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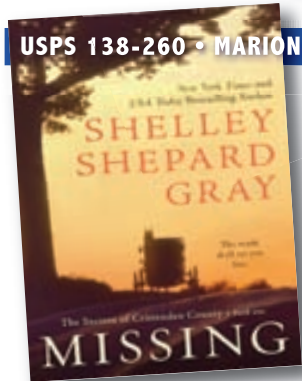
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Author of Amish book here today

New York Times and USA Today best-selling author Shelley Shepard Gray will pay a visit to Crittenden County Public Library at 11 a.m., today (Thursday), talking about her new book, "Missing," the first in her "Secrets of Crittenden County" series.



After visiting Crittenden County in October 2011, Gray decided to base her Amish romance novel here because of its prime location and ties to the Amish community.

Crittenden County Public Library Director Regina Merrick said Gray's visit is "one of the biggest things we've done in a while."

Copies of her novel will be available for purchase and can be signed during her visit. For more information, call the library at 965-3354.

Gray is the author of several highly-acclaimed Amish romance series, as well as other fiction. For more, visit her website at www.shelley-shepardgray.com.

Meetings

■ Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 1 p.m., today (Thursday) for a special-called meeting.

■ Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 7 p.m., Monday at the district office in Salem.

■ Livingston Fiscal Court will meet at 5 p.m., Tuesday at the new judicial center.

■ Crittenden County Board of Education will meet at 6 p.m., Tuesday at Rocket Arena.

What's your opinion? Web poll results

This week's poll at The Press Online asked: "Do you support a statewide smoking ban in all public places as proposed by a Kentucky House bill moved out of committee March 14?"

By a more than 2-to-1 margin, voters support a statewide mandated ban on smoking in public places. Though the legislation is all but dead this session, Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) said the proposal is likely to become law in a future session of the Kentucky General Assembly. The 358 poll voters said:

- Yes, 225 (63%)
- No, 133 (27%)

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Senate weighs road plan

U.S. 641, ferry, Cumberland River bridge replacement funded in House version

FROM AP AND STAFF REPORTS

If the Kentucky Senate approves a House version of the commonwealth's two-year transportation budget, more than \$22.4 million will flow to Crittenden County for the completion and continuation of two key road projects in the county. Funding to start the replacement

process of the U.S. 60 bridge over the Cumberland River at Smithland is also in the transportation plan for the first time.

The House-approved \$3.5 billion road and bridges budget being considered by the Senate at press time includes \$21.64 million in the current fiscal year for the completion

of Phase I of the relocation of U.S. 641 from Marion to Fredonia and \$804,000 over the next two years for Kentucky's half of funding for the Ohio River Ferry. The State of Illinois contributes an equal share to connect Ky. 91 with Ill. 1 via the ferry, which is free to all traffic.

Crittenden County's portion of proposed transportation funding over the next two years is more than in any of the surrounding

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Crittenden deputy assists Kentuckians recovering from March 2 tornadoes



PHOTO BY GREG RUSHING

West Liberty was one of the Kentucky cities hit hardest by the outbreak of deadly tornadoes March 2. Above, a resident of the city sifts through the ruins of a house putting nails into a coffee can. Crittenden County Deputy Greg Rushing, the county's former emergency management director, spent a few days recently helping with disaster relief in the area. Rushing's sister, Kentucky Emergency Management Region 2 Coordinator Vicki Martin, also made the trip.

Rushing helps with West Liberty disaster relief

By **JERRITT HOVEY-BROWN**
PRESS REPORTER

Clicking through dozens of pictures on his computer, each one telling a different tale of his trip to

West Liberty, Ky., Deputy Sheriff Greg Rushing is at a loss for words. It isn't what the photographs captured that leaves Rushing without words, but the feelings he experienced while visiting the small town reminiscent of Crittenden County. With each click of the mouse, his computer screen changes to display another picture, each telling a story of destruction and loss, freezing in time the aftermath of an EF-3 tornado that hit West Liberty a little after 6 p.m., March 2.

"It's unbelievable. Driving through the town, you just see piles of rubble and debris and families sorting through it," Rushing said. "It humbles you. There are not enough words that can describe those feelings. Everything was pretty much destroyed."

Rushing traveled to the small town in eastern Kentucky on March 11, wanting to provide assistance of any kind. The decision to lend a set of helping hands was also a personal one as a friend of Rushing's lives in West Liberty.

"Dean Kennard and I met in 2009 when he came to Marion to help after the ice storm. He was a fish and wildlife officer, and since then, we've kept in touch," Rushing, the county's emergency management di-

rector at the time, said. "I felt that it was my time to give back, knowing that he has done the same for us."

Rushing stayed with Kennard in West Liberty for three days, lending his assistance whenever and wherever possible, still in disbelief at the destruction the small town endured.

Rushing was given a patrol route in the northeastern part of the Morgan County that resembled communities like Crayne, which was hit by its own tornado in 2000 when Rushing was in his first decade as an emergency management director. Seeing houses completely leveled and trees uprooted gave Rushing feelings he'll never forget.

"Seeing these people and how their lives have changed really touches your heart," Rushing said. "When I first came into the town, one of the most touching scenes was an elderly gentleman sitting amongst a pile of debris and pulling nails out of the lumber and putting into a coffee can. His life, just like the rest of the residents of West Liberty, will forever

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Former head of Crittenden school district, Lacy, dies at 76

By **DARYL K. TABOR**
MANAGING EDITOR

A native of Tennessee who grew up in Christian County, Ky., and worked in Oregon, California, Illinois and Indiana, Dennis G. Lacy found the place he would finally call home after moving to Crittenden County in 1982 to head the county's school district. Dr. Lacy, as he was known to most, never looked back after accepting the role as superintendent, proudly spending the last 30 years of his life here, even after his retirement in June 2000.

On March 14, Lacy lost his battle with lung cancer after having been diagnosed last September. He is survived by his wife Nancy, two sons and one daughter, as well as several extended family members. (See obituary on Page 7).

"He loved Crittenden County," said his wife, a native of Marion, who added that she had a bit of influence in luring her husband to the area when the superintendent's position became available in 1982. "He never seemed to have a problem calling this home."

Friends and fellow educators have mourned the loss of yet another community icon over the last week, remembering Lacy as one who was passionate about education and adamant about treating others with the same respect he commanded by his own actions.

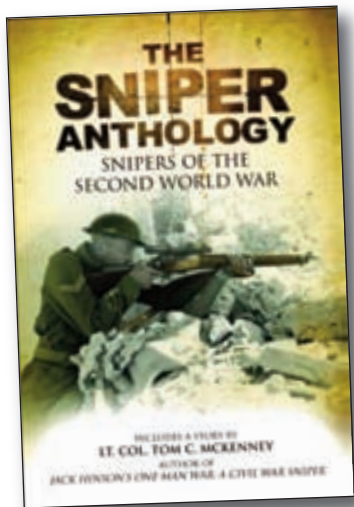
Dr. Rachel Yarbrough, who grew close to Lacy after she took over the role of superintendent of schools in 2008, said her predecessor left a mark on the school district that exists still today.

"His imprint and legacy on Crittenden

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Dr. Dennis G. Lacy, shown above paying a visit to Mary LeFan at the Crittenden County Elementary School library during his 18-year tenure as superintendent of county schools, died last week of cancer at the age of 76.



STAFF REPORT

Writers almost always have interesting stories to tell, many of them are about how they got their stories in the first place. Author Tom McKenney is no different.

McKenney, a Marion-based missionary and author of several books, was called upon by a British publisher to write a chapter in an anthology about World War II snipers. The London-based publisher had learned about McKenney after reading his best-selling book, "Jack Hinson's One-Man War."

McKenney, a retired lieu-

tenant colonel from the U.S. Marines Corps, has shown a penchant for writing war stories, especially those about unique marksmen. The Hinson story was about a Civil War sniper working with the South along the Tennessee River. The book has been highly acclaimed, winning the Southern History Award and making McKenney a finalist for another national book award that went to Gore Vidal.

McKenney's latest contribution to the lore of legendary snipers traces the history of

Bert Kemp, who grew up in western Tennessee near the tiny burrow of Cottage Grove.

Kemp was a country boy who learned to put game on his family's table and money in his pocket as a young lad growing up during the Great Depression.

"Thank God for small towns," McKenney said when he starts to tell about how he resurrected the story of Bert Kemp from the dusty files of a small-town newspaper and the aging memories of Kemp's friends.

When the United Kingdom

publisher posed the idea to McKenney, he was reluctant to join the effort at first.

"I told him, 'I can't help you'," McKenney said.

The only sniper for which he had intimate knowledge at the time was Hinson, the subject of his first book that took ages to research and develop. The new project needed World War II heroes to fill its pages.

"Then I remembered a gentleman that had approached me at a book signing in Paris, Tennessee," McKenney said. "I didn't know his name and couldn't recall the name of the

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ThePress EDITORIAL

Community obligated to EMS; but tax not answer for all ails

Rising local taxes: It's a sign of our times, theoretically because the ball rolls down hill. Right?

Our state and federal governments are overburdened from the drag of so-called entitlement programs, so they're putting more pressure on local authorities to pull the wagon down the road.

In more plentiful times – and before there were more on the wagon than pulling it – Uncle Sam was appreciably more generous. Funding was plentiful for a variety of programs from Medicaid and Medicare to senior citizens meals and recreational projects. There was a time when communities employed their own grant writers, who by virtue of their expertise were able to coax thousands, even millions, of dollars away from Washington.

From those years of great harvest, we have grown fat with social programs. Now, although our cupboards are near bare, our appetite remains just as strong.

We, as a culture, have come to expect our government to provide more and more toward our personal needs and comfort. It's a sobering situation.

That being the case, what are we as a community to do when our local government comes to us with its hand out, asking for more money in order to provide the same comforts we've come to expect.

Our more conservative class of Crittenden Countians prefers deeper cuts to additional taxation. Others would like to pick and choose which and to what degree we fund community programs. And lastly, there are those who believe everything should be provided despite the burden on those pulling the cart.

Taxpayers liable for keeping EMS alive

County government has inferred it needs one percent of our earnings – a dollar for every \$100 of our wages – in order to keep or provide, among other things, an ambulance, health insurance for public employees, food and social programs for seniors, rural fire protection, a park and a jail.

Such a siphoning of our income – called an occupational and net profits tax – would generate somewhere in the neighborhood of \$450,000, say county officials.

We are certain that the community is perfectly willing to pay its fair share for emergency medical services so long as we are taxed fairly and equally. Any tax must be enforced uniformly across the broad spectrum of our community. In other words, no free passes. Everyone who is liable to pay must be held accountable. No exceptions, and no taking of only the low-hanging fruit.

An ambulance is something we've grown to expect in times of need. Operation of such a service requires a great deal of expertise and professionalism. In years past, the local undertaker operated the ambulance service. Fortunately, those days are gone. We also realize that EMS is something we cannot expect faith-based organizations or volunteers to provide. To design an ambulance service other than its current model would be folly. Although we do think clear and independent bookkeeping at EMS is necessary.

We believe the community is indeed liable for the cost associated with operating an efficient ambulance service. We have yet, however, to ascertain from the community or from the entities involved in this discussion exactly what is reasonably expected from the citizenry, although general attempts have been made to quantify it. From the beginning, it has been confusing.

How much of the financial burden to operate EMS lies on the shoulders of the community? It's a question that begs an answer. In the end, only we the people can assign a value to it. Is it a dollar for every 100 we earn? Or is it some fraction of that?

From our vantage point, we tend to think the hospital's operation of the ambulance service over the years has been benevolent. The community's cost – in tax dollars – has been very, very minimal. A new ambulance every few years has been about all we've provided. Sure, our hospital reaps just reward from having the distribution and collection service under its auspices, but we are the ultimate beneficiaries. After all, a viable hospital is our blessing. Many communities are not quite as endowed.

Hospital's life may depend on EMS

That brings to light another side issue. If sustainability of the hospital itself is part of this equation, as referenced by its executives and leaders over the past few months, then we must factor that, too, into the formula. To lose the hospital because it's gushing red ink, is to lose our right arm. Its health care service and general economic impact on this community are far-reaching.

Crittenden Health Systems, like most rural hospitals, is struggling to survive. Part of its plight goes back to our very first point. The federal government, through its programs, has become the hospital's largest customer. Uncle Sam has said it will no longer pay fees hospitals want. The government will pay something less, stressing the system, say health care providers.

Amid all of this, our hospital's leadership has inferred that the weight of pulling the ambulance service could in fact jeopardize the entire hospital facility. There have been suggestions that EMS losses are equal to the broader organization's annual deficit. In other words, the hospital is losing

money largely because the ambulance service is not self-sufficient. While we're not sure that's the only reason our hospital has financial woes, it appears to be a contributing factor. Supplementing the ambulance, some leaders have inferred, is designed to perhaps save the whole operation.

There is some indication that anything less than \$200,000 will not be enough to prevent an uncertain future for the ambulance, or perhaps the hospital itself.

Fed mandates complicate matters

Although we are not privileged to know what our elected leaders are planning, there is some speculation that proceeds from the proposed occupational and net profits tax could be divided among a few needs, chiefly the ambulance and insurance for county employees, who have none. Our county judge-executive has said insurance costs are estimated somewhere between \$200,000 and about \$250,000. Of course, that's the cost today and we have no indication of how the county will deal with premium increases or a greater number of insured. Last year, employers' health care costs went up nine percent, according to Forbes magazine. Annual increases are the norm, often times there are double-digit increases. As it stands, about two-thirds of the county's employees have said they'd be interested in participating in a health insurance plan. What happens when all 80-plus employees want it?

Once the insurance and ambulance needs are addressed, there will be no cash gleanings for others if we use the numbers as they've been presented.

There is some indication that the county is considering less than \$200,000 to supplement EMS. It might give them \$100,000, or perhaps \$150,000.

