crittenden County Homemakers Feb. 28. There are five groups within the Crittenden County Homemakers including the Challengers, After Hours, Evening Bells and Morning Glories clubs, which meet once a month. Pictured are Norma Hunt, Ladies Auxiliary Conductress; Nancy Lanham, Ladies Auxiliary secretary; Anna Hunt, Auxiliary member and Nancy Hunt, Crittenden County Extension agent.





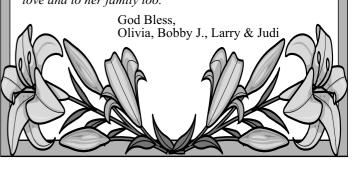
### Thank You

The family of Helen Lewis wishes to express our thanks to all who in some way showed kindness to our family in the passing of our Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother (Mamaw Lewis to many.)

Thank you for the prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers and memorial gifts, and to all who picked her up and brought her home from all her appointments and activities.

Thank you to members of her church, Dee Ann and Kenneth for your visits and kind words at the graveside service, and to all the ladies of the church for the wonderful meal.

Thank you to The Press for the acknowledgement of her contributions. Thank you to Bro. Heath and Cave Springs Church members for the visits, flowers and food and to the staff of Myers Funeral Home for making us all comfortable. We appreciate the staffs of Home Health, Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center, Crittenden Health Systems and Dr. James and staff for showing her love and to her family too.





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### **SPRING SPORTS Upcoming events** THURSDAY

Baseball hosts Reidland **FRIDAY** 

Baseball at Webster County

**MONDAY** 

Baseball at Henderson County **TUESDAY** 

Softball hosts Mayfield

### **BASEBALL**

### LL registration Saturday

Deadline to register without penalty for youth baseball and softball leagues is Saturday. Leagues are available for boys and girls age 4-16. There will be a skills assessment from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Saturday at Crittenden County Middle School gym. Players may also bring their registration and fee on the day of the assessment. Registration closes on April 14; however, there is a \$15 registration late-fee after Saturday. Registration forms were recently sent home with CCES students. Forms should be mailed with payment to Dugout Club, PO Box 5, Marion, KY 42064 by Saturday, March 17 to avoid penalty.

#### Paid umpires wanted

Crittenden County Dugout Club is seeking qualified individuals age 15 or older to umpire youth baseball and softball games this spring and summer. Umpires can earn \$20 to \$25 per game. Contact Mike Hamilton at 704-0283.

### Pork chop sale for team

Crittenden County's Rocket baseball boosters will be selling pork chop sandwiches starting at 10 a.m., Friday, March 23 on the Farmers Market lot on Main Street. The group offers free delivery to businesses in Marion and Salem. Orders can be made in advance by calling Valerie Gilbert at 704-0630 or Donnie Phillips at 625-1875. Cost is \$3 per sand-

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### Upcoming seasons

April 7-8 Youth Turkey Spring Turkey April 14 - May 6 May 19 - June 15 Spring Squirrel Groundhog Year Round Coyote Year Round

### KDFWR town meeting

Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources will host a town hall meeting March 26 at the Kentucky Dam Village Convention Center. This is the First District meeting, which includes Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Lyon and 10 other counties.



Members of the Crittenden County girls' track and field squad are (front from left) Ragon Dossett, Kaitlyn Moss, (second row) Margaret Sitar, Nikki Shuecraft, Jessica McConnell, (third row) Randi Williamson, Erin McDonald, Kaylee Gibson, Anna Schnittker, Leah Scott, (back) Ashley Collyer, Taylor Johnson, Nicole Rizzo, Breanna Yandell and Bailey Brown.



Members of the Crittenden County boys' track and field squad are (front from left) Jacob Graham, Nathan Burnett, Cody Hayes, Darren Paris, (second row) Johnathan Suggs, Alex Yates, Jacob Berry, Dustin Roberts, Josh Gaston, Brayden McKinney, Zach Tinsley, (back) Daniel Patton, Noah Cooper, Daniel Wagoner, Thomas Scott, Elliott Day, Austen Chambliss, Korey Mays and Clint Asbridge.

