

Challengers file for board of education

James "Jamie" Hunt and Tina Harris have filed to run in the November election for Crittenden County Board of Education, representing Education District 2. The seat is currently held by Eric LaRue and includes two western precincts (Precincts 9 and 10) of the county. Ryan McDaniel's District 5 seat is also up for election.

Non-partisan candidates for school board and Marion City Council have until Aug. 14 to file for office.

Marion Postmaster Brooks relocated

The U.S. Postal Service reappointed Anthony Brooks to Earlington after serving as postmaster in Marion for 5 1/2 years. Brooks, of Clay, said the move puts him closer to his goal of eventually working in or closer to Clay. Troy Utley is serving as interim Marion Postmaster until a replacement is hired, possibly late this month. Utley, who is commuting from Cadiz, worked for about eight months as the officer in charge in Marion in the mid-2000s.

No driver's testing in county this week

There will be no written or road exam this week in Crittenden County for prospective drivers, said Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill.

Free tree seedlings given away Friday

Free tree seedlings will be given away by Crittenden County Conservation District to residents of the county from 10 a.m. until noon Friday in front of the office at 118 E. Bellville St. in Marion. Due to a reporting error, the incorrect date was published in last week's edition of the newspaper.

This year's offerings are paw-paw, eastern redbud, hazelnut, post oak, overcup oak, cherry bark oak, willow oak and persimmon. Quantities are limited to 10 trees per person. Seedlings were purchased by the District. Kentucky Division of Forestry has matched them with 2-year-old white pines.

Public meetings

- **Crittenden County Board of Education** will meet at 5:30 p.m. today (Thursday) in the Rocket Arena conference room.
- **Marion City Council** will meet at 6 p.m. Monday inside Marion City Hall.
- **Marion Tourism Commission** will meet at 1 p.m. next Wednesday at Marion Welcome Center.
- **Crittenden Fiscal Court** will meet at 8:30 a.m. next Thursday at the courthouse office.
- **Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees** will meet at 5 p.m. next Thursday at the library.



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House road plan covers bridges, U.S. 641

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

A new transportation plan approved last week by the Kentucky House of Representatives would bode well for Crittenden County and the rest of the state traveling the commonwealth's crumbling infrastructure, if it is OK'd by the upper chamber before the legislative session ends next month.

The state's transportation budget would finance ferry operations, shore up two structurally deficient bridges

and build a new state highway maintenance facility in Crittenden County. It would also replace the U.S. 60 bridge at Smithland and begin construction on the second leg of the U.S. 641 relocation project. Future unfunded plans call for several other area transportation projects important to local residents.

"It does look good for Crittenden County," state Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, said Tuesday morning, "but it's about time isn't it?"

Ridley, a member of the Senate Transportation Committee scheduled to take up the transportation plan and budget Wednesday, believes funding for the four Crittenden County-specific projects is safe, but said changes to the statewide \$2.4 billion plan for bridges, repaving and other road and highway undertakings will almost certainly see at least a few changes. He expects a

vote on the Senate floor sometime next week.

On Feb. 6, the House approved three measures that comprise the overall 6-Year Road Plan, including the 2018-20 Biennial Highway Construction Plan (House Bill 202), 2020-24 Highway Construction Plan and the two-year transportation budget itself. Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, voted for all three measures.



Bechler

"We have all seen the deterioration of our infrastructure, and House Bill 202 is a positive step in addressing the issue. House Bill 202 calls for \$365 million in road paving and resurfacing, and at the same time allocates more than \$545 million to address our aging bridges," Bechler said in his weekly report from Frankfort found on Page 2. "I am pleased to report that every county in the 4th House District will

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Who done it uncovered



Marion Murder Mystery solved; community act judged success

At left, Coroner Rigger Mortis (Brad Gilbert) reads findings from his a fictitious Marion Murder Mystery report following the autopsy of the late Roger Redbone during the event Saturday. About 70 people on 35 teams participated in the event, which was coordinated by Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce.



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At right, Myrtle Mayhem (Elizabeth Floyd), owner of Myrtle's Batting Cages, explains to those present for the murder mystery reveal why she was not responsible for the death of Redbone, though actors did not know who the killer was. Turns out she wasn't when coordinator Adam Ledford revealed that Redbone's widow Rita had conspired with Peanut the concession stand union boss to kill the former team owner. Actors shown in the highly successful event are (from left) Dee Heimgartner, Sue Ledford, Paula Miniard, Floyd, Frank Pierce and Brad Gilbert.

Trump wants low-income programs ended

By DARYL K. TABOR
PRESS EDITOR

President Donald Trump has proposed eliminating two programs that have sent millions of dollars to Crittenden County to help residents on fixed incomes stay warm in the winter and fund a number of community projects.

Trump is looking to reduce federal spending by ending the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Community

Development Block Grants (CDBG). Each program helps bridge an income divide between affluent areas and poor and rural areas, like Crittenden County.

But bipartisan opposition has mounted in Congress, particularly from lawmakers from cold weather states whose elderly and poor have depended on LIHEAP. Kentucky Attorney General Andy Beshear has called on the state's representation on

Capitol Hill to oppose removal of the funding.

"Both LIHEAP and CDBG provide critical assistance to Kentuckians most in need," said Beshear, a Democrat expected to run for governor next year. "On behalf of all Kentuckians, I am asking that our congressional delegation oppose the elimination of these programs. The lives of our families may depend on it."

In the last two years, ac-

cording to Crittenden County Pennyrile Allied Community Services Director Kathy Belt, more than \$125,000 in LIHEAP money has come to the county to help almost 600 applicants and their families stay warm in winter months. Many of those have been senior citizens on fixed incomes.

"I have more elderly than working poor," Belt said of sign-ups for both the subsidy and crisis phases of the energy assistance. "That's the

sad part of it."

Belt said the average Social Security income of the elderly may be somewhere between \$750 and \$1,000 monthly, leaving little money for utilities after outlays for rent, food and medical needs. A hard winter can leave many struggling to stay warm.

"Anyone who is on Social Security or disability, they don't have any other options,

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Dossett changing lives with ministry, carpentry



PHOTOS BY ALEXA BLACK, THE PRESS

Mac Dossett, in his spare time away from his job as a pastor, enjoys carpentry. Above is an entertainment stand he has worked on recently.

By ALEXA BLACK
STAFF WRITER

A man of many trades, Mac Dossett has made quite the impression on people throughout the years ... through both his ministry and carpentry.

Dossett, formerly of Marion but now a resident of Smithland, is pastor at Carrsville Pentecostal Church, and is also the former director of transportation and maintenance for Crittenden County Board of Education, where he worked for 12 years. In his line of work, building and repairing things have always been an interest of his, even in his ministry. He compares it to helping people "repair" their lives.

Happily retired but busy as ever, Dossett builds unique items for his family and friends or for special occasions. He's fond of using cedar in his craftsmanship and has built entertainment stands, nightstands, bread boxes and other household items.

Dossett also crafted an 8-foot tall

dragon for Pine Bluff's "Dredging Dragons," who participate in the Paducah dragon boat races. It stands upright, and is wired to expel smoke as a dragon would.

"I build things to be durable, and hopefully, last people a lifetime," Dossett said, while tinkering with his tools.

Often, he uses a workbench that he was given, which was in Fohs Hall during its construction in 1926.

Dossett enjoys building hope chests and makes certain to craft each one uniquely, even engraving Bible verses into the wood.

His carpentry goes beyond a hobby, as he aims to build things people will forever cherish. He recalls a particular project that he considers special, where an older man requested he build a hope chest for his daughter who was soon to be married. Sadly,

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Medicaid reform, road plan clear House

Transportation is handled differently than the budget and funding for the other departments and branches in Kentucky in that there are actually three bills that need to be passed for transportation. This year, House Bill 201 is the actual budget bill that establishes in broad terms the money allocated for areas in the various budget units such as administration, aviation, debt service, highways, etc.

The road plan itself is divided into two parts and covers six years. This year, HB 202 defines the specific projects in the 2018-20 Biennial Highway Construction Plan. Funds allocated for HB 202 are \$2.4 billion, while House Joint Resolution 74 defines priority projects for last four years (commonly referred to as the "out years") of the 6-Year Road Plan. These are projects that are planned but not yet funded and include over \$4 billion in projects that hope-



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fully are funded in future budget cycles.

We have all seen the deterioration of our infrastructure and HB 202 is a positive step in addressing the issue. HB 202 calls for \$365 million in road paving and resurfacing, and at the same time allocates more than \$545 million to address our aging bridges. I am pleased to report that every county in the 4th House District will have at least one bridge replaced or repaired. (See front page story.)

HB 201, HB 202 and HJR 74 all passed out of the House, and I voted yes on each of them. As in all bills that originate in the House, the Senate must give its approval in order for them to become law. If the Senate changes a bill in any way it will then come back to the House for further action. These are three very good bills; however, if history is any guide, some changes will be made, but I am hopeful that they will not be dra-

matic.

As might be expected, the Kentucky General Assembly frequently adopts legislation defining what must be done in schools. While the intent might be laudable, the legislation frequently has the end result of piling more work on our educators. This often happens without taking into consideration the financial impact of the new requirements or considering mandates that are already in place. Such was the case this past week.

HB 128 would require public middle and high schoolers in Kentucky to be taught about the Holocaust and other genocides. The purpose of HB 128 is commendable, but I wonder how much more we can ask our schools to do without relieving them of something else. As the Spanish writer and philosopher George Santayana once said, "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it," and since there was nothing indicating a negative financial impact of the bill, I voted yes, and HB 128 passed. It is on its way to the Senate for consideration.

HB 147 was another bill mandating that schools do more. It would require schools to implement a "seizure action plan," which is a written, individualized health plan designed to acknowledge and prepare for the health care needs of a

student diagnosed with a seizure disorder. Once again, an admirable goal. Unfortunately, this comes at a financial cost; a relatively small cost, but a cost nevertheless. Many, if not all, schools are already working with parents of children who suffer from epilepsy, and I do not believe that any good educator would fail to work with such a child and family. Because of that, I voted no, but HB 147 passed and is on its way to the Senate for consideration.

Medicaid and food stamp reform was addressed by HB 363. This bill will enable numerous departments of our state government to come together to monitor those who are receiving Medicaid or food stamps and review that information on a regular basis. This should cut down on fraud as well as wasteful and unnecessary government spending. I voted yes, and HB 363 passed. It is on its way to the Senate for consideration.

The pension reform bill, Senate Bill 1, was heard in the Senate State & Local Government Committee and passed to be discussed and voted on by the full Senate. After much debate, SB 1 was returned to the Senate State & Local Government Committee without a vote being taken. SB 1 has undergone substantial change since it was first introduced, and I don't know if any additional

changes will be made before or if it comes to the House for consideration.

I do know that this is our best opportunity. The clock is ticking. The time is now. This serious problem grew every year under Democratic House and gubernatorial leadership. In one year of House Republican leadership, even Democrats acknowledge that funding has substantially increased. They acknowledge that the House budget passed two weeks ago proposes historic funding levels for pension systems and retiree health care.

If we don't address it now, it is so bad that actuaries warn that without reforms, all pension systems will be insolvent in 8-12 years, and retiree checks will stop. Republicans funded pensions at levels never seen before: \$3.3 billion in this budget alone, fully funding them for the first time in decades. There are good men and women in the House with the will to solve the problem and who have the guts to tell you the truth.

Raising taxes cannot fix this problem. Doubling our 6 percent sales tax would just barely have covered the amount of money that we dedicated to shoring up pensions and retiree health care. Authorizing casinos and legalizing marijuana will not alleviate the problem. We are trying to fix it, but we are opposed by the same people

who oversaw the gradual destruction of our pension systems.

I understand the fears that our teachers and other public employees have. These fears are real, but much of this fear is generated by baseless charges and by inflamed rhetoric from people who have absolutely no interest in fixing the system. Doing nothing will not solve the problem. I am determined to see that those who were promised pensions get them. Action must be taken.

