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Most local offices closed Good Friday

City, courthouse and state offices will be closed Friday in observance of Good Friday, as will Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center and The Crittenden Press. Court-house offices will also be closed Saturday. Meantime, the public library and Extension service will be open Friday, as will all federal offices, including the postal service.

Local pre-school screenings nearing

Pre-school screenings in Crittenden County are nearing. In fact, the first screening takes place in only four weeks. The screenings are for all Crittenden County children turning 3 or 4 by Aug. 1, 2016. They will be held April 22 and May 6, but parents must call for an appointment before the screening dates. Appointments can be made by calling the Head Start office at (270) 965-5846.

Two local board volunteers sought

Two local boards are looking for volunteers. Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees will have an opening this spring, and anyone interested in serving a three-year term can pick up a short trustee application at the library. Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom is also looking for someone to serve on the county's solid waste committee. Call his office at (270) 965-5251 for more information.

Spring cleaning set for April 15-16

Free spring dump days in Crittenden County are slated for April 15 and 16, according to Judge-Executive Perry Newcom. Details have not been set as far as what items will be accepted at the county's convenience center at no charge, but residents have three weeks to get ready by cleaning out their garage and basement. Meantime, the county's brush dump accepts foliage at no charge year-round.

Meetings

- Crittenden County Public Library Board of Trustees will meet at 5 p.m. today (Thursday) at the library.
- Crittenden County Board of Education meets at 6 p.m. today (Thursday) at Rocket Arena for its monthly meeting.
- Crittenden-Livingston Water District will meet at 6 p.m. Monday at the district office on East Main Street in Salem.
- Crittenden Fiscal Court will hold a special meeting at 8:30 a.m. April 7 to award bids for plumbing, electrical, HVAC and fire protection for Crittenden County Restricted Custody Center.



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City voters reject alcohol sales

By **DARYL K. TABOR**
PRESS EDITOR

The pursuit to allow legal alcohol sales in Crittenden County for the first time in 80 years turned out to be another dry run.

A ballot measure to allow liquor by the drink at Marion restaurants was comfortably defeated Tuesday by a 298-245 margin. It was second failed attempt to legalize alcohol in the county in 16 years.

However, it may not be the last run at in 2016.

A defiant Tyler Collins, organizer of the citywide petition calling for Tuesday's option election, said just minutes after results were announced at the court-

house that he already has the signatures to place alcohol back on the ballot for another special election in the city.

"I'm gonna keep on hitting you guys until you give in," he told The Crittenden Press, referring to the city's 2,172 voters.

Collins, who moved his residence to the Washington, D.C., area to pursue a graduate degree after starting the by-the-drink petition last year, is aiming for package sales in Marion next time. He did not say when he intends to submit the petition, but implied it will be soon.

"Well, the vote was very close,

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Liquor by the drink fails 298-245

Are you in favor of the sale of alcoholic beverages by the drink in Marion at restaurants and dining facilities with a seating capacity of at least 50 persons and which derive at least 70 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of food if the alcoholic beverage is purchased in conjunction with a meal?

POLLING LOCATION (PRECINCT)	FOR	AGAINST	ELIGIBLE VOTERS
Absentee	7	21	
Crittenden County Courthouse (No. 1)	84	61	746
Emmanuel Baptist Church (No. 2)	40	68	383
Marion Baptist Church (No. 3)	58	91	597
Marion Ed-Tech Center (No. 4)	41	44	339
St. William Catholic Church (No. 6)	15	13	107
TOTALS	245	298	2,172

Citywide voter turnout Tuesday was 25%

Sen. Paul: Fed 'broken'



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

U.S. Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky speaks with Crittenden Health Systems board member Don Matheny following a town hall meeting Tuesday afternoon at Crittenden County Courthouse. Paul, who was one of 17 Republicans seeking the party's presidential nomination before suspending his campaign after the Iowa caucuses in February, fielded questions from a number of local constituents.

Senator visits for town hall

STAFF REPORT

U.S. Sen. Rand Paul, a Kentucky Republican, held a town hall meeting in Marion Tuesday, fielding an array of questions from a crowd that numbered several dozen. A handful of local residents asked questions on topics ranging from the Second Amendment to environmental regulations.

While the first-term senator attempted to answer each question, the problem is, he conceded, the country's biggest

problems are overshadowed by even tougher solutions.

From financially-strapped entitlement programs to over-reach by federal agencies, Sen. Paul said answers will require strong leadership from a Congress that often settles for the status quo rather than demanding solutions.

About 50 people packed into the tiny fiscal court room on the main floor of the courthouse in the early afternoon. An-

other 40 or so stood in the hallway and peeped through open doors, struggling to hear the former GOP presidential candidate's discussions. It was a larger than normal turnout for an elected official holding court in Crittenden County, but not surprising considering the state of the country, say those who attended.

Wade Berry, president of Farmers Bank & Trust Co. in Marion, was sitting

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House road plan keeps 641 funds; Senate next up

STAFF REPORT

Funding approved Tuesday by the Kentucky House of Representatives for a new two-year road plan keeps money for the U.S. 641 relocation project intact.

The biennial construction plan now in the hands of the Senate includes \$67 million through Fiscal Year 2018 for the project – \$13 million in 2016 for completion of the first leg in Crittenden County and \$54 million to get the road moving in Lyon and Caldwell counties. The funding is the same as recommended by Gov. Matt Bevin to lawmakers in January.

It has been 1,498 days since a ceremonial groundbreaking for the U.S. 641 project in 2012. Progress on the 5.2-mile segment in Crittenden County has been at a virtual standstill

for the last couple of years.

The U.S. 641 funding is part of an overall \$4.58 billion plan for state road and bridge projects for the next two years. The measure, House Bill 305, passed the lower chamber 56-40.

The projects in the bill would be paid for through the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet budget found in HB 304, which passed the House by a vote of 60-38. That bill also funds administration and operation of the Transportation Cabinet, state aviation projects, rail projects and other transportation needs across the commonwealth.

For Crittenden County, the biennial highway construction plan also includes \$402,000 each of the next two years for the Cave In

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Nike running away from Marion store

Shopping for football cleats and back-to-school tennis shoes just got trickier for many of us.

Unless athletic giant Nike has an unlikely change of heart, it's line will no longer be sold at Hodge's Sports & Apparel in Marion.

At no fault of its own, Hodge's was informed recently that Nike is ceasing sales at the local store and about 300 other retailers of similar size.

"It's nothing we did or didn't do, they just decided small accounts aren't worth their time, basically," explained owner Britt Wright. "The letter we



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received stated this is a definitive decision by Nike Inc."

And just like that, Hodge's is scrambling to replace the popular Nike brand, which outfits countless dozens of Crittenden County youngsters in tennis shoes, cleats and other sporting gear.

Numerous stories exist about the negative affects big box stores have had on small town America since they came into existence in the mid-1960s. They've been accused of stealing customers from Mom and

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EDITORIAL

Pet overpopulation result of cruel, poor ownership practice

Spring has officially arrived and with it comes budding trees, blossoming flowers and litter upon litter of puppies and kittens. And all that new life makes spring the saddest time of the year at animal shelters across the United States. That's because millions of those litters are unwanted.

Each year, according to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, or ASPCA, 7.3 million unwanted pets enter U.S. animal shelters like the one here in Crittenden County. Every 12 seconds, a healthy dog or cat whose only crime was to be born as a result of irresponsible pet owners is euthanized. We'll do the math for you – it tallies 2.7 million animals, dozens of which are put down annually right here in our community.

And those figures are the merciful deaths. Untold millions more die of hunger or disease or succumb to the elements of an unforgiving Mother Nature.

The easiest way to prevent those deaths is to keep all the critters from being born, as there are a finite number of willing pet owners out there. About 80 million families in the country already have pets.

Leash laws aside, you don't have to keep Rover or Fluffy under house arrest 24/7. Simply having your dog or cat spayed or neutered would do the trick. It's a relatively inexpensive venture for a clear conscience tied to doing the right thing. And if the procedure seems too costly, perhaps you do not need a pet. After all, pet ownership is a responsibility, not simply a right.

We've heard the other arguments. But it is not cruel to submit your pet for a simple surgical procedure. Sterilized animals, in general, make healthier and better pets. And while any animal's curiosity can sometimes get them into trouble, a spayed or neutered pet is not driven to wander or blindly rush into danger by that most primal of urges.

We believe allowing your dog or cat to propagate the Earth with unwanted litters of offspring is, indeed, a form of animal neglect and even cruelty. If you do not think so, visit any overcrowded animal shelter; be in a veterinarian's office as a litter of sick, crying kittens just taken from their mom is delivered by an animal control officer for euthanization; or find the remains of puppies cannibalized by a hungry sibling.

If you simply shrug off pet sterilization as somebody else's problem and none of your concern, consider that taxpayers spend \$2 billion every year to round up, shelter and euthanize unwanted pets in the U.S. That includes your tax dollars, too.

House delivers budget to Senate

The state Senate received the House's version of Kentucky's next 24-month budget (House Bill 303) during the 11th week of this year's 60-day session. From my viewpoint, I think the House is on the right track. The nearly \$21 billion state budget bill would restore some funding cuts proposed by the governor to many areas of state government and authorize less debt than proposed in the governor's budget.

It restores funding cuts for constitutional agencies, PVAs, postsecondary education, several K-12 programs and several other offices while preserving per-pupil school funding and boosting pay for state troopers and other front-line state employees. It proposes a way to fully fund the state's actuarially required contribution to the teacher pension systems and the ARC-Plus to the state employee retiree system, although using a different mechanism than that proposed by the governor. It also has the largest "rainy day fund" in the history of the Commonwealth with funding from its current \$209 million to \$282 million above the previous record set in 2001.

Now the Senate can begin to put its mark on the proposed budget. Typically, the budget bills passed by each chamber are different. The differences must be worked out in a conference committee of senators and representatives. Compromises agreed to by conference committee members are then subject once again to approval by a majority of members of each chamber.



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While the budget is always the biggest priority during 60-day sessions held in even-numbered years, a number of proposed laws also passed the Senate. Those bills include:

- Senate Bill 63 is a measure to eliminate a backlog of more than 3,000 sexual assault examination kits dating back to the 1970s. It would require Kentucky's more than 300 police departments and 120 sheriff's departments to pick up sexual assault kits from hospitals within five days' notice from a hospital that the evidence is available, sub-

mit the kits to the state crime lab within 30 days, prohibit the destruction of any kits and notify victims of the progress and results of the tests.

If the necessary money is included in the state's next budget, SB 63 would also require the average completion date for kits tested not to exceed 90 days by July 2018 and not to exceed 60 days by July 2020. It currently takes about eight months for a kit to be tested once it has been submitted to the lab. The progress of the testing would be reported annually to the Legislative Research Commission and state auditor's office.

- HB 148 would require the state Cabinet for Health & Family Services to write regulations allowing for licensed day cares or babysitters to get prescriptions for epinephrine autoinjectors, commonly known by the brand name EpiPen. It is a medical device for the injection of a measured dose of adrenaline commonly used for the treatment of anaphy-

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Legislative Offices
702 Capitol Ave.
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A Senate amendment to HB 148 would expand Kentucky's Safe Infants Act of 2002 by allowing parents of newborns to have up to 30 days to surrender their baby at a state-approved "safe place" without facing criminal charges. The amendment would also add churches or other places of worship to the list of approved safe places where an infant could be surrendered.

Current law gives parents 72 hours after a child is born to leave the baby at hospitals, police stations, firehouses or emergency medical services (EMS) facilities.

- HB 160 involved the disposal of needles. It would require the Department of Public Health to establish guidelines for safe disposal of hypodermic syringes, needles and what's known as "sharps" containers. In addition, HB 160 would require the guidelines to be provided to certain medical facilities and pharmacies.

The Senate amended HB 160 to place further restrictions on needle exchanges, legalized under last year's anti-heroin legislation (Sen-

ate Bill 192). It would require a one-for-one needle exchange at needle exchange programs. At least one health department was not requiring a one-for-one exchange, stating that public health workers should be able to hand out free needles without being required to collect a used one to decrease the spread of disease.

- SB 278 would allow Bible literacy to be taught in public schools as a social studies elective. The bill would require that the "course provide students knowledge of biblical content, characters, poetry, and narratives that are prerequisites to understanding contemporary society and culture, including literature, art, music, mores, oratory, and public policy."

- SB 206 would allow cities to employ retired police officers if the officer participated in the Law Enforcement Foundation Program fund or retired as a commissioned state police officer. He or she must have retired with at least 20 years of service credit and meet the separation of employment requirements. Those retired police officers employed by a city would receive the benefits they were eligible to receive upon retirement, but would not accrue any additional retirement or health benefits during reemployment. Currently, training officers takes longer than a year. This bill would give police departments the ability to bring in retirees to fill vacancies for a limited time.