### **Crittenden County** Track Roster

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Austen Chambliss	12
Elliot Day	12
Ragon Dossett	12
Korey Mayes	12
Kaitlyn Moss	12
Clint Asbridge	11
Josh Gaston	11
Kaylee Gibson	11
Daniel Patton	11
Thomas Scott	11
Dustin Roberts	11
Bailey Brown	10
Ashley Collyer	10
Cody Hayes	10
Erin McDonald	10
Anna Schnittker	10
Leah Scott	10
Zach Tinsley	10
Daniel Wagoner	10
Breanna Yandell	10
Jacob Berry	9
Nathan Burnett	9
Jacob Graham	9
Taylor Johnson	9
Brayden McKinney	9
Nicole Rizzo	9
Johnathan Suggs	9
Alex Yates	9
Noah Cooper	8
Jessica McConnell	8
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### Distance Hurdles Distance Darren Paris Distance 2012 Schedule

(Results in next week's Press) Tuesday, March 27: McLean All Comers Thursday, March 29: Caldwell Quad Tuesday, April 10: McLean All Comers Thursday, April 12: Ballard All Comers Tuesday, April 17: Caldwell Quad Thursday, April 19: Caldwell Quad Tuesday, April 24: Hopkins Central Quad Tuesday, May 1: Area 1 Championship Thursday, May 3: Caldwell Quad

Saturday, May 5: Murray Jim Harrell Relays

Saturday, May 12: Regional Track Meet

Thursday, May 17: State, Louisville

Tuesday, March 13: Caldwell Dual

### Rockets open with win at Reidland

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County opened its baseball season Monday with a 5-2 victory at Reidland.

Leadoff hitter Bryce Willis was 3-for-4 at the plate with an RBI to lead the offense. Travis Gilbert, Taylor Champion and Wes Evers had two hits and an RBI each.

Gilbert, an all-region performer last year, got his first pitching victory of the season. He went four innings, struck out nine and walked just one. The Greyhounds touched Gilbert for one earned run

Wes Evers, who also plays centerfield and bats third in the lineup, relieved Gilbert in the fifth. He struck out two and walked one while picking up the save.

The Rockets host Reidland Thursday and will be at Webster County on Friday.

The Rockets played well in a scrimmage game Saturday at Marion-Crittenden County Park against Union County. The Braves are generally one of the best teams in the region.



Rocket catcher Brenden Phillips sets to throw out a baserunner during Saturday's scrimmage against Union County.

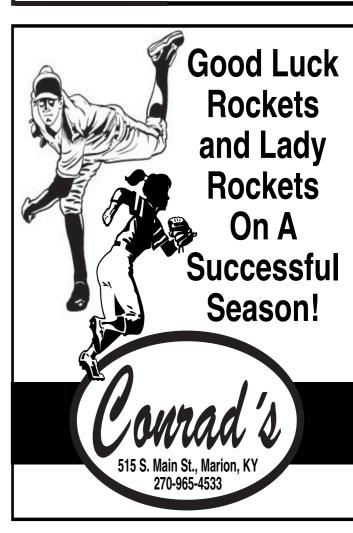






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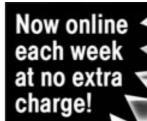
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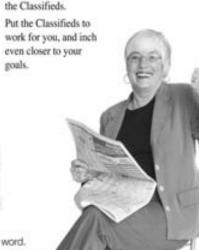
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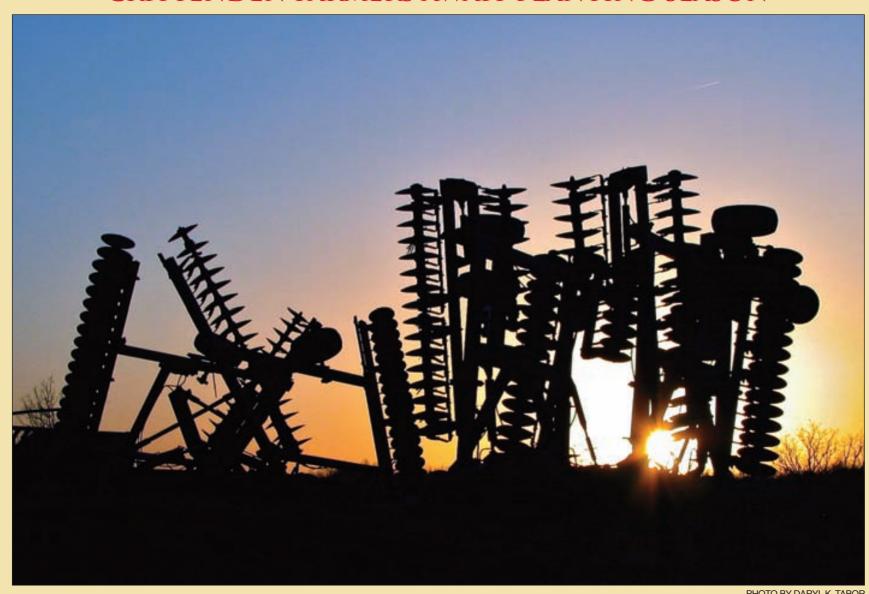


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# Standing guard over spring crops

The arms to two crop disks reach toward the sky as the sun sets below a hill Monday overlooking a field off Cave Springs Road. The field, a vivid and lush green landscape of winter wheat, was planted in corn last summer. According to the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, in the commonwealth, wheat is almost always planted in the fall following harvest on corn ground and then double-cropped with soybeans in early summer after the wheat is harvest. This allows for two crops in one year. However, soybeans planted after the wheat is harvest are more susceptible to summer drought, so on average, yields are lower for these double-cropped soybeans. In Crittenden County last year, corn was king with 1.83 million bushels produced, more than double the 828,000 bushels of soybeans. Winter wheat produced 308,000 bushels in the county. Nationwide last year, corn yield measured in dollars was the best in history, accounting for \$76.5 billion of farm production. The 84 million acres harvested was the highest since 86.5 million in 2007. In Kentucky, corn is typically planted in May.