As always, thank you for reading my updates and thank you for contacting me with your concerns and thoughtful suggestions. It is a privilege to represent you in the Kentucky House of Representatives and your input helps me make decisions that best represent the views of the Fourth District. I may be reached through the toll-free message line in Frankfort at (800) 372-7181, directly at (502) 564-8100, by visiting the Kentucky Legislature Home page at LRC.ky.gov and clicking on the "Email Your Legislator" link, or by mail to the Capitol Annex, Frankfort, KY 40601.

(Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion, has represented House District 4 – Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and portion of Christian counties – in the Kentucky General Assembly since 2013.)

LETTERS

Victory Gardens were win-win for community

To the editor:

I'm very disappointed the city chose to close the Victory Gardens, which is the only place the community can get free, fresh vegetables and soon-to-be fruit and berries.

A lot of work has gone into the plot, something to be proud of for the community and was beneficial to the jail to have fresh veggies and helped their food budget.

As Jailer Robbie Kirk stated, the inmates were proud of their work and giving food to the community. One inmate advised his mom has a garden in the Chicago area and he planned to help her with what he learned working at the Victory Gardens.

It was a learning experience for them, including work and giving.

It was a win-win situation, which is gone. At least the deer will be happy with fruit and berries added to their diet.

The geese/ducks at the pond weren't mentioned. Are they for sale also? Just wondering...

Margaret Gilland
Marion, Ky.

Loss of Victory Gardens very disappointing

To the editor:

I was so disappointed to read that the city would be taking the Victory Gardens property back and selling it. I'm sure the property is worth

OPINION?

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much more than when it was given, with the orchard and blackberry vines and all the cleaning up and work that's been done.

Several community churches donated time and a considerable amount of money into the property to help the community, and what a great service it has provided – not only for the elderly and needy families receiving food, but it's also instilled a sense of pride in many inmates who grow the food and give it away to help others. It's probably the first time helping others for many of them.

A couple of years ago, the city proposed discontinuing their monetary assistance to the food distribution program that we have for needy families, then changed their minds when people opposed the idea.

I wish I had the money to buy the Victory Gardens property and deed it to the jail. I've learned in life you can't out-give God. Helping others with God's continued blessings would be more profitable in the long run than a few thousand dollars that will be spent and gone.

Kim Asbridge
Marion, Ky.

Outcry puts pension bill on hold

"Vote No," "A Pension is a Promise" and "Find Funding First" were common chants by school and public employees (retired and active) that echoed through the Capitol last week. Those voices were heard.

Senate Bill 1, the Pension Reform measure, was not called up for a vote as scheduled Friday. Instead, it was recommitted to the Senate State and Local Government Committee. Friday was a win, but the battle is not over.

Despite the united opposition of the Senate Democratic Caucus, SB 1 could come back up for a vote any day we are in session – and may have already done so by press time. I encourage you to continue to voice your opposition.

This bill is monumental in the impact it will have across our state. It breaks our promise to teachers, firefighters, law enforcement officers, social workers and so many other public and school employees and retirees. It will have detrimental effects on the very employees we rely on daily for public services. It will also create more financial hardship for our school districts, and it will harm our



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government agencies. It will make recruitment and retention of employees very difficult.

The current version of the pension plan scales back some of the provisions that were included in an earlier version. Perhaps most notably, the current plan would decrease cost-of-living adjustments for retired teachers from 1.5 percent to 1 percent until the system is 90 percent funded. An earlier version of the proposal would have cut the cost-of-living adjustment in half for 12 years. The cost-of-living decreases were just one part of a plan aimed at reducing unfunded liabilities in pension systems that reach somewhere between \$40 billion and \$60 billion, or even higher.

In my opinion, SB 1 violates the inviolable contract.

During the 2013 legislative session, we passed pension reform that solidified the inviolable contract for public employees and teachers' benefits. Just four years after these changes went into effect, this new proposed legislation takes away those very benefits. I do not feel comfortable cutting benefits that were promised just a short time ago.

And, frankly, I believe – as the Attorney General has

stated – that SB 1 is illegal.

Friday's win was a victory for taxpayers, school and public employees and retirees.

I will continue to stand with you whenever there is any movement with SB 1. I urge you to remain engaged and to reach out to your legislators. As the bill progresses, I will keep you updated on the bill status.

Although visitors to the Capitol might think SB 1 was the only legislation under consideration last week, there was work going on in committees and on the floor that addressed other concerns. A few bills that passed in the Senate last week:

- SB 48, which passed out of the Senate last Wednesday and headed to the House for a vote, would outlaw most child marriages and set 18 as the legal age to marry in the commonwealth. SB 48 makes it illegal for anyone 16 and younger to marry. Seventeen-year-olds could still get married, with the approval of their parents and a judge. Kentucky currently ranks third in the nation in child marriages.
- SB 149, which passed 36-0 and has been delivered to the House, would establish the Palliative Care Interdisciplinary Advisory Council within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The groups would make recommendations on how to improve and expand palliative care and educate patients about their options. The bill is focused on providing patients with relief from the symptoms, strain and stress of a serious illness. Research points to palliative care re-

sults in extending survival. It is appropriate at any stage and any age of a serious illness and can be provided along with curative treatment. Studies also indicate that palliative care can provide substantial reductions in medical costs by closely matching treatments with the patient's goals.

- SB 95 would require health insurers of cancer patients to cover fertility preservation, the process of saving or protecting eggs, sperm or reproductive tissue so that a person can use them to have biological children in the future. The bill is aimed at helping those who undergo chemotherapy, radiation, or other harsh treatments that might compromise their fertility. SB 95 was approved by the Senate on a 34-3 vote and has been sent to the House.

As of today, there are nine working days left in the General Assembly's 2018 session. The pace of activity in the Capitol is sure to continue increasing in the days ahead. That makes this an important time for citizens to stay connected to legislative action and offer lawmakers input on the issues confronting Kentucky.

Citizens can offer feedback to lawmakers by calling the General Assembly's toll-free Message Line at (800) 372-7181. Or you can email me directly at Dorsey.Ridley@lrc.ky.gov.

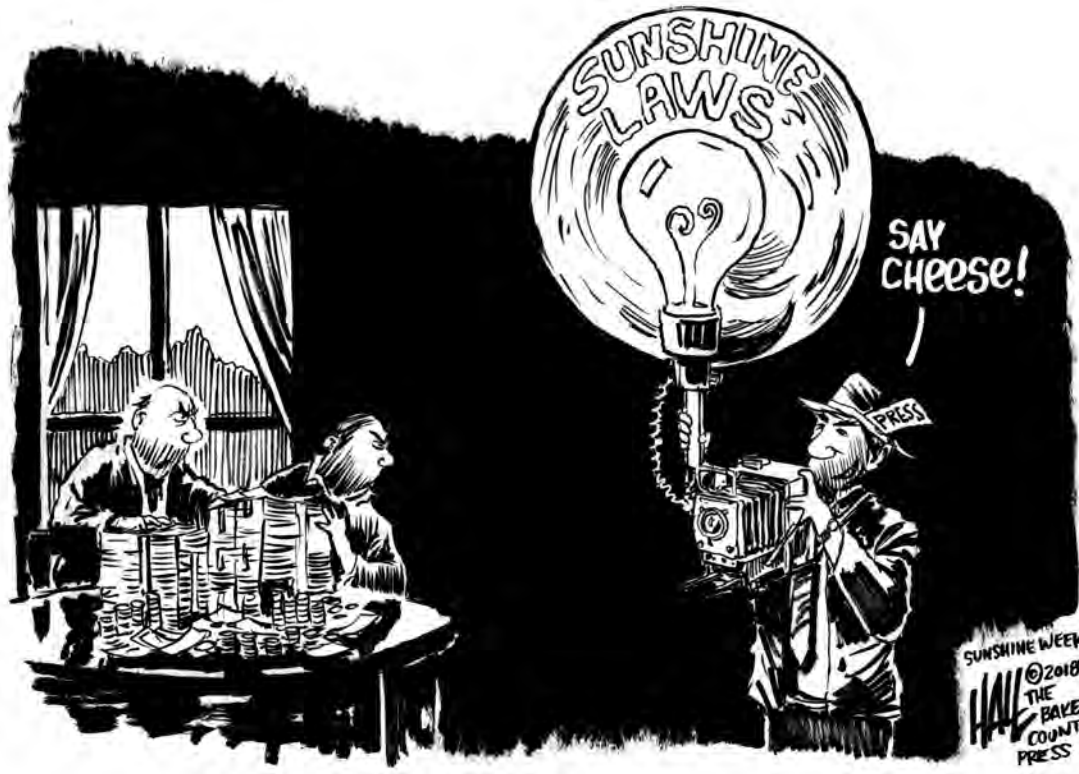
(Sen. Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, has represented Senate District 4 – Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Union, Webster and Henderson counties – in the Kentucky General Assembly since 2004.)



March 11-17 has been set aside as Sunshine Week in the United States. Though created by journalists 13 years ago, Sunshine Week is about the public's right to know what its government is doing and why.

Sunshine Week seeks to enlighten and empower people to play an active role in their government at all levels and to give them access to information that makes their lives better and their communities stronger.

Participants include news media, government officials at all levels, schools and universities, libraries and archives, individuals, non-profit and civic organizations, historians and anyone with an interest in open government.



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Crittenden County FBLA recently earned Silver Chapter recognition at regionals in Murray. Team members pictured are (front, from left) Baylee Priest, Hailey Belt, Autumn Derby, Sadie Pile, Hannah Bell, Audrey Croft, Ethan Beverly, Lili Newcom, Zachary Robinson, (second row) Shelby Brown, Amy Mosley, Jenna Potter, Lauryn Faulkner, Kyron Hicks, Mauri Collins, Emma Atchison, Matthia Long, Landon Crider, Lance Kayse, Lauren Gilchrist, Shelby Cooper, (third row) Simon Shepard, John Claude Duvall, Trinity Hayes, Madison O'Dell, Madison Champion, Lily Atchison, Shelby Summers, Kenlee McDaniel, Ellie McGowan, RheaVynn Tabor, Jaimie Burt, Charity Conyer, Quinn Templeton, Seth Taylor, Ashleigh Dunkerson, (back row) Seth Sarles, Gavin Dickerson, Logan Belt, Jayden Carlson, Harley Wesley, Allie Geary, Lili Gardner, Kate Keller, Meighan Koon, Jaelyn Duncan, Skyler James and James Crider.

FBLA chapter, participants earn Region 1 awards

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County FBLA returned from regionals last week with some prized hardware. Murray State University hosted the Region 1 FBLA competition March 5, drawing 800 attendees and 17 chapters altogether. Crittenden County Schools' chapter has worked to achieve various Local Leadership Challenges. Only three chapters have received the rewards.

They recently accepted the Silver Chapter Award, which is based on activities, sports, points, participation and program of work. It is a prestigious award and Crittenden County FBLA won an additional \$100, alongside the Region 1 Largest Membership Increase Award. The participants placed in their respective categories, and will be advancing to the state level. Many of the competitors will be traveling to

Louisville on April 16-18 to compete. Shelby Brown placed first in the Parliamentary Procedures test, earning her the office of Region 1 Parliamentarian. Amy Hardin and Ken Geary are advisers for the chapter, and Hardin also received the Region 1 Outstanding Adviser award. "These students worked hard on all of their competitions and chapter activities,"

she said. "They represented CCHS well and we are extremely proud of them." Winners were as follows: - Advertising: John Claude Duvall; first. - Broadcast Journalism: Shelby Cooper, Ashleigh Dunkerson, Lili Newcom; second. - Business Financial Plan: James Crider, Simon Shepard; state only. - Business Plan Project: Matthia Long; state only.

- Client Service: Trinity Hayes; first. - Electronic Career Portfolio: Hannah Bell; first. - Impromptu Speaking: Kyron Hicks; second. - Introduction to Business: Lauren Gilchrist; third. - Introduction to Business Presentation: Jaelyn Duncan, Kate Keller, Kenlee McDaniel; third. - Introduction to Business Procedures: Lily Gardner; first.

- Job Interview: Shelby Brown, 2nd. - Journalism: Baylee Priest; third. - Name Tag: Emma Atchison, Lily Atchison; third. - Newsletter: Lauryn Faulkner; second. - Scrapbook: Jenna Potter; first. - Organizational Leadership: RheaVynn Tabor; second. - Public Speaking: Mauri Collins; first.