These bills now go to the House for consideration. With only a few days remaining before we go into veto, we have a lot of work to do and bills to pass. You can stay up-to-date on the budget proceedings and any bills we are considering through the contact information found inside the information box inset in this column.

House GOP passes on budget vote

The House Appropriations and Revenue Committee finally brought forth House Bill 303, the \$21 billion executive branch budget bill for the upcoming biennium. Unfortunately, as I anticipated, there was little time to digest it.

The 221-page bill was voted out of committee at about 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 15 with all Democrats and one Republican voting yes and all other Republicans abstaining vote because they didn't get to see the bill until the committee meeting. Even though printed copies of the bill were not available for the rest of the House members until last Wednesday morning, HB 303 was brought to the House floor for a vote shortly after the gavel fell last Wednesday afternoon.

HB 303 does keep the governor's proposed budget stabilization cuts of 4.5 percent this fiscal year and 9 percent over the next biennium for most state agencies. The plan rejected, however, the governor's proposed cuts to many other areas including state colleges and universities, K-12 programs including family resource and youth service centers and constitutional offices like the secretary of state and state auditor. The raises for state troopers, social workers and correctional officers that were proposed by the governor were retained. HB 303 also removed the governor's proposed \$100 million bond pool for workforce development. HB 303 allocated \$6 million over the next two years for coal county college completion scholarships.

As I have reported, underfunded pensions are a major concern and have caused Kentucky's bond rat-



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Retirement System plus another \$90 million above the state's required contribution would be appropriated to the Kentucky Employees' Retirement System nonhazardous plan – where the bulk of state employees are enrolled – to stabilize its needs.

On the surface, this sounds good, and some of it is. As the old saying goes, though, the devil is in the details. The executive branch budget bill approved by the House relies on a rosy economic outlook for the next two years while the governor's proposed budget assumes a not quite so rosy picture. The House budget spends money based on that rosy outlook but does not address what would happen if actual revenues were less than expected, while the governor's proposal spends less but provides a mechanism that defines where money would go if the rosy outlook came to fruition.

Gov. Bevin said, "When it comes to climbing out of our financial hole, we have four choices: Raise taxes, borrow from our children and grandchildren; ignore the problem and let it get larger or reduce our spending.

ing."

I agree.

While the House-approved budget does not include bonding to address our pension woes, the money set aside for pensions in HB 303 relies on non-recurring revenue often referred to as "one-time" money. House Republicans, on the other hand, offered an amendment that would pay down the unfunded liabilities of public pensions and provide long-term stability to current and future retirees. The funding would in no way borrow any additional money, but would be provided from current and future revenue.

This pension plan model would follow strict guidelines and must be established in law to be permanent and effective. The plan also leaves intact the governor's proposed \$500 million "Kentucky Permanent Fund" that he wants to set aside for future appropriations to address the pension crisis. Pension plans must provide stability to the systems and their members. They must not be funded by one-time money.

Sadly, the Democrat majority would not even allow the plan to be heard, much less get a vote. In fact, House Republicans tried to bring up other amendments to hold down spending, but the Democrat majority would not allow those amendments to be heard either.

In a case of blatant partisanship, House Republicans in coal producing counties were asked to submit a letter indicating their support of HB 303 and recommend how their districts' coal severance funds should be allocated. The deadline for return of the letter to House Democrat leadership was before the bill was even available for review. Since those Representatives did not indicate approval of a bill they had not seen, coal severance funds were withheld from coal-producing counties that are represented solely by Republican

state representatives. Needless to say, this type of pettiness is not the way for government to operate.

One amendment to HB 303 that did pass would allow Kentucky to move forward with a plan developed by veteran organizations for a 90-bed veterans nursing home facility in Bowling Green. This proposal is on the federal government's priority list and would commit Kentucky to provide \$10.5 million in order to get \$19.5 million from the federal government when the project receives final approval from the feds. The project requires no funding in this biennium because it will take well more than two years for the project to move up far enough on the federal priority list to be considered for final approval.

The amendment passed, but amazingly, only two Democrats voted yes with 46 Democrats voting no and five Democrats not voting. Along with all other House Republicans, I voted yes. We owe this to those who put their lives on the line for us.

HB 303 passed strictly along party lines with all 53 Democrats voting yes. Due to the limited time we had to review and digest HB 303 coupled with the refusal of the House majority to hear our proposals, all 47 Republicans, including me, refused to vote.

HB 306, the judicial budget bill, also came up for a vote of the full House. HB 306, as voted on, had more money for the judicial branch of government than the governor's proposal, but it ate up all that additional money and more with various requirements in the bill. Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice John D. Minton Jr. strenuously objected to the proposal, saying the House proposal would cripple court operations statewide. I, along with all of the other House Republicans and one Democrat, voted no, but the bill passed with 51 Democrats voting yes and one Democrat not voting.

Perhaps dodos don't deserve free education

On the surface, a free college education may seem like a good idea, particularly if you are currently a student or parent facing tens of thousands of dollars of debt tied to a postsecondary education. We all would rather have that cash for a new vehicle, relocating after graduation or taking a vacation once Junior is officially out of the family budget.

But free – as most people living in the real world realize – is never free. On the campaign trail, Bernie Sanders doesn't seem to be spending a lot of time discussing who pays for free higher education. But that's an easy one – the working class, that's who. Most politicians like spending other people's money, some just have a clever way of selling it.

Now, all but 14 Kentucky House members have bought in to offering free college, though they do want to restrict attendance to Kentucky community and technical colleges. House Bill 626 creates the "Work Ready Kentucky Scholarship Program to ensure all Kentucky students have affordable (i.e., free) access to obtaining a postsecondary degree and Kentucky has a skilled, competitive workforce."

House Speaker Greg Stumbo, sponsor of the legislation, believes it could help as many as 18,000 students in 2016-17 alone, which would be the first academic year for the program. The price tag? Wait for it ... only \$20 million. On paper, \$20 million for a year of free college from a \$21 billion two-year state budget is chump change. In reality, \$20 million would fund every Crittenden County transportation project in the state's proposed road plan through 2022, including completing a new U.S. 641 in the county, funding the ferry six years and building a new bridge on a rural road in



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My 2¢ Worth

the northern part of the county. Oh, and with the \$4 million left over, maybe we could get a new courthouse and other frivolous things. But I realize giving teenagers who have yet to earn their way in the world something for nothing is more important. And it looks great in an election year, too.

The free education would close the financial gap after grants and scholar-

ships for any new high school or home school graduate or someone who earned a GED before turning 19. They would be eligible for help for up to six semesters.

No such luck for teens already enrolled in college.

The bill, as offered for Senate approval after last week's House passage, turns a two-year education into three years so long as a student maintains at least 12 credit hours per semester and keeps a 2.0 GPA. That's a surprisingly average average equal to C's across the board for four courses or two D's and a couple of B's.

Impressive expectations! Apparently, our own Rep. Lynn Bechler also doesn't find the plan too enticing. He voted against Stumbo's HB 626.

Whatever happened to rewarding hard work, drive and sacrifice? Today, everybody gets a participation trophy, no matter how many times they strike out. Such a society only punishes those who have kept their eye on the ball and encourages few to succeed.

The reality is, life is survival of the fittest. There is a reason people who stumble through life are mocked with a comparison to a bungling, flightless bird called the dodo. It's extinct, you know.

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Local man indicted for sending child pornography from phone

STAFF REPORT

A Crittenden County man was indicted on March 10 by the Crittenden County Grand Jury for having and distributing what police say were photos of naked boys on an electronic device.

The investigation began in August of last year when a person from Union County notified authorities that Derek Railey, 37, had corresponded with him on a social web application called Grindr, which bills itself as the “world’s largest gay social network.”

The Union County man told investigators that Railey had asked if he wanted to meet with him and engage in sexual acts with Railey’s minor nephew. Railey allegedly followed up by sending the Union County man a picture of a naked boy. Court records neither confirmed the boy’s identity nor his age.

On Sept. 11, 2015, Kentucky State Police detective Lloyd Ray went to Railey’s Long Branch Road home in northern Crittenden County where he conducted an interview with the suspect. Based on that interview, state police

obtained a search warrant and took into their possession Railey’s smartphone and a computer tablet.

From its forensic investigation of those electronic devices, Railey was indicted on five counts of possession or viewing of matter portraying a minor in a sexual performance and one count of distribution of matter portraying a sexual performance by a minor. All six are Class D felonies punishable by 1-5 years in prison.

A grand jury does not determine innocence or guilt. It merely decides whether enough evidence exists to continue prosecution of a case as a felony in circuit court.

According to court records, Railey has denied having a nephew or exploiting children. The court documents say he told authorities that the pictures had been sent to his device(s) from a person he met on the Kik Web messenger application.

Also indicted this month by the grand jury was Mark Dewayne Menser, 42, of Providence was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree

possession of a controlled substance; misdemeanor theft by unlawful taking (gasoline under \$500); and misdemeanor possession a controlled substance prescription not in its original container. According to court records, Menser is accused for pumping \$16.10 worth of gasoline into a vehicle on Jan. 17 at Five Star Convenience Center and telling the clerk inside the store he didn’t have the money with him to pay for it. Court records say he promised to return in a few minutes with the money. Five hours later, after the suspect had not returned, a police report says the store reported the incident to police. On Jan. 30, police officer George Foster, investigating the aforementioned incident, found Menser in violation of the alleged drug offenses, including the felony for possession of four tablets of hydrocodone.

On the Rocket Docket in Circuit Court on March 10, four individuals were sentenced. The were as follows:

- Sean Belt, 45, of Marion pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in prison for flagrant non-support for

being in arrears on child support payments in the amount of \$2,193.57. The commonwealth will not oppose shock probation after 180 days, or sooner if the defendant can provide proof of employment.

- Andrew L. Sweet, 24, of Dixon was given pre-trial diversion after pleading guilty to receiving stolen property (four-wheeler). He was ordered to complete an in-patient drug rehabilitation program as part of the plea deal.
- Jennifer Wesmoland, 30, of Marion pleaded guilty and was given pre-trial diversion for flagrant non-support. Court records indicate that she is \$3,094.31 in arrears on child support payments.

Sabrina G. Jones-Adams, 29, no address given, pleaded guilty to a number of drug possession charges for having gabapentin, promethazine and hydrocodone in her possession without a prescription. She was given a total of three years in the case and her probation was revoked from a previous conviction. The commonwealth will not oppose probation after a period of time is served.

Marion Police activity report

The following is an activity report for Marion Police Department, reflecting information from February 2016 compared with the same month from last year. The data is provided by Police Chief Ray O’Neal.

CATEGORY	FEBRUARY 2016	FEBRUARY 2015
Miles driven/patrolled.....	2,843	2,613
Criminal investigations.....	19	9
Domestics.....	7	6
Felony Arrests	2	2
Misdemeanor arrests.....	8	3
Non-criminal arrests.....	16	4
DUI arrests	1	2
Criminal summons served.....	5	5
Total citations.....	n/a	64
Traffic citations.....	26	n/a
Traffic warnings	12	23
Other citations	27	n/a
Parking tickets.....	0	0
Traffic accidents.....	7	5
Security checks/alerts.....	68	67
Calls for service.....	264	275

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Teen accepted into elite UK med program

STAFF REPORT

Reid Baker has been accepted into the University of Kentucky Professional Education Preparation Program (PEPP).

The primary focus of the UK PEPP Scholars Summer Program is college preparation and clinical/hospital experiences in medicine and dentistry. PEPP Scholars will experience college dormitory life and participate in a variety of activities at the UK Chan-

lder Medical Center, UK Hospital, UK College of Medicine and UK College of Dentistry.

Health-related seminars, as well as staff support regarding the admissions process for medical and dental school, are important components of PEPP.

University of Kentucky PEPP Scholars will study chemistry and biology. They will have rotations

in the labor and delivery and operating room departments at the UK Medical Center. Seminar topics include Medical Admissions and Dental Admissions, Osteopathic Medicine, Medical Case Studies, Cancer, Organ Transplants, Genetic Diseases and Defects, Hypnosis, Massage Therapy, Compassion, Medical Ethics, HIV/AIDS, People



Baker

with Disabilities, Alzheimer’s disease and Rural Practice. Clinical site visits, the UK Pathology Lab, Dental Labs, a Psychiatric Hospital, and Camps for Children with Special Needs.

Baker is one of only a few students from this area who has ever been accepted into this program. Baker, a Crittenden County High School senior, wants to study medicine in college then return to this area after medical school.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

CCC funds go to food bank

Ron Padget (center), representing Crittenden County Cares, presents a check last week for \$15,600 to Junior Martin and Minnie Lou Brown of Crittenden County Food Bank. CCC was created in order to help underprivileged families make critical repairs to their homes after the local Habitat for Humanity organization dissolved. Due to a few years of relative inactivity, the non-profit has been dissolved. CCC Board of Directors chose to distribute its funds to the food bank.