It doesn't take a mathematics whiz to calculate that a one-percent tax, as proposed, will scarcely meet the demands of an ailing ambulance service and what could eventually become a clear federal mandate for everyone to have health insurance. Obamacare, as it's called, will require employers such as the county to make insurance available in some form, or the county would be fined. However, that's only if nothing at all is offered and one or more of its employees receives some type of federal assistance to buy his or her own insurance. Based on cursory calculations, the county's fine – or tax as the legislation calls it – would be around \$118,000 if it offers no health care insurance after 2014, when President Obama's plan is scheduled to start. Of course, that's not a solution, but it could be a target value on which to start discussions on what the county could and should provide.

And remember, however, that this particular provision of Obamacare may never go into effect. The U.S. Supreme Court will hear oral arguments at the end of this month about constitutional challenges to the law.

If legislative and judicial challenges are successful, President Obama's plan may never affect the county's financial situation. However, there are many in local government and many citizens who believe the county has a social, if not moral, obligation to help provide such benefits for employees. Crittenden is one of very few administrative units in the state that does not provide some type of health coverage.

Transparency, plan must be in place

All these circumstances, without question, create a complicated, emotional and politically-charged situation.

We think it's prudent, if not unconditionally necessary, to provide a net for the failing ambulance service, and hospital. We can ill afford to lose either, and to lose one might be the same as losing both. We think a stand-alone-ambulance operated by the county would cost taxpayers a much fancier sum than even the amount requested now by EMS.

As we examine and process all of this information, two things become evident. Our local leaders believe they can stave off near-future needs by getting a dollar for every \$100 the citizenry and its businesses earn in this county. There's no indication of how much will be apportioned for the ambulance, although it's the poster boy for the discussion of raising taxes. If we tax the people enough to pay for the ambulance alone, a tax half of the proposed rate would probably suffice.

Politicians involved had rather than get their tax-hike beating all at once rather than take it again when and if the president's health plan goes into effect and they need more money. They figure it's easier to get a big dipper full now rather than go back to the well when it becomes absolutely necessary. Sure, that's a little selfish on their part, but we understand the logic behind the reasoning. We don't have to like it.

As far as we're concerned, the park, fire departments and senior citizens programs should be funded through other means. Tough times call for sacrifices. Our wants and needs must be revisited. It's impossible to sustain entitlements and other luxuries we've come to expect. At some point, we have to say no.

We say yes to the ambulance, but no to everything else until the plan is clearer. And, there is one caveat to it all. As a community, we demand complete transparency and competent management of our money.

Half-empty glasses can also be half-full

Do you see your glass half-full or half-empty?

Two people can look at the same glass filled halfway with water, but see it completely different, depending on their state of mind. It's our point of view that determines our attitude toward life in general. If you're one of the negative half-empty thinkers, it's not too late to change. According to a recent article in Woman's Day magazine, optimism can be learned. With practice and determination, even the most negative person can train themselves to look on the bright side.

Acquiring a positive outlook is essential for good health. An astounding 500 billion blood cells are produced each day in our bone marrow. The body uses them as a catalyst for the entire systemic system to promote good circulation throughout the body. Negative behaviors can weaken the nerves and dry up the bone marrow, eliminating moisture and strength. At that point, our immunity suffers, then, we get sick.

There's strong evidence to prove a cheerful attitude promotes a strong healthy immune system. According to University of Kentucky research, people who expect good things to happen have stronger immunity. A University of Michigan study found more good news — the more positive people were, the lower their odds were of having a stroke.

King Solomon, known for his great wisdom, realized the thoughts of the mind had a significant influence upon the body. Like he said back in Biblical times, "There's nothing new under the sun." In other words, what was true then, is still true today. In Proverbs 17:22-23, he presented two scenarios: Live a cheerful life and enjoy good health or allow a broken spirit to dry up the bones. Without the advantage of MRI's and CAT scans, he had it figured out. What a man thinks in his heart has a great affect on him spiritually, physically and mentally.

In order to prove what an influence the mind has over the body, an experiment was conducted in 1966 with chimpanzees. A perfectly healthy male was taken from his family and placed in an adjoining cage where he could see and hear them, but couldn't reach them. In full view of his family, another chimpanzee was put in his place. All he could do was scream with rage and jealousy. Three months later, the disturbed chimpanzee developed hardening of the arteries and high blood pressure, resulting in a premature death.

What one thing can we do to live longer happier lives? According to The Arthritis Foundation, the simple act of smiling is correlated with better health, stronger relationships and longer life spans. One doctor wrote in Arthritis Today, "When you smile, there's a



significant lowering of stress." Natural pain killers called endorphins and serotonin are released when we smile, making us feel better inside. One professor of psychology offered a couple of fake-it tricks: Try forcing a smile even when you don't feel like it. You will see the world in a more positive light.

Leroy Brownlow's book, "Better Than Medicine – A Merry Heart," says there is power in believing. "Anybody who starts thinking he is strong, will find strength." But, the opposite is true with the negative person. "Think negatively and your life will be shrouded with gloom and despair." Negative thinking, he says, is self-destructive while positive thinking is self-creative.

One of the most destructive and debilitating emotions to our health is anger. Norman Vincent Peale's book, "The Power of Positive Thinking," gives some practical suggestions that have proved successful when faced with anger:

- 1) Keep your hands from clenching; hold fingers straight out; reduce your tone of voice down to a whisper;
- 2) Say aloud to yourself, "Don't be a fool. This won't get me anywhere, so skip it;
- 3) Say the first 10 words of the Lord's Prayer 10 times;
- 4) Ask yourself if it's worth it;
- 5) Get hurt-feeling situations straightened out as soon as possible;
- 6) Go to someone you trust, open your mind and let the grievance out. Then, forget it;
- 7) Pray for the person who has hurt your feelings;
- 8) Forgive; and
- 9) Ask God to bring your temper under control.

Like anything worth having, striving for a more positive attitude involves work and commitment. Associate with positive upbeat people; stay active — walk, ride, swim, play; lose yourself in worthwhile projects, especially those which help somebody else; fill your days with creative activity and emphasize the physical aspect of activity.

In 1984, I went through a painful divorce. The next year, rheumatoid arthritis hit me with a vengeance. Now, 28 years later, I realize what part worry and fear played in the onset of the disease. If only I could go back and practice what I know now. Still, I smile and count my blessings. You can do it too.

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House-passed road plan includes ferry, U.S. 641

We are reaching that point where the hours get longer and the pace almost becomes frantic. In fact, about the time this is being read (Thursday) we will have seven legislative days left, and in that time period we will have to wrap-up work on major pieces of legislation, including the state's budget for the next two years.

At last week's end, Friday morning, we passed, on a bi-partisan vote of 88-4, the state transportation budget. Meanwhile, the Senate is close to finishing its work on the two-year executive branch budget. Within the next few days, I expect a conference committee to iron out our differences and we will have the budget finished on time — something we have not always been able to do. This will be my seventh two-year budget cycle, and this one has been less contentious than any of them, at least to this point, and I do not foresee any obstacle changing that evaluation.

The transportation budget has a major project affecting our district. Indeed, it would have an impact on all north-western Kentucky travelers using the Henderson-Paducah U.S. 60 corridor. This new six-year road plan includes, for the first time, funding to replace the U.S. 60 Cumberland River Smithland Bridge. The plan identifies \$2 million in 2012 for



design, \$650,000 in 2015 for land acquisition and utility relocation, and \$31 million for construction in 2018. This time frame is about as aggressive as could be expected for a project of this magnitude. Furthermore, the funding source is the Federal Bridge Replacement Program, which means the proposed timeline is more realistic than many state-funded projects which are more subject to slippage, primarily because we legislators tend to routinely have more projects than funding.

I am extremely pleased that this has occurred, and it adds greatly to the list of things I have always hoped to see get started before my departure from the legislature at the end of the year.

The rest of the plan contains no other new district projects, but continues the funding stream for all existing projects.

These are for Crittenden: ■ U.S.-641 Phase I relocation from Marion to Fredonia; and ■ Operation of the Cave-

In Rock Ferry. For Livingston: ■ Ledbetter Bridge replacement and associated U.S. 60 relocation; ■ Ky. 453 and Ky. 866 bridge replacement; and ■ Reconstruction of Dyer Hill Curve. For Caldwell: ■ Reconstruction of Rock Springs Hill Curve; ■ A connector road from Ky. 91 to Ky. 293; and ■ Relocation of U.S. 641 Phase II from Fredonia to Interstate 69.

In other legislative action last week, we tackled a growing synthetic-drug problem that has emerged all across the Commonwealth, from the Appalachians to the Mississippi River. This came hard on the heels of our earlier action dealing with the state's growing problem with "pill mills" — those fly-by-night clinics that make large profits by prescribing and/or dispensing narcotic pain killers with virtually no questions asked — in the form of House Bill 4, passed and sent to the Senate.

Similar legislation to HB 4 (though with some key differences) has since been vetoed in a Senate committee, and hope runs high that a compromise combining the best of both the House and Senate legislation can be agreed upon by session's end.

But this week our focus

was on a new form of non-prescription drugs: synthetic drugs including so-called "bath salts" and synthetic marijuana found in convenience stores and head shops that specialize in drug paraphernalia. HB 481, which passed the House 96-0, addresses this emergent problem. News reports have been rife with stories of people exhibiting psychosis after ingesting synthetic drugs, including a woman who abandoned her toddler in the middle of a western Kentucky highway because her bath salts-induced psychosis convinced her that the child was possessed.

It was these very kinds of stories that led us to pass earlier legislation addressing the synthetic drug problem during the 2011 regular session. The 2011 laws worked by banning specific compounds of synthetic drugs. But, after a time, underground manufacturers of the drugs got around the law by altering a drug's ingredients just enough to create new, technically legal ones. Now, almost exactly a year later, HB 481 has fixed that loophole by banning entire classes, not just compounds, of synthetic drugs.

We also turned our attention to another problem last week — the alarming number of abused and neglected children who have fallen

through the proverbial cracks of the state's child-protection system in recent years.

HB 200, which we cleared 96-0 and sent to the Senate, would address the problem by creating a statewide external expert review panel to thoroughly investigate the death or near death of a child from abuse or neglect, and determine if the state took reasonable measures to save that child or prevent his or her injuries (if the child was under protective services at the time). The bill also expands the statutory definition of child abuse to include abuse by a sibling, and creates an independent office to oversee Kentucky's Child Protective Services agency.

The impact of cigarette smoking on the health and welfare of Kentucky's children was another topic in the halls and committee rooms of the Capitol complex last week, following release of a U.S. Surgeon General's report calling youth smoking today "epidemic." While Americans have known the direct dangers of smoking for decades, we've also become aware of the dangers of second-hand smoke. The medical community has published reams of research on how second-hand smoke can lead to illnesses ranging from aggravated asthma to lung cancer. In response to that research, and the

known dangers of smoking itself, a bill cleared a House committee this week that would ban indoor smoking in public places and workplaces statewide.

Supporters of HB 289, many of whom have contacted me personally, say that the proposed smoking ban will improve the health of Kentuckians across the commonwealth while saving tax dollars used to treat smoking-related illnesses among the state's Medicaid recipients and uninsured. Opponents, fewer of whom have contacted me, say it goes too far, imposing intrusive government restrictions on a legal product that remains the state's major cash crop.

At this writing, it seems unlikely the bill will actually come to a vote by the full House this session. But advocates remain optimistic for its future prospects, as this is the first time such a measure has passed a House committee.

I welcome your comments and advice on all issues. I hope to hear from you soon.

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

Senate at fevered pace in final days

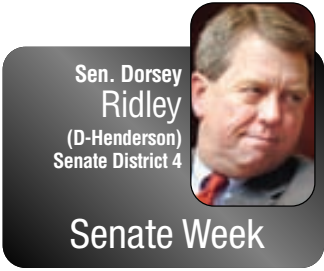
Work continued in earnest last week on a budget proposal sent to us by the House, as our days were filled with meetings to discuss various details of the two-year spending plan.

While those discussions dominated much of our time, we considered and approved many other important measures, as well.

Last week, the Senate took steps to create a system to help catch persons suspected of injuring or killing a police officer. More than 50,000 law enforcement officers are assaulted or killed while on duty each year. SB 32 would establish an emergency alert system that is modeled after the successful Amber Alert. The "Blue Alert" would be administered by the Kentucky State Police and use law enforcement communication systems, electronic highway signs and media across the state to spread information after an officer has been reported wounded or missing.

The Kentucky Blue Alert will allow law enforcement to facilitate a speedy capture of violent criminals before they endanger other citizens. The bill is named in honor of Kentucky State Police Trooper Jonathan K. Leonard who died on Dec. 19, 2006, while responding to a call in Pike County.

We also passed bills last week to address obesity and obesity-related illnesses. The Trust for America's Health ranks Kentucky third in the nation — a bad third, not a



good one — for childhood obesity, a precursor to Type II diabetes. We need to do something to change those numbers.

SB 198 ensures that diabetes educators have the proper instruction and credentials. It is important for our citizens to receive correct and appropriate information about the disease. We want to make sure the people teaching them about one of our most serious public-health issues are qualified to do so.

A recommendation from the Taskforce on Childhood Obesity, SB 110 would give school districts the option to allow citizens access to school sports and physical fitness facilities during non-school hours. The measure allows schools to charge a fee for community use, and protects districts from liability if anyone is hurt. It also allows artistic, civic, literary and other activities in addition to the recreational and sports usage originally envisioned by the taskforce.

Another bill that gained our approval this week was SB 8 that would require that any administrative bodies appointed by the governor

Staying in touch with Frankfort

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

be dissolved within 180 days after the end of his or her term. They could, however, be reappointed by the legislature if deemed necessary. Supporters say this would reduce the number of appointed bodies that remain in place, costing taxpayers money years after they are no longer relevant.