Marion man pleads guilty to January 2017 home invasion

STAFF REPORT

One of three masked men suspected of a home invasion last year that left two injured was sentenced to seven years in prison last week in Crittenden Circuit Court. Joshua Bean, 26, of Marion pleaded guilty to an amended felony charge of complicity to second-degree burglary. He was originally charged with first-degree burglary and first-degree robbery for a January 2017 home invasion on Conway Drive in Marion.

A police investigation revealed that three masked men allegedly broke into a home just off North Weldon Street, held three residents at gunpoint and stole about \$60 in cash. An adult male and female and a juvenile female were home at the time. The juvenile and one of the adults sought treatment at the Crittenden Hospital emergency room following the incident. The intruders busted open a door at the home then kicked down doors to two bedrooms where the family was sleeping, according to police records. The victims were forced into a room together where the assailants ordered them to the floor at gunpoint and demanded cell phones, car keys and money. The police report said the masked men were armed with handguns and fired one round inside the home as they were fleeing the scene. The gunshot did not strike anyone, but the juvenile was allegedly hit with a baseball bat during the assault. Bean was a suspect during the early part of the investigation and he allegedly

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fled town when police began closing in. A tip came into the police department weeks later, alerting law enforcement to his whereabouts and he was arrested in a home in Marion. Police say two more suspects are being sought but so far no charges are pending. Circuit Judge Rene Williams sentenced Bean to seven years on the complicity to burglary charge, a Class C felony. The robbery charge was dropped. - Jeremy Gary Owen Boyd, 25, of Marion pleaded guilty to two felony charges of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. A fourth charge of having a prescription medication not in its original container was dismissed. Boyd was sentenced to three years on each of the felonies and 12 months on the misdemeanor. All time will run concurrent and he will be eligible for parole after 30 days. - Stephen Austin Adams, 27, of Marion was sentenced to prison on 2017 drug charges. Adams pleaded guilty to an amended charge of attempting to manufacture methamphetamine, first offense, first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and possession of drug paraphernalia. He received eight years on the attempt to manufacture felony and three years on the felony posses-

sion charge. An additional 12 months was tacked on for the misdemeanor drug paraphernalia charge. The time will run concurrently for a total of eight years in this case, but consecutive to a 12-year sentence he is serving on a Caldwell County conviction. - Jeremy Wilkerson, 43, of Marion pleaded guilty to a felony charge of flagrant non-support and was sentenced to five years in prison. The jail time was probated for five years so long as Wilkerson complies with terms of his release, which includes paying child support on a regular basis and paying the arrears which amounts to almost \$10,000. - Christopher Kent Brantley, 42, of Marion pleaded guilty to felony first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance (methamphetamine), felony tampering with physical evidence and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. The charges stem from a December investigation by the Pennyryle Area Narcotics Task Force. Brantley was sentenced to one year on each of the felonies and 12 months for

2 felony indictments handed down

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Grand Jury returned two felony indictments last week during its regular monthly investigative proceedings at the county courthouse. A grand jury does not determine guilt or innocence. It merely determines whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecuting a case in circuit court. Indicted Thursday in unrelated cases were Jackie Don Hunt, 51, of Marion and

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Christopher McKinley, 33, of Marion. Hunt was indicted on a single count of felony flagrant non-support. Court records indicate that Hunt is in arrears by more than \$11,000 on his child support payments. McKinley was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine),

second offense; misdemeanor possession of marijuana; misdemeanor third-degree possession of a controlled substance (Xanax) and misdemeanor possession of drug paraphernalia. According to police reports McKinley was arrested on an outstanding warrant when Deputy Chuck Hoover went to a home on Highland Street as part of routine service activity. McKinley was allegedly found in possession of the drugs and drug paraphernalia. - Brett Whitney, 28, of Princeton was sent directly to jail by Judge Williams after she ordered a drug test when he appeared before her in the courtroom on a flagrant non-support review. The judge apparently saw some indication that Whitney was intoxicated and asked court workers to have him tested in a nearby room. The test came back positive and the judge sent him to jail for violating terms of his probation.

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have at least one bridge replaced or repaired.”

Bridges

Those bridges include the 92-year-old Ky. 91 North span over Crooked Creek just north of the Marion city limit, the Cottonpatch Road bridge over Hughes Branch just off Ky. 654 North and the U.S. 60 Lucy Jefferson Lewis Memorial Bridge over the Cumberland River at Smithland. Thirty-two million dollars is allocated in the House plan for the Smithland bridge, \$756,000 for the bridge over Hughes Branch and \$1.225 million for the Ky. 91 North work.

In a 2013 scoping study, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) officials deemed the now-87-year-old Smithland bridge functionally obsolete and recommended replacing it with a new one. The design of the new bridge debuted Nov. 15, 2016, at a public meeting.

“I think it is supposed to bid late this year or early next year with about a two-year construction period,” said Keith Todd, KyTC spokesman.

The bridge is slated for construction just 700 feet downstream from the existing bridge. The tentative design is a modified Warren truss with s look similar to the new U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge at Ledbetter. It will include a 44-foot wide deck – two 12-foot driving lanes, with 10-foot shoulders – as opposed to a 20-foot deck for two lanes on the current bridge. Crews will construct the new bridge so no main piers will be in the river, making it safer for tow-boats and helping to avoid barge impact.

According to the Federal Highway Administration, almost 4,500 of Kentucky’s 14,000-plus bridges, like the two slated for work in Crittenden County, are rated as structurally deficient.

Cave In Rock Ferry

And where there is no bridge across the Ohio River, Kentucky would put \$402,000 the next two fiscal years toward operation of the Cave In Rock Ferry. That amount is matched by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom and ferry operator Lonnie Lewis were scheduled to meet with Ridley and Transportation officials Wednesday to discuss funding matters related to the ferry. Newcom said Lewis has concerns over increased costs to operate the service, potential changes to tug inspections mandated by the U.S. Coast Guard and other issues. Despite Lewis having to pay ferry hands during periods when the service is shut down due to high winds or flooding, he receives no compensation from the state for idle days due to acts of nature.

At press time, the ferry had been closed for the last 20 days due to a swollen Ohio River.

Atmos warns of local scam

STAFF REPORT

Due to recent scamming activity in the Marion area, Atmos Energy is letting the public know scammers posing as utility representatives use a variety of email, in-person and phone tactics to target families and businesses to steal money. AT&T is also being used as cover for scammers of local residents.

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- When the customer calls back, the caller asks the customer for the prepaid card’s number, which grants the scammer instant access to the card’s funds, and the victim’s money is gone.
- Atmos also offers advice on how customers may protect themselves:

- Customers should never purchase a prepaid card to avoid service disconnection. Atmos Energy never asks or requires a customer with a delinquent account to pur-

House-approved transportation plan

Last week, the Kentucky House of Representatives approved two measures that would determine and fund transportation projects in the new state budget, including the 2018-20 Biennial Highway Construction Plan (House Bill 202) and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Operating Budget (House Bill 201). It also approved House Joint Resolution 74, which proposes appropriations for the 2020-24 Highway Construction Plan – the so-called “out years” of the overall 6-Year Road Plan – but does not guarantee actual funding from future General Assemblies. The Senate must now approve these three measures, but they may make changes to the plans. That would require joint House-Senate approval and the Governor can also veto the plan or specific projects. Below shows the proposed funding for Crittenden County projects as well as important ones in neighboring counties, including the final portion of the U.S. 641 relocation extending to U.S. 62 in Lyon County. Funding for completion of the Marion-to-Fredonia leg has already been appropriated for this year. That 5.2-mile segment is projected to open by this autumn.

Crittenden County transportation projects

PROJECT	2-YEAR ROAD PLAN		6-YEAR ROAD PLAN OUT YEARS			
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Cave In Rock Ferry <i>State Construction High Priority Project</i>	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION	\$402,000 CONSTRUCTION
Ky. 91 North bridge over Crooked Creek <i>Federal Bridge Replacement</i>	\$245,000 DESIGN	\$980,000 CONSTRUCTION	--	--	--	--
Cottonpatch Road bridge over Hughes Branch <i>Federal Bridge Replacement</i>	\$210,000 DESIGN	\$546,000 CONSTRUCTION	--	--	--	--
Crittenden County state highway garage <i>State Capital Projects Budget</i>	\$1.85 million CONSTRUCTION	--	--	--	--	--
CRITTENDEN COUNTY TOTAL	\$2.707 million	\$1.928 million	\$402,000	\$402,000	\$402,000	\$402,000

Other transportation projects of interest

PROJECT	2-YEAR ROAD PLAN		6-YEAR ROAD PLAN OUT YEARS			
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
U.S. 641 relocation, Lyon County segment <i>Federal National Highway System Funds</i>	\$2.5 million DESIGN	\$2 million CONSTRUCTION \$500,000 UTILITY	\$2 million RIGHT OF WAY \$500,000 UTILITY	\$6 million CONSTRUCTION	\$6 million CONSTRUCTION	\$6 million CONSTRUCTION
U.S. 641 relocation, Caldwell County segment <i>Federal National Highway System Funds</i>	\$1.8 million DESIGN	\$2 million RIGHT OF WAY \$800,000 UTILITY	\$2 million RIGHT OF WAY \$800,000 UTILITY	\$7.5 million* CONSTRUCTION	\$7.5 million* CONSTRUCTION	\$7.5 million* CONSTRUCTION
U.S. 60 Cumberland River bridge <i>Federal Bridge Replacement</i>	\$16 million CONSTRUCTION	\$16 million CONSTRUCTION	--	--	--	--
U.S. 60 realignment from Tennessee River bridge <i>Federal National Highway System Funds</i>	--	--	\$1.58 million RIGHT OF WAY \$1.56 million UTILITY	--	--	--
Reduce U.S. 60 flooding at Henderson-Union line <i>Federal National Highway System Funds</i>	\$300,000 DESIGN	--	\$1.58 million RIGHT OF WAY	--	\$150,000 RIGHT OF WAY \$250,000 UTILITY	\$2 million CONSTRUCTION

**Federal Statewide Transportation Program Funds*

U.S. 641 relocation

With the Marion-to-Fredonia segment of a relocated U.S. 641 scheduled for completion later this year, the legislature appears to be turning its attention toward finishing the project from Fredonia to U.S. 62 near Eddyville. The House transportation plan would put \$4.3 million toward design of the second leg of the new road in 2018-19 and another \$5.3 million for right-of-way acquisition, utility relocation and to begin construction in the following year.

U.S. 60

Another road project that would begin being addressed in the next two years is reconstruction of U.S. 60 at the Union-Henderson County line to reduce flooding problems. The highway at that location was most-recently closed for several days following a late-February deluge. The budget would include \$300,000 for design work in the next fiscal year.

Highway garage

HB 201 includes funding for both the two-year road plan, airport and railroad improvements as well as KyTC operations like a new \$1.85 million state highway maintenance facility in Crittenden

County. The facility on Old Salem Road, currently one of the oldest in western Kentucky, would be moved to Industrial Park North off U.S. 60 East.

“Out years”

The last four years – or so-called “out years” – of the state’s larger 6-Year Road Plan, which includes the 2-Year Road Plan, are found in House Joint Resolution 74. The resolution includes more than \$4 billion in projects that are not scheduled for

funding in the 2018-20 Biennial Highway Construction Plan but may be funded in the future.

Projects in the plan for 2020-24 as presented to the Senate for approval include:

- Continued funding of \$402,000 annually for operation of the ferry.
- Another \$5.3 million for right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation and \$40.5 million for construction of the second leg of the U.S. 641 project.
- \$3.14 million for right-

of-way acquisition and utility relocation for realignment of U.S. 60 from the Tennessee River Bridge at Ledbetter to remove the dog leg and stoplight at the foot of the span. The road would be realigned at Rudd Spees Road. There is no money shown for construction through 2024.

- \$1.98 million for right-of-way acquisition and utility relocation through 2023 and \$2 million for construction the following year for U.S. 60 improvements at the Union-Henderson County line.