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Pop stores and ultimately leading to the demise of many smaller stores that cannot compete with the mega stores’ lower prices.

It’s just another example of the big stores getting bigger. If you can’t get Nike soccer cleats for your child at Hodge’s, where do you go? You’re forced to go out of town and support one of the mega athletic stores like Dick’s, Sports Authority or Hibbett.

Wright said the loss of Nike will have a big impact on her family’s business. She’s reached out to other name brand athletic companies, some to no avail, but she is hopeful she can find a popular name brand to help fill Nike’s void.

Seems the big guys aren’t interested in the little guys like Hodge’s.

And that’s sad, especially knowing what a faithful retailer Hodge’s has been through the years.

Hodge’s has carried Nike since 1977 - when Nike was just getting started.

“All of us little companies

made them what they are today, but they got big and decided they didn’t need us any more,” Wright said.

Shameful.

While this is quite a blow, Wright said similar things have happened before. For example, Wright blames the big sporting goods stores for Hodge’s inability to sell trampolines.

“Years ago, we sold trampolines, but as Walmart progressed, they sold them for less than we could buy them,” Wright said.

Clay pigeons used for target practice fall into the same category. In most instances, freight costs incurred by the small store make it difficult for Hodge’s to sell them at competitive prices.

Glance through the Internet and you’ll see why the little guy, like Hodge’s, is getting cut out of the retail loop.

Take, for example, the new Dash Button on Amazon. Don’t feel bad if you’re unfamiliar with the concept. It took me by surprise. But the premise is, if you’re out of toilet paper, push a button and Amazon will send it to you, in some cases, the

next day. These handy Dash Buttons are currently available for 29 brands, and they’re magnetic or adhesive and intended to be placed in the exact spot where you notice you’re running low on a product.

Put a Tide Dash Button on your washing machine. When you’re about out of Tide, you push the button, which is linked to an app on your smart phone and, Viola! your order is placed.

While very cool – and definitely Jetson-esque – it’s a tad ridiculous. I mean, how many times do the majority of us pass by a dollar store or grocery in a day’s time?

Nonetheless, it’s handy technology indicative of a futuristic utopia as portrayed on the Jetsons, but it also plays into the hands of the corporations who have completely no regard for the little guy.

(Allison Evans is the advertising manager and an editorial contributor at The Crittenden Press. The newspaper has been in her family for more than a half-century. She can be reached at (270) 965-3191 or by e-mail at allison@the-press.com.)

Wildfires issue even in spring

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Division of Forestry reminds Kentucky landowners and homeowners that wildfires can strike any time where grass and brush are dry enough to burn.

Each year wildfires needlessly threaten thousands of lives and destroy homes and structures. Until April 30, it is illegal in Kentucky to burn anything within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland between the hours of 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Violation can result in fines and/or jail time.

Despite the wet weather and the spring forest fire hazard season burning ban, through March 16, 211 fires had burned 3,285 acres in 2016. Of those, 136, were due to arson. Last Thursday, a wildfire burned several acres just outside Marion on Ky. 91 North.

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Frances native earns Indiana Guard's distinguished medal

STAFF REPORT
A Crittenden County native has earned one of Indiana National Guard's highest honors.
Former Deputy Commanding General of the 38th Infantry (Cyclone) Division Brig. Gen. Scott Campbell on March 12 received the Indiana Distinguished Service Medal at a ceremony in Indianapolis, Ind. The silver medal was awarded for his distinguished service to the Indiana military, which he has now left behind for a posting closer to his home in Rineyville, Ky., near Elizabethtown.

Maj. Gen. David C. Wood, commanding general of the 38th Infantry Division, during a pinning ceremony praised the one-star general for his leadership, mentorship and technical and tactical expertise throughout his career and to the Cyclone Division.

"I made many friends in Indiana that will be friends for life. They are great soldiers, and I will definitely miss them," Campbell told The Crittenden Press. "It was very humbling for them to recognize me with the Indiana Distinguished Service Medal. Probably not too many Kentuckians on that list!"

Campbell, 55, served as second in command with the division from Oct. 1 2014, to March 1 of this year, when he was transferred to the Assistant Adjutant General – Army for the Kentucky National Guard in Frankfort at Joint Force Headquarters in Frankfort. While the general is happy to be back close to home with his family, the 17 months he spent with the 38th ID were special.

"I really enjoyed my assignment with 38th Infantry Division. Being one of only 18 divisions in the Army with a 'go to war' mission, there are not many better assignments," Campbell explained. "When I went to the Deputy Commanding General's course last year, they told us that there is no better one-star job in the Army, and I can't argue with that."

Though a deputy commander headquartered in the Hoosier State, Campbell



PHOTO BY CADET EMILY ABRAMS, 38TH INFANTRY DIVISION
Brig. Gen. Scott Campbell, who served as deputy commanding general of the 38th Infantry Division, receives the Indiana Distinguished Service Medal March 12 from Maj. Gen. David C. Wood, commanding general of the 38th Infantry Division headquartered in Indianapolis, Ind.

remained a Kentucky guardsman. The Cyclone Division is comprised of National Guard units from Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Delaware, Michigan and Tennessee.

He returns to not only familiar geography, but also old acquaintances.

"I'm flattered that the new adjutant general wanted me back in Frankfort as one of his closest advisors," Campbell said of fellow Brig. Gen. Stephen R. Hogan. "I have a great deal of respect for him, we are pretty close personally and professionally, and I look forward to working for him."

In Frankfort, the 1978 Crittenden County High School graduate's new duties will put him in charge of four brigades of the Kentucky Army National Guard. He will also serve as joint task force commander for any major natural disasters or civil disturbances in the commonwealth. He gave the 2009 ice storm that devastated Kentucky as an example of that role.

Campbell was raised in the Frances community and joined the Kentucky National Guard in 1981 and served as an enlisted member of Alpha Co., 1st Battalion, 123rd Armor Regiment in Marion. He received his commission in 1984 after attending officer candidate school. In June of 2013, he was promoted to general.

In his role with the 38th Infantry Division, Brig. Gen. Campbell has commanded at the company, battalion and brigade level and served in senior staff officer positions within the 149th Brigade and at the state headquarters level. In 2003, Campbell commanded 2nd Battalion, 123rd Armor during Operation Joint Forge in Bosnia-Herzegovina. In 2006-07 He served as Officer in Charge of 4th Infantry Division and 1st Cavalry Division Rear Operations Center at Camp Liberty, Iraq. In 2011, he commanded 149th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade during Operation New Dawn in Iraq. During this mission 149th Maneuver Enhance-

ment Brigade was assigned to assisting with the transition and withdrawal of U.S. forces from Iraq.

As a civilian, Campbell works for Parsons Corp., a California-based engineering, construction, technical and management services organization. With the company, he is a doctrinal trainer and training specialist, the same role he had with his previous civilian employer, Northrop Grumman. He explained that Parsons won the government contract he was working with his previous employer.

"Since I was vested in the Northrop Grumman retirement system and was over age 55, I just retired from Northrop Grumman and went to work for Parsons," he said. "Worked out perfect."

In 2012, Gen. Campbell was inducted into the second class of Crittenden County Distinguished Alumni. He has returned to the county several times for military-related speaking engagements such as Memorial Day services.

New Ky. Commissioner of Education visits Crittenden schools last week

STAFF REPORT
Kentucky Commissioner of Education Stephen L. Pruitt visited Crittenden County last Thursday for the first time since taking over the reins of the Kentucky Department of Education in October of last year.

Commissioner Pruitt visited classrooms and spoke with students and faculty and staff at all three schools. At Crittenden County Middle School, he answered questions from a panel of students who asked about everything from Common Core to how to best prepare for exams.

"The best test prep is just good teaching," Pruitt told the middle schoolers.

While in the district, he also sat down with administrators and board members and heard their concerns about the future of education in the commonwealth. Of course, he also heard from educators about what's going right.

As head of KDE, the responsibility for 650,000 public school students is on Pruitt's shoulders, but he says he is ready for the job and the challenges educators face in every corner of the state in all sizes of school districts.

"I'm from a small school system that had 98 in my graduating class," the Georgia native said. However, as a high school chemistry teacher in Georgia, he was part of a staff instructing 2,000 students.

Through next month, Pruitt is hosting a series of regional Town Hall Meetings across the Commonwealth to gather feedback from Kentuckians on how they define school success. The ideas and suggestions collected at the meetings will be used by KDE to inform



PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS
New Kentucky Commissioner of Education Stephen L. Pruitt visited Crittenden County last week. Above, Pruitt answers questions from a panel of Crittenden County Middle School students who asked about everything from Common Core to how to best prepare for exams.

the development of a new and more effective accountability system, something Pruitt has listed among his priorities.

"It is my goal to collaborate with legislators, educators, students and the public to produce a system that is fair, reliable, valid and easier to understand than what we have now," Pruitt said.

The last town hall will be nearby, held at Murray State University on April 28. It will begin at 6:30 p.m. at

Murray Middle School Auditorium. Those who are unable to attend the meetings, will have the opportunity to submit their suggestions and comments at KyEd Listens@education.ky.gov.

He has served as the science and mathematics program manager and director of academic standards with the Georgia Department of Education and was named associate state superintendent for assessment and accountability and ultimately chief of staff for GDE.

Commissioner Pruitt holds a bachelor's degree in chemistry from North Georgia College and State University, a master's degree in science education from the University of West Georgia and a Doctorate of Philosophy in chemistry education from Auburn University.

Pruitt and his wife have two children – son who attends the University of Colorado-Boulder and a daughter who is high school junior at a public school in Kentucky.

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Weston a busy river town in late 1800s

In the 1800s, Weston was a bustling and growing riverport village on the banks of Ohio River in northern Crittenden County.

In 1846, John Wallingford and family were the only occupants of the place, and he sold goods for a living. The place was then known as Flynn's Ferry. Most of the traffic though the area at this time were pioneers traveling Flynn's Ferry Road going to new territory up North, as this was one of the principal routes.

In 1854, Richard Ford moved to the place and began a business and changed the name to Weston in honor of his wife, whose maiden name was West.

From 1854 until 1880, Weston grew very slowly, perhaps building six houses every decade, but during the next several years, several neat dwellings and some good business houses would be built. From its heyday in the late 1880s, it was the mercantile center for much of northern Crittenden County.

From the archives of The Crittenden Press during the 1800s, the names of several of the places of business are named with a nice description of their trade.

Merchants of Weston

Weston is a very unpretending little place, but it is surprising at the amount of goods sold here. All lines of goods are very well represented and there are no complaints of dullness in trade. All the merchants assure us that trade is very good.

Charlie Wilson has been in business but a few months, yet he is as much at home behind the counter as if he had lived there for years.



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

Forgotten Passages

In his store, he has a neat little stock of dry goods, boots and shoes, groceries, Queensware and all kinds of household supplies. Also, here can be found the celebrated Greenville tobacco.

- Otho Nunn & Son: These gentlemen carry a stock of about \$5,000 worth of goods. They are well pleased with their trade and will

doubtless make a success in the business at Weston. Both are clever, accommodating men.

- The American House and the Weston Hotel: R.L. Wallingford is proprietor of the American House. Bar rooms are kept in connection with the hotels. The clerk, C.T. Davis, of the American House estimates his sales since last May at \$3,000. Joseph L. Hughes is proprietor of the Weston Hotel and John Heath his clerk. No one knows better how to care for the wants of the weary and hungry traveler. His table is supplied with the very best of eatables, his rooms comfortable and neat and beds with snowy linen and elder down. You at once feel that you are at home. Connected with this well kept hotel is a good supply of staple and fancy groceries, as well as the choicest wines and liquors, cigars and tobacco.

- John Nunn & Co.: At their hardware store are found saddles, tinware, a nice lot of hardware, saddlery, furniture, plows and field seed for sale. They keep the best line of cooking stoves I have ever seen in the county, and they sell for prices to suit the times. Bob Nunn is the business manager of the firm, and he is an enterprising, modest and gentlemanly young man.

- Lamb & Rankin: Their



A vintage postcard taken in the early 1900s shows the Ewell Travis Drug Store in Weston. Travis is standing in front of the store with his horse and his wife George Ann Travis is sitting on the porch. One of the signs says Take Cardui. The inset advertisement for the Grady Bros. General Merchandise Store in Weston lists a new stock of dry goods. They carried most all items necessary for the home, and clothes for the working families. An inset photo shows an example of the popular and much sought after Queensware dinner plates. Most of the stores advertised that they had these dishes in stock.

store is new, the goods are new and everything presents a bright, cheerful, attractive appearance. This firm has recently embarked into the mercantile business, but it commands a good trade. They are dealers in dry goods, notions, shoes, hats, caps, groceries, hardware, tinware, glassware, plows, cultivators, wagons, buggies and goats. All kinds of merchandise for Marion is brought to the Weston dock to be picked up and hauled to their destination in Marion. Mr. Lamb, the steamboat agent, is in charge of this operation.