# Murray to soon get packaged liquor vote

Doting moms and dads may be worried that a popular nearby college city will soon get a vote on whether to allow packaged alcohol sales.

State law requires that a local option election be held no fewer than 30 days before or after any other planned election. Kentucky voters go to the polls for party primaries on May 22.

Calloway County Clerk Ray Coursey, Jr., said a group called Grow Murray attained signatures of 25 percent of the 2,505 residents who voted on Nov. 8, needed to initiate the ballot issue.

John Crofton, a Grow Murray supporter, said the next step for the group depends on when the election takes place.

"Everybody's going to get their say, and then we're going to have (packaged sales) or we're not," Crofton said. "I think we ought to have it."

Keep It Out of Murray has been circulating a petition in the last few weeks aiming to have an election giving citizens the option of voting to keep the alcohol laws as they are in Murray or abolishing them. Group spokesman Martin Severns said that even if their petition is not certified, they could use it to contact people who had signed it in an effort to push for a "No" vote on the local option elec-

Murray currently allows only alcohol by-the-drink in qualifying restaurants.

16 oz.

# CCEDC recognizes local industry in April

Crittenden County Economic Development Corp., along with the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce will recognize local industry April 16-19 for its contributions to the community. The weeklong activities will culminate with a luncheon when the "Industry of the Year" will be announced.

The guest speaker for this luncheon will be Dwight F. "Corky" Peek, Senior Project Manager for the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development. Peek began his economic development career in Kentucky in 1999, when he worked in the cabinet's workforce training area.

It was the daily interactions with companies and helping them to grow their operations that motivated Peek to become more engaged in project management. A decade later he still relishes the opportunity to work with both new and existing companies to make job growth and investment plans become a reality.

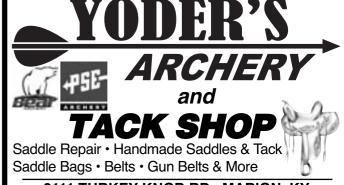
"We are fortunate to have Mr. Peek be our guest speaker," Terry L. Bunnell, chairman of CCEDC said. "The purpose of the this week long event is to recognize the endless contributions our local industries make to our community and to express our special gratitude and appreciation to them."

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### Rural historical survey complete, ready to view

A Survey of the Rural Resources

of Crittenden and Livingston

Counties, Kentucky

A report on more than 60 historic sites in Crittenden County surveyed last year by UK's Kentucky Archaeological Survey is now ready for view-

The 274-page document, "A Survey of the Rural Re-

sources of Crittenden and Livingston Counties, Kentucky," is available in the genealogical section of Crittenden County Public Library. Its author, Janie-Rice Brother, a senior architectural historian for this project, also provided a copy Crittenden County Historical Society.

The document contains maps, schematics, photos, descriptions and stories related to 65 historic sites in Crittenden County from barns to churches and schools. Another 83 sites in Livingston County were documented.

Brother, along with other architectural historians, received a grant to survey barns, farms, houses, schools, churches and even commercial sites in both Livingston and Crittenden counties. Though the federal grant administered through the Kentucky Heritage Council was small, \$8,800, Brother said the lack of sites previously documented in Crittenden County piqued the interest heading west from Lexington.

"This survey attempted to address a long-standing deficit in the number of sur-

veyed historic resources in Crittenden and Livingston Counties, Kentucky," Brother, who visited the area several times surveying sites, wrote in her acknowledgements, "It has been one of the most exciting and enthralling projects the author has been

able to undertake, and the only regret is that budget was so limited that much mains done.'

Crittenden County historial Brenda Underdown Brother's tour guide on many occasions, showing her the locations of historic

sites and buildings.

Prior to this project, Crittenden County ranked 119th of Kentucky's 120 counties in the number of surveyed sites.

Anyone wanting a hard copy of the survey can purchase the document for \$20. The check should be made payable to the University of Kentucky and sent to: UK Kentucky Archaeological Survey, Department of Anthropology, 1020A Export St., Lexington, KY 40506-9854. Be sure to include a return





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