If the Senate later this month approves an altered version of the overall transportation budget and road plan, another vote would be needed after the House and Senate reach an agreement in conference committee. Gov. Matt Bevin could then sign or veto any or all of the legislation during the General Assembly’s veto recess scheduled for March 29-April 9. The final two days of the legislative session, when vetoes can be overridden, are slated for April 12-13.

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Churches commonly named for surroundings

Like the one-room school, the one-room church has vanished from the American landscape. If an old church is still standing, it has been added to and reconstructed and redecorated until there is very little resemblance to what the little church used to be.

There were no Sunday School rooms, no basement, no electricity, no carpets on the floor, no upholstered benches and no piano. Some churches were fortunate to have a type of organ called a church organ without the fancy work and mirrors of the parlor organs which many homes had back in the early days. These church organs had two foot pedals which had to be pumped by the organist to bring forth the resounding sounds from the bellows as she played the notes on the keyboard.

Some churches had just one preaching service a month, but there would be services on Saturday as well as Sunday. They would have Sunday School on the Sundays the pastor didn't come.

During revivals there were day services and night services. Where there were schools nearby, the student and teacher would attend the day services. (The Crayne Cumberland Presbyterian church was located just a short distance from the Crayne Grade School, and when the revival was going on, several grades at the school would attend these daily revival services. I remember going when I attended school there).

These olden days of church services were the days when there was more fellowship and closer friendships felt; the days when the pastor was invited to the homes of the members for dinner after church and to even spend the night, and when other folks were invited to Sunday dinner and people visited and had a good time just enjoying each other's company and a pleasant Sunday afternoon.

Here are some brief histories of our earliest churches in the county that are still having services today.

1810 - Union Baptist Church was organized in 1810, the first Baptist church in what is now Crittenden County, came out from the Old Salem Baptist Church. The records of Union Baptist Church began in 1835. Records prior to 1835 were burned in the house of Peyton Hodge, the church clerk. The first church building was log with a puncheon floor, rib pole and clapboard weighted roof.

1812 - Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church - Differences of opinion about attending camp meetings led John Travis and others of the Bethany congregation to withdraw from that church and organize the Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church,

which was the first "Cumberland" church organized in Kentucky. The Rev. Finis Ewing completed the organization in early in 1812. The first church was built of logs near the center of what is now the cemetery soon after the organization of the church.

1823 - Deer Creek Baptist Church organized and had its first service in 1823. The first Deer Creek church was built of logs. It had split logs for seats and one window for light. It was located near a little stream called Deer Creek about a mile from the present building. The second church was built in 1859. This was also a log building with five windows and puncheon seats.

1835 - Crooked Creek Baptist Church - In 1835 a group of believers was inspired to organize a New Testament church which was to be known as the Crooked Creek United Baptist Church. The location was purchased from the Southern Presbyterians. Originally it consisted of a primitive log house and a few acres of ground.

This first log house was destroyed during the Civil War.

1840 - Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church - Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church was organized in 1840 chiefly through the efforts and influence of Rev. William C. Love. The charter members were principally from Piney Fork Cumberland Presbyterian Church, who found it inconvenient to attend services because of distance and bad roads. The first work of this organization was to build a neat log cabin for worship. It was located on Phillips Branch of Piney Creek in a grove of large sugar maples near a beautiful spring.

1843 - Hurricane Methodist Church - The Hurricane church was first organized at the home of Rev. R. C. Love's grandfather. A traveling preacher organized the class. In those days we did not have the advantage of our preachers in charge as we have them now. The first deed for the church land was given by Richard Minner, June 20, 1843 to the trustees of Hurricane and their successors. The original church building was a log structure with chimney and huge fireplace at each end, the pews being made from split logs with legs of wooden pegs.

1844 - Shady Grove Baptist - The 19th century founders met in a grove of trees near Piney Fork Creek and organized a presbytery, appointed an elder and a moderator. The following day they set the time and date for the first service - May 25, 1844. The original church was called Clear Spring Church. Times changed dramatically over the years, and the original log structure of Clear Spring Church



SUBMITTED PHOTO.
Dunn Springs – Organized in 1844. This picture of the church was made in 2012 before it was torn down. It was a typical one-room country church. Named for the spring which was located near by, it is interesting to note how many of our old churches were named for nature’s wonders near the building site of the old churches.

burned. It was rebuilt in 1921 and the name was changed to Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church.

1844 - Caldwell Springs Missionary Baptist Church - Nestled in a peaceful little valley surrounded by hills and trees sits Caldwell Springs Baptist Church, nearby is the spring from which the church was named. The church was organized in 1844 by a group of Christians from new Bethel Baptist Church in Lyon County. In 1874, letters of dismissal were granted to 17 of its members who, under the leadership of this church, joined together to form Dycusburg Baptist Church.

1844 - Dunn Springs Baptist - The church was organized in the home of John S. Fowler in 1844. In the same year, a log building was erected under the hill, east of where the former church sat (before torn down in June 2012) near the spring the church was named for. The building had an open fireplace for heat and the seats were made of split logs with pegs for legs. There was no known written record of the origin of Dunn Springs. The information was provided by the son of John S. Fowler, Mr. William Fowler.

1847 - Enon General Baptist - The church was organized Dec. 6, 1847, by Elders Jacob Holeman, Casual Mason and Ludwell Brackett in the old Enon meeting house then located southeast of the Babb Graveyard. This location was near what is now U. S. Highway 120. The original log structure was used as

both church and school.

Early 1800s - Seven Springs Baptist Church - Although records of the time and exact location of the beginning of this church are not available, it is a known fact that it is one of the older churches in the county, dating back into the 1800s. The original location was on Claylick Creek near the Cumberland River, and close to seven springs, from which it got its name. Later the church was moved some distance farther up the valley from the river, for some years the meeting house was a log building.

Early 1800s - Cave Spring General Baptist - The first church built in this community was built of logs in the early part of the 18th century. This first church sat further down the creek, and got its name from the spring that was located in the nearby bluff. Many years later this building was replaced by a larger wooden frame construction near the church's present location.

1851 - Sulphur Springs Baptist - First called Cookseyville, the church was organized in 1851. The first building was made of logs. In 1889 the log structure was torn down and a new building was completed that year. During the period of building, they met at Cookseyville School.

1853 - Freedom General Baptist - Organized June 21, 1853, land for the church building was deeded to the trustees, A. H. Belt, William Jopland and Thomas Riley by Alfred Moore. The first church was a log building with one window to the side.



SUBMITTED PHOTO.
Sugar Grove – Organized in 1840. This picture is of the first log church that was built in the sugar maple grove located further down the road from the present church.



SUBMITTED PHOTO.
Deer Creek – Organized in 1823. This picture of the church was made in 1975. It has grown through the years with updates and new additions. The church today looks very different than this earlier picture.

The next was a frame building.

1853 - Pleasant Hill Baptist Church - According to the church record, Pleasant Hill was constituted a church on Saturday before the Second Sunday in May, 1853. The organization took place in the old log house which stood near the site of the present building. There were 13 members in the organization. Elder Paul L. H. Walker was the first pastor.

I came across an interesting item in The Crittenden Press from March 1958. It gave a directory of active

churches in the county and town. There was a total of 45 at the time.

There were six General Baptist, five in the county, one in town, 19 Baptist, 14 in the county, five in town, seven Cumberland Presbyterian, six in county, one in town, four Presbyterian USA, two in county, two in town, eight Methodist, seven in county, one in town, one Church of Christ in town, one Pentecostal church located in town.

These churches are definitely a part of our county's past history and many are still a part of our today's heritage.

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Love and tolerance are worlds apart

As Christians we must do as Paul said: "But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection; lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway."

We must conduct a self-examination or find we are masters at tolerating people, instead of loving them.

So many people only take Jesus's following words on "Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor and hate thine enemy" at the heading of His command for us to love everyone, and think "Well I don't hate so and so, but I sure don't love them."

The only way we can be a true Christian is to obey the rest of that list of commands Jesus gave us, such as "But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; that you may be the children of your Father which is in Heaven; for He makes His sun to rise

on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. For if you love them which love you, what reward have you; do not even the publicans the same?"

The next verse some use to comfort their conscience is, "Well I speak to all people" yet only truly love those who agree with them, in their convictions.

"And if you salute your brethren only, what do you more than others? Do not even the publicans so?"

Then Jesus said, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect."

Many times the next excuse is, "Well no one is perfect, and sure not as perfect as God."

God here was talking about loving everybody, even

our enemies, the way God loves all of us, even when one hates Him.

Paul reminds us, "But God loved us while we were yet sinners, and sent His only Son to die for us." Romans 5:8.

How sad for those who claim to be a follower of Jesus Christ – who died for them while they were sinners – who loves only their own and tolerates the rest.

Another hurt is anyone who claims to be a Christian, and holds anything in their heart against anyone, and says "Well I forgive them, I just can't get over it."

Jesus said, "If we hold anything in our hearts against anyone, He will hold our sins against us."

There are a lot of things done to me that really hurt, but to me, there is not anything in this world worth going to hell over.

So it is soul-destroying for the one holding the grudge, and hard feelings against wrongdoers.

As the beautiful songs

says, "Heaven is a holy place, filled with glory and with grace, sin can never enter there," and it is so wonderful God has it for all who love as He loves.

As we study how Jesus loved all He met, and even those who crucified Him, we ask God to fill us with His Spirit so we can love with His love, as we cannot love even our enemies and do good for them without Christ in us.

We all can learn lessons from little pets. They, like Jesus, love us even when we fail them. They are grieved when we leave them, overjoyed when we come back, and follow our every move. God put that in them when He made them, and Adam and Eve did not ruin them. Thank God!

•Rev. Lucy Tedrick, pastor at Marion Church of God, shares her views periodically in this newspaper. She can be reached at (270) 965-3269. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Needing some relief from Facebook drama

Facebook or no Facebook? That is the question that I have been struggling with for quite some time now. I am, or was, a very active Facebook user and have had an account for the last nine years or so. At first it was used simply to keep up with family and friends and to socialize from a distance. I truly enjoyed it, but over the past few years it has become more poisonous than enjoyable for me.

To many, Facebook has become an avenue to express personal agendas instead of a way to connect with family and friends. These "agendas" include marketing of goods and services (guilty), the expression of personal religious beliefs (gladly guilty), calling out the behavior of others (unfortunately guilty), anger, hate, vulgarity and so much more. With the unsettling condition of our world, the views and expectations of society and strong personal, political and religious beliefs (which I respect), I find that it tends to bring out the worst in people (guilty again).

On days when I didn't work, my day began with letting my dogs out to potty, grabbing my coffee and my phone, and then sitting on the couch and scrolling through Facebook. Before I knew it, I had spent an embarrassing amount of time reading posts and looking at pictures, most of which elicited reactions of irritation, shock, aggravation and sometimes flat out anger and sadness by

what I read or saw. But my daily Facebook encounter didn't end there. I would hop on it several, no many, times a day and each time I felt the same way as I had with my morning dose – irritation, shock, aggravation, anger and sadness. Over the last several months, those emotions caused a conviction in me. Of course, as being the hard-headed person that I am, I still continued on with my Facebook "addiction".

Now let me explain to you how I view conviction. Conviction comes from God, and it is a feeling of being guilty. Let's be real, nobody likes to be reminded of their guilt or to be disciplined, especially when it comes from God the Father! When I was little, Momma was the disciplinarian because Dad was at work, but if I did get a spanking from my daddy it was the worst feeling ever – whether it really hurt or not. I compare conviction to that. It is a heavenly spanking from my Poppa God, and it sure doesn't feel very good! Unfortunately, it took more heavenly reprimanding than it should have for me to be convinced and give up Facebook for a while. So on Feb. 6, eight days before Ash Wednesday (the beginning of Lent), I made the decision to give up Facebook. I call it a Facebook detox, and I made the commitment to God to replace my times of missing it with additional Bible study.