- John W. Cook keeps a coal and timber yard. He has sold coal to the steamers, about 175,000 bushels of coal. He also handles wagon and buggy timber. He has already sold 500 cords of hickory and about 80,000 feet of oak. Capt. Cook also travels to towns up North and brings back goods to sell at the local stores. He just arrived on the boat Oil City bringing a barge loaded with tobacco and potatoes.

- J.W. Adams, owner of the Weston Plow Factory, is busy striking the red-hot iron. He has recently begun business at Weston. We cheerfully recommend him and his work to the people. A better smith cannot be found in this county, and we trust the people will patronize him.

- Annie Bristow Heath is the town milliner, who is well equipped for the trimming of hats. She carries a large and elegant line of milliner and is at all times ready to serve her customers with the courtesy that she ever practices, and

those wanting the latest styles and lowest prices should call and see her wares.

- Harry A. Haynes has the local drug store. He is the dealer for medicines, chemicals, paints, oils, fancy notions, schoolbooks and everything found in a first-class drug store. He also has pure wine and liquors for medicinal purposes. Prescriptions are carefully compounded at all hours day or night. Mr. Samuel C. Haynes will always be found at his post as salesman and will wait on you with accuracy and courtesy.

- C.W. Grady General Merchandise. In the early 1900s, Clarence W. Grady and one of his brothers owned and ran a popular general merchandise store at Weston. They carried a new stock of dry goods, notions, boots, shoes, groceries, hardware, tinware, Queensware, anything one would need. Clarence was the son of Robert N. Grady and Margaret Eberle Grady. (The Grady brothers were known for their well-run store and their hospitality to the community. In 1908, they gave a grand barbecue and fish fry for the town and also had a balloon ascension for part of the entertainment. Experi-

enced cooks were on hand to cook their meats and music by the community string band was on hand to make it

one special occasion for Weston. This Grady family moved from Weston in later years to Marion and started in the grocery store business in Marion.)

- Travis Drug Store: Ewell Travis and his wife George Ann, ran a drug store in Weston. Besides medicine supplies and filing prescriptions, the store carried other notions, such as toiletries, writing paper and books.

There were other businesses during this time, but I have no history on them. The Brewer family ran a store and there was also a barbershop, a tobacco factory, a Masonic lodge, and probably many more that have been lost to time.

Many of these stores were heavily damaged in the flood of 1913. It did a lot of damage to the town.

In the summertime, this little town would overflow with people and the showboats such as the Cotton Blossom and the Majestic, with their large steam calliopes, would arrive. You would find families with surnames of Wilson, Grady, Hill,

Hughes, Rankin, Brewer, Travis, Truitt, Newcom, Sturgeon and many others there to see one of the many plays presented by the traveling troupes of old-time vaudeville.

The end of the riverport town started with the whistles of the trains that lured freight and passenger service away from the riverboats that had once been the best means of travel and also for transporting of goods to the towns.

Flooding had always been a problem, but the big one of 1937 drove many out of their homes for the final time. Another factor was the economic problems of The Great Depression, World War II and the promise of regular-wage paying jobs in the factories and the steels mills of the North that made people pack up and move to find these better paying jobs. Slowly the people and families moved away, leaving their homes and the stores to the death caused by time with no one to care for them.

Weston today is a beautiful little village with several families who live there. It is peaceful and secluded with a wonderful view of the mighty Ohio River which runs not far from their homes, but you have to drive to Marion or Sturgis for your closest stores.

(Editor's note: Brenda Underdown is a Crittenden County historian, genealogist, chair of the Crittenden County Historical Society and a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. Much more local history can be found on her blog at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com.)

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Easter is all about the resurrec- tion of Jesus com- ing out of the grave and returning to heaven. In comfort- ing His disciples, He told them, "It is expedient for you that I go away so I can send the Holy Spirit to you. If I go not away He will not come unto you."

If Jesus gave His life so we could be filled with Him- self, knowing that was the only way we could live for Him, shouldn't the introduc- tory question be the most important question for all of us to answer? Had Jesus not come and paid for our sins, all under the law



Rev. Lucy TEDRICK Guest columnist Religious Views

would not make heaven their home, as they could not live holy with out the Holy Spirit.

Without holi- ness no man shall see God, says He- brews 12:14.

As we look at seven of the things Jesus said the Holy Spirit would do for those in which He lives, it will show each of us if we have re- ceived Him:

- Acts 1:8: He would give us power to be witnesses unto Him wherever we are.

- John 14:16: He would be our Comforter.

- John 14:26: He would teach us all things.

- John 14:26: He would bring all things to our re- membrance.

- John 16:13: He would guide us into all truth.

- John 16:13: He will show us things to come.

- John 16:14: He would glorify Jesus. No time did

Jesus say the Holy Spirit would glorify Himself.

Paul asked today's open- ing question of disciples of Jesus he met at Ephesus after the Holy Spirit had been given at Pentecost for the believers. This shows that after we are forgiven for our sins and begin to follow Jesus, we are directed by Jesus to ask the Father for the Holy Spirit and He would give Him to us.

Many teach that being forgiven and receiving the Holy Spirit is all done in the same action. But Jesus said to His disciples, "And I will pray to the Father, and he shall give you another Com- forter, that he may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, be- cause it seeth him not, nei- ther knoweth him; but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

Jesus was making it very clear that His disciples had not received the Holy Spirit and that He can be received only by forgiven believers.

Many do not know this, and therefore, they make a pro- fession and try to live the life of a follower of Jesus and fail or fall into the false doc- trine – preached for the first time in history in 1538 – that no one can live a holy life.

Because of this, so many confess their sins and try to live for God in their own strength because they do not know they are to ask for the Holy Spirit and God would give Him to them so God would live His life through them.

Therefore, as many fall away, even thousands will still profess to be Christians but they do not follow Jesus in their lives. No one can live the life Jesus commands us to live and be victorious without the Spirit of God liv- ing in Him.

Too many times, I tried to make a profession of Christ and failed more times than I want to remember. Finally, in 1960 I tried again and four months after I con- fessed my sins and asked God for forgiveness, an older

minister preached the Bible message of being filled with the Holy Spirit. I asked for God to put Him in me, and I know when and where it happened. From then on, I wanted only the things of God and to serve Him and help others get to Heaven.

The scripture came to me while on my knees in prayer that "Peter left his fish nets and followed Jesus" and there God whispered to me, "Leave your business and follow me."

This teaching that no one can live holy is in direct con- tradiction to God's word, Hebrews 12:14 says, "With- out holiness, no man shall see the Lord."

Yet Satan continues to whine, "No one can live holy. No one is perfect. Everyone sins all the time. We are all sinners." How sad he has convinced millions of these lies and millions will be lost.

Please reread those seven things Jesus said the Holy Spirit would do for those in which He lives and know if

He lives in you. Paul said if He does not, you are none of His.

"But you are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you," reads Romans 8:9. "Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His."

The Bible does not teach that we become controlled robots when filled with God's Spirit, but that He lives His life through us, giv- ing us the power to resist Satan's wiles and to know when it is him and still have our free will to sin or not to sin.

St. John said in 1 John 3:8, "He that committeth sin is of the devil."

Sin is the transgression of God's commands. We de- cide what we do about it.

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

Offending children a deadly sin

By JOEY DURHAM GUEST COLUMNIST

My devotion today is, "Please Don't Offend Chil- dren," and my text is in Matthew 18:4-6, which reads, "Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoso shall re- ceive one such little child in my name receiveth me. But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which be- lieve in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

Jesus Christ loves chil- dren, but make no mistake, the Son of God in Verse 6 of our text gives a clear and stern warning to those who would offend children.

When you offend chil- dren, you are offending God Himself. When anyone keeps children from the true God of the Bible, they are an offense. When any- one, whether parent, priest, preacher or whomever, at-

tempts to turn children from the truth that they need as they grow up, to es- cape the misery of a sinful life and torment in eternity, they are offensive to Almighty God.

Many preachers and peo- ple today are bowing to the emerging, contemporary culture and teaching chil- dren that church is a "party" of fun, games and entertainment shows and never reveal to them their need to meet with a holy God and for turning from their sin to the only Savior of mankind.

Religion attempts to pro- tect pedophiles who have scarred children for life and literally mutilated their minds to believe that only salvation in Jesus Christ alone can enable them to cope. Ministries of all sorts have fed children the lie that they can accommodate this ungodly world in their life and they will not be ill- affected by it as they grow up.

Please do not offend the children within your sphere

of influence. Woe be to the one who offends children by teaching them to sin through sipping on beer and alcohol; teaching them profanity; or exposing them to lewd, promiscuous and illicit sexual content, whether in person or on a "page" and laughing about it.

Let me be real honest with you, the vast majority who has the audacity to of- fend children physically and spiritually will suffer excruciating torment for all eternity, because it's clear that they do not know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior. That is why they have no problem with offending the little jewels that ought to be protected, guarded and brought to Jesus Christ.

Amen, preacher! (Editor's note: Joey Durham, pastor of Sturgis Baptist Church, shares his views periodically in this newspaper. His opinions are his own and are not neces- sarily those of this newspa- per.)

CHURCH NOTES

Marion Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) at 211 W. Bellville St., will host a Maundy Thursday service beginning at 7 p.m. today. Maundy Thurs- day commemorates the obser- vance of the Last Supper by Jesus and his disciples. The public is invited to participate in the service of music, scripture readings, quiet contemplation and communion with other Christians from around the globe. The public is also in- vited to join with members of the church and Rev. Mike Brit- ton for Easter services with Sunday school at 10 a.m. and worship at 11 a.m.

- Easter services for Marion United Methodist Church will include a Maundy Thursday service tonight at 6 at the church, a Good Friday service at 7 p.m. at 1st Cumberland Presbyterian Church on West Bellville Street and a Sunrise service at 6 a.m. Sunday at the Methodist church with break- fast to follow.

- Marion Second Baptist Church on East Depot Street will be hosting a Easter egg

hunt at noon Saturday. There will be prizes, food and the resurrection story will be shared.

- Repton Baptist Church will host an Easter egg hunt at 11 a.m. Saturday for children up to 12 years old. Lunch will fol- low.

- Frances Community Church is having its annual Easter sunrise service at 6 a.m. A breakfast and Easter egg hunt will follow the morn- ing worship service.

- First Baptist Church in Fredonia is continuing its an- nual Forgiveness House this weekend. It runs from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from 2:30 to 8 p.m. Sunday. Contact the church at (270) 545-3401 or find "First Baptist Church Fredonia, KY" on Facebook to make reserva- tions.

- Enon General Baptist Church will host a 6 a.m. sun- rise service on Easter Sunday with refreshments to follow. C.B. Jones will be the speaker.

- The clothes closet at Mex- ico Baptist Church is open

from 9 to 11:30 a.m. each Monday.

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

- Unity Fredonia Baptist Church's free clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. the second and fourth Saturday of every month.

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

(Editor's note: Send us your announcement of upcom- ing activities or special ser- vices or a photo of events happening at your church. We cannot print it if we don't know about it. Announcements may run for two weeks at no charge. We do, however, re- serve the right to edit an- nouncements for clarity or brevity. Send your announce- ment or photo to us at: thepress@the-press.com or drop it by our office by 5 p.m. Monday.)

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Area Deaths

Vaughan

J.D. Vaughan, Jr., 87, of Owensboro died March 5, 2016 at Owensboro Center. He was born on April 11, 1928 in Marion to the late Doyle and Virginia Vaughan.

He was a UK graduate and a member of the Sigma Nu fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War and the Berlin Crisis. After working at Green River Steel Corp, he was employed with the City of Owensboro in 1973 as an administrative assistant to the city manager and mayor. Vaughan was named assistant city manager in 1981 and served as the first public works director for the City of Owensboro from 1983 until his retirement in 1992.

Vaughan was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Elizabeth Guenther Vaughan in 2007; a twin sister, Virginia Vaughan Stewart; and a grandson, Christopher Swope.

Surviving are his two daughters, Lisa Vaughan Heady (Paul) and Carol Vaughan Langdon (Jerry), all of Owensboro; a sister, Carol Vaughan Marshall (Shell) of Paducah; four grandchildren, Brandon Swope (Kelsi), Austin Swope (Amber), Marilee Langdon Morris (Nick) and Lesley Langdon Hust (Chris); three step-grandsons, Jeremie Ruth (Jennifer) Chad Heady (Crystal) and Clint Heady (Deborah); seven great-grandchildren, Aiden McCoy, Nolan Hust, Claire Hust, Kole Morris, Maxx Morris, Davis Swope, Collin Swope; and nine step-great-grandchildren, Kayla Ruth, Van Ruth, Lilly Ruth, Phillip Luallan, Embry Luallan, Nate Heady, Carter Heady, Chloe Heady and Chaney Heady.