These measures now go to the House for their consideration.

We passed House Bill 293 last week, a bill that pertains only to those rare instances in which there is only one candidate running in an election. The measure allows districts to open only one polling booth in such elections. Supporters say this would save precincts a lot of money in elections that usually have extremely low voter turnout because they are often viewed as a formality. The bill now awaits the governor's signature.

The end of this legislative

session is quickly approaching. If this was a basketball game, we would be in the final quarter with about eight minutes left on the clock. As you know, this is when it really counts. A lot can happen. Many more shots will be taken and plenty of points can still be scored.

While we do not deny that lawmakers represent their own "teams," the goal of the full General Assembly is to ensure the Commonwealth is the winner when the final buzzer sounds. In our case, that is when the final gavel falls, seven working days from now (Thursday).

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

Community effort to keep gardening alive, well

Gardens. It appears to be an art lost to television, Internet, long hours at work and Little Johnny's summer baseball league.

Growing up, virtually every back yard in the old neighborhood had a garden with rows of corn, beans, peas and okra, stands of tomatoes and peppers and hills of squash, cucumbers and perhaps even pumpkins or watermelons. Some even added potatoes, carrots, lettuce and other greens to the mix.

It seemed each summer evening would find the roar of tillers and swinging of hoes in the sizable plots set aside to supply the vegetable needs of each family for that and future years.

Every age, from the youngest of families to the senior-most neighbors, tended their crops no matter the heat or the number of hours they had put in on their day job. Most likely, all of the neighborhood's adults had grown up traipsing barefoot through their own family's garden.

For the most part, youth today wouldn't know a cucumber seed from an okra seed or young tomato plant from that of a bell pepper. It's a shame, really, that the skill of growing your own food has become so limited among



American families.

But starting this year, a handful of local churches and our governments are teaming up to revive the tradition and put fresh fruits and vegetables — not those ripened in the back of a truck along America's interstate system — on plates in Crittenden County.

Very soon, several plots on city-owned property adjacent to Pamida will begin harboring the bounty of home-grown gardens. The rows of corn and hills of tomatoes will be hoed and picked by the same hands that will offer the fruits and vegetables to others.

An idea born along the campaign trail of Judge-Executive Perry Newcom a couple of years ago and teamed with Robbie Kirk, head of a food ministry operated by area churches, will put trustees of the county's detention center and volunteers from church pews side by side on the same patch of

earth.

The jail will tend its own plots, raising fresh food for its summer chow lines and giving inmates a sense of accomplishment and contribution and perhaps teaching them a skill that might one day turn a mischievous lifestyle into one of productivity. At the very least, it keeps their hands busy and earns some time off their sentence.

Meantime, the church plots will go toward the greater good of the community. The harvest from their squares of land will be offered as part of a combined food ministry, feeding less fortunate in the community through its food bank or fresh produce handed out on a regular bases from a market on Main Street.

It won't be easy, but farming never is. Regardless, county officials and churches appear dedicated to making the effort a mainstay in the community, planning for irrigation systems to feed the plots of plants and fencing to equally protect them from the ravenous urbanized deer that ravage stands of vegetables and flower gardens throughout the city each summer.

There'll be more to report on these same pages in the coming weeks as the dirt gets

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busted, the seeds planted and weeds pulled. But until then, it's just nice to know that the art of gardening, the practicality of growing backyard food and a sense of community might be waning, but they're not dead.

(Tabor is the managing editor of The Crittenden Press. His column appears regularly in this newspaper.)

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Tax, synthetic drugs on fiscal court slate

FROM AP AND STAFF REPORTS

Crittenden Fiscal Court will meet at 1 p.m., today (Thursday) under the rules of a special meeting. The regular monthly meeting on Tuesday was cancelled due to Judge-Executive Perry Newcom having been out of town.

On the agenda will be review of the county's proposed one-percent occupational and net profits tax. Newcom has said the court will be looking at wording of the ordinance and discussion of issues surrounding the proposal. Enactment requires two readings, and the judge-executive said each reading, as well as a mandatory public hearing on the matter would be scheduled for later dates if magistrates decide to move ahead with the proposal.

Also on the agenda will be presentation and discussion of a synthetic marijuana ordinance. The city has also discussed the matter in the past,

but has not acted on the measure.

However, on March 13, the Kentucky House of Representatives passed legislation aimed at curbing abuse of synthetic drugs being sold over the counter and online.

Democratic state Rep. John Tilley of Hopkinsville said the dangerous substances have caused hallucinations, psychosis, even death.

The House voted 96-0 for the bill after hearing Tilley, the sponsor, describe the harmful effects of synthetic drugs. The legislation would ban any substances intended to mimic better-known drugs such as marijuana and methamphetamine. People caught selling synthetic drugs could be sentenced to up to a year in jail.

Other items of interest on the fiscal court's agenda will be presentation and discussion of the jail budget and an update on the emergency operations center construction.

The Press BRIEFS

Kentucky education 1 of 12 to improve

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kentucky was among a dozen states reported to have made the most educational progress from 2002 to 2009, according to findings from the 2012 Building a Grad Nation. The report, released Monday, was sponsored by America's Promise Alliance, a children's advocacy organization founded by former Secretary of State Colin Powell.

The Kentucky data recorded included:

- Graduation rate: 77.6 percent in 2009, up from 69.8 percent in 2002.
- Benefits to Kentucky of a national 90 Percent Graduation Rate: \$59 million in increased annual earnings; \$8.7 million in increased annual state tax revenues.
- Poverty: 11th in childhood poverty at 25 percent.
- College education: 41st in college completion at 24.7 percent.
- AP exams: Number of students taking AP exams during high school increased from 11.4 percent to 27.6 percent from 2001-11. Almost half, 49.6 percent, scored at least a "3" or higher.


\$2,000 toward ACS sees heads shaved

As the American Cancer Society's annual Relay for Life nears in Crittenden County, teams and participants are looking for ways to raise money in order to help battle cancer.

One creative effort has placed a bounty on the heads of both city and county government leaders. Daphenia Downs, who works in Judge-Executive Perry Newcom's office, has convinced Newcom and Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant to get their heads shaved if she can raise \$2,000 toward Relay for Life.

Donations toward the two

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\$2,000 in ACS donations will see Mark Bryant and Perry Newcom get their heads shaved.

haircuts can be dropped off at the judge-executive's office or checks made out to ACS can be mailed to Downs at, Crittenden County Courthouse, 107 S. Main St., Ste. 8, Marion, KY 42064.

Tax filing deadline not until April 17

Taxpayers will have a few additional days to file their taxes this year.

The 2012 deadline is April 17, because of Emancipation Day, a holiday observed in the District of Columbia, which falls on April 16. By law, District of Columbia holidays affect tax deadlines in the same way that federal holidays do; therefore, all taxpayers will have two extra days to file or pay any taxes due this year, according to a Kentucky Department of Revenue press release.

All valid six-month extensions filed on or before April 17 will likewise extend the due date for filing a 2011 calendar year income tax return to Oct. 15.

Since the beginning of the current tax season, over one million Kentuckians have already filed individual tax returns, according to the state. Approximately 89 percent of those were filed electronically.

SNIPER

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sniper he'd told me about."

The more McKenney thought about the idea, the more he became drawn to finding the man who'd told him about a shooter who could pierce coins in mid air with a .22 rifle.

McKenney called the library where he remembered hearing about this man with incredible hand-eye coordination. After following up on a few leads, he finally uncovered

the originator of the story and the sniper's name. From there, he developed a short biography about Kemp, who McKenney says was so prolific at sniping Germans that Nazi Field Marshal Erwin Rommel and probably even Adolf Hitler knew Kemp's name. The Nazi Reich had a bounty on his



EAGLE SIGHTINGS GROW

PHOTO BY RICKY ELDER

As bald eagles continue their comeback from the endangered species list, sightings of America's national symbol are becoming more prevalent in the area. Above, a mature eagle spotted Saturday morning on Earl Hurst Road near Shady Grove clutches its freshly-caught prey.

Injured bald eagle's recovery hits snag

STAFF REPORT

Her broken wing refusing to heal, caretakers of the bald eagle struck by a car in Crittenden County late last month have turned to a homeopathic remedy before putting the raptor under the knife again.

BE 12-30, the identification given the mature, female bald eagle hit along Ky. 365 in northeast Crittenden County, is recovering well from her abrasions and other wounds reports Raptor Rehabilitation of Kentucky, Inc., volunteer Eileen Wicker, but a broken radius bone in her wing has yet to begin fusing after almost a month of recovery at the Louisville center.

Wicker said the bird of prey has begun a regimen of symphytum, an herb renowned as a bone-knitter, helping them to heal quickly.

"We've had hawks come in with bones that won't heal and this helped them heal in just a couple of weeks," Wicker said of the remedy.

After a few days of symphytum, if the bone does not begin to fuse, a pin may have to be placed in the wing to help the bone heal. Wicker said the center had hoped the larger ulna bone in the wing

would have acted as a splint to stabilize the smaller radius and help it heal, but that has yet to happen.

Having the wing pinned could make for a slower recovery, Wicker said.

The eagle has been kept in a small cage to help limit her activity, reducing the risk of further harm to the wing. Wicker said it is ill-advised to place wings in splints to restrict movement because it reduces the muscle mass of the wing, compromising a bird's ability to fly.

Otherwise, things are looking up for the 17-year-old bird.

"She's eating good, looking good and her wounds are healing well," Wicker said.

The bird can be a bit ill tempered at times, the volunteer said.

"She's nasty and bitey."

But that is a positive sign of the bird's aggressive nature returning with her health.

Wicker said the center hopes to get the eagle healed quickly so she can be returned to where she was found near the Ohio and Tradewater rivers, where she likely spent a lot of her time fishing for food.

DEA, KSP case leads to three arrests tied to meth trafficking

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky State Police (KSP) and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) recently ended an extensive investigation of a large methamphetamine trafficking ring in western Kentucky. During the investigation, KSP and DEA, along with the help of several local law enforcement agencies, have been able to identify several different individuals in the area dealing in large amounts of methamphetamine.

On March 12, narcotics detectives seized over \$110,000 cash of illegal drug proceeds. Last Thursday morning, three individuals were taken into federal custody during a traffic stop near Eddyville.

Detectives arrested Baltazar Insunza, a 31-year-old Hispanic male, also identified as an illegal alien; along with Ramos Reyes, a 47-year-old Hispanic male. The subjects were stopped driving a 2001 Ford Focus hatchback which contained hidden compartments that were believed to have been used to transport large amounts of methamphetamine from Alabama to Kentucky. Also arrested in connection to the investigation was local resident Fawn Cerda, 28.

All three suspects were lodged in the McCracken County Regional Jail.

head in North Africa where the American soldier recorded dozens of kills during the war.

"I love to rescue a story that's almost been lost," McKenney said. "The Hinson book took me 15 years, this one took about three months from start to finish."

McKenney will present his story and have a book signing at 11 a.m., Saturday at the Paris, Tenn., Rhea Library where he first learned about Kemp's story.

"The Sniper Anthology: Snipers of the Second World War" (Pelican Publishing 2012) is available at most online book stores.

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2011 39	ASBRIDGE VICKI & JEFFERAY	\$74.90
2011 49	BAKER JACK & VICKEY	\$13.87
2011 80	BELT ALTON	\$134.02
2011 98	BELT MICHAEL	\$9.87
2011 109	BENTON GEORGE R	\$139.93
2011 110	BENTON GEORGE R & BRENDA	\$42.38
2011 144	BOYD JAMES A	\$11.34
2011 146	BRADFORD CHARLES	\$17.26
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2011 265	CORNE LARRY	\$66.03
2011 275	COZART ANGIE D	\$60.12
2011 276	CRABTREE MICHAEL W & CINDY	\$237.47
2011 323	CURNEL RICKY & KARLA REED	\$154.71
2011 333	DAVENPORT SARAH	\$222.69
2011 365	DIEHL BOBBY	\$21.99
2011 411	ELLINGTON ROMMEL STEFAN JR &	\$131.06
2011 431	FARMER WILLIAM L & ELOISE	\$163.57
2011 439	FETTEROLF THADDEUS THOMAS JOS	\$71.94
2011 447	FLETCHER CHARLES & FANNIE	\$3.96
2011 476	FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES 3591	\$148.79
2011 479	FRAZER ELLEN	\$89.68
2011 507	GENO FREDRICK	\$169.49
2011 509	GERHARDT CRAIG	\$12.82
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2011 1204	SHUECRAFT JANET.....	\$6.91
2011 1209	SILVA MARY.....	\$29.09
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2011 1225	SMITH JEFF.....	\$89.68
2011 1234	SMITH WILLIAM C.....	\$15.78
2011 1290	SWAGGIRT MARY Y.....	\$9.87
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2011 1331	THURMOND GAYLENE.....	\$3.96
2011 1387	WALKER ROCKY.....	\$9.87
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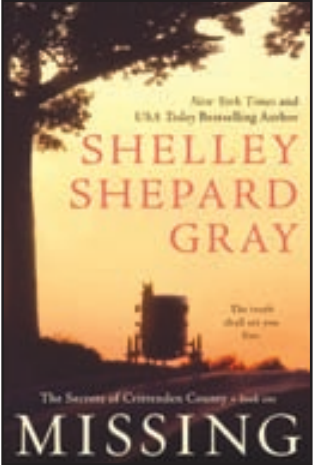
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When she's not dispatching ambulances or relaying calls for police assistance, you can find Paula Miniard squeezing perm solution on a faithful client or spoiling her grandchildren.

Each weekday, Miniard is the voice of Crittenden County's emergency dispatching center, responsible for transferring all communication that comes into the county's 911 sys-

tem. In a moment's notice, her desk can go from complete calm to utter chaos.