At first, I can honestly say that I missed it terribly. I didn't miss all the junk, but I did – and still do – miss the good about it, like the words of encouragement from daily devotional pages, the pictures of my friends' children and

pets and the updates and experiences of my friends' life journeys. By replacing those times with picking up my Bible and reading God's word, I no longer have any desire to hop on Facebook for the remainder of the day, and I have found that this additional time of Bible study has had an extra special blessing of knowledge and understanding to it. Each day it has gotten easier to not want to spend time on Facebook and more of a desire to spend time with God.

So far, my Facebook detox experience has been very rewarding. I no longer begin my day with feelings of irritation, shock, aggravation, anger and sadness which honestly set my day up for emotional failure. I no longer allow those feelings to steal my hope, my rest, my peace and especially my joy. Those of you who know me, know that I am a total Jesus freak and I know where my hope, rest, peace and joy come from, but this old world can certainly bring you down if you allow it. I believe without a doubt that this is not only something I have experienced, but that there are many others out there who are experiencing the same thing.

I encourage you to take some time to Facebook detox! When (if) I come back into the world of Facebook, I imagine I will make a lot of changes. I believe that I will hold tightly to those who encourage rather than tear others down, and I will fill my newsfeed with positivity and not negativity. Time will tell, so stay tuned.

Editor's note: Shelley Hunt is a Marion resident who is a minister and substitute school teacher. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

Local Faith-Based Events & Church Outreach

Community singing at Methodist church

A community singing will be held at 6 p.m., March 17 at Salem Methodist Church. Refreshments will be served.

Easter egg hunting at Salem Baptist

Salem Baptist Church will host an Easter egg hunt at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 24 at the Salem Baptist Christian Life Center in Salem.

Clothes closet open in Fredonia

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

Pantry is available at First Baptist

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

Mexico Baptist clothes closet open Mondays

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

Fredonia clothes closet open Thursdays

The clothes closet of First Baptist Church of Fredonia is open from 1 to 3 p.m. every Thursday at the church's Family Life Center.

Cave Springs blessing box open 24/7

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

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— MATTHEW 18:20

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Marion, Ky.
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Pastor Tim Burdon
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Wednesday worship service: 7 pm

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Curtis Prewitt, pastor



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261 Crooked Creek Church Road, Marion, Ky.
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Sunday evening worship, 6 pm
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Pastor Bro. Mark Girten

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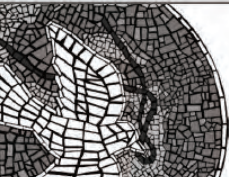
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Life groups/Sunday school 9:30 am
Late worship service 10:45 pm
AWANA 5:45 pm
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Wednesday prayer service 6:15 pm



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— Matthew 18:20

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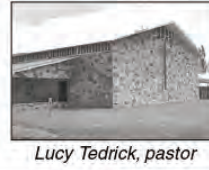
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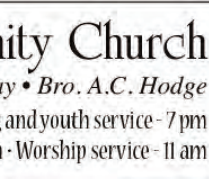
Crayne Community Church

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Frances Community Church

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Sunday school - 10 am - Worship service - 11 am



Hurricane Church

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Bro. John Robertson, Pastor
Sunday school, 10 a.m. • Worship, 11 a.m.
Sunday and Wednesday evening services, 6:30 p.m.



Area Deaths

Love

Bettie Babb Love, 96, of Louisville, formerly of Smithland, died Wednesday, March 7, 2018 at Louisville East Nursing Home in Louisville.

She loved her farm, especially planting flowers, working her garden, and taking care of her cattle. She also enjoyed baking and canning and won several ribbons over the years at the Livingston County Fair.

Surviving are a daughter, Jannie Ackerman of Louisville; two sisters, Bertha Fires of Reidland and Marie Lillis of Torrance, Calif.; three grandchildren, Jennifer (Wayne) Goldberg of Southlake, Texas, Jeffrey (Beth) and Rebecca Ackerman of Louisville, Ky.; four great-grandchildren, Jordan, Jayden, Sam and Seth; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Mattie Green Waddy; three sisters, Louise Chadwick, Mamie Blackwell and Clara Turner; and two brothers, Joe and Pete Waddy.

Services were Monday, March 12 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Gerald Brunett officiating. Burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery in Ledbetter.

Dodson

Jack C. Dodson, 77, of Marion died Thursday, March 8, 2018 at Crittenden Hospital.



A native of Wayne County, Ky., he was a retired General Baptist Minister, retired from Whirlpool after 33 years, graduated from the Kentucky School of Mortuary Science and attended Marion Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Christine Dodson of Marion; children, Daphnie (Rocky) Tinsley of Marion, Clark (Stephanie) Dodson of Medina, Tenn., and Latisha (Randy) Belt of Marion; brother, Rev. William Dodson of Princeton; sister, Leriene Lair of Elfers, Fla.; grandchildren, Bridget (Jared) Boone, Jessica (Derek) Sherer, Mandy Renea Dodson, Colin and Devin Belt; great grandchildren, Lilah, Oakley, Rex, Cohen, Drew and Kendall.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Mahala Elizabeth Dodson; and brothers, Paul and Elvin Ernest "Junior" Dodson.

Services were Monday, March 12 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Maplevue Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Gideons International, P.O. Box 304, Salem, KY 42078.

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Curry

Joe Glenn Curry, 86, of Salem died Saturday, March 3, 2018 at his home.

He enjoyed fishing, riding in his 18-foot boat, and loved to barbecue for his friends.

Surviving are his wife, Loretta Belt Curry of Salem; and a daughter, Kelsey Pierce of Paducah.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph "Buddy" and Estelle Harmon Curry.

A private graveside memorial service was held Tuesday, March 6 at Carrsville Cemetery. Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services in Salem was in charge of arrangements.

Cobb

Cena Mae Cobb, 81, of Salem died Sunday, March 11, 2018 at Salem Springlake Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Surviving are a sister, Sue Adams, and her husband Shelby Bridwell of Salem; a brother, Jimmy Deon "Joe" Cobb and his wife Jean Ann of Burna; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joe Thomas and Betty Josephine Loveless Cobb.

Services are at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 17 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services. Burial will follow at Loveless Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family on Saturday from 11 a.m., until the funeral hour at the funeral home.

Enoch

Charles Willard Enoch Jr., 49, of Marion died Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville, Ind.

Survivors include his wife, Pam Enoch of Marion; sons, Jason and Jordan Enoch of Marion; a brother, Randy (Kim) Enoch of Knoxville, Tenn.; and a nephew, Caleb Enoch of Knoxville.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles Willard Sr., and Nina Enoch.

Services were Friday, March 9 at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Maplevue Cemetery.

Obituary policy

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Mills

Claude Morgan Mills, 75, of Tolu died Sunday, March 11, 2018 at Crittenden Hospital in Marion.

Surviving are three sons, Jay Mills of Corona, Calif., Keith Mills of Tolu and Stoney (Candy) Mills of Marion; a sister, Betty Lamb of Dunlap, Tenn.; seven grandchildren, Lindsay Little of Louisville, Adeline Mills of Louisville, Morgan Charles Mills of Corona, Calif., Wyatt LeRay Mills of Corona, Calif., Heather Penn of Marion, Andrea Hackney of Marion and Abigail Mills of Marion; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, Lena Sue Tinsley Mills; his parents, Claude and Alene Mills; and a sister, Anita Jones.

Graveside services will be at 3 p.m., Sunday, March 18 at Whites Chapel Cemetery in Irma.

Lindsey Funeral Home in Paducah is in charge of arrangements.

King

Darlene King, 59, of Salem died Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at Livingston Hospital.

She enjoyed cooking and fishing, and attended Miracle Word Church.

Surviving are her husband of 39 years, Greg King of Salem; daughter, Jennifer Workman of Salem; two sons, Brian King and James (Lisa) King both of Salem; a brother, Jamie Cox of Marion; and four grandchildren, Sharon, Autumn, Savannah and Ryder King.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Louise Brannam Cox; a sister, Gwen Mayden; and granddaughter, Izabella Workman.

Services will be at 11 a.m., Friday, March 16 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Rev. Gary Hardesty officiating. Burial will follow at Salem Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family on Thursday, March 15 from 5-8 p.m., at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services.

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Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce has recognized Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom and his office staff as its Business or Organization of the Month for March. Newcom's office is on the main floor of the courthouse. He is currently seeking a third term in office. Pictured are (from left) Chamber directors Dee Brasher Heimgartner, Madison Qualls, Susan Alexander, Newcom, Randa Berry, Kelsey Dunn, Elizabeth Floyd and Natalie Parish.

Chamber breakfast next on schedule

STAFF REPORT

Coming off a successful Murder Mystery event last weekend, the Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce has begun planning for its next two community events.

The Chamber will host its quarterly Leadership Breakfast on Friday, April 13.

The breakfast is an opportunity for community business owners, civic leaders and residents to mingle and fellowship. There will be a program presented by Pennyrile Allied Community Services.

The breakfast begins at 7 a.m., and the program will last about an hour. Cost is \$7 and can be paid at the door.

The Chamber has also set the date for its annual meeting and awards ceremony. The annual event will be Thursday, May 17 at First Cumberland Presbyterian Church's fellowship hall. Every year, the Chamber recognizes community leaders for their work on a variety of projects.

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Woman’s Club hosts events

Two upcoming events will be hosted by the Woman's Club of Marion Family Court Judge Brandi Rogers will present a program on child abuse prevention at 5 p.m., April 12 at the club building.

On April 20, the club will host its quilt show for the Backroads Festival. In addition to the upcoming gala, the executive committee has planned some fundraisers to help with repairs to their building.

Officers for the Woman's Club of Marion are Nancy Hunt, president; Kathy Bechler, vice-president; Carolyn Belt, recording secretary; Gladys Brown, corresponding secretary; Melanie Walker, treasurer; and Sandra Belt, parliamentarian.

Holt’s closing in Sturgis

One of Kentucky's longest family-owned businesses is closing.

Holt's has been continually operated in Sturgis since 1892, beginning as Sturgis Dry Goods Co. by its founder John Thomas Holt.

In the late 1990s, Tommy and Mary Holt branched off to begin selling furniture, appliances and floor covering.

Now, after 38 years, Holt's Furniture Showroom in Sturgis is selling its inventory and closing.

"It is very, very emotional," said Tommy Holt, 67.

Tommy Holt served as the mayor of Sturgis for eight years and later served on the Sturgis City Council for eight years.

"It's one of the oldest, continuously operated retail businesses in the country," said Holt, who along with his wife Mary, a former school teacher, are retiring.

"It's very unusual for a business to have operated in the 19th, 20th and 21st centuries," he said.

Holt's is in the process of conducting a storewide sales event with extended evening hours. In addition to inventory, the property at 21 W. Fifth St., is also being sold. See advertisement, page 12.

St. Paddy’s lunch offered Friday

Marion United Methodist Church will host a St. Patrick's Day corned beef lunch Friday. Proceeds will go toward restoration of the church's stained glass windows. Pre-order meals, which include corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, marble rye roll and dessert by calling (270) 965-4580. Meals are \$8 each and pick-up or delivery will be available beginning at 11:30 a.m. in the church basement.

Calendar

- Sue Parrent will present a **nutrition lesson** at 10:30 a.m., Thursday (today) at the Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center.
 - **Diabetes Support Group** will meet at 10 a.m., Friday at the Crittenden County Extension Office. The guest speaker will be Denise Adams, APRN.
 - **Trivia Night Pop Culture Edition** will be held at 7 p.m., March 23 at the Crittenden County Public Library. Form your team and get ready to compete for the coveted best trivia team trophy. The pop culture theme includes popular movies, television and music.
 - **A Brown Bag Book Club** discussion of Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards will be held at 11:30 a.m., March 28 at the Crittenden County Public Library.
- Submit calendar items**
- Community calendar is designed for individuals, non-profit organizations and government entities to publicize meetings and events. Call (270) 965-3191, email pressnews@the-press.com or stop by 125 E. Bellville St.

STLP develops app for school district

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Schools' Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP) has developed a new app to enhance communication between the school and community. All 15 students in STLP, alongside middle school social studies teacher Ben Thompson, developed the Crittenden County Schools App over a period of six months after receiving Superintendent Vince Clark's approval.