Services were Wednesday, March 9 at Glenn Funeral Home and Crematory with the Rev. Myke Templeton officiating. Burial was at Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Community Church, 1220 Center Street, Owensboro, KY 42303.

Downs

Donna Marie Downs, 71 of Marion died Wednesday, March 16, 2016 at the Hospice Care Center in Paducah.

Surviving are two daughters, Michele Mitchell and Candice Clapton, both of Paducah; three grandchildren, Jordan Bonds of Iuka, Danielle Duncan of Marion and Payton Dukes of Smithland; a great-grandchild, Dani Duncan; and two siblings, William Hiney of Morris, Ill., and Susan Elam of Smithland.

Graveside services were Saturday, March 19 at Birdsville Cemetery in Livingston County. Gilbert Funeral Home was in charge of services.

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Crider

James C. "Jim" Crider, 83, of Paducah died Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at his home.

He was a member of Southland Baptist Temple where he was an usher and also helped with the nursing home ministry for many years. He was also a Kentucky Colonel.

Surviving are his wife, Sylvia June Crider; two sons, Kent (Sherry) Crider of Cape Girardeau, Mo., and Steve (Donna) Crider of Marion, Ky.; four daughters, Donna Pace of Paducah, Phyllis Davis of Florida, Patty Council of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Kaye Keiler of Paducah; sisters, Dean Cone of Florida, Phyllis Clowers of Tennessee and Madeline Belt of Marion; two brothers, Wayne Crider of Marion and Roger Stewart of Marion; 10 grandchildren, Justin Crider, Kellye Harper, Kendra Rinehart, Kathryn Keiler, Zack Keiler, Kayla Downs, Krista Reed, Shana Storm, Eric Taylor, and Adam Taylor; and many great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Will and Rose Thompson Crider; two brothers, Bill Crider and Rob Crider; and six sisters, Juanita Freer, Helen Catilla, Lonnie Craze, Rosa Nell Hilliard, Martha Scott, and Iris Brantley.

Services were Friday, March 18 at Lindsey Funeral Home in Paducah with Bro. Topper Council and Pastor Dean Cone officiating. Burial was Saturday, March 19 at Crayne Cemetery in Crayne.

Casey

Boyd Ray Casey, 85, of Ledbetter died Monday, March 21, 2016 at Baptist Health Paducah.

He was an airplane electrician in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. Casey was a member of American Legion Post 217 in Burna.

He was a retired teacher. His first position was at Hampton Elementary. He later moved to Illinois where he continued to work in the education field until his retirement. He was a member

of Salt and Light Community Church and a Kentucky Colonel.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Helen Scarbrough Casey; son, David Ray Casey (Mary Jean) of Equality Ill.; daughter, Lynda Lee Hiles (James) of Ledbetter; a step-grandson, Will Douglas (Jamie) of Harrisburg Ill.; two step-great-granddaughters, Malayna and McKendra Douglas; a brother-in-law, John Scarbrough (Lynn) of Burna; brother, Donald George (Cheri) of Lancaster, Calif.; nephew, John Allen Scarbrough; and several other nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William R. George and Eva Mae Sutton George; and a brother, Jerry Ray Casey.

Services are at 11 a.m., Thursday, March 24 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Jim Glover officiating. Burial with Military Honors will follow in Dyer Hill Cemetery.

Visitation is 5-8 p.m., Wednesday and from 10 a.m., until the funeral hour on Thursday at the funeral home.

Summers

Roger F. Summers, 77, of Marion died Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at his home. He was a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church in Benton.

Surviving are his wife, Cyndi Summers of Marion; children, Debbie Overturf (Harold) of Marion, Ill., Mark Summers of Herrin, Ill., Alan Summers (Sara) of Carterville, Ill., and Donald "Buddy" Seibert of Mountain View, Mo.; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Frances Avery of Valier, Ill.; and a brother: R.K. "Ron" Summers (Kay) of Thompsonville, Ill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Freeman and Ruth Sadler Summers; and a daughter-in-law, Judy Summers.

Services were Saturday, March 19 at Morton and Johnston Funeral Home in Benton with Rev. Eddie Paul Davis officiating. Burial was at the Masonic & Oddfellows Cemetery in Benton.

Memorials may be made to the Baptist Childrens Home in Carmi, Ill. Myers Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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The family of Mary Jewel Alexander wishes to thank everyone who called, visited, brought food or simply offered a hug or a word of comfort. We appreciate you all.

A very special thank you to Dr. Barnes and the nursing staff at Crittenden Health Systems. Your kindness and caring during a difficult time will always be remembered.

Thanks to Gilbert Funeral Home, Rev. DeeAnn Thompson and Rev. Wendell Ordway for the beautiful service. The music by Regina Cook and Madeline Henderson was very special to us.

Our church family at First Cumberland Presbyterian provided a wonderful lunch after the service. We appreciate it very much.

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After Hours Extension Homemakers learn about Panama

STAFF REPORT

Thayes Flores, Crittenden County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences, treated the After Hours Extension Homemaker Club to an overview of Panama on March 15.

Flores, a native of Panama, told the club the history of the country along with the history of the building of the Panama Canal. Flores' uncle was one of the individuals who took part in the march against the U.S. for not flying Panama's flag as well as the U.S. flag over the canal when it was being built.

She described the elaborate native costumes before showing a video of her sisters preforming a native dance in a local festival. Refreshments consisting of Panamanian foods were provided by Flores and Darl Henley.

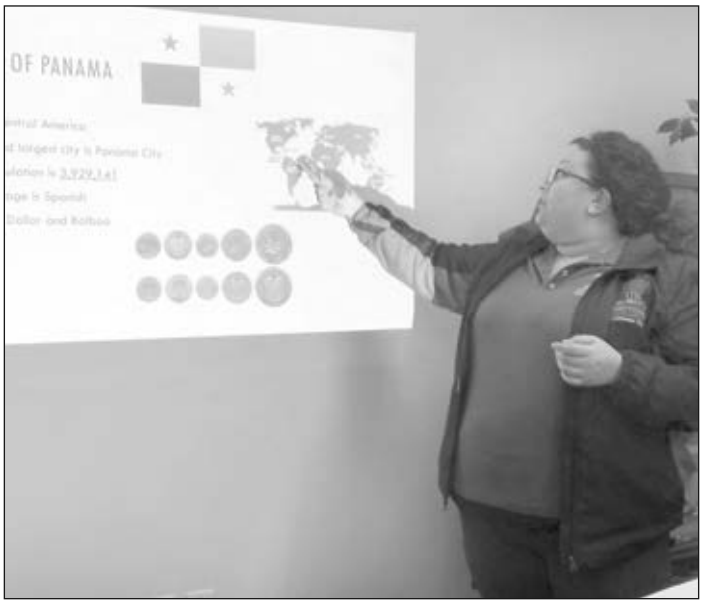
Henley called the business meeting to order. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, she read a devo-

tional called "From Dust Bowl to Sugar Bowl." Club members answered the roll with their favorite UK basketball coach or player. Surprisingly, there were several who were not UK fans and couldn't name a player. Favorites included Willie Cauley-Stein, Devin Booker and John Calipari.

Members volunteered to provide food for the Pennyrile Area 4-H Communications Days to be held in Marion on April 29. Those items need to be brought to the Extension office by noon that day. Club members are also assisting with items needed by the teen 4-H Sewing Club.

The club viewed the Manners display board put together by club member Dawn Hollamon and other Extension Homemakers. It will be on display at the state Extension Homemaker meeting in Northern Kentucky in April.

Appreciation was given to Gladys Brown for donating a Christmas tree for the club's



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Thayes Flores, Crittenden County Extension Agent for Family & Consumer Sciences, treated the After Hours Extension Homemaker Club last week to an overview of her native Central American country of Panama.

use. A thank you note was received from the 4-H American Private Enterprise System program.

Club members Tabby Tinsley's and Hollamon's exhibits at the February Pennyrile Area Cultural Arts

earned first place and will be entered in the state competition.

The educational lesson for the month was on "Protecting Against Identify Theft" presented by Sue Parrent and Reagan Parrent. Some of their tips that may be overlooked included:

- Look at your bills and bank statements promptly. Dispute time may be limited to 60 days.
- Pay attention to debt collectors.
- Lock and shred.
- Keep private information to yourself.

For more information on identify theft, request bulletin FCS5-453 from your county Extension office.

Due to the Kentucky Extension Homemakers Association meeting in April, the After Hours Club meeting has been changed to 5 p.m. April 12 at the Extension office. The program will be on "Accessorizing to Create Great Outfits." Visitors are welcome.

Deer Creek Church hosting photo hunt

Deer Creek Baptist Church will be hosting a Relay for Life photo scavenger hunt April 9 starting at Marion-Crittenden County Park at 9 a.m. Participants will meet at the park and get their list of potential targets.

"The list has a lot of stuff on it that teams go take pictures of," said Chad Bell, one of the organizers.

The hunt itself will last for one hour, then teams return to the park to submit their photographs to judges. Proceeds benefit Relay for Life.

For more information, contact Chad Bell at (270) 969-0385 or Sandi Bell at (270) 969-0041.

Marion woman earns scholarship to WGU

Lenora Martin of Marion has received the A New Kind of You Scholarship from Western Governors University. As a nonprofit online university, WGU typically awards scholarships based on the applicants academic record, readiness for online study, financial need, and other considerations.



Salem Derby Day set for Saturday, May 7

Salem Derby Day will be May 7 to coincide with the 142nd running of the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville. The celebration will feature music, vendors, food, a petting zoo and, of course, a Derby Day Hat competition. Contact Janet Hughes for more information at (270) 988-3835.

Butler named to fall dean's list at Berea

Marion resident Harley Butler has been named to the fall 2015 dean's list at Berea College in Berea, Ky. A student is named to the dean's list who achieves a GPA of 3.4 or higher for a minimum course load equivalent to 16 semester hours.

Community events scheduled for week

- **4-H Run through the Clover 5K** registration begins at 8 a.m. Saturday at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Participants may pre-register at the Crittenden County Extension Service office.

- **West Kentucky Regional Blood Center** and Crittenden Health Systems will sponsor a blood drive April 4 in the education building on the campus of CHS. Blood will be taken from noon to 5:30 p.m. Each donor receives a T-shirt.

WEDDING



Suzannah Noelle Files and Matthew James Davidson

Files, Davidson wed in Arkansas

Suzannah Noelle Files, daughter of Lacinda Belt Files of Springdale, Ark., and the late Steve Files, married Matthew James Davidson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Davidson of Fayetteville, Ark., on September 12, 2015 at Magnolia Gardens in Springdale.

The bride is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ray Belt of Marion and the late Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Files of Hunter, Ark. The groom is the grandson of Mrs. Bobby Nell Templeton of Fayetteville and Mrs. Jane Wilson of Fort Smith, Ark.

The couple married beneath a wisteria arbor at 6:30 p.m. in the evening

surrounded by family and friends. Steve Pulliam of Fayetteville officiated the ceremony. A reception followed the ceremony on the grounds of historic Magnolia Gardens in Springdale.

The couple honeymooned in Barbados and now resides in Fayetteville. Mr. Davidson is a graduate of Fayetteville High School and the University of Arkansas. He is employed as an industrial engineer at Marshall Town Tools in Fayetteville. Mrs. Davidson is a graduate of Fayetteville High School and Career Academy of Hair Design in Springdale. She is a cosmetologist and make-up artist for Crown Beauty Bar of Fayetteville.

Senior center closed to observe Good Friday

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those 60 and older or \$5 for those under 60. Milk, coffee or tea are available each day. Reservations are requested by 9 a.m. Upcoming activities and menu include:

- Today: A blood pressure clinic by Lifeline Home Health will be held from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Menu is barbecue pork on whole wheat bun, au gratin potatoes, cucumber salad and oatmeal cookie.
- Friday: The center is closed in observance of Good

Friday.

- Monday: Ladies' exercises will be led at 9:45 a.m. by Full Body Fitness Studio. Menu is beef vegetable soup, pimiento cheese with crackers, cornbread and Mandarin oranges.
- Tuesday: The center will be offering rides for lunch and a movie in Paducah. Call for details or to reserve a spot. Menu is hamburger on whole wheat bun, baked pork-n-beans, baked potato and oatmeal cookie.
- Wednesday: Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. Menu is chili dog on whole wheat bun, potato wedges, apple sauce and dreamsicle gelatin.

- Next Thursday: A blood pressure clinic by Lifeline Home Health will be held from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Menu is chicken and dumplings, broccoli cheese casserole, buttered carrots, cornbread and baked apples.

All menu items are subject to change based on availability. Every day, the center at 210 N. Walker St. in Marion offers billiards, card games, Wii games and the use of exercise equipment. Call the center at (270) 965-5229 for further information. The center is a service of Pennyrile Allied Community Services. Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center.