The calls she fields vary from the mundane, the bizarre and the utmost tragic.

"Sometimes you sit here and nothing is going on," she says, surrounded by three computer monitors, a sophisticated phone system and computerized call-log. "But then

there might be two phones ringing at once and I'm dispatching ambulances and officers," all the while taking notes on a yellow legal pad.

When the pace slows, she catches her breath and manually enters those conversations into the computerized record-keeping system, occasionally playing back recorded calls to verify times and details.

It can be a stressful job, and sev-

eral days a week she leaves Marion Police Department for her second job as a hairdresser at Professional Touch.

"I love my job," she said. But the sadness over loss of life or serious injury often follows her home.

To unwind, Miniard enjoys her three grandchildren, Brayden, Gracie and Dawson, and her daughters Toni and Lee Ann.

Shoes saving 3rd World lives

STAFF REPORTS

Those unwanted shoes at the back of your closet just may save a life.

For some, Shoes for Water is simply a way to get rid of unwanted shoes, but the program run by EDGE Outreach in Louisville does more than that. It aims to solve water and sanitation issues in developing countries, said Bonnie Baker, Extension Agent for 4-H Youth Development.

Across the world, 884 million people worldwide live without clean water a child dies every 20 seconds due to water-related diseases, according to EDGE Outreach.

The nonprofit sells the shoes to an exporter who then sells them to vendors in devel-

oping countries. EDGE Outreach uses the money they get from the sale to buy water purification systems in those countries and train people in communities to maintain the system. Baker said it takes about 1,000 shoes to set up and maintain a water purification system.

She hopes to start collecting toward that number beginning next week. The 4-H Council in partnership with the school system and Judge-Executive Perry Newcom are holding a shoe drive March 29 at the middle and high schools and March 30 at the elementary school.

"If everyone in our county donated one pair of shoes, we could purchase nine sys-

tems," Baker said. "That is nine communities that would have access to clean water. What a difference our community can make."

Shoes may also be brought to the Crittenden County Extension Office on either of the collection days, and all types of shoes are accepted from flip flops to high heels to boots.

"The only thing we ask is they not be moldy," she said.

Newcom plans to set up a disposal unit at the county's convenience center behind the road department on U.S. 60 east of Marion to collect shoes for the program indefinitely.

The shoes will then be sent to Western Kentucky Correction Complex where they will be sorted and sold. The money

that comes back to the county from the recycled shoes will then be used for the EDGE Outreach program.

"I think its a really good project for the county to get involved in," Newcom said.

The water purification systems are simply PVC pipe, salt and a car battery. This system has the ability to purify 50,000 gallons of water a day. EDGE trains villagers to install, maintain and repair the system. A civic organization, church or missionary that is stationed in the community stays in touch with EDGE so items can be replaced as needed. EDGE also provide health education to the people of the communities teaching them to help themselves.

State's jobless rate below 9 percent

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's unemployment rate fell below nine percent for the first time in three years, dropping to 8.8 percent in January 2012 from nine percent the month before. Additionally, rates for individual rates dropped in 114 of the state's 120 counties, including Crittenden County, from January 2011.

"For the first time since January 2009 Kentucky's unemployment rate is below the nine-percent mark after having peaked at 10.7 percent just two years ago in January 2010," said economist Manoj Shanker of the Office of Employment and Training (OET). "Overall the employment indicators are moving in the right direction. An employment gain of nearly 1,300 from the previous month and a drop in unemployment of around 4,000 easily offset the net decline in the labor force."

In Crittenden County, the jobless rate was 8.5 percent in the most recent reporting period, up from 7.3 percent in December 2011, but down from an even 10 percent in

Jobless rate up from December

Listed below are the jobless rates for select counties listed from the state's lowest in January 2012 to the highest with area counties of interest listed between. Webster County had the lowest January 2012 rate in far western Kentucky while Fulton County had the highest in the commonwealth

COUNTY	JAN. 2012	DEC. 2011	JAN. 2011
Woodford.....	6.9	6.0	8.5
Webster.....	7.2	7.9	8.2
Union.....	7.8	7.1	9.0
Caldwell.....	8.3	7.3	9.4
Crittenden.....	8.5	7.3	10.0
Livingston.....	9.8	8.9	11.4
Lyon.....	10.7	9.4	12.1
Fulton.....	17.7	15.8	12.9

than the 363 without a job in Crittenden County, where the 21st smallest labor force is reported.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 6.9 percent. It was followed by Webster County, 7.2 percent. Fulton County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 17.7 percent.

OET reports the statewide January 2012 jobless rate was 1.1 percentage points below the 9.9 percent rate recorded for the state in January 2011. The state's January 2012 rate is the lowest since the January 2009 rate of 8.9 percent.

Meantime, the U.S. jobless rate fell to 8.3 percent in January 2012 from 8.5 percent in December 2011, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Preliminary estimates show that since January 2011 the state has added about 19,600 jobs for an employment level of 1,884,484. The number of unemployed has fallen by more than 22,800 over the same period,

said Shanker.

Seven of the 11 major non-farm job sectors reported an employment increase in January 2012.

"The prolonged recession has made primary employers wary about the signs of recovery. Instead of expanding their core workforce these employers first contract with employment service companies. Employment for business and technical consultants, as well as temporary help agencies have surged because of this wait-and-see attitude," said Shanker.

In Marion, Invensys has been one of those employers to have relied on temporary job placement agencies, primarily People Plus, Inc.

Construction sector jobs rose by 1,800 in January 2012. Since January 2011, employment in the construction sector has increased by 1,300 jobs.

"The unusually mild winter has caused traditional spring construction activities to move into December and January," said Shanker.

LIVESTOCK REPORT

LEDBETTER AUCTION RESULTS FROM USDA MARKET NEWS

Tuesday, March 20, 2012
KDOA-USDA Market News

Livingston County Livestock Auction
Ledbetter Auction (cattle weighed upon arrival)

Receipts: 720 head.
Compared to last week: Slaughter cows and bulls steady. Feeder steers 3.00-4.00 lower. Feeder heifers unevenly steady.

Slaughter Cows Breaker 75-80%
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
11 800-1200 1065 73.00-80.00 76.26
11 1200-1600 1320 72.00-80.00 75.51
2 1200-1600 1412 81.00-85.00 82.90 HD
2 1200-1600 1445 65.00-69.00 67.00 LD

Slaughter Cows Boner 80-85%
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 700-800 795 70.00 70.00
20 800-1200 1069 64.00-71.00 68.68
1 800-1200 1155 61.00 61.00 LD
3 1200-1600 1357 68.00-74.00 70.78
1 1200-1600 1275 65.00 65.00 LD

Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90%
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 700-800 740 54.00 54.00
15 800-1200 959 54.00-65.00 61.83

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 1000-1500 1495 100.00 100.00
6 1500-3000 1843 100.00-104.50 101.88
1 1500-3000 1815 99.00 99.00 LD

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 1500-3000 1795 97.00 97.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
6 200-300 261 208.00-230.00 212.30
16 300-400 338 200.00-232.50 207.13
18 400-500 446 180.00-194.00 183.13
12 500-600 519 164.00-175.00 168.89
2 600-700 618 151.00-155.00 152.98
2 800-900 872 109.00-110.00 109.49

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 200-300 250 187.50 187.50
5 300-400 390 187.00-192.00 191.01

1 400-500 480 174.00 174.00
4 500-600 554 145.00-160.00 156.48

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 100-200 155 220.00 220.00
6 200-300 253 188.00-200.00 192.23
13 300-400 339 173.00-187.00 180.51
55 400-500 436 158.00-173.50 164.95
53 500-600 543 147.00-160.00 155.76
21 600-700 673 122.00-132.00 129.85
1 700-800 730 123.00 123.00

Groups: 24 head 539 lbs 160.00 BLK

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
2 200-300 359 180.00-200.00 191.71
27 300-400 374 140.00-171.00 165.35
6 400-500 459 120.00-153.00 136.66
16 500-600 567 118.00-145.00 137.41
3 600-700 637 109.00-119.00 114.21
1 700-800 785 107.00 107.00
3 800-900 805 91.00 91.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
14 300-400 359 180.00-200.00 191.71
36 400-500 452 176.00-194.00 179.76
28 500-600 563 150.00-166.00 156.86
28 600-700 662 138.00-144.00 139.81
2 700-800 728 121.00-127.00 123.91
9 800-900 844 114.00-114.50 114.39

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2
Head Wt Range Avg Wt Price Range Avg Price
1 300-400 365 150.00 150.00
7 400-500 472 158.00-171.00 166.05
3 500-600 547 122.00-145.00 134.05
5 600-700 684 126.50-128.00 126.75

Stock Cows: Cows 4 to 8 years old and 6 to 8 months bred 760.00-1300.00 per head.

Stock Cow/Cal Pairs: Cows 4 to 8 years old with calves at side 1075.00-1325.00 per pair.

Baby Calves: Beef Breeds: 160.00 per head.

Market Specialist: Chip Stewart
Source: Kentucky Department of Agriculture-USDA
Market News, Louisville, Ky.
Phone: (502) 582-5287
Web: www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/sv_ls150.txt

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Lafarge cuts 8 jobs from Cave In Rock Quarry

STAFF REPORT

A France-based company that operates four nearby aggregate quarries and cement plants will be cutting dozens of jobs at its two southern Illinois facilities, including one in Cave In Rock, Ill., due "to the continued challenging economic environment in the United States," according to a Lafarge North America news release issued last Thursday.

Construction industry

woes that have seen the sale of cement reduced by 44 percent since 2006, according to the Portland Cement Association, have forced Lafarge to shut down one of its two kilns at its Joppa, Ill., cement plant. The closure was immediate, according to the release.

With roughly half the Joppa facility shut down with the closure of Kiln 2, the 105 jobs at the Joppa facility were reduced immediately to meet operating

demands. Consequently 36 of the positions at the Joppa plant were eliminated, in addition to some employees at Lafarge's neighboring Cave In Rock quarry, where 53 were employed.

"The Cave In Rock quarry will have eight employees affected by the (Joppa) Kiln 2 mothballing," said Lafarge communications director Joëlle Lipski-Rockwood last Thursday. "They were notified this morning."

It is uncertain if any of

the eight jobs lost at Cave In Rock were filled by local employees.

Lafarge will continue to operate the plant's cement Kiln 1 at Joppa.

Workers at Lafarge's aggregate quarries recently obtained from Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. — Fredonia, Three Rivers Quarry in Smithland and Rosiclare, Ill. — will not be affected by the maneuver, Lipski-Rockwood said. Several people from Crittenden County work for Lafarge at its four area quarries.

session of an open alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle, failure to wear a seat belt, reckless driving, improper passing, improper or failure to signal, failure to produce an insurance card and other infractions.

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Curtis was lodged in the Crittenden County Detention Center. He was scheduled to be arraigned in Crittenden District Court Wednesday morning.

Man facing multiple charges after chase

STAFF REPORT

A Webster County man is facing a dozen charges following a two-county chase that ended on Long Branch Road in Crittenden County Friday.

Kentucky State Police initiated a traffic stop on Donald G. Curtis, 43, of Blackford just before 10 p.m., in Union County. Trooper Boston Hensley had observed the driver of a pickup disregard a stop sign and he noticed that the vehicle's license plate was not illuminated.

When Trooper Hensley ac-

tivated his blue lights, the pickup sped away on U.S. 60 East into Crittenden County. The trooper followed the pickup to Mattoon where it turned on Ky. 654 North. From there, the chase continued along Baker Hollow Road and Ky. 365 North to Long Branch Road where Curtis crashed the truck.

The suspect was arrested without further incident and charged with DUI second offense, first-degree fleeing or evading police, speeding 26 mph over the limit, operating on suspended license, pos-

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Work to halt traffic on Tennessee River bridge

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A contractor for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) plans to start repair work on the U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge at Ledbetter today (Thursday). The bridge is currently posted with a strictly enforced three-ton load limit which essentially limits traffic on the bridge to passenger vehicles and unloaded standard pick-up trucks.

Some traffic restrictions and a night closure will be required to facilitate this work. The repair project is aimed at maintaining safety of the bridge structure while a new bridge is being constructed

upstream.

Tonight, the bridge will be closed to all traffic for about six hours to allow the contractor to place equipment and materials atop one of the bridge piers to prepare for the start of repairs. The bridge will be closed to all traffic from 8 p.m., to 2 a.m., Friday.

Following the closure, work on the bridge substructure over the following two weeks can be completed under the bridge deck with only minimal traffic disruptions.

Starting April 6, the U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge will be restricted to one-lane traffic around the clock with alternating flow controlled by an

automated signal. Traffic delays should be less than five minutes. The one-lane traffic should remain in place around the clock through April 13 to allow the replacement of a deck expansion joint. During this phase of work the bridge will be restricted to a maximum 7.5-foot load width.

An enhanced police presence continues to enforce the three-ton load limit and 35 mph speed limit on the bridge.

Intech, Inc., of Lexington, is the prime contractor on this \$94,974 bridge repair project. The transportation cabinet plans to provide timely updates as this work progresses.

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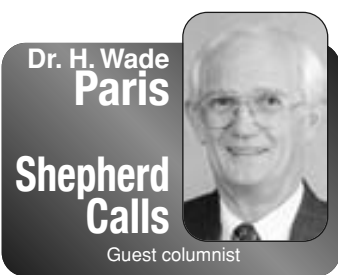
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Church notes

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


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

■ Pleasant Grove Baptist Church will have revival beginning at 7 p.m., April 2 and ending as God leads. Evangelist will be Bro. Barry Cullen.

■ There will be a community Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m., April 7 at Lola Pentecostal Church. There will be egg hunts for all ages, including adults. There will be prizes, hotdogs, popcorn and more. For more information, call 988-2190.