"We wanted to make an app that was an aggregator, something that would gather information from the internet and be accessible from

one place, making it easier to tap into for everybody," Thompson said.

The app's function is to allow students, faculty and parents to have easily accessible information about the district, so they may keep updated frequently. It has Google Classroom built into it, which gives students access to their classes, and parents can check their children's grades. This is linked with the school system's social media, websites and allows the user to access basic information such as calendar and lunch menu. A late addition to the app due to school safety concerns is a

"safety tip line." This feature on the app allows people to submit information on suspicious activity and keep everyone alert.

Each STLP member put in estimated 10 or more hours developing the app's features, particularly when designing the graphic elements. Crittenden County will be submitting the Crittenden County Schools App in the state championship in Lexington next week. It will be available for download in a few weeks, as Apple and Android are still reviewing it.

Thompson said STLP is confident it will provide everything one could need to

enhance communication throughout the school district.

"We got together and put everything we could think of into this easily useable app. It's mostly 11-, 12- and 13-year-old students who got together and made this happen.

"It makes me proud," Thompson said. "We will be asking folks what they like about it and are open to suggestions to make improvements. We're encouraging everyone to download it and hope to get as many people connected as possible."



Nearly two dozen Crittenden County High School students participated in the local American Private Enterprise System Program Feb. 12-13 including (seated from left) Kenlee Perryman, Hannah Cooksey, Shae Martin, Shelby Summers, Ella Travis, Julia Davidson, (middle) Hanna Easley, Paige Gilbert, Matt Lynn, John Duvall, Devon Nesbitt, David Maness, Caitlyn Lynch, Rose Lewis, (back) Emmalea Barnes, Ross Crider, Logan Belt, Payton Riley, Dylan Peek, Briley Brown, Gavin Dickerson and Sean O'Leary.

High school students earn cash for APES program

Thanks to a program coordinated by the UK Extension Service, 22 Crittenden County High School students learned the inner workings of American business by participating in the American Private Enterprise System program.

The top students in the junior class are selected to participate in the program.

Three seniors return each year as Junior Leaders to assist with the program. Junior Leaders were Logan Belt, Ross Crider and Emmalea Barnes.

Students were quizzed on the material they learned, and winners received cash awards based on test scores and an all expense paid trip to the American Private Enterprise Kentucky Youth Seminar later this summer on the campus of the University of Kentucky. Top

four students were:

- First: John Duvall, winning \$100.
- Second: Payton Riley, earning \$30.
- Third: Page Gilbert, receiving \$20.

Logan Belt will also be attending the Kentucky Youth Seminar as a Junior Leader.

More youth may earn a trip to the seminar if funds become available. If you would like to sponsor a youth to attend this program, call the Crittenden County Extension Office at (270) 965-5236. Leslea Barnes, the local Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development, will accompany the students to Lexington.

While at the state seminar, students compete for scholarships and cash prizes based on their knowledge of the business system. They also hear from national

business leaders and participate in making real-world business decisions.

This year, the students had the opportunity to participate in a teambuilding exercise based off of the breakout/escape rooms. Students were placed in room and had to solve the business based puzzles to figure out the codes for a series of locks to lead them to solving the final puzzle to break them out of the room or "escape."

Students who were selected for participation studied the principles of various types of business organizations and the economy through presentations and discussions with local business leaders.

Locally, students discussed the following topics with their presenters:

- How America is Organ-

ized to Do Business, presented by Charlie Hunt, Marion Feed Mills.

- The Role of Government in Our Economy, presented by Wes Hunt, Attorney.
- Our Economy, How it Works, What it Provides, presented by Todd Perryman, Farmers Bank & Trust Co.
- Investor Owned Corporations and Limited Liability Companies, presented by Tim Capps and Ryan McDaniel, Par 4 Plastics.
- Ecommerce, presented by Pam Collins, Crittenden County Board of Education member.
- Cooperatives, presented by Junior Leader Emmalea Barnes.

Students learned about the responsibility of serving on a cooperative or corporation board of directors. They studied board cases to deter-

mine what action a board should take on particular situations and presented those conclusions to the group. They also participated in an entrepreneurship exercise by developing a business and creating a business plan. Groups then made a marketing presentation and presented their businesses to the entire group.

Local business tours of Farmers Bank & Trust Co., Par 4 Plastics, Hodges Sports and Apparel and Johnson's Furniture were given.

The local program is coordinated by Extension Agent Leslea Barnes.



Patriot penmanship

Crittenden County Middle School student Caden DeBoe (left) won first place in the annual VFW Patriot's Pen contest. Second- and third-place winners were Madison Miniard and Emma Williams, respectively.

Extension

- **After Hours Homemakers** will meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday at the Extension Office.
- The **Quilt Club** will have a workshop at 6 p.m., Monday titled "Braid Runner." Call (270) 965-5236 to reserve your spot.
- **A food budgeting and couponing class** presented by Sue Parrent will be held at 2 p.m., March 22 at the Extension Office. Call (270) 965-5236 to register.
- **Pennyrile Area Homemakers Spring Seminar** will be held at 9:30 a.m., March 23 at the Christian County Extension Office. There is a \$12 registration fee. Keynote speaker is Chad Smith.

THANK YOU

Kay, my family and I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, visits and everything you have done for us during my recovery from my accident. You never know how many friends you have until something happens. I would also like to thank Rashelle Perryman for her quick thinking. Most of all I want to thank our Lord for watching over us. Please continue to pray for our speedy recovery. Again thanks to everyone.

God bless,
Tony and Kay Alexander and family

Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m.

- Tuesday: Menu is meatloaf and mashed potatoes, seasoned cabbage, peach crisp and wheat roll. Legal aid will be offered at 10 a.m..
- March 21: Menu is chicken pot pie, twice baked potato, green beans, dreamsicle gelatin and wheat bread. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. PACS provides milk, coffee, tea or water each day. Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center. The center is a service of Pennyrile Allied Community Services.

Every day, the center at 210 N. Walker St. in Marion offers billiards, card games, Wii games and the use of exercise equipment. Tai Chi and Walk with Ease classes are available. Call (270) 965-5229 for more information.

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Saturday Scrimmage
Lady Rockets host Hardin Co., noon
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SINGLE SEASON HOME RUNS

HRs	Player	Season
8	Jacob McMican	2007
7	David Cozart	1988
6	Blair Winders	1993
6	Joey Pluskota	2010
4	Aaron Summers	1988
4	Brandon Sherer	2000
4	Alex Porter	2010
3	Jason Bauer	1990
3	David Beverly	1997
3	Justin Hodge	1997
3	Ryan Perry	1997
3	Brad Guess	1999
3	Joey Rich	2000
3	Alex Wood	2007

Hunting Seasons

Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote Nighttime	Feb. 1 - May 31
Youth Turkey	April 7-8
Spring Turkey	April 14 - May 6

Golf benefits shelter

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CCHS spring sports season ticket sales

Crittenden County High School's spring sports programs are gearing up for their seasons. Season passes for softball and baseball games are now on sale. Adult season passes are \$30 and student season passes are \$10. Those passes are good for all home softball and baseball games at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Coaches for each program will have those available between now and the start of season. The Rocket baseball team opens Monday at home against Graves County, the softball girls open Monday at Webster County and track gets going Thursday with home meet at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

Late LL registration

Anyone still interested in registering for little league baseball, softball or kick ball will now have to pay a \$25 penalty. The deadline to register was Saturday; however, March 22 is the last day to register during the late signup period with penalty. Forms are available at The Press and YTG Insurance. No registration will be taken after March 22.



Lady Rocket softball varsity team members are (front from left) Karissa Terry, Emmie Smith, Kalli Champion, Kaitlyn Hicks, Hadlee Rich, Ashlyn Hicks, Matthia Long, (back) assistant coaches Jason Champion and Ronnie Moss, Jenna Potter, Hannah Cooksey, Brandy Book, Ellie Smith, Jada Hayes, Chandler Moss, assistant coach Torey Baker and head coach Stephen Smith.

Record-setting Lady Rockets still seeking respect

STAFF REPORT

Respect is tough to gain and even tougher to hold onto at a small school, says second-year Lady Rocket softball coach Stephen Smith.

Despite winning a record 27 games a year ago plus the All A Classic Second Region Tournament, Smith's Crittenden County girls are projected to finish eighth in the Second Region, according to one coaches' poll.

"We're being overlooked. That's the way it was last year and that's okay," Smith said. "We're having to regain that respect again."

It shouldn't be too difficult to find esteem on the diamond with seven returning starters from last year's regular-season Fifth District championship club. Gone are stalwart pitcher Cassidy Moss, second baseman Courtney Beverly and catcher Jessi Brewer. Moss and Beverly are now playing collegiate softball.

Pitching is perhaps the biggest question mark with most observers. Filling Moss's shoes will be difficult. She's been one of the

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

Monday at Webster County
Tuesday at Hopkinsville
Thursday host Livingston
Friday at McLean County

SEASON TICKETS

Adult season tickets (\$30) and student season tickets (\$10) will be on sale at Thursday's scrimmage game vs. Henderson County in Marion.

COMPLETE SCHEDULE

Find complete CCHS spring sports schedules at The Press Online Sports.

region's best hurlers the last few years. Smith hasn't gone far to find her replacement. Just down the hallway.

Moss's younger sister, Chandler, will be the team's top prospect to be the No. 1 pitcher. Just a freshman, the younger Moss is already throwing within 3 mph of where he sister was a year ago, the coach said.

"And she's picked up another pitch over the summer," Smith said, adding to Moss's vast arsenal of options.

Her drop change is the wipe out pitch that gets most batters to swing and miss.

"It's brutal on our catchers, too," the coach said. "It beats them to death trying to block it."

Other candidates vying for work inside the circle are senior Kaitlyn Hicks and sophomore Jenna Potter. Hicks will no doubt see varsity time on the rubber.

Lady Rockets Softball Roster

13	Brandy Book	1B, 3B	Junior
31	Kalli Champion	OF	Fresh
5	Hannah Cooksey	2B, OF	Junior
3	Jada Hayes	2B, OF	Fresh
1	Ashlyn Hicks	OF, SS	Fresh
10	Kaitlyn Hicks	3B, P, SS	Senior
35	Matthia Long	C, OF	Fresh.
24	Chandler Moss	3B, P	Fresh.
16	Jenna Potter	2B, P, UTIL	Soph
00	Hadlee Rich	SS, UTIL	8th
20	Ellie Smith	1B, 3B, C, P	Soph
34	Emmie Smith	3B, LF, SS	Soph
11	Karissa Terry	3B, OF, P	Junior

She has a wicked two seamer that draws weak contact from batters.

Behind the plate is sophomore Ellie Smith. She is recovering from some recent illnesses and surgery but is getting back into shape despite losing 20 pounds. She's an athletic receiver who does a good job controlling the running game and hits well.

At first base is junior Brandy Book – the Sultan of Swat. Her Ruthian homers have made her a feared hitter throughout the region. Book knocked the ball out of the park seven times last spring and her 54 RBIs were enough for a spot in the KHSAA recordbook at 31st all-time for a single season.

"When she hits it, she hits it a ton," the coach said. "She's working on putting the ball in play more and that can be tough with everybody pitching around her."

Second base is one of the few spots where competition is wide open. Smith said freshman Jada Hayes appears to have the inside track as the team closes out pre-season camp this week. Freshman Ashlyn Hicks returns as the starter at shortstop and her sister, Kaitlyn, will platoon at third base with Moss when the other is pitching.

Smith said the infield is as strong as any he's seen. All of the players have had plenty of experience on high profile travel teams during summer play.

In the outfield, Emmie Smith returns as a third-year starter in left, freshman Kalli Champion has emerged as the probable starter in center field and Potter and classmate Matthia Long are bucking for playing time in right.

"We're young with just one senior and one junior," the skipper said. "But this is going to be a fun team to coach. We're going to be pretty good for the next few years."

The Fifth District will be as good as it was last year with Lyon and Trigg counties featuring top-rate hurlers Sophie Bingham and Hannah Colbert, respectively.

"The district is probably tougher to win than the Class A regional," Smith said.

He's strengthened the non-schedule by adding defending state champion Madisonville, Hopkinsville and Hopkins Central to the lineup.