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Girl Scout gratitude

Girl Scout Troop (Daisy) 127 from the Crittenden County Service Unit recently completed ITS annual cookie sales and expressed gratitude to all those who ordered. Pictured are (standing, from left) troop co-leader Leslie Stinnett, Brooklyn Stinnett, Braelyn Merrill, Aalina Henry, Morgan Stewart, Olivia Hinchee, Lila Curnel, leader Angel Henry and (seated) Morgan Piper.

City recognizes Gipson for 25 years of service

City of Marion Treasurer Melinda Gipson (second from right), was honored during Monday's Marion City Council meeting by Mayor Mickey Alexander for a quarter-century of service as a city employee. In accepting the recognition in front of her family, Gipson turned to Mayor Alexander and said she could not have made it 25 years without his support as well as that of the late Nina Winn, who was serving as city treasurer when Gipson was hired under Alexander. She is currently the longest serving full-time employee for the city. Pictured with Gipson are her family (from left) Magen Smith, son Darren Tinsley, daughter Julie Tinsley, parents Charles and Norma Freeman and husband Danny Gipson.

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City represented on Ky. team aimed at managing lead in water systems

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's Energy and Environment Cabinet is taking a proactive approach to managing lead in the commonwealth's drinking water in order to prevent any type of disasters such as the one in Flint, Mich., and elsewhere across the country.

And to some degree, Marion is playing a key role in those preventative measures.

Brian Thomas, the city's utilities director, has been tapped by the Division of Water (DOW) to be among a dozen Kentucky water systems specialists who will work together on a plan to double down the safety of the state's drinking water.

Thomas, a 10-year city employee, will represent the state's small-water distributors. He will serve alongside engineers, Ph.D.s and consultants. Marion City Ad-

ministrator Mark Bryant said the appointment bodes well for this community. He said it speaks to the respect Thomas has among his peers and DOW.

Flint's issues have made national headlines, but there have been similar lead-based problems in Ohio and Mississippi. Thomas said water systems across the country use lead pipes as part of the distribution systems. However, according to The Courier-Journal, Kentucky does not have a central database of lead service lines in public water systems that could be used to track these potential sources of lead poisoning in drinking water.

"As long as your water is chemically balanced, it doesn't create a problem," Thomas said.

All water utilities in Kentucky comply with a federal lead drinking water rule, a

USA TODAY NETWORK investigation has found, but the investigation revealed some 2,000 different U.S. drinking water systems had tap tests above the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's "action level" limit of 15 parts per billion.

In Michigan, where the city switched raw water intake from Lake Huron to the more corrosive Flint River, it created a problem inside the older water pipes. Lead began leaching into the system, turning drinking water brown.

Thomas said the group, which he met with via conference call earlier this week, is looking for proactive measures to make sure Kentucky continues to do everything possible to prevent any breakdowns in the sampling and treating systems that are already in place.

"If there are any holes, we want to fix them," he said. "We will be looking at the sampling process, testing

and regulations."

Thomas said that during his tenure in Marion, there has never been a lead detection in the water system. If so, he said current regulations would trigger a much more detailed investigation into the matter and a resolution process would be put into place if levels warranted it.

Although those types of precautions already exist, Thomas said this committee on which he is serving will more closely examine the subject of lead in Kentucky's drinking water.

Health experts say there is no completely safe level of lead in drinking water, and some caution that the federal action level is too high. Virginia Tech experts working on the Flint situation have said anything over 5 parts per billion suggests a serious lead problem.

(Editor's note: The Courier-Journal contributed to this story.)

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Spring to see boom in shelter population

STAFF REPORT

KApril has been set aside for a host of animal awareness issues like pet first aid, heartworm prevention, Lyme disease in dogs, pet IDs and hairballs. There's even a Veterinary Day and Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week. But most notable, April is host to ASPCA Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month and National Adopt a Shel-

ter Pet Day.

The importance of the latter issues can be underscored with February numbers from Crittenden County Animal Shelter. According to Animal Control Officer Timmy Todd, the shelter held 49 dogs and 31 puppies. There were also 22 cats brought in. Numbers for March are sure to eclipse those figures with spring litters being

born.

Thirty-two of the dogs and all the puppies went to rescue, while 12 dogs were adopted and another four reclaimed. For cats, the picture is not as rosy. Few are getting adopted.

"If it wasn't for the farmers wanting them for barns," Todd said, "we would really be in a hurt."

Todd, who was recently given the authority to write

citations within the City of Marion for violations of the leash law, said overpopulation of unwanted pets, particularly cats, is a big problem in the county. He urges all pet owners to get their animals spayed or neutered to help reduce the number of euthanizations and save taxpayer dollars.

(For a related editorial on the need for pet sterilization, see Page 2.)

Marion native tapped for fed appeals court

STAFF REPORT

A Marion native has been nominated by President Barack Obama to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit, but it looks like she may have to wait for a new President to take office next year.

Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Lisabeth Tabor Hughes, the oldest daughter of Ada Lou Hughes and the late Trice Hughes, was nominated for the federal bench last Thursday. She was born in Marion and grew up in Princeton.

"Justice Lisabeth Tabor Hughes has a long and impressive record of service and a history of handing down fair and judicious decisions," President Obama said in a White House release. "She will be a thoughtful and distinguished addition to the 6th Circuit, and I am extremely pleased to put her forward."

However, on Monday, U.S. Sen. Majority Leader Mitch McConnell refused to consider the President's nomination as part of an ongoing battle with the White House over court appointments in the final year of Obama's term.

"Leader McConnell tried to work with the White House to fill this vacancy, in-

cluding submitting a qualified Kentuckian for consideration," a McConnell spokesperson said Monday in a statement released to media. "Rather than work with him to fill this vacancy, they submitted Justice Hughes without even notifying Leader McConnell. He will not support action on this nomination."

The U.S. Court of Appeals is one step below the Supreme Court. Judges in the 6th Circuit hear cases from Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and Michigan. Hughes went by the name Lisabeth Hughes Abramson until a recent divorce.

Hughes earned her bachelor of arts in 1977 from the University of Louisville and her juris doctor in 1980 from the U of L Louis D. Brandeis School of Law.

In 1999, Justice Hughes was appointed and then elected to the Jefferson Circuit Court, where she served for over seven years before being re-appointed and later elected to the Kentucky Court of Appeals in 2006. In 2007, she was appointed to serve as a Kentucky Supreme Court justice and was subsequently elected to that position in 2008 and re-elected in 2014.



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Barrel racer competing at championship



SUBMITTED PHOTO
Salem teen Rainey Gibbs will be competing this summer in the National Barrel Horse Association World Championships in Perry, Ga. A fundraiser is set for April 3 at the 88 Dip in Marion to help finance her trip.

NEWS BRIEFS

City of Marion to pay off fire station loan

Marion City Council on Monday decided to snuff out one of the city's biggest monthly financial fires. Councilmen voted unanimously to pay off the remainder of the loan taken out to finance the new fire station completed in 2012. By writing the \$708,362 check to close out the loan, the city will save about \$1,800 per month it was paying in interest. The decision was reached after discussion at last month's meeting about possibly raising taxes was distinguished. Instead of leaning on constituents for more income to ensure a balanced budget, the council wanted to look at cutting expenses. Monday's move will, in effect, do so, ultimately saving taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars in interest that would have been paid out over the life of the fire station loan.

"There are a lot of things the city needs to be putting money away for instead of putting money on a payment," Councilman Darrin Tabor said last month.

Councilman Dwight Sherer feared that siphoning off more than \$700,000 of reserves might put the city in a bind in the event of a catastrophe. While Mayor Mickey Alexander said the move will pull city reserve funds to their lowest mark in 20 years, \$600,000 will remain on hand for any emergencies.

That was enough to convince Sherer and the other five council members to pull the trigger, provided the city puts more money aside for a rainy day. All of the \$4,875 paid out each month for the fire station loan will now be socked away in a sinking fund that can be easily tapped into if necessary.

City properties could soon see changes

The face of more property in Marion could soon be changing. Marion City Council members on Monday gave final approval to a zoning change that will allow David Williams to revitalize a blighted area on Jackson Street by placing a couple of mobile homes on lots where dilapidated houses stood. They also introduced a measure that will allow Pat James to remove a couple of mobiles and a house on his South Main Street property in favor of commercial development. City Administrator Mark Bryant said James is looking

at possibly erecting a spec building for light commercial use at 672 S. Main St. Final approval for that is expected at next month's council meeting. Councilmen also learned that a row of condemned mobile homes tucked away at the end of Chippis Drive may soon be removed. Bryant said property owner Jerry Stone, who has failed to do anything with the untenable property, is in negotiations to sell the land to Todd Riley. The Moore Street lot where his welding and machine shop stands butts against the land on which the mobile homes rests. The city administrator said Riley intends to clean up the property should the deal go through. Though condemned like many other properties across town, Bryant said the city is not in a position to force Stone's hand by footing the bill to have the mobile homes removed and placing a lien on the property in the hope of recovering the expense. "We can't afford to take the trailers out," Bryant told council members.

Bluebird boxes to be given away soon

Spring has started and coming with it are birds looking for nesting places. Crittenden County Conservation District is again offering a giveaway of free bluebird nesting boxes. These traditional wooden birdhouses or peaked metal roof style were constructed by the high school woodworking class with materials provided by the Conservation District. The giveaway is open to anyone interested in receiving and installing a bird box on their property. To enter, drop off or mail a postcard with name, address and phone number to: Crittenden County Conservation District, Bluebird Box Drawing, 118 E. Bellville St., Marion, KY, 42064. Cards must be postmarked by April 9. Please send only one per household, but previous winners may enter again. Names will be randomly drawn. Those selected will be notified by phone or mail.

Disaster loans open to Livingston County

The U.S. Small Business Administration is reminding small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, small aquaculture businesses and most private nonprofit organizations in Livingston County of the deadline to submit disaster loan applications for economic

STAFF REPORT
Salem teen Rainey Gibbs is hoping a good breakfast can help her reach the National Barrel Horse Association World Championships this July in Perry, Ga. While the first meal of the day is key to success, breakfast on Sunday, April 3 will help finance her trip to the competition. Glen Conger, owner of 88 Dip in Marion, will be donating proceeds from the day's breakfast from 7 to 10 a.m. to the 15-year-old equestrian. Gibbs said sponsors like Conger are what allow her to take part in a very expensive sport. "It's extremely important," the lifelong rider said. "I couldn't do this if I didn't have the support of sponsors like him." Last year, the competition cost Gibbs and her mother Sharon Glover about \$3,000. "Rodeo is the most expensive sport in the world," Gibbs added with a laugh. Glover said she can't put a price on her daughter's dreams. The girl began riding at the age of 4, and has been winning competitions for just about as long. "She's a natural," Glover said. "She always has been." Gibbs hopes to take her love of horses and skills with the animals to college. She plans to attend Murray State University and earn a degree in horsemanship, professional breeding and training. She is currently home-schooled and working at Freedom Farms in Eddyville, where she also trains and has grown her love for equestrian competition. "My favorite part is the adrenaline you get trusting a thousand-pound animal with your life," Gibbs said. "The trust is unreal. If you don't have trust, you can't be successful." And Gibbs is no one-trick pony. She is also fond of writing poetry.

injury caused by flash flooding on July 7, 2015. The deadline to apply for a working capital disaster loan is April 25. Low-interest disaster loans are available for Livingston County as well as other western Kentucky counties. Crittenden County is not included. Applications and program information are available by calling SBA at (800) 659-2955 or visiting SBA.gov/disaster. 2016, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training. The preliminary February 2016 jobless rate was 0.5 percentage points above the 5.3 percent rate recorded for the state in February 2015. "Unemployment rates have increased in both January and February compared to a year ago," said economist Manoj Shanker of the OET. "The jump in the unemployment rate is almost paradoxical. As the job market improves, more and more people start entering the labor market in search of employment. The new entrants, however, may not have the skills necessary to land a job. During this period of job search, they are unemployed and that drives up the unemployment rate."

Bevin appoints new KSP commissioner

Gov. Matt Bevin on Monday announced today that Jeffersonstown Police Chief Richard W. Sanders will serve as the new Commissioner for Kentucky State Police. Sanders joins KSP with more than 40 years of experience from federal and local law enforcement agencies. He has held executive leadership positions for the past two decades and was named Kentucky's Chief of the Year in 2012. As head of Jeffersonstown Police, Sanders successfully implemented a canine program, streamlined operating procedures and expanded the department's special investigation unit, which has now seized more than \$1.5 million from drug traffickers. Sanders previously worked 24 years for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration. During his final year, he served as assistant administrator for the operational support division at the DEA headquarters in Washington, D.C., where he oversaw information technology, investigative technology, forensic sciences and administrative management programs. Prior to that, he worked as special agent in charge for the Chicago Field Division.