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

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



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Pastor Mike Jones



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Marion, Kentucky

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Church notes

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

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

■ Pleasant Grove Baptist Church will have revival beginning at 7 p.m., April 2 and ending as God leads. Evangelist will be Bro. Barry Cullen.

■ There will be a community Easter egg hunt at 10 a.m., April 7 at Lola Pentecostal Church. There will be egg hunts for all ages, including adults. There will be prizes, hotdogs, popcorn and more. For more information, call 988-2190.

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

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



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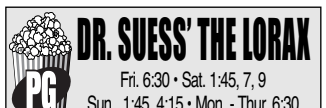
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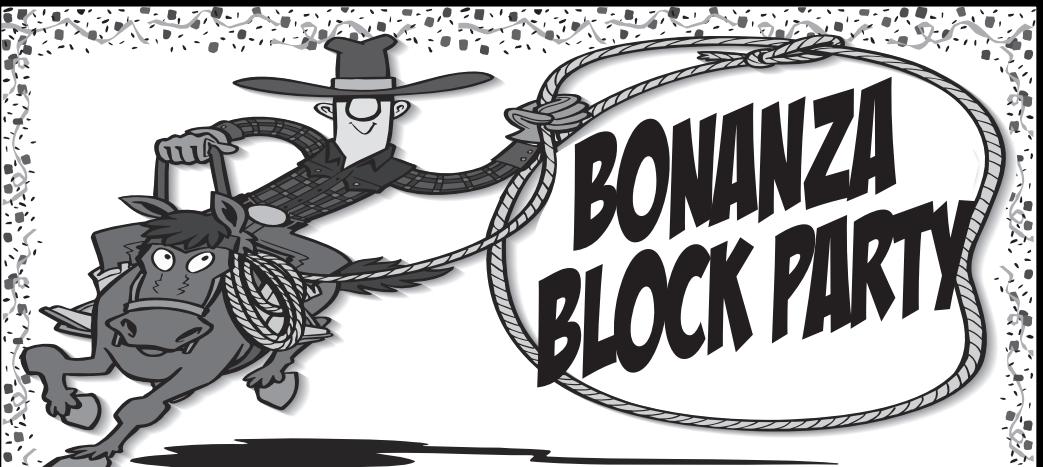
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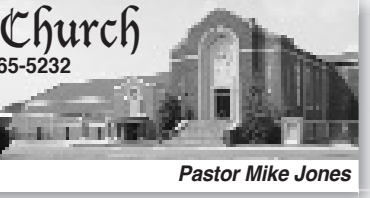
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Transportation Cabinet adjusts speed limits in Livingston County

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KyTC) has lowered the speed limit to 35 mph on the U.S. 60 Ledbetter Bridge and its approaches. Officials say the change will improve traffic safety on the bridge while the three-ton load limit is in place.

Due to the detours caused by the weight restriction on the bridge, Cabinet officials are also changing the speed limit to 45 mph on Ky. 937/Cut Off Road in Livingston County between U.S. 60 and Ky. 453.

This reduced speed limit is to help maintain safety due to increased traffic and heavier vehicles that are using Ky. 937

as an alternate route while a strictly enforced three-ton load limit remains on the U.S. 60 Tennessee River Bridge at Ledbetter.

This 45 mph speed limit posting extends the entire length of Ky. 937.

Meantime, Gov. Steve Beshear last week announced the award of an emergency contract to repair and reopen the damaged Eggners Ferry Bridge over Kentucky Lake by Memorial Day weekend – saving the crucial summer tourism season for the region around Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area.

The low bid for the contract was \$7 million.

ROADS

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counties.

Rep. Mike Cherry (D-Princeton) is optimistic the allotted House funding for U.S. 641, if maintained in the Senate version, will be enough to complete the project. When current work on an \$18.6 million grade and drain phase for the new roadway is complete, the additional funding should be enough to pave and connect the new road with existing highways in Marion and Fredonia.

Coming into the current session of the legislature, both Cherry and Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) pledged to do all they could to keep funding for completion of the first phase of U.S. 641 from slipping to “out years” of the commonwealth’s six-year road plan. The out years are the final four years of the plan, which reflect only proposed funding and are not backed by money set aside in the actual road budget.

“Slippage was always the main concern,” Cherry said.

Work on Phase II of the relocation of U.S. 641 from Fredonia to Interstate 69 is also included in the road budget, with \$3.12 million slated for 2013 for design work.

Meantime, a long overdue bridge replacement project could be assured of funding for the first time. Though funding for replacing the U.S.



Cherry

60 bridge over the Cumberland River at Smithland has been found in the out years of the state’s road plan, never has it had funding set aside in the first two years of the road budget.

“The plan identifies \$2 million in 2012 for design, \$650,000 in 2015 for land acquisition and utility relocation and \$31 million for construction in 2018,” Cherry said in his weekly column. “This time frame is about as aggressive as could be expected for a project of this magnitude.

The 14-year state representative calls it a project whose time has come.

“I’m proud I could get this project included as I near the end of my final legislative session as a state representative,” he said. “This project will give our region a tremendous boost.”

The funding source for the overpass is the federal bridge replacement program.

“The need for a new bridge has been clear for quite a while, so I’m hopeful we can make this new bridge a reality in the next few years,” Cherry said. “The General Assembly has worked hard to make sure that our long-range road plans stay on target, so that also bodes well for our region.”

Like its U.S. 60 sister bridge over the Tennessee River at Ledbetter, which should be replaced by mid-2014, the Cumberland River bridge was built in 1931.

The House passed the road plan 88-4, with Cherry backing the measure. A final version of the transportation budget is expected to be signed by Gov. Steve Beshear before mid-April.

The Press OBITUARIES

Lacy

Dr. Dennis G. Lacy, 76, of Marion died Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at Crittenden Health Systems.

He was a retired superintendent of Crittenden County schools, member of the Professional Education Standards Board, 1993 Dupree Award Winner for Superintendent of the Year; member of Marion Christian Church, 43-year member of Eddyville, Ill., Masonic Lodge No. 672 and veteran of the U.S. Air Force.

Lacy is survived by his wife, Nancy Lacy of Marion; one daughter, Lynette Lacy Sylvester of Salem, Ore.; two sons, Jason Lacy of Steamboat Springs, Colo., and Dennis Lee Lacy of Hopkinsville; two grandchildren, Lacy Anne Leete of Salem, Ore., and Declan Dennis Lacy of Steamboat Springs; two brothers, Dudley Lacy of Hopkinsville and Frederick T. Lacy of Louisville.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Edward and Daisy Irene Lacy, and one brother, Jeffery Lacy.

Services were Sunday at Crittenden County High School’s Rocket Arena with interment in Rosebud Cemetery. Gilbert Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



Lacy

Driver

Hazel Alfreda Driver, 78, of Grand Rivers died Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah.

She was a member of Marion Baptist Church.

Driver is survived by five daughters; Shirley Puckett and Barbara Woodall, both of Marion, Betty Cowen of Lincoln, Ill., Velda McKinney of Salem and Greta Riley of Grand Rivers; two sons, Rueben Driver of Salem and Donnie Driver of Sarasota, Fla.; two sisters, Faye Dae of Ledbetter and Donna Munsch of Paducah; 25 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ruble Driver; three children; one sister; and her parents, Orville and Elsie Wright Cox.

Graveside services were Saturday at Tyner’s Chapel Cemetery with Bro. Harold Rittenberry officiating.

Boyd Funeral Directors was in charge of services.

Rawls

Gregory Lee “Greg” Rawls, 50, of Princeton, Ind., died Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at Deaconess Hospital in Evansville.

He was a supervisor at Mid-States Rubber Products in Princeton.

Rawls is survived by his wife, Ginger Rawls of Princeton; parents, Dick and Judy Rawls of Princeton; one brother, David Rawls of Princeton; two step-children, Sarah Buchanan of Princeton and Joshua and wife Emily Buchanan of Ponconning, Mich.; and three step-granddaughters, Samantha and Hollie Buchanan and Candice Beyer.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, LaMoine and Flora Wilson Eastwood and Olen and Ellen Turner Rawls.

Funeral services were Saturday at Colvin Funeral Home in Princeton with Rev. Brian Cook and Rev. Lisa Schubert officiating. Burial was in Maple Hill Cemetery in Princeton.

Condolences may be expressed online at www.colvinfuneralhome.com.



Rawls

Hoover

Ada Ilene “Adalene” Hoover, 96, of Livonia Mich., formerly of Marion, died Friday, March 9, 2012.

She is survived by two daughters, Vickie and husband Sam Smoker and Joyce and husband Doug Wells; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three nieces, Jeanne C. Lynn, Sharon C. Miles and Jayne C. Hill, all of Marion.

Hoover was preceded in death by her husband, William Hoover; her parents, Robert Reed and Ona Mae Simpson Clark; and two brothers, James Carlton Clark and Robert Eugene Clark.

Interment was in Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. A celebration of Hoover’s life will be held Saturday.

Memorial donations may be made to: Samaritan’s Purse International Relief, P.O. Box 3000, Boone, NC 28807.



Hoover

Eskew

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

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

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

She is survived by three daughters, Martha Odom, Carol Borgeson and Janice Goff; two sons, Jack Eskew and Jim Eskew; two sisters Sylvia Martin and Lillian Elliott; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were March 13 at Anderson-McQueen Funeral Home in St. Petersburg.

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



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Happy Feet kicks off first fundraiser

The Happy Feet Equals Learning Feet organization held its first fundraiser Saturday. Forty participants, young and old alike, showed up to break a sweat at the event, to help raise money for the Crittenden County Family Resource Center to hand out new pairs of shoes to students who need them. Students Catherine Starrett and Charity Conyer (left) join in the fun Saturday, dressing head to toe in green to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The cost of the event was \$10 or a new pair of shoes. Family Resource Director and Community Educator Holly White said 10 pairs of new shoes were donated during the zumbathon. If anyone is interested in donating to the organization, please call White at 965-3525.

Crittenden County honor roll

Following is a list of Honor Roll recipients at Crittenden County elementary, middle and high Schools:

3rd grade All As

Gabe Mott, Cole Swinford, Leah Fritts, Trace Adams, Lily Berry, Tyler Boone, James Crider, Lily Gardner, Kaiden Hollis, Cameron Howard, Xander Tabor, Charity Conyer, Braxton Winders, Matthia Long, Kenlee McDaniel and Caden McCalister.

3rd grade All As and Bs

Isaac Kennedy, Jalaine Noel, Quinn Templeton, Anthony Forbes, Dominic Rorer, Nahla Callaway, Kalli Champion, Audrey Croft, Ian Ellington, Douglas Ford, Taylor Koerner, Hailey Mathieu, Jasper Morrison, Chandler Moss, Ben Dobyns, Lathen Easley, Amanda Estes, Jada Hayes, Southern Pate, Chase Stevens, Laela Turner, Austin Valentine, Isabella Holloman, Landen Crider, Kate Keller, Ally Newman, Lilly Perryman, Tate Roberts, Seth Sarles and Jonathan Snow.

4th grade All As

Hannah Bell, Kirsten DeBoe, Ellie Smith, Tanner Way, Shelby Brown, Jaycie Driver, Lauren Gilchrist, Dougie Conger, Kyron Hicks, Jenna Potter, Shelby Cooper, Cortne Curnel and Riley Gobin.

4th grade All As and Bs

Autumn Derby, Anzie Gobin, Emma Herrin, Lynzee Lynn, Emmie Smith, Gavin Davidson, Ashleigh Dunkerson, Logan Henderson, Skyler James, Hunter Jones, Micheal Todd Kirk, Loren Morris, Justin Phillips, Cassie Starrett, Skye Terzero, Morgan Barnes, Jaimie Burt, Jayden Carlson, Chase Day, Trinity Hayes, Lee Hughes, Michael P. Kirk, Ellie McGowan, Kyonna Ross, Ethan Stone, Emma Stoner, Harley Wesley, Dillan West, Mackenzie Dennis, Courtney Hall, Katie Mathieu, Elizabeth Pansano, Trevor Peppler, Jordan Urbanowski and Zack Weath-

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Paige Gilbert, Devon Nesbitt, Payton Riley, Shelby Summers, Sydney Taylor, Madison Conger, Gavin Dickerson, Hanna Easley, Hannah Cooksey, Ethan Dossett, Shea Martin and Kenlee Perryman.

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6th grade All As

Emmalea Barnes, Adam Beavers, Logan Belt, Landon Brooks, Rachel Butler, Mauri Collins, Carson Easley, Madison O'Dell, Alyssa Snow and Samuel Winders.

6th grade All As and Bs

Nicole Adams, Ricky Adkins, Emma Atchinson, Bailey Barnes, Ryan Belt, Kyle Castiller, Madison Champion, Trent Champion, Kyle Collins, Ross Crider, Clay Croft, Lauryn Faulkner, Mason Hunt, Jacob Kelley, Bailey Priest, Noah Sallin, Dayton Simpkins, Marylinda Sisco, Matthew Spannuth, Clay Stevens, Hayley Stinnett, Megan Tabor, Christian White, Corbin Wilson, Maelen Witherspoon, Chaylee Wolf, Katlin Young and Texas Young.

7th grade All As

Sabrina Burris, Kaylee Graham, Emily Hall, Bristen Holeman, Brennan Jones, Jared Lundy, Cassidy Moss, Darren Paris, Cali Parish, Dylan Rushing, Bobby Glen Stephens, Emily Tinsley, Michaela West and Kaitlynn Wheeler.

7th grade All As and Bs

Courtney Beverly, Jessi Brewer, Lane Champion, Ainsley Croft, Jake Ellington, Meredith Evans, Kayla Ford, Regan Frazer, Morgan Gerhardt, Mckenzie Gilland, Jacob Hackney, Hannah Hardin, Ethan Hunt, Charlie Johnson, Syndey Leibenguth, Amanda Lynch, Landry McKinney, Gage Moore, Francesca Pierce, Nathan Piper, Paxton Riley, Emily Robertson, Shelby Robinson, Austin Salisbury, Macey Shoulders, Jason Smith, Johnathan Smith, James Stone, Alexis Tabor, Tanna Thompson, Will Tolley and Adam Wright.