- FORMER LADY ROCKETS PLAYING COLLEGIATELY AT BRESCIA -
Moss adapts after 'rocky' college start



STAFF REPORT

As college freshman Cassidy Moss transitions from the basketball court to the softball field, she's finding comfort from the road that's behind her.

Moss is a two-sport athlete at Brescia University in Owensboro. She averaged almost eight points a game as the first player off the bench for Brescia during the women's basketball season. Now, she's already picked up a win while pitching for the Lady Bearcats softball team.

Moss said the progression from hoops to the diamond hasn't been near the challenge as was starting college and playing her first semester of collegiate sports.

"It was a rocky start," she admits, pointing to not only the demands on the court, but also the notions rattling around in her head.

"It got better as it went,"

Moss explains. "The biggest challenge is adapting to not getting as much playing time."

Moss graduated from Crittenden County as the all-time leading basketball scorer in school history. She was a regular on the basketball floor for five seasons and as a senior led the Lady Rockets to their winningest season ever. Her role in high school could not have been greater.

"But here, I learned that my role had changed," Moss said. "It humbled me."

Despite what she calls a slow start, Moss bounced back as most who know her would expect. By the end of the season she was a major contributor to the club's success. In fact, she scored 15 points and grabbed six rebounds in a Brescia win over Indiana University Southeast, which vaulted the Lady

Bearcats into the conference tournament.

Moss scored 233 points for the season, making 17 three-pointers while shooting 28 percent from long range.

She took a couple of days off from athletics after her basketball team lost to the University of Rio Grande (Ohio) in the River States Conference Tournament.

In her first day on the diamond, Moss played shortstop against Oakland City University in the opening game of a doubleheader and then pitched three innings of two-hit softball in the nightcap win over St. Louis College.

Moss said softball is coming to her with a bit more ease than basketball did when she started last fall. Perhaps it's because she's got some of that adjustment period behind her, but



Cassidy Moss

Moss thinks it's because softball is more suited to her talents.

"It's more my dominant game," she said.

The team will get back to action this week after taking spring break off last week.



Courtney Beverly

STAFF REPORT

Courtney Beverly is intently focused on her first collegiate goal.

She wants a starting role on the women's softball team, preferably at second base.

Beverly played second in two of the team's first four games, but wants more. Platooning is okay for now, but her goal this season is to win a starting job for every game, even if it means playing somewhere else.

"I don't care if it's second. My goal is to get a starting position somewhere," she said.

Beverly says it is very early in

the spring campaign and her coach is still tinkering with the lineup. That, she says, is her opportunity to shine and win that everyday starting role.

She was the everyday second baseman last year in high school and hit .267 with 14 RBIs.

Beverly is reunited with high school teammate Cassidy Moss. The two were seniors on last year's CCHS squad that won 27 games and an All A Classic Second Region championship.

"It's very different from high school," she said. "Everything is much more intense."

On the field, Beverly says infielders must stay alert between every pitch.

"The baserunners are much more aggressive. They'll run on you if you're not paying attention."

Keeping up with class work, conditioning for collegiate athletics and practicing is very demanding, Beverly said, but she's adjusting well and making good grades.

"No matter what the weather is like, we practice. If it snows, we still practice. If it rains, we still practice," she said.

Signee Quickley on mission to be best he can be

Athletics director Steve Teter says it's easy to explain what impresses him the most about Kentucky signee Immanuel Quickley off the basketball court.

"Without a doubt, his work ethic. There are better pure athletes out there, but there isn't a harder worker," said Teter about the John Carroll (Md.) School point guard who signed with UK in November.

Teter remembers keeping up with Quickley last summer when he was playing abroad with Team USA — coached by John Calipari — and on the Adidas circuit. He remembers sending a text message to Quickley after Team USA lost to Canada in Egypt.

"At that point I think he had stayed at his home maybe three nights all summer and he said he was really tired and had a long flight ahead of him," Teter said. "The next day, I was sitting in my office and I heard the sound of the ball bouncing and the shooting machine going off. I thought to myself, 'There is no way that is Immanuel, it can't be.'

"I walked out and sure enough, it was him, in a full sweat, running through drills and getting shots up. It was that moment that I realized I had never been around someone with that drive and passion for anything and that his work ethic was what was going to make him a success in whatever he does."

John Carroll coach John Zito, a former Division I player and assistant coach, says that effort was the norm for Quickley.

"He puts in so much time in the gym outside of our team practice and other team functions," Zito said "He is constantly in the gym. There were times I almost had to ask him to go home and get out of the gym. He's on a mission. He knows what he wants from this basketball thing and knows what it takes to get to where he wants to go."

Zito knows most college freshmen need work on their body/strength because the collegiate game is more physical. Quickley, like a lot of other players, needs to add weight and muscle.

"Once he gets to Kentucky and gets on a great nutrition plan and has full access to all those resources at Kentucky, he will add the weight. He has a great frame and a 6-8 wingspan. He has thick legs on the bottom but needs to fill out in the hips, and he will in the summer," Zito said.

Being a Kentucky signee never bothered Quickley even though it clearly put him in the spotlight all season. He will play in the McDonald's All-American Game March 28 in Atlanta along with UK signee Keldon Johnson.

"Immanuel is a special kid on and off the court. Deeply rooted in his faith and family, he is mature, studious, and just an-all around great kid. He is well liked by his teachers and his fellow students," Teter said. "Even throughout this entire 'circus' that has followed him around, he has managed to balance everything and still keep things in perspective.

"His recruitment was a process like I have never seen in my years as a coach and AD, but luckily Immanuel has been grounded enough to get through it without it changing him and his values. A strong support system has certainly ensured that. He's a smart, well rounded kid who just happens to be an exceptional basketball player."

Kentucky coach John Calipari certainly sensed that immediately and made him the point guard priority in the 2018 recruiting class.

"I think they were able to build a good relationship outside of basketball," Zito said. "I told him to make sure you really get to know the coaching staffs on a personal level outside of basketball. I think that stuck with him. Obviously coach Cal has every accolade you can think of, so that is the easy part of knowing him. But just getting to know coach Cal and the rest of staff was important to him and his family and once they did, they really clicked."



Larry Vaught
UK Sports Columnist

Vaught's Views

Kentucky showed it could be a bigger threat than many had expected in the NCAA Tournament after knocking off Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee to win the SEC Tournament last week.

The Cats begin NCAA Tournament play Thursday in Boise — no real surprise that UK got placed there — against Davidson, a No. 12 seed. If UK, a five seed, wins it will play the Arizona-Buffalo winner on Saturday for a trip to the South Region semifinal in Atlanta.

While many Kentucky fans felt the Cats got a difficult draw with Arizona and No. 1 Virginia both looming at possible foes, UK players are more worried about continuing to play the way they did in St. Louis.

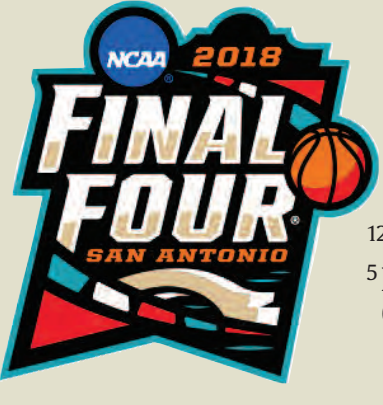
"Defense is the whole key. Coach Cal broke it down like that for us. We have got to play defense. No easy buckets. Simple. No trading buckets," freshman point guard Quade Green said. "We learn that during practice. That's what Cal wants. No trading buckets


"Some games we have given up buckets but then we were also aggressive on offense. We can win either way now that you want to go. Everybody is synced in with their role now. We can beat you with offense or defense. That makes us a lot better and confident against anybody we play."

Freshman Kevin Knox, like Green, has made a much bigger commitment to defense in recent games. Kentucky still needs his scoring, but he's been more willing to play a more physical game in recent weeks.

"I know it is March and it is time to step it up. We have guys that had to step up and give energy. You have to put your body on the court and give all you've got now," Knox said. "It's in me. I can do that and show toughness and fight. I am going to keep that up."

ESPN analyst Jay Bilas warned in November that Kentucky likely was not an elite team this year. He still believes Kentucky can beat most teams if it plays the way it has while winning seven of its last eight games. But he stresses that to keep





SOUTH REGION


¹² **Davidson** (21-11)

⁵ **Kentucky** (24-10)

6:10 p.m. today (Thursday)

Boise, Idaho. / CBS

Win advances UK to Saturday vs. Arizona or Buffalo



EAST REGION

¹² **Murray State** (26-5)

⁵ **W. Virginia** (24-10)

3 p.m. Friday (Thursday)

San Diego, Calif. / TNT

Win advances MSU to Sunday vs. Wichita State or Marshall

playing now, Knox has to be the team's star.

"He has to be consistently good throughout the course of the tournament," Bilas said. "I don't think they're going to win at the highest level with him having just average games or just okay games. I think he's got to be very good.

"Everybody has to play their best for them to advance to where they're used to advancing as a program. This isn't a vintage Kentucky team. It's not as good as the team has been in the past. They're still capable. This is a year where the best teams are the best because they've been consistent. That doesn't mean they (the top seeds) can't be beaten."

Recently I wrote about the way then UK coach Tubby Smith stuck with Allen Edwards when he struggled during Kentucky's 1998 national championship season much like John Calipari has

with Hamidou Diallo this year.

That prompted Scott Padgett, a starter on that team and now the head coach at Samford, to explain why that was easy for Smith to do.

"The make up of the team made it easy to not make a change. Cameron Mills and Heshimu Evans provided a huge lift for us when they came in off the bench," Padgett said. "They also had no ego so they could play that role and not complain. Tubby would always go with the hot hand down the stretch of games."

During the SEC Tournament last week in St. Louis I met Kentucky fan Kelley Schweet of Lexington. She has been to 18 straight NCAA Tournaments, but I also learned she was in Bloomington, Ind., in December of 2011 when the Hoosiers beat eventual national champion Kentucky to set off a court-storming

fans were, and I honestly feared for my well being, and that of my daughters," she said. "When the IU fans started storming the court, I told my daughter that Kentucky fans would never do that because we had been there before.

"Then I told her we had to get out of there fast. I even had my ex-husband texting me and telling me to get out of the arena. Crazy! It was truly a scary situation, and I was in the nose bleed section."

I remember being harassed by IU students going into the arena just because I was an out of town media member. Schweet had a similar experience.

"Before the game, I was heckled when I walked into bars, and the atmosphere was ugly towards UK fans," she said.

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All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the administratrix before the 7th day of September, 2018 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

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All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the administratrix before the 7th day of September, 2018 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be forever barred.

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Notice is hereby given that on March 7, 2018 Ellen Brosnihan Casamassa of 23 Hitchcock Rd., Worcester, Mass. 01603 was appointed executrix of estate of Peggy Brosnihan, deceased, whose address was 959 S.R. 855 S., Marion, Ky. 42064.

All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly proven as required by law to the executrix before the 12th day of September, 2018 and all claims not so proven and presented by that date shall be

forever barred. All persons indebted to the estate of the above-named decedent, will please call and settle said debts immediately. Crittenden District Court Melissa Guill, Clerk (1t-36-c)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 17-CI-00046
PERRY JONES PLAINTIFF
vs.
RE-NOTICE OF SALE
REX SUTTON;
UNKNOWN SPOUSE
OF REX SUTTON;
KENTUCKY TAX BILL
SERVICING;
COMMONWEALTH
OF KENTUCKY
DIVISION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE;
COUNTY OF CRITTENDEN,
KENTUCKY DEFENDANTS

The sale previously scheduled for February 23, 2018 has been rescheduled to March 16, 2018.

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 5th day of December, 2017, I will on FRIDAY, March 16, 2018, at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bid-

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der the following described real property located in Crittenden County, Kentucky on the waters of Livingston Creek and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

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Map No. : 051-00-00-013.05

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Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to

bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for sale.

GIVEN under my hand this the 23rd day of February, 2018.