State jobless rate stays at 5.8 percent

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary unemployment rate for February 2016 stayed at 5.8 percent from a revised 5.8 percent in January

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SCHEDULE

Local prep games

THURSDAY
Track hosts Quad Meet
FRIDAY
Baseball at Union County
Softball at McCracken Tourney
SATURDAY
Baseball at Paducah Tilghman
Softball at McCracken Tourney
MS Baseball hosts Marshall Co.
MONDAY
Baseball at Hopkins Central
Softball hosts Webster Co.
TUESDAY
Baseball at Calloway Co.
Softball at Union Co.
MS Baseball hosts Trigg Co.

BASKETBALL

Dunbar wins title

Lexington Dunbar won the Kentucky Sweet 16 Boys Basketball championship Sunday at Rupp Arena, beating Louisville Doss 61-52. The 11th Region champion Dunbar boys finished the season with a record of 33-6. Second Region champion Christian County lost 53-50 in the opening round to eventual quarterfinalist South Laurel. Murray, the First Region boys' champion, lost 75-54 in the second round to Newport Central Catholic.

Princeton Hall of Famer

The Kentucky High School Basketball Hall of Fame has announced that the late Dwight Smith of the former Princeton Dotson High School has been selected for enshrinement. Smith played at Princeton from 1960-1963. He was a great rebounder and defender, and led Dotson to the state tournament in 1963 which was the last year of the school before consolidation. Smith made the all-state tournament team in 1963 along with Hall of Famer Clem Haskins with whom he would team up in 1966 on arguably Western Kentucky University's greatest team. Smith was named to first team all-state in 1962 and 1963.



Lady Rocket track athletes opened the home scheduled last week. Here, three Crittenden girls sprint over the hurdles. They are (from left) Kenlee Perryman, Southern Pate and Trinity Hayes. The team will host its second quad meet of the season Thursday at Marion-Crittenden County Park.



Lady Rocket freshman Brandy Book (above) is hot at the plate. She hit two homers out of two different parks as the Crittenden County girls opened their season with two victories over the past week. The stroke above sent her first dinger out of the park at Hopkinsville. At left, Crittenden County catcher Dylan Hollis waits for a throw that comes a bit too late as Caldwell County's Luke Brown slides in safely during a game last week at Princeton.

RUNNING

Upcoming 5K races

•Crittenden County 4-H is sponsoring a 5K run and walk with obstacles on Saturday at the park. Registration begins at 8 a.m.
•Pulling For Natalie Benefit 5K April 2 at park. Race-day registration 7:30 a.m.
•Corrected Location: Deer Creek Baptist Church 5K to support Relay for Life April 22. Event starts at 6:30 p.m. at Deer Creek Church near Sheridan.

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Coyote Nighttime Feb. 1 - May 31
Wild Turkey Youth April 2-3
Wild Turkey Statewide April 16 - May 8



DIAMOND ROUND UPS

CCHS Softball

Lady Rocket freshman Brandy Book is ripping the ball right out of the chute this season. She hit home runs in the girls' first two softball games.
Book homered and had two other hits at Hopkinsville last Thursday as Crittenden won 8-1. Teammates Kaitlyn Hicks and Emmie Smith also had three apiece and Cassidy Moss added a couple.
Moss pitched the entire game and gave up the only run in the fourth inning. She struck out six and walked one. Hopkinsville had six hits, but Crittenden County pounded out 15. Everyone in the lineup reached base at least once.
The Lady Rockets exploded for two runs in the fifth and four in the sixth to seal the win.

The Crittenden girls kept up the offensive heat on Monday in their home opener, beating Hopkins Central 6-1 as Book hit a two-run homer in the sixth. Book and Kali Travis each drove in two runs during the contest.
Crittenden led the whole way. Hicks had three hits, including two doubles, and Kiana Nesbitt also had three hits. Cassidy Moss had two hits and earned the victory on the mound with a stellar one-hitter. She pitched seven innings, striking out nine and walking just one.
Crittenden improved to 3-0 with a home win over Trigg Tuesday. Details were unavailable at Press time.

Rocket Baseball

The Rockets won 9-1 at Mayfield Friday. Crittenden looked strong at the plate, almost scoring double digits

on six hits. Mayfield, a team with a number of seniors and juniors, committed a half dozen errors.
Alex Cosby had two singles and a triple on a sharp liner to right field. Seth Birdwell doubled and Maeson Myers and Ryan James singled.
Myers worked into the fifth inning before Cosby came on to pitch down the stretch and close out the game.
Crittenden played solid defense with no errors.
Tough loss at Caldwell County
The Tigers are one of the best teams in the region, but Crittenden took them and their ace to the wire last Thursday at Princeton.
Left-handed Caldwell County hurler Luke Brown is a Murray State signee who was a key figure in last year's regional championship while at Hopkinsville.
Caldwell won the game 3-0 as Brown allowed just three hits.
Crittenden hits came from James, Cosby and Bobby Stephens. The Tigers scored their three runs off five hits and three Rocket errors.
Nick Castiller pitched the entire game and matched the Tigers most of the way.
Rockets fall at Trigg
The Rockets lost 7-2 at Trigg County Tuesday. Shelby Robinson and Ethan Hunt each drove in a run on hits and Cosby and Dylan Hollis also had singles in the contest. Cosby pitched and was tagged with the loss.

CRITTENDEN TRACK AND FIELD RESULTS

Here are Crittenden results only from recent track and field meets:

BOYS
March 17 - Home Tri Meet
TEAM TOTALS - Dawson Springs 89, Crittenden 65, Union County 14.
3200 Relay 2. Crittenden (W.Tolley, Z.Weathers, J.Croft, J,Belt) 10:17.
400 Meters 3. Brooks (1:01:56).
3200 Meters 4. J.Belt (13:02), 6. J.Croft (14:32).
110 Hurdles 2. Perkins (19.44), 4. G.McConnell (20.65), 5. D.Ford (20.78).
300 Hurdles 2. W.Perkins (48.32), 4. G.McConnell (50.55), 6. D.Ford (52.67).
High Jump 4. D.Ford (5-0).
Long Jump 4.T.Steele (15-8), 6. L.Brooks (14'8).
800 Meters 3. W.Tolley (2:33), 5. Joseph Estes (2:37), 6. Z.Weathers (2:45).
Shot Put 2. A.Beavers (30-10), 6. R.Crider (26-9.6), 7. C.White (26-3.6).
100 Meters 1. D.Nesbitt (12.0), E.Moss (13.2).
200 Meters 1. J.Russelburg (25.31), 4. A.Beavers (29.30).
Discus 3. C.White (78'6 3/4), 6. R.Crider (66'1), 7. A.Beavers (63'10).
1600 Meters 4. J.Belt (5.55), 5. J.Croft (5.59).
Triple Jump 2. T.Steele (34'1), L.Brooks (27'3.5).
400 Relay 1. Crittenden 48:74
800 Relay 1. Crittenden (D.Nesbitt, W.Tolley, D.Hicks, J.Russelburg) 1:34.
1600 Relay 1. Crittenden (Russelburg, G.McConnell, Nesbitt, Tolley) 4:01.

GIRLS
March 17 - Home Tri Meet
TEAM TOTALS - Crittenden 91.3, Dawson Springs 59.3, Union County 23.3.
3200 Relay 1. Crittenden (K.Keller, E.Barnes, J.Duncan, M.Sitar) 12:19.
400 Meters 3. E.Barnes

(1:19.15), 4. Nadia Hutchings (1:34).
3200 Meters 3. J.Duncan (16:32), S.Pate (20:13).
100 Hurdles 3. J.Potter (22:00), 4. M.Champion (22:10), 5. T.Hayes (23:14), 6. K.Perryman (25:04).
300 Hurdles 2. M.Champion (57:03), 3. J.Potter (58:05) 4. K.Perryman (1:03).
Triple Jump 1. N.Shuecraft (25-4), T.Hayes (23-5), E.Barnes (21-8).
100 Meters 1. A.Lynch (14:24), 3. S.Wallace (14:59), 4. Natalie Hutchings (15:17),7. A.Darrow (15:90).
800 Meters 1. M.Sitar (2:58), 4. K.Keller (3:15).
Long Jump 1. N.Shuecraft (11-8), 2. T.Hayes (11-7).
1600 Meters 3. M.Sitar (6:36), 6. K.Keller (6:57).
200 Meters 1. A.Lynch (31.2), 3. Natalie Hutchings (33.64), 4. N.Shuecraft (34.19).
High Jump 3. Natalie Hutchings (4-8), 5. Nadia Hutchings (4-0).
Shot Put 1. A.Tabor (23-1.6), 2. K.Graham (19-4.6).
Discus 1. A.Tabor (60-3.6), 2. K.Graham (48-4.6).
800 Meters 1. Crittenden (Perryman, Wallace, Champion, Lynch) 2:05.
1600 Meters 1. Crittenden (Potter, Shuecraft, Wallace, M.Sitar) 5:09.
400 Meters 1. Crittenden 48.79.

GIRLS
March 15 - Marshall All Comers
TEAM TOTALS - Tilghman 94, Marshall County 75, Calloway County 57.5, Fort Campbell 40, Graves County 28, Muhlenberg County 26, Mayfield 19, Fulton County 15, Dawson Springs 8, Ballard Memorial 4, Christian Fellowship 5, Trigg County 5, Crittenden County 3, Livingston Central 2.5, Lyon County 1.
100 Meters 22. Michele Davidson (14.2), 37. Shelby Wallace, 41, Amanda Lynch,

53. Jessie Potter.
400 Meters 20. Madison Champion (1:15.08), 24. J.Potter, 38. Courtney Curnel, 44. Emmalea Barnes.
1600 Meters 9. Margaret Sitar (6:39.67), 19. Kate Keller, 23. Jaelyn Duncan, 28. Anzie Gobin, 30. Southern Pate.
100 Hurdles 14. Champion (21.77), 19. Trinity Hayes.
3200 Relay 9. Crittenden (12:26.2), 11. Crittenden.
High Jump 7. Natalie Hutchings (4-2).
Long Jump 22. T.Hayes (11-5).
Shot Put 13. Alexis Tabor (23-1), 17. Kaylee Graham.
Discus 13. A.Tabor (56-7), 24. K.Graham.

BOYS
March 15 - Marshall All Comers
TEAM TOTALS - Tilghman 97.5, Marshall County 77, Ft. Campbell 68, Mayfield 39, Calloway County 34, Dawson Springs 22, Muhlenberg County 19.5, Fulton County 18, Trigg County 6, Ballard Memorial 4, Livingston Central 4, Crittenden County 1.
100 Meters 26. Jacob Russelburg (12.28), 34. Devon Nesbitt, 35. Dylan Hicks, 44. Branen Lamey.
400 Meters 21. D.Hicks (1:01.91), 37. Will Perkins, 45. Elie Moss, 46. Adam Beavers.
1600 Meters 21. Jesse Belt (6:07.78), 23 Jantzen Croft, 33. Jacob Henry.
110 Hurdles 11. W.Perkins (21.1), 16. Gary McConnell, 19. Devin Ford.
3200 Meters 9. (10:00.7), 12. Crittenden.
High Jump 16. B.Lamey (5-2), 17. D.Nesbitt.
Long Jump 25. B.Lamey (14-3), 37. Tyson Steele, 40. Landon Brooks.
Shot Put 17. A.Beavers (32-7), 27. Ross Crider, 31. Christian White.
Discus 14. C.White (77-3), 18. R.Crider, 24. A.Beavers.



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Crittenden County's Rocket basketball team held its annual awards banquet Sunday. Among those recognized were (front from left) Dylan Hollis, Team Captain and Most Hustle; Ryan James, Sixth Man Award; Dakota Watson, Varsity Player of the Year; Dylan Hicks, Ironman Award; Tyler Coleman, Best Varsity Teammate; (back) Bobby Stephens, JV Player of the Year, Challenge Award and JV Best Teammate; Sean O'Leary, JV Most Improved Player; Logan Belt, Overall Most Improved Player; Gavin Dickerson, Rookie of the Year; and Will Tolley, Defensive Player of the Year. Not pictured: Parent of the Year: Sheryl Watson.



Crittenden County's Lady Rocket basketball team held its annual awards banquet Sunday. Among those recognized were (front from left) Madison Champion, Varsity Impact Player Award; Kiana Nesbitt, Field Goal Percentage and Co-Best Teammate; Cassidy Moss, Most Valuable Player, Coach's Award and Top Scorer, Top Rebounder, Best Scoring Average, Most Steals, Most Deflections and Most Free Throws Made; Amanda Lynch, Best Teammate Award; (back) Shelby Summers, Lady Rocket Pride Award; Francesca Pierce, Most Assists; Nahla Woodward, Challenge Award; Kenlee Perryman, JV Impact Player Award; and Mauri Collins, Most Improved Award.