8th grade All As

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Chelsea Oliver, Emily Roman, Mason Ryan, Haylee Skees, Tahla Trail, Sara Watson, Sean Watson, Christopher Winders, Paige Winterheimer, Alex Yates and Landon Young.

10th grade All As

Bailey Brown, Brittany Buell, Harley Butler, Maggie Collins, Taylor Fritts, Travis Gilbert, Micah Hollamon, Marcus Hughes, Grishma Patel, Brenden Phillips, Anna Schnittker, Leah Scott and Addam Whitt.

10th grade All As and Bs

Ashley Collyer, Ashley Cooper, Dylan Doyle, Peyton Guess, Ashley Henager, McKenzie Hewitt, Paige Hicks, Hayden McConnell, Erin McDonald, Dustin Perry, Lindsey Sizemore, Adam Watson, Abby Whitney and Amber Wright.

11th grade All As

Elizabeth Brown, Devin Clark, Stacie Hearrell Shanahan Henry, Bobby Knox, Brittany Lemon and Thomas Scott.

11th grade All As and Bs

Callie Doom, Dylan Downs, Tucker Frazer, Kaylee Gibson, Ashley Harris, Alyssa Leet, Taylor Lynch, Kaylin McConnell, Abby Mills, Casey Roberts, Hannah Roberts and Terra Williams.

12th grade All As

Brody Bruns, Emily Bruns, Rain Carroll, Wesley Cox, Ragon Dossett, Amelia Gilley, Jenna Lynn, Matt O'Dell, Tina Reynolds, Emily Shewcraft, Stacia Snow and Madison Travis.

12th grade All As and Bs

Michael Adams, Corey Berry, Corey Bruns, Elliott Day, Wes Evers, Mark Farmer, Dominique LaPlante, Jeremiah Markham, Korey Mayes, Dahlia McDaniel, Jenna Odom, Cody Pinson, Jacob Tabor and Matthew Thurby.

To toss or not to toss

Many of us are familiar with the "sell-by," "best if used by" and "use-by" dates that appear on food products. These dates are expiration dates that provide information on the quality of products purchased. Many consumers do not use or throw away products that have passed these dates. Knowing what these dates mean help consumers make better decisions on product quality, what to keep, what to toss and when.

Types of Dates

■ The "Sell-By" date lets the store know how long they should display a product for sale. It is best to buy food products before this date expires.

■ The "Best if Used By" or "Best Before" date is the date recommended for best flavor or quality of the product. This is not a purchase by or safety date. If you have food in the refrigerator or in home storage and these dates expire, the food item should still be safe to use. However, the quality of the product begins to decline after this date.

■ The "Use-By" date is the last date recommended for the use of the product for peak quality. This date, determined by the manufacturer, refers to best quality and not safety dates. Products that pass the "use-by" date are still safe to use if handled properly and kept at a temperature of 40°F or below.

■ The "closed or coded dates" are packing numbers used by the manufacturer of the food product.



Because the product dates are not a good indication of whether or not the product is safe the following guidelines should help you tell how long foods can be stored and whether food is still at its best quality.

■ Purchase food products before the expiration date.

■ Store perishable foods at the correct temperature immediately after purchase.

■ If perishable foods are frozen when in a good condition and the date expires while the food is frozen, the food is still safe for use. Foods keep frozen continually are safe indefinitely.

■ Follow the direction on the package on how to handle and store foods.

Follow the refrigerator storage time for fresh or uncooked products. Remember, foods must be stored at 40°F or below. After purchase:

■ Chicken, turkey, ground beef and uncooked sausage should be stored in the refrigerator no longer than one or two days.

■ Processed products, such as cooked poultry, can be stored for three to four days.

■ Bacon can be stored for two weeks if unopened and seven days after opening.

■ Eggs can be stored for three to five weeks.



Trimble - Riley

Sheryl and Kirkland Barrett of Smithland and Daniel and Melissa Trimble of Mayfield announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Brittany Danielle, to Kurt Michael Riley, son of Mike and Marilyn Riley of Salem.

Trimble is the granddaughter of Judy Riley of Paducah and the late Gerald Riley, Susan Cissell of Paducah and the late Samuel E. Trimble, Sr.

She is a 2005 graduate of Livingston Central High School and a 2009 cum laude graduate of Murray State University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She is employed by Paducah Public Schools as a teacher at Morgan Element-

tary.

Riley is the grandson of Mary Helen Head of Burna and the late Grover C. Head, Jr., the late Lois Croft and the late Vernon E. Riley, Jr.

He is a 2006 graduate of Livingston Central High School and a 2010 graduate of Murray State University with a bachelor's degree in agricultural science and occupational safety and health. He is employed by Pine Bluff Sand and Gravel of Salem.

Wedding vows will be exchanged at 2 p.m., March 31 at Heartland Worship Center in Paducah. All friends and relatives are invited to attend the ceremony. A reception will follow at MG Banquet Hall in Lone Oak.

Births

Dees

Chris and Keri Dees of Covington announce the birth of a son, Braxton James Dees, Jan. 25 at Christ Hospital in Cincinnati. Braxton weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces and was 21¼ inches long.

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

Paternal grandparents are Mike and Joyce Dees of Grants Lick, Ky., and Jiff and Cindy Branley of Covington. Paternal great-grandparents are Imogene Dees of Highland Heights and the late James Dees and Elaine Brenning of Fort Thomas and the late Donald Brenning. Braxton has a sister, Addison Elizabeth.



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4-Hers interview successful business people

At their regular meeting Feb. 15, members of the Rocket 4-H Club were able to meet and learn from both past and present business owners. As a part of the club project, "Voices From the Past," members interviewed Ronald "Tink" Hicklin, previous owner of the local dry cleaning business, and Frank Pierce, current owner. Members also interviewed Ethel Tucker, successful businesswoman and author, as well as Elliot West, owner and partner of Bowtanicals Gift Shop. Pictured above are (seated) Pierce, West, Tucker, Hicklin; (middle) Nate Haire, Dallas Haire and Sarah Valle; (back) Marcus Tinsley, Mason Haire, Dylan Hicks, Sylvana Hunt, Elizabeth Tosh, Anna Bryant and Raj Patel.



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Homemakers place at Penryrile Area Extension arts display in Princeton

Crittenden County Extension Homemakers had 14 of their 20 entries place at the Penryrile Area Extension Homemaker Cultural Arts Display in Princeton on Feb. 23. Extension Homemakers from nine counties participated in the event. Those who placed first were Sarah Ford, heritage scrapbooking; and Barbara Gillihan, pieced apparel (both pictured above). Second place finishers were Pat Connor, crochet; Cindy Davidson, basic sewing; Gillihan, novelty apparel and natural art; Nancy Lanham, accessory and hand-pieced quilt; and Debbie Padgett, embroidery. Third place finishers were Ford, machine-pieced quilt; Gillihan, handmade toy, Tabby Tinsley, color photography and scrapbooking and Kim Vince, black and white photography. Local volunteers assisting at the event included Pat Connor, Sharon Giltz, Lanham, Ford, Davidson and Gillihan.

Chamber of Commerce seeking nominations for awards banquet

STAFF REPORT

The Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce will host its annual awards dinner where several members of the community will be awarded. Nominations from the public will be accepted through April 6. The awards committee will then select the winners.

Criteria for the awards are as follows:

■ **Chamber Person of the year.** This is the Chamber's most coveted award and recognizes an individual(s) for outstanding leadership through community service, generally, over a period of time. The individual(s) selected always puts the community first and offers to do the often thankless jobs.

■ **Community pride.** This award is given to a business or organization demonstrating pride in their community by either improvements made to their own establishment or improvements to a public facility/property.

■ **Unsung Hero.** This award is presented to an individual who has made a difference in our community but has not received public recognition for their contributions.

Often this will be the "behind the scenes" person who gets the project completed or makes sure everything is done. Often they help other gain recognition. Sometimes this will be an individual whose accomplishments are known only to a small group or a soft-hero award for less than life-saving but a "Paul Revere" type.

■ **Volunteer of the Year.** This award recognizes an individual for outstanding volunteer service in Crittenden County. The individual performs their volunteer service on their own time and is not compensated financially. Nominations must be in writing and explain why the individual should be selected.

■ **Customer Service.** This is to recognize an individual who goes beyond the normal demands of their job to give customer service that is believed to be extraordinary. The individual does not have

to be a Chamber member but the business to which the individual is associated must be. Nominations must be in writing and explain why the individual should be selected.

Nominations can be made by calling Susan Alexander at 965-5015.



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Pictured above are the new Woman's Club officers. They are (from left) Susan Alexander, first vice president of KFWC; Nancy Hunt, Woman's Club of Marion president; Becky Zahrtre, vice president; Roberta Shewmaker, corresponding secretary; and Barbara Myers, treasurer. Not pictured: Cindy Davidson, recording secretary.

Woman's Club holds annual meeting, announces new officers

On March 7, the Woman's Club of Marion met at the club room for its annual meeting. After the Pledge of Allegiance and devotion, Nancy Hunt read her report on club activities. Some of the programs for 2011 include Car Care for Women, Quilt Show, Gala, Children's Tea Party, 91st Anniversary Luncheon, Skin Care, Election Day Lunch, Holiday Home Tour and speakers on education in Crittenden County and Coalition for a Drug Free Community.

A pewter ice bucket was purchased by the club in memory of Helen Lewis, a long time member. Barbara Wight was honored for her

many hours of service to the club with an honorary membership.

The nominating committee presented the slate of officers for the next two years. President, Nancy Hunt; Vice President, Becky Zahrtre; Treasurer, Barbara Myers; Recording Secretary, Cindy Davidson; Corresponding Secretary, Roberta Shewmaker. These were elected and installed by Susan Alexander, KFWC 1st Vice President, who presented each with a flower that symbolized her office. Alexander was also the Federation speaker for this meeting and has been nominated for President of

Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs. The Woman's Club is fortunate to have her as a member.

The annual quilt show at the club will be held April 27. Drop off items between 9-10 a.m. The show will be held from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Next meeting will be April 5 at 6:30 p.m., with Sharon Linn, an artist as the speaker. Program chair is Susan Christensen. Donnetta Travis has the devotion. Hostess committee is Sandy Urbanowski, Cindy Davidson, Janell Pyle, Melissa Tabor, Donnetta Travis, Phyllis Wright and Becky Zahrtre.

ThePressCALENDAR

Thursday, March 22

■ The Crittenden County High School Site Base Decision Making council will meet at 4 p.m., today (Thursday) in the CCHS teachers' workroom.

Saturday, March 24

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

Ongoing

■ The 2012 Rockette Yearbooks are now on sale. Cost is \$30 and can be with cash or check through March 30. Beginning April 1, yearbooks can only be purchased with cash. See Deonna McCord on Tuesdays or Thursdays in room 110 to purchase yearbooks. They will be delivered in August.

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

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

Upcoming

■ The Crittenden County School District will be on spring break April 2-9. There will not be school on April 10, as well.

■ Western Baptist Hospital will have a free grandparenting class from 5-6 p.m., April 3 in the Atrium classroom in the doctors office building. The class provides grandparents and older caregivers with updated information, safety tips and a refresher on how to care for grandchildren. For


more information or to register, call 575-2229.

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

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


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Saturday, March 31, 2012
2:00 p.m. at
Deer Creek Baptist Church
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are invited to attend.

3rd Annual

We would like to invite all Head Start through 5th grade girls to attend.

ATTIRE: Sunday Dress
WHEN: Saturday, March 24, 2012
TIME: 6-8 P.M.
WHERE: CCES Multipurpose Room
Admission: Early registration is \$10 per couple.
The cost per couple will be \$15 at the dance.

Admission includes refreshments and a corsage.
Pictures will be available for purchase at the dance.
Pictures will begin at 4pm.

This year the Main Street Italian Grill will be donating 10% of each meal purchased for the Father Daughter Dance to the CCES PTO. You must call ahead and make reservations and tell them it is for the Father Daughter Dance. For reservations contact Joan at 270-965-5185.

The PTO is needing Sprite or other clear soft drink 2 liters to be donated for the dance. Please send any donations to the school by Friday, March 23rd.


Cut off and return to school with your child by Friday, March 23rd for early registration.

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Spring Sports Roundup

BASEBALL

Rockets encounter tough Henderson foe

Crittenden stood toe-to-toe with Henderson County – one of the best teams in the Second Region – before fading in the fourth inning Monday.

At Henderson, Crittenden trailed 2-1 after three, but the Colonels (4-0) stacked up five unearned runs in the fourth to pull away toward a 10-run rule after five. Henderson won the game 14-4.

Travis Gilbert started for the Rockets and got the decision after four innings and four strikeouts. He gave up seven hits and two earned runs.

Wes Evers hit a three-run homer for Crittenden, his first of the season. Gilbert doubled. Those were the only two hits for the Rockets (1-2).

Webster bests CCHS

Webster County (4-3) beat Crittenden 8-3 at Dixon last week. The Rockets got five hits in the game as Gilbert, Evers, Zac Knight, Devin Belt and Aaron Owen were the only players to reach base safely. Webster's pitching walked no one. Gilbert, Maeson Myers, a

pinch runner, and Owen scored the Rockets' only runs. Belt went five innings for the Rockets and got the decision. He yielded three earned runs, eight hits and walked two. The Rockets will be at University Heights Thursday and at St. Mary in Paducah on Saturday.

TRACK

Squads split opener

Crittenden County's track and field squads split their opening match at Caldwell County last week. The boys won handily and the girls lost by just 32 points. The match was considered a home meet for Crittenden although held at Princeton. Crittenden's track at City-County Park is in such ill repair CCHS cannot host meets there.