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Special Master Commissioner
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The following tax bills for the year 2017, being unpaid, I will offer for sale on March 30, 2018 at 1 p.m. to the highest bidder, for cash. The following delinquent tax claims upon which a real assessment appears (the amount includes penalty, interest and advertising cost).			
Tax bills are subject to 10 percent annum.			
Bill	Number	Account Name	Unpaid Tax
2017	47	BAKER JACK & VICKEY	\$12.53
2017	57	BARNES LEONARD	\$5.76
2017	137	BOONE JOSEPH DANIEL & AMY S GARDNER-HALPIN	\$57.61
2017	142	BRADFORD CHARLES	\$15.84
2017	178	CAMP AARON & STEPHANIE	\$224.70
2017	182	CAMPBELL KENNETH E	\$69.14
2017	225	CLIFFORD BRIAN	\$7.20
2017	280	COOPER PEGGY DEMOSS	\$83.55
2017	310	CRITT COLLISION & REPAIR LLC	\$80.86
2017	311	CRITT COLLISION & REPAIR LLC	\$3.52
2017	349	CRUCE HERBERT EST	\$3.46
2017	361	CURNEL RICKY EST	\$149.80
2017	374	DAVENPORT SARAH	\$230.46
2017	375	DAVIDSON BARRY	\$131.07
2017	417	DOUBLIN AMANDA	\$35.09
2017	432	DUNCAN TIMOTHY & DANIELLE	\$28.81
2017	433	DUNCAN TIMOTHY & DANIELLE	\$216.06
2017	455	EASLEY ANTHONY	\$12.10
2017	590	GERHARDT CRAIG	\$11.52
2017	592	GETZ SERRINA & SCOTT	\$25.92
2017	610	GIPSON SHELBY EST	\$100.83
2017	611	GIPSON SHELBY EST	\$2.88
2017	618	GRAHAM NATHAN EARL & STEPHANIE	\$51.85
2017	667	HAMILTON MICHAEL REED & HARDESTY KENNETH JR	\$38.89
2017	676	HAZZARD PATRICIA	\$36.30
2017	710	HAZZARD PATRICIA & DWAYNE WILSON	\$316.24
2017	711	HAZZARD PATRICIA & DWAYNE WILSON	\$28.81
2017	729	HECK FREDERICK JOSEPH & JANETTE	\$221.81
2017	806	HUGHES DOUG & MILLER KELSEY	\$28.81
2017	812	HUNT CAROL & BERNIE	\$102.26
2017	873	JOE DAVIS ENTERPRISES INC	\$14.41
2017	874	JOE DAVIS ENTERPRISES INC	\$11.52
2017	875	JOE DAVIS ENTERPRISES INC	\$8.65
2017	876	JOE DAVIS ENTERPRISES INC	\$8.65
2017	877	JOE DAVIS ENTERPRISES INC	\$17.28
2017	893	JOHNSON JAMES C PROPERTIES LLC	\$47.53
2017	981	LARUE JAMES D & SHARON	\$237.66
2017	987	LEWIS JERRY & SHERRI	\$42.93
2017	1004	LONG SHAUN A	\$125.31
2017	1005	LONG SHAUN A	\$2.88
2017	1021	M J L PROPERTIES LLC	\$93.63
2017	1023	M J L PROPERTIES LLC	\$57.61
2017	1081	MASON LISA M	\$8.65
2017	1084	MAXFIELD FELICIA & LETITIA SMITH	\$187.25
2017	1086	MAXFIELD KEVIN	\$139.72
2017	1097	MCCLURE TROY EST	\$11.52
2017	1099	MCDANIEL BELINDA & DOVARD	\$34.57
2017	1111	MCDOWELL SHANE ET AL	\$86.42
2017	1128	MILEY LAUREN & JEREMY RYAN CUMMINGS	\$97.95
2017	1137	MILLS CLAUD & SUE	\$1.44
2017	1141	MINK SARA ANN	\$100.83
2017	1151	MORRILL T V SERVICE	\$60.49
2017	1161	MOSS DENNIS ET AL	\$126.54
2017	1165	MURRAY WHITNEY LYNN & JORDAN	\$72.02
2017	1182	NEW HAVEN ASSISSTED LIVING	\$103.49
2017	1183	NEW HAVEN ASSISTED LIVING	\$11.52
2017	1291	PERSONAL FINANCE COMPANY	\$21.34
2017	1292	PERSONAL FINANCE COMPANY	\$0.28
2017	1317	POTTER WENDY & JOHN P	\$131.07
2017	1328	PRYOR KENNETH R JR	\$51.85
2017	1342	QUERTERMOUS DANNY	\$195.89
2017	1343	QUERTERMOUS DANNY & JOYCE	\$129.35
2017	1372	ROBERTS DARLENE	\$17.28
2017	1379	ROBINSON BETTY J	\$2.88
2017	1380	ROBINSON AUSTIN	\$279.43
2017	1407	S & D COFFEE INC	\$1.03
2017	1434	SHIELDS HAZEL OR	\$5.18
2017	1444	SHUECRAFT JANET	\$5.76
2017	1463	SINGLETON NORRIS D & CHERYL	\$40.33
2017	1465	SISCO CHRISTOPHER	\$80.66
2017	1466	SISCO CHRISTOPHER L & TABITHA	\$40.33
2017	1467	SISCO PATRICIA	\$18.73
2017	1468	SISCO WILBER & PATRICIA	\$57.61
2017	1484	SMOCK MARVIN & REBA	\$102.26
2017	1485	SMOCK MARVIN DAVID	\$57.61
2017	1517	STONE BETTY L	\$34.28
2017	1589	TAX EASE LIEN INVESTMENTS 1 LLC	\$10.08
2017	1590	TAX EASE LIEN SERVICING LLC	\$72.02
2017	1596	THARP DARREN A	\$14.41
2017	1611	THURMOND GUY JR & GAYLENE MCCAIN	\$54.74
2017	1652	TUCKER DAVID D	\$106.58
2017	1668	US BANK	\$89.30
2017	1669	US BANK	\$11.52
2017	1690	WALKER ROCKY	\$8.65
2017	1691	WALLACE KEVIN W & JIMMIE M	\$8.65
2017	1699	WATSON DONNY & MICHELLE	\$84.96
2017	1701	WATSON MARY ELIZABETH	\$57.61
2017	1755	WILLIAMS DARREL W & TAMMY G	\$14.41
2017	1775	WILSON DWAYNE & PATRICIA HAZZARD	\$28.81
2017	1776	WILSON DWAYNE & PATRICIA HAZZARD	\$178.61
2017	1777	WILSON DWAYNE & PATRICIA HAZZARD	\$8.65
2017	1809	WORLD FINANCE CORP OF KY	\$0.70
2017	1826	WYNN WALTER L JR & CATHERINE R	\$10.37

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LIHEAP started in 1981. Last year, the subsidy component of the program's bill pay ment plan offset heating costs for more than 80,000 Kentucky households with an average one-time benefit of \$138 per household for a total of more than \$11.1 million. Crittenden County's 134 applicants received a total of \$21,835, an average of \$163 each.

The crisis component of the bill payment plan helped more than 79,000 Kentuckian families who experienced an energy crisis, such as pending utility disconnections, with an average benefit of \$303 for a total of \$24 million. In total, more than 116,000 Kentucky families received benefits totaling more than \$35 million. Locally, 183 recipients shared \$44,430 for an average of \$243.

"I worry about people having heat," said Belt. "I think I've had more disconnected this year than I've had in a long time."

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary January unemployment rate was 4.3 percent, according to the Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics (KCEWS). The unemployment rate for January 2018 was down from the revised 4.5 percent reported for December 2017. The preliminary January 2018 jobless rate was down 0.9 percentage points from the 5.2 percent recorded for the state in January 2017.

More people were at work in the first month of the year, but an economist attributes much of the fall in the jobless rate to the fact that fewer people are actively looking for work.

"Data from the household survey indicates that more people were working in January," said University of Kentucky's Center for Business and Economic Research Director Chris Bollinger, Ph.D. "However, the decrease in the state's unemployment rate was due primarily to fewer individuals searching for work and participating in the labor force this month."

The U.S. seasonally adjusted jobless rate for January 2018 was unchanged the month prior, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

sensation in Congress appears dedicated to keeping both LI-HEAP and CDBG funding.

"I commend the President for putting forward his ideas on how to rein in federal spending," Congressman James Comer, R-Tompkinsville, told The Crittenden Press. "At the same time, the House of Representatives holds the power of the purse and has put forward its own proposals that would maintain funding for LIHEAP and the Community Development Block Grant program in Fiscal Year 2018."

“The Senate and House are working on finalizing the

budget for the remainder of the fiscal year 2018,” said Robert Steurer, a spokesman for U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, a Republican, told the newspaper. “The current Senate and House appropriations bills contain funding for the Community Development Block Grant program and LIHEAP for (Fiscal Year 2018). The President’s (Fiscal Year 2019) budget proposal is only the first step in the budget process, and Sen. McConnell will work with the delegation to ensure that essential Kentucky priorities are protected in the final budget.”

A message to Republican

U.S. Sen Rand Paul's office seeking comment had not been returned at press time.

Judge-Executive Perry Newcom said both initiatives are important to the county.

CDBG offers highly flexible funds that communities use to develop affordable housing, repair and upgrade basic infrastructure such as sewers and streets, promote commercial redevelopment in distressed areas and provide life-enriching services such as recreational services for youth, employment training for adults and center- and home-based services for seniors.

In recent years, \$2.175 mil-

lion tied to CDBG projects has made its way to Crittenden County, according to Pennyrile Area Development District data. Those projects have included:

- \$887,000 for improvements to the City of Marion's sewer system.

- \$500,000 to build a new Crittenden County Health Department.

- \$357,000 for a new roof and upgrades to the Ben E. Clement Mineral Museum.

- \$331,000 for Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center expansion.

- \$100,000 in Community
Emergency Relief Fund for

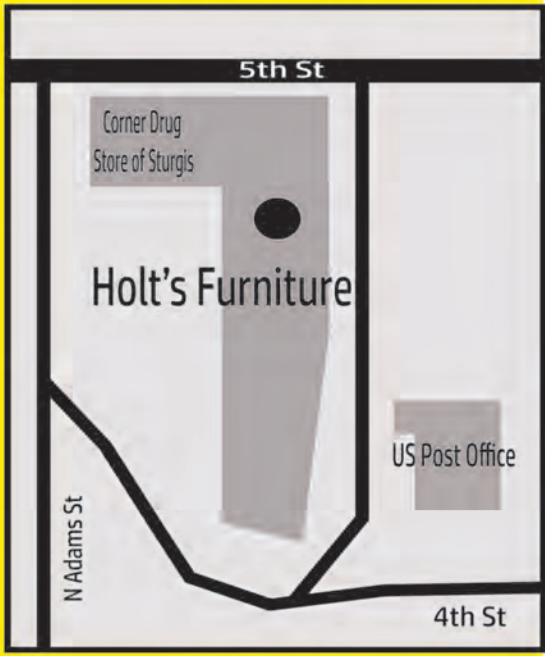
2009 ice storm cleanup.

Though the project remains on the chopping block for the 2019 federal budget, the Kentucky Department for Local Government (DLG) on Tuesday announced more than \$22 million in CDBG funds available for the 2018 application period. Beyond that, however, the future is uncertain.

"The 2018 CDBG funding cycle provides an excellent opportunity for communities and leaders looking to improve public services, revitalize neighborhoods, provide critical infrastructure, or expand local businesses," said DLG Commissioner Sandra Dunahoo.

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Mac Dossett crafted this 8-foot tall dragon for Pine Bluff's "Dredging Dragons," who participated in the Paducah dragon boat races.

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the man passed away from a heart attack before Dossett started the chest, and before his daughter's marriage.

But Dossett was all the more motivated to complete the chest regardless, and gave it to the newly wedded daughter who was still grieving. The woman wrote Dossett soon after receiving it, explaining that it was the perfect gift and reminder of the close relationship she had with her father.

"You can easily give people monetary things, but that is something they will cherish forever," Dossett said of the crafted items. "(The Bible) says, 'Give, and it shall be given to you.' To me, that's a ministry, building something for someone that's going to last."