GIRLS

TEAM SCORES: Caldwell 84, Crittenden 52.

Crittenden individual results
100 hurdles 2. A.Collyer 21.59, 4. E.McDonald 26.41.
300 hurdles 3. A.Collyer 1:08.16, 4. E.McDonald 1:08.34, 5. T.Johnson 1:11.59, 6. R.Williamson 1:17.19.
Triple Jump 1. A.Collyer 25-1½, 2. E.McDonald 22-2¼, 3. K.Gib-

son, 19-0.
100 meters 3. K.Moss, 13.8; 4. B.Brown 14.02, 5. R.Dossett 14.3.
800 meters 1. M.Sitar 4:04, 4. J.McConnell 3:39, 5. M.Mink 4:23.
High jump 3. K.Gibson 3-3.
1600 meters 1. M.Sitar 6:40, 3. A.Schnittker 7:00, 4. J.McConnell 7:37.
200 meters 3. B.Brown 30.83, 4. R.Dossett 34.03.
Long jump 2. K.Moss 12-7½, 4. K.Gibson 9-2.
400 meters 4. B.Yandell 1:21.5, 5. L.Scott 1:23.25.
3200 meters 1. A.Schnittker 16:45, 3. J.McConnell 18:02.
Shot put 3. N.Rizzo 22-6.
Discus 1. N.Rizzo 58-7.
800 Relay 1. Crittenden 2:04.40 (Brown, Yandell, Dossett, Moss).
400 Relay 1. Crittenden 56.68 (Brown, Yandell, Dossett, Moss).
1600 Relay 2. Crittenden 6:59.34 (Scott, McDonald, Shuecraft, Johnson).
3200 Relay 2. Crittenden 12:53 (Sitar, McConnell, Shuecraft, Scott).

BOYS

TEAM SCORES: Crittenden 112, Caldwell 24.
Crittenden individual results
100 hurdles 1. D.Wagoner 20.4, 2. J.Gaston 28.89.

300 hurdles 1. D.Wagoner 52.15, 2. N.Cooper 52.83.
Triple Jump 1. D.Patton 30-4¾, 2. A.Yates 28-6.
100 meters 1. C.Asbridge 12.37, 3. D.Roberts 13.28.
800 meters 1. A.Chambliss 2.28, 3. J.Graham 2.48, 4. J.Suggs 2.58, 5. D.Paris 3.05, 6. C.Hayes 3.24.
High jump 1. N.Cooper 5-0, 2. A.Yates 4-7.
1600 meters 1. A.Chambliss 5:52, 2. J.Berry 5:53, 3. J.Graham 6:13, 4. D.Paris 7:00.
200 meters 1. Z.Tinsley 25.37, 2. A.Yates 26.66, 4. D.Roberts 27.62.
Long jump 1. C.Asbridge 16-10, 2. N.Cooper 15-51/2, 3. D.Wagoner, 4. D. Patton.
400 meters 1. T. Scott 1:01.79, 2. D.Roberts 1:03.10.
3200 meters 1. K.Mayes 15:22, 23. J.Berry 13:28, 4. J.Suggs 14:46.
Shot put 1. E.Day 36-3.
Discus 1. E.Day 94-2.
800 relay 1. Crittenden 1:43.60 (Asbridge, Gaston, Tinsley, Scott).
400 relay 1. Crittenden 49.44 (Asbridge, Gaston, Tinsley, Scott), 2. Crittenden 57.46.
1600 relay 1. Crittenden 4:27.10 (Tinsley, Roberts, Chambliss, Scott), 2. Crittenden 4:59.42.



Devin Belt worked five innings against Webster last week, giving up just three earned runs, but lost 8-3.



Hailey Stewart was hunting with her father in Crittenden County last October when she harvested this nine-pointer.

Stewart bags contest's big buck

Hailey Stewart of North Carolina won the 2011 Youth Big Buck Contest sponsored by Marion Tourism Commission and Hodge's Sports and Apparel.

Stewart harvested her winning deer during the youth hunt in October. Here is her story in her own words:

This was my third youth hunt in Marion with my dad, Allen Stewart. I turned 12 in October and I look forward every year to hunting with my dad.

On Saturday morning last fall, we got up at 4:30 a.m., ate our breakfast and put on

our special Scent-Lok camouflage. We packed our backpack and headed through the woods across the creek and to the stand. I climbed up first and lowered the string down to pull the backpack up. Then my dad climbed up and handed me the gun. My dad used a grunt call several times for about 20 minutes. Suddenly, we saw a huge buck about 150 yards away. I must have moved because it was looking straight at me. As soon as it looked down, dad took the gun off safety. With my heart pounding, I slowly pulled the trigger. The deer ran a few yards and it

dropped. We waited a few minutes to see if any more deer would come out before we climbed down. I think my dad was shocked that I hit him because it was so big.

After what seemed like an eternity, we made our way through the brush and found the deer. It was a nice nine-pointer that had a crab claw on one side. Once we marked the location, we went back to the house to wait on everyone else. After we field dressed the buck, we loaded it up and took it to Hodge's, where it was scored and weighed.

I love coming to Marion. I

was so blessed to get a doe on my first youth hunt while suffering from a high fever and the stomach bug. I wouldn't let my dad take us home. The second trip, I was able to get a spike buck. In 2011, I was able to bag the ultimate nine-pointer!

We enjoy hunting and spending father/daughter time together. We mounted my doe and I have the spike caped out on the end of my bed. The nine-pointer is still at the taxidermist. I can only hope that I will be able to come back this year to continue this tradition with my dad.

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THURSDAY
Baseball at UHA
FRIDAY
Softball at Lone Oak Invitational
SATURDAY
Baseball at St. Mary
Softball at Lone Oak Invitational
MONDAY
Softball hosts Union County
TUESDAY
Baseball at Livingston Central
Softball at Livingston Central
Track at McLean All Corners

BASEBALL

Late fee being waived;
more players needed

Due to an unusually low number of registrants in several of the age divisions, the Crittenden County Dugout Club is waiving its normal late fee for baseball and softball sign ups. The \$15 penalty will not be charged to anyone who registers prior to April 1. The greatest need is for boys in the 9-10 baseball division and girls in 9-10 softball division. Any player ages 4-16 may register at The Crittenden Press or by sending a completed registration form with payment to Dugout Club, PO Box 5, Marion, KY 42064. Registration will close April 14. Registration fee is \$20 for T-ball and \$25 for all other leagues. For more information, contact Chris Evans at 965-3191 or any Dugout Club member. Coaches will contact players about their team assignments after April 1.

Umpires: paid positions

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

Pork chops Friday

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

FOOTBALL

Tebow tickets on sale

With Peyton Manning as the Denver Broncos' new quarterback, speculation is running rampant as to where Tim Tebow will play football next year. Meanwhile, tickets to hear Tebow speak at Graves County High School are becoming more scarce, according to Graves County High School athletic director Doug Gloyd. Tebow will be the featured speaker at "Night with a Champion," sponsored by the Graves County Eagle Foundation at the Eagles' Nest Gymnasium at 6 p.m. Friday, April 20. Tickets for the general public are on sale on a first come, first served basis until they run out. Each individual ticket buyer may purchase as many as six tickets. They're available at GCHS and by phone. Prices are \$25, \$50, \$60, or \$100 per seat, based on location. To learn more, call Gloyd at 674-4884 or 328-4884.

SOCCER

U14 tryouts Saturday

Crittenden youth soccer 14-under select team will have tryouts from 10 a.m., to noon Saturday at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Contact Kory Wheeler for information, 704-0279.

OUTDOORS

Upcoming seasons

Youth Turkey April 7-8
Spring Turkey April 14 - May 6
Spring Squirrel May 19 - June 15



Members of the Crittenden County High School baseball team are (front from left) Maeson Myers, Nick Castiller, Reid Baker, Dylan Hollis, Shelby Robinson, manager Matt Berry, (second row) Taylor Champion, Brenden Phillips, Travis Gilbert, Bryce Willis, Aaron Owen, Wes Evers, Landon Young, (back), coach Jeff Porter, coach Tommy Baker, Zac Knight, Eli Bebout, Colby Watson, Devin Belt, Adam Driver, Noah Dickerson and head coach Nathan McDowell.

2012 Schedule

Date	Team	Time
Mar 12	at Reidland	W
Mar 15	Reidland	Rain
Mar 16	at Webster County	L
Mar 19	at Henderson County	6:00
Mar 22	at University Heights	5:30
Mar 24	St. Mary	1:00
Mar 27	at Livingston Central	5:30
Mar 29	Union County	5:30
Apr 1-6	at Ft Walton Beach, Fla.	
Apr 9	Webster County	5:30
Apr 10	at Fort Campbell	5:30
Apr 12	at Paducah Tilghman	5:30
Apr 14	Heath	1:00
Apr 16	Dawson Springs - All A	Classic
Apr 20	at Trigg County	5:30
Apr 23	at Union County	5:30
Apr 27	University Heights	5:30
Apr 28	Trigg County	1:00
Apr 30	at Lyon County	5:30
May 1	Lyon County	5:30
May 4	Livingston Central	5:30
May 5	at Heath	1:00
May 7	at Caldwell County	5:00
May 8	Fort Campbell	5:30
May 11	Murray	5:45
May 12	Fulton County	1:00
May 12	Fulton County	3:30
May 15	at Murray	5:30
May 17	Henderson County	6:00
May 18	Caldwell County	5:00
May 19	Paducah Tilghman	1:00

CCHS sprinter
joins Midway
Dossett finds nursing
school, then track deal

Ragon Dossett reversed the recruiting roles a bit in her pursuit of a college education funded by an athletic scholarship. First, she located the school she wanted to attend, then she attracted the attention of its track and field coach. The recipe worked just fine. Now, Dossett gets a large financial incentive to study in the nursing program she identified years ago. "I actually found the school when I was in middle school," says Dossett, now an 18-year-old Crittenden County High School senior. In researching nursing programs, Dossett and her mother were both attracted to the scholastic opportunities Midway College offered. The private, all-female school 15 miles southwest of Lexington was just what they were looking for. Dossett has a 3.89 GPA and liked the fact that Midway

has a nearly 100 percent success rate in placing its nursing graduates in jobs. "When I was in middle school I figured you would have to be amazing at track to get a scholarship, but this worked out," Dossett said. A sprinter, she runs the 100-meter dash in 14.3 seconds and the 200 meters in 32 flat. John Davisson, Midway's track coach, projects Dossett as a sprinter and member of relay teams. She runs on the 4x100 and 4x200 squads at Crittenden County. Davisson is also encouraging her to think about some 5K running on the cross country team. Angela Starnes, Crittenden's track and field coach for the last 21 years, said Dossett is the first senior to sign a letter of intent to participate in collegiate track and field. However, Jessica Carder did eventually compete in track at Morehead State. Also, Shana Wheeler

Rockets young, but experienced

Although Crittenden County's baseball team remains on the young side, its fairly well tested. The Rockets have just two seniors and two juniors on the roster. Each of those upperclassmen are starters, and they are among the top returning players from a year ago. Bryce Willis and Wes Evers will play their final seasons with the Rockets. Evers hit a team-high .381 last year in just nine games after transferring from Tennessee. He will play centerfield this season where all-region performer Brian Berry was a fixture a year ago. Evers has a good glove and good speed. In the outfield last year, Evers made just two errors in limited action as a Rocket. Willis is back on the infield. He had a .806 fielding average last year for the 6-22 Rockets. Willis hit .315 last spring. "Last year we had to replace seven starters," said Rocket second-year skipper Nathan McDowell. "Now, they have a season under their belts and our lineup is infused with some new talent, too." Junior Zack Knight is solid at first base. He made just three errors in 13 games last season for a .954 fielding average. He hit .343

and drove in a team-high 16 runs. Eli Bebout, an outfielder and pitcher, is the team's other junior. He can also play first. The Rockets are strong up the middle with Brenden Phillips returning behind the plate and Landon Young at second. Both are underclassmen with plenty of experience. Phillips played in 22 games last season and Young was in a team-high 27. Young has a good glove, which he proved a year ago with a .918 fielding average. He hit .282 last season. With Willis at short and Evers in center, coach McDowell likes the defense in the middle of the field. Sophomores Taylor Champion and Aaron Owen are probably the two least experienced starters. Champion is the third baseman. He played three games last year. Owen is a newcomer to the club, but his speed will help in the outfield. Sophomore Travis Gilbert is the team's pitching ace. He was all-region as an undefeated eighth-grade hurler. Gilbert was all-district last year when he finished 4-5, but struck out 60 and walked just 18. Gilbert was 11-0 as a varsity starter before losing last season to Trigg County.

Crittenden County
Baseball Roster

Name	Grade	Position
Bryce Willis	Sr	SS/P
Wes Evers	Sr	OF/P
Eli Bebout	Jr	OF/1B/P
Zack Knight	Jr	1B
Devin Belt	Soph	P
Brenden Phillips	Soph	C
Aaron Owen	Soph	OF/P
Travis Gilbert	Soph	P/Inf
Taylor Champion	Soph	3B/P
Adam Driver	Fr	P/1B
Colby Watson	Fr	OF
Landon Young	Fr	OF/Inf
Noah Dickerson	Fr	OF
Nick Castiller	8th	Inf
Dylan Hollis	8th	C
Reed Baker	7th	Inf
Shelby Robinson	7th	P/Inf
Maeson Myers	7th	OF/P

Beyond Gilbert, Crittenden has plenty of other strong arms that should prove reliable this season. Among them are seniors Evers and Willis, Bebout and sophomore Devin Belt and Champion.



Pictured during the official letter of intent signing were (front from left) Craig Dossett, Ragon Dossett, Amanda Dossett, (back) coach Angela Starnes, Midway coach John Davisson and CCHS Principal Rhonda Callaway.

Geary signed with Campbellsville to run cross country in 1996. Otherwise, Dossett is plowing new ground. "We're very excited about having (Dossett) sign with Midway," Starnes said. Dossett started track as a sophomore after playing soccer as a freshman and cheerleading in years past. "I hated running, but then about my sophomore year I fell more and more in

love with it," she said. Dossett enjoys track and field because it's a team concept based on individual performances. She thrives on the personal motivation it provides and also likes

the experience of working together as a group. "Since I've been running track I feel better, have stayed healthier and in better shape," she said.

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Old article chronicles Crittenden Press, early citizens

Here is an interesting article from the archives of The Crittenden Record-Press in 1912, written by then owner, editor and publisher, Sidney M. Jenkins. The article tells of the beginning of the paper, it names people who were then important to Marion's history, businesses that were progressing in the town and other items of interest. Many of the names that were then so well known are now just names we read in old articles, but all helped make Marion a great place to live.

Retrospective

We presume that until 1878 Marion, nor the courts of Crittenden, had a newspaper. If so, no legend of it has come to us. No "oldest inhabitant" has told it in song or story – no minstrel touches his harp to words that thrill to its sacred memory. The weeks of those receding years were brightened by no published record of interesting events – how drear the thought! Eternity alone keeps urn and tablet of those years.

In 1878 Professor J.J. Nall and R.H. Adams as principals of the Marion school bought a press and type at first intended for publishing a paper as a school enterprise.

Two copies of "The Student" were published and the paper became "The Marion Reporter," and was published as a county paper. Shortly afterward R.C. Walker and C. Champion, classmates and chums, bought the press and published the paper changing the name to "Crittenden Press." In a short time Mr. Champion selected another avocation in a distant state and R.C. Walker assumed the ownership and editorship of the Press until 1903 when he sold the plant to S.M. Jenkins and went to Colorado for a climate adapted to his constitution.

Only once in all these years has the good old paper changed hands. This issue is No. 52. Vol. XXXIV. Next week's paper will be the 35th anniversary number of the Crittenden Record Press for in 1906 Mr. Jenkins bought out The Crittenden Press and added the word Record to the head of the county paper.

Every week for 34 years, this county paper has been sent out with clockwork regularity to its subscribers. Numbers of men who gave their first subscription to The Press in the prime of life enter the office leaning on a staff and relate that they have never failed in all these years to give their subscription to The Press.

Think back, will you, of the changes that have transpired during these 34 years. There is not a business organization extant in Marion, and we suppose not in the county, that was organized when The Crittenden Press was founded. Marion's excellent school system is commensurate with the beginning of the paper; for the promoters of one were in a large measure the promoters of the other.

In that day the county had no banks. The dry goods store of J.N. Woods stood where now stands the Farmers Bank and J.H. Hillyard's drug store occupied the site of Marion Bank.

Lawyers, such as L.H. James and Judge Nunn were young in their profession. John W. Blue, Sr. was engaged in a lucrative practice. Singleton Hodge Sr. was also a member of the bar, and Mrs. Hodge at their typical southern home long ago in ashes, encouraged school and church affairs, entertained and kept a fine boarding house, surrounded by ample ground on which now are half a score of homes.

Judge Ben P. Cissell and John W. Lockette, both of Henderson, were circuit judge and commonwealth's attorney and Hon. Dan Hughes of Morganfield was a familiar figure in our courts. J. G. Rochester was reading law and walked in through field and woods from the old Rochester home then a mile from Marion, (the Rochester home was East of Marion close to where the Ar-



mory now sits) W.J.L. Hughes was circuit clerk and J.W. Bigham was county clerk. Dr. J.W. Crawford, father of Dr. Frank Crawford of Wheatcroft and Dr. Henry Crawford our dentist had just traded his property – the old Padon home and farm that afterward became the Hampton hotel and the site for the town of Hampton, to Jas. H. Cameron for the home now owned by R. H. woods. T.J. Cameron was post master and merchant in a large and popular way on South Main St. A Wolfe was a merchant, W. Wager was a druggist; and E.L. Carrington his partner, R.B. Door, a brother of R.F. Dorr, was in the furniture and undertaking business and R. F. Dorr was an apprentice under his brother. Miss Belle Stewart was the one milliner of the town and she was just beginning at the old Stewart property. Messrs William Carnahan and Perry Maxwell were the money men of Marion, and were amassing the fortunes their heirs now enjoy. R.C. Walker, H.A. Haynes, R.I. Nunn and C.F. Champion were some of the speakers of the school debating society that doubtless inspired the younger boys. Clem Nunn and Ollie James were little boys amusing themselves about town and John Nunn and Jas. Henry were getting large enough to hunt rabbits in an indefatigable style. J.P. Pierce was sheriff living in Caldwell Springs community and Mr. Fulton Haynes had not moved to Florida. Wm. Duke Haynes, who loved music and harmony in all things and yet resides in "East Marion: in his blue grass home and who with Mrs. Haynes has grown younger with the pass-



ing years was in demand to assist school concerts. All this was before Senator P. S. Maxwell and Calvin Elder were names. The paper was here before the railroad. It was here, lively in the interest of Good Templars Conventions, that with basket dinners were greatly enjoyed, Mrs. L. A. Glasscock who was music teacher for many years was active socially. The Presbyterian church stood in the old cemetery. The Presbyterian church on Belleville St., now the oldest church in town, was not then under contemplation. There were only the Old School Presbyterian and the Methodist church buildings in town. The Wilsons, Frank and William, lived opposite each other across Wilson Avenue (East Depot St.) where their descendants yet live. The Presbyterian Church U. S. A. stands on the ground that was

once Mrs. Frank Wilson's beautifully sloping lawn. Uncle John Hawkins was busy caring for his invalid wife and collecting the Methodist preacher's salary. Twice have the Methodists rebuilt since. R.N. Walker conducted prayer meeting and Sunday School at the Methodist church and D.N. Stinson was faithful in the same capacity at the Presbyterian Church. The pastors of the town and county were Revs. B.A. Condiff, J.S. Henry, J.B. Garrett, and H.H. Allen. Rev. James F. Price was a young school teacher of the county. Prof. Wilcox had a fine school. Firms have come into existence and their proprietors have failed or retired or moved



PHOTOS PROVIDED Pictured above is one of the ads for R.F. Dorr Furniture and Undertaking business appearing in an early Crittenden Press. At left is an early Crittenden Press ad.

or died and these columns have told the beginning and the end. Pastors have filled the stands of the several church for pastorate after pastorate and have gone to work in other fields or passed into their long reward. The Press noted their efficiency, their spiritual ingatherings and other church work that is now history. Business men are here with silver in their hair who had not then selected a business career. Most of those who had attained middle age and were in business in 1878 have been borne to their last resting place and the Press has noted their solemn "passing." Many and many a one who fills an important place in the affairs of life has had his birth, school

attendance, marriage and business noted by this faithful paper, for the Press antedates a large percentage of our citizens. A few snowy heads of those days remain as benedictions. After the fire, The Press arose Phoenix-like to tell of the newer and better Marion. Unchanged by changes, the Press remains. Time adds "no wrinkles to its brow," but in the fullness of its vigor and inspired with its mission to carry kindly tidings, its promise is to go on without interruption until other lives swell the time of humanity that sweep around us and until many who now look for its weekly coming shall have read their name on imperishable tablets.

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On February 21, 2012, the Crittenden Fiscal Court adopted a resolution allowing Bobby Grogan, at his own expense, to remove and relocate five gravesites marked "Buntun" from his farm located near the Cumberland River, Dycusburg, Kentucky to the Dycusburg Cemetery. Anyone having any interest in this matter should address their comments or concerns within 60 days from February 23, 2012 to Bart Frazer, Attorney for Bobby Grogan, P.O. Box 361, 200 South Main Street, Marion, Kentucky 42064. (270) 965-2261. (11t-45-c)fro

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County School District is phenomenal," she said.

Among his notable accomplishments were overseeing the final consolidation of schools and implementing the broad changes enacted by th Kentucky Education Reform Act, or KERA, in 1990.

"He really was committed to seeing good things happen in the school district," Yarbrough said.

In 1993, he was rewarded for that commitment, earning the highest honor in the commonwealth's educational system, the F.L. Dupree Award, given to the Kentucky School Board Association's outstanding superintendent.

"That was his proudest achievement," his wife said.

He also enjoyed the reward of a high school football state championship under Coach Pat Gates in 1985. Nancy said her husband stayed in contact with Gates and his successor, Steve Pardue, even after they left to head larger programs. In fact, both Pardue and Gates had stopped by to visit with Lacy on March 14 before he died that afternoon.

Keith Hart, who grew close to Lacy's after being elected to the board of education in 1984, said his friend was accepted without question in the community he adopted as home, something that's not always easy to do.

"It takes a long time to be accepted as a Crittenden Contain," said the Union County native, who added that some find it difficult calling him a Crittenden Count-

ian though he's spent more than half his life here.

Hart, still emotional Monday after Lacy was laid to rest Sunday following a funeral service at Rocket Arena, said his friend will be missed in the community.

"I wish I could tell you how wonderful he was," Hart said. He said Lacy was willing to do anything for his community, whether in his role as superintendent, as a member of his church or as a friend.

"His biggest fault was he took good care of his friends," Hart said of Lacy's unconditional friendship. "Some people took advantage of that, but if you were his friend, he had your back."

Despite enjoying fishing with the late Dr. Donald L. Wight, a longtime board member, and a pension for golf, a sport he didn't take up

until arriving in Marion in 1982, education and preparing future generations for leadership and success were his passions, Hart said.

"Even now he'd tell you the kids are the most important resource in our community," said Hart, who served as chairman of the school board for several terms during Lacy's 18-year tenure as superintendent "The better off our kids are, the better off our community is going to be."

"The things he really valued and cared about, he wanted to help make them better," Yarbrough added.

Lacy's interest in education never died. He was a frequent visitor at the central office even a decade after his retirement, always willing to lend Yarbrough his ear, but never being one to dictate how things should be done.

"He was extremely positive and helpful," she added.

Lacy was born in Old Hickory, Tenn., but moved to Christian County as a young boy. He grew up in both Christian and Todd counties, said his wife of 36 years, before joining the Air Force. At 6-2, he spent time at then-Paducah Junior College playing basketball, and would go on to receive his bachelor's and master's degrees from Murray State University.

Nancy said after earning his bachelor's degree, her husband threw his clothes in the car and headed out to Dayville, Ore., where he taught and coached basketball before doing the same in Vacaville, Calif. During the summers, he would return to work on his master's degree.

In 1972, Lacy earned his Ph.D. from the University of Indiana, where he built a loyalty for Hoosier basketball and legendary coach Bobby Knight. That sometimes caused good-natured friction between he and his Crittenden County friends. But, Hart said Lacy will probably be cheering on both Indiana and Kentucky when the teams meet later today (Thursday) in the NCAA tournament.

After earning his doctorate degree, Lacy served as princi-

pal in Lebanon, Ind., and superintendent of Pope County, Ill. and Brown County, Ind., school districts. Prior to heading to Crittenden County to finish his education career, he served as assistant superintendent at Warren County schools in Bowling Green.

Nancy said during her husband's retirement, he still enjoyed playing golf and did lots of reading. He wasn't much on traveling, except to visit his children or an occasional day trip her and there.

"I hated to see him retire," Hart said looking back. "But he needed to take time for his family."

Lacy began feeling bad just last July, said his wife, during a month-long trip to visit his son Jason's home in Colorado. Upon returning home, what was thought to be simply pneumonia turned out to be lung cancer. Because several years earlier he had a mitral valve replaced in his heart and had undergone double bypass surgery, oncologists did not feel surgery was the best answer for addressing his cancer. Nancy said, he underwent painful rounds of chemotherapy and radiation, which made his last days difficult.

"He really went through it," she said.

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be changed. They can rebuild their houses but their homes are gone."

After the storm, emergency officials estimated the tornado was on the ground for 60 miles. Ten people were killed in the twister and around 75 were injured.



Martin

Homes, churches, businesses and a new \$5 million justice center still under construction were either fully destroyed or so heavily damaged that they will need to be rebuilt, according to Rushing.

"I came away from this experience with memories that I'll never forget," Rushing said. "Seeing families trying to recover what they can, it just tears at your heart. I didn't know what to expect when I came into the town and it's hard to describe what I felt."

"While patrolling, I would stop and talk to people, ask if they needed anything. They would see my truck and ask where Crittenden County was and how far it was. I told them it was around 330 miles out and they couldn't believe that people were willing to travel that far to come help them. They were beyond grateful."

Along with Rushing, his sister Vicki Martin, a regional response manager for the Kentucky Division of Emergency Management, was also deployed to West Liberty.

"As soon as I knew I was going to West



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Crittenden County Deputy Sheriff Greg Rushing felt an obligation to help out in West Liberty, Ky., after the community was hit by a deadly tornado on March 2 because of the help he got from West Liberty resident Dean Kennard during the 2009 ice storm here. Pictured above with Rushing (third from left) are (from left) Kentucky Fish and Wildlife's Glenn Kitchens, Lt. Doug Vaughn and Kennard.

Liberty, I called her," Rushing said. "We met up once I arrived, and we were both just dumbstruck at the destruction."

Though he was only able to stay for three days, Rushing said that his time in West Liberty really provided insight. Working in a county that bared a resemblance to Crittenden County and knowing that the storm that hit Morgan County was the same one that Critten-

den dodged was a humbling experience Rushing would do again in a heartbeat.

"If it weren't for Dean and other officials who came to help us when we had that ice storm, we would have been in sad shape," Rushing said. "It was my time to help repay that, and I'll do it again. Seeing all that I did when I arrived, we were blessed that the storm missed Crittenden County."

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