CCMS eighth-grade basketball recently held its awards banquet. Among those honored were (from left) Coach Mandy Hunt, Emmie Smith, Defensive Award and Lady Rocket Award; Morgan Barnes, Most Improved Award; Ellie Smith, Offensive and Hustle awards.

CCMS seventh-grade basketball recently held its awards banquet. Among those honored were (from left) Coach Kenzie McNamara, Chandler Moss, Defense and Lady Rocket awards; Nahla Woodward, Offensive Award; and Matthia Long, Hustle Award. Not pictured Lilly Perryman, Most Improved Award.



LADY ROCKET STATISTICS 2014-15 : Final Record 15-16

TOTAL FIELD GOAL				2PT FIELD GOALS			3PT FIELD GOALS			FREE THROWS		
	Made	Att.	Pct	Made	Att.	Pct	Made	Att.	Pct	Made	Att.	Pct
C.Moss	152	428	35.5%	127	327	38.8%	25	101	24.7%	156	246	63.4%
A.Lynch	77	210	36.7%	72	195	36.9%	5	15	33.3%	30	45	66.7%
M.Champion	90	217	41.5%	81	178	45.5%	9	39	23.0%	48	78	61.5%
K.Nesbitt	50	117	42.7%	50	117	42.7%	0	0	0.00%	25	45	55.6%
F.Pierce	49	151	32.5%	36	100	36.0%	13	51	25.5%	13	19	68.4%
M.Evans	39	105	37.1%	39	105	37.1%	0	0	0.00%	18	31	58.1%
M.Collins	21	64	32.8%	21	61	34.3%	0	3	0.00%	11	19	57.9%
K.Perryman	31	97	31.9%	26	71	36.6%	5	26	19.2%	11	19	57.9%
S.Summers	11	26	42.3%	11	26	42.3%	0	0	0.00%	4	10	40.0%
N.Woodward	8	30	26.6%	8	30	26.6%	0	0	0.00%	3	6	50.0%

SCORING				M.Champion	31	149	4.8	M.Collins	30	33	1.1
Player	Gms	Points	Avg.	K.Nesbitt	31	150	4.8	K.Perryman	28	8	0.3
C.Moss	31	485	15.6	F.Pierce	31	100	3.2	S.Summers	26	0	0.0
A.Lynch	24	189	7.9	M.Evans	31	102	3.3	N.Woodward	19	1	0.1
M.Champion	31	240	7.7	M.Collins	30	33	1.1	DEFENSE			
K.Nesbitt	31	125	4.0	K.Perryman	28	51	1.8	Player	Deflections	Steals	
F.Pierce	31	126	4.1	S.Summers	26	24	0.9	C.Moss	75	90	
M.Evans	31	96	3.1	N.Woodward	19	29	1.5	A.Lynch	51	47	
M.Collins	30	53	1.8	ASSISTS				M.Champion	47	57	
K.Perryman	28	77	2.8	Gms	Assists	Avg.	K.Nesbitt	32	25		
S.Summers	26	26	1.0	C.Moss	31	50	1.6	F.Pierce	31	21	
N.Woodward	19	19	1.0	A.Lynch	24	47	1.9	M.Evans	28	14	
REBOUNDING				M.Champion	31	45	1.5	M.Collins	18	16	
Player	Gms	Rebounds	Avg.	K.Nesbitt	31	18	0.6	K.Perryman	5	9	
C.Moss	31	296	9.5	F.Pierce	31	55	1.8	S.Summers	2	4	
A.Lynch	24	56	2.3	M.Evans	31	10	0.3	N.Woodward	3	1	

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INVITATION TO BID: The Crittenden County Fiscal Court will receive sealed bids from Contractors for the following individual packages for the Crittenden County Restricted Custody Center: Package # 1: HVAC Work. Package # 2: Electrical Work. Package # 3: Plumbing Work. Package # 4: Fire Protection Work. Bids will be received at the Crittenden County Judge Executive's office, 107 South Main Street – Suite 208 – Marion, KY 42064 until 8:30 a.m. local time, April 7, 2016 at which time bids will be opened and publicly read aloud at a special called meeting of the Crittenden County Fiscal Court. Contract documents, including plans and specifications are on file and may be reviewed at the following location: Crittenden County Jail, 208 West Carlisle Street, Marion, KY 42064. (270) 965-3185. Bid security (check or bond) in the amount of five percent (5%) of the lump sum package bid shall be submitted with each proposal. The successful bidder(s) will be required to furnish the Owner with a 100% performance and material payment bond. All bids shall state on the envelope which bid is included and must include a copy of current liability insurance and workers comp insurance. The successful bid recipient will be required to comply with all county and city occupational business license ordinances. The Crittenden County Fiscal Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of (60) sixty days subsequent to the opening of bids. Signed: Perry Newcom, County Judge Executive. (1tc-38)

legal notice

NOTICE OF PASSAGE AND SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 16-02:
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
ORDINANCE 01-23
118 JACKSON STREET
and 130 JACKSON STREET
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Marion, Kentucky, at its regular meeting held on March 21, 2016 at 6:00 o'clock p.m., gave second reading and passed and adopted an Ordinance relating to the Marion Code of Ordinances, which Ordinance had been given its first reading at its regular meeting of the City Council held on February 15, 2016, at 6:00 o'clock p.m. A summary of the Ordinance is as follows:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on February 5, 2016, scheduling a hearing to be held on April 7, 2016, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examining witnesses in Case No. 2016-00003, which is An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Kentucky Utilities Company from May 1, 2015 through October 31, 2015.

This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

Kentucky Utilities Company
220 West Main Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40202

This Ordinance amends Ordinance No. 01-23 such that the property located at 118 Jackson Street and 130 Jackson Street is amended from R-2 Residential to MHR Mobile Home Residential District. The full text of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the City Clerk in the City Building, Marion, Kentucky, where it is available for public inspection. PREPARED BY: /s/Robert B. Frazer
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Special Requirements
Requires current RN license and one year long-term care experience obtained in an approved skilled nursing facility or distinct part (SNF or NF) long-term care unit as defined in Federal Regulations Part 483 - Requirements for State and Long Term Care Facilities. For detailed information: http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgll/text/textidx?c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title42/42cfr483main_02.tpl

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Position# 31021902
The closing date for this position is March 24, 2016, Position posted for a minimum of 10 days or until filled.

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Interested persons should go to the following website to apply: <https://careers.ky.gov/Pages/cosinstructions.aspx>

For information regarding the position, please contact Donna Wolfe, Principal, Caldwell Co. ATC, 130 Vocational School Road, Princeton, Ky., 42445, (270) 365-5563, email: donna.wolfe@caldwell.kyschools.us. For information regarding the hiring process, please contact Polly Eakins (270) 824-7546 or Polly.Eakins@education.ky.gov.

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PRN RN/LPNs and CNAs Needed – current licensure required. If interested, contact JoAnna Stone, CNO, at (270) 988-7245 or mailto:jjstone@lhhs.org.

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Local 4H youth attend summit

Five local 4-H'ers attended Kentucky 4-H Summit at the Kentucky 4-H Leadership Center in Jabez last week. Pictured are (from left) Ethan Stone, Landen Crider, Morgan Barnes, Ellie McGowan, Cortne Curnel and Crittenden County Extension 4-H Agent Leslea Barnes. The three-day, two-night conference is designed to develop leadership, citizenship and communication skills for middle school youth and includes a variety of classes and workshops. The youth also met members of the 4-H State Teen Council and Performing Arts Troupe.

DRY

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but we lost," the 2008 Crittenden County High School graduate wrote on his Facebook page. "I already have the signatures to put it up back on the ballot."

Collins drove in from his Maryland home to be here for the election, and went on to say in his post that signatures will continue to be collected at a local restaurant after he returns to the East Coast.

Rev. Lucy Tedrick, the leading voice for the local temperance movement both this year and in 2000 when a countywide liquor-by-the-drink referendum failed 1,622 to 2,314, was relieved at Tuesday's outcome. But she was disappointed in a low turnout and troubled by Collins' vow to take his fight back to the ballot box in Marion.

"We won, but it was a slim margin," Tedrick said. "Where were all the professed Christians? Only 298 of them turned out."

The 543 total voters Tuesday were exactly a quarter of the eligible voters in the city's five precincts. In the smallest voting precinct, only 28 ballots were cast. Countywide, there are more than 6,600 voters, but only those living in Marion were allowed to poll since the petition called for alcohol sales restricted to within the city limits.

At the courthouse Tuesday evening, where the lobby is commonly filled with residents eagerly awaiting results from regular elections as they filter in from each voting precinct, only four people gathered to

tally results as Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford read totals. Two of those were Collins and his wife, while the other pair were hoping voters rejected alcohol sales.

Though the measure failed by nearly 10 points – 54.9 percent against to 45.1 percent in favor of alcohol sales – the 53-vote victory for the temperance movement was too close for Tedrick, who has rallied against liquor for years both behind the pulpit and in a religious column she regularly pens for this newspaper.

"If (Collins) starts to bring that again," she said of another alcohol referendum, "everybody who doesn't want it ought to write a letter to the newspaper and let him know we don't want this."

Despite a quiet campaign by supporters of local option, Collins anticipated victory at the polls. However, last week, he said that if the measure failed but gained favor in particular precincts, he would circulate a petition to put it back on the ballot in those respective territories.

A majority of voters in two precincts backed Collins' initiative. The strongest support came in Marion No. 1, which votes at the courthouse. The balloting there was 84-61 in favor of legalizing alcohol sales. At St. William Catholic Church, where voters in Marion No. 6 poll, it narrowly gained favor 15-13.

Collins did not offer many details about his plans to petition for package sales, including exactly which voters he is targeting in the city.

Kentucky law seems to

prohibit another citywide vote on alcohol until 2019. In fact, the statute reads, "No local option election shall be held in the same territory more than once in every three years."

However, local option could be placed on the ballot for a special election in individual city precincts or even countywide as soon as the signatures on a submitted petition are certified. That means there could conceivably be a vote on package sales before summer arrives.

Tedrick is hoping a collective voice can dissuade Collins – who lists himself on social media as campaign manager of Grow Marion, the initiative he started a couple of years ago to bring alcohol to a vote in the city – from pursuing another referendum.

"We're gonna have to be honest and tell him how we feel about this," she said, pointing to, among other things, the cost of special elections.

Each vote Tuesday was worth about \$20, though the approximate \$10,000 bill for the election will be paid by all county taxpayers, even those not eligible to vote. State law currently prohibits local option to piggyback primary or general elections, creating an added expense to counties for each referendum. Some Kentucky counties have seen as many as eight special elections over the course of three or four years.

For now, Crittenden County remains one of 29 dry counties in Kentucky. Voters in Adair County on Tuesday opted to lift prohibition there.



Collins

SENATOR

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just a few feet from Sen. Paul during the 30-minute question-and-answer session. Berry said the senator, who is sometimes labeled a bit of a maverick by headline members of his own party, is the kind of leader America is perhaps looking to during these difficult times.

"There seems to be more unrest in our country than at any other time during my adult life," said Berry. "I think people are concerned."

The senator, dressed in worn cowboy boots and a blue University of Kentucky belt mostly hidden by his coat and tie, seemed right at home among the local crowd. He opened the meeting with a few remarks about how wasteful the federal government is almost every area, offering several examples. He said the government continues to spend more than it takes in and that Washington is "completely broken."

"The government is borrowing \$1 million per minute," he said, adding that the fed brings in about \$3 trillion annually and should not exceed that level of spending. "If we bring in \$3 trillion, we should spend \$3 trillion."

The country's current \$19 trillion debt, Paul explained, is costing the country jobs to

the tune of about a million a year.

"It's an anvil on our economy," he said.

From Medicare and Social Security to veterans benefits, Sen. Paul said funding cannot keep pace with demands. As for Medicare, the senator said enrollment age may need to be pushed out three years to age 70 in order "to fix it."

"The average worker pays in about \$75,000 in Medicare taxes," the 53-year-old senator illustrated. "The average recipient takes out about \$350,000. There's a great deal of mismatch."

As with many other government programs, doing nothing will surely end in all of them failing, the senator said.

First elected Kentucky's junior senator on Capitol Hill in 2010, Sen. Paul is seeking re-election this year after a failed bid at the GOP presidential nomination. He will face opposition in both the primary and general elections to earn another six-year term.

During a busy couple of days in the area, Sen. Paul was visiting Crittenden, Hopkins, Webster, Butler and Henderson counties on Tuesday. Many of the constituents he encountered were coal miners. The senator said President Obama has been the "most anti-coal president in history." He couched later comments by noting the town

hall was an official, not political event. However, he predicted that Hillary Clinton, if elected president, would keep her own promises to put the coal industry out of business.

"I do know we are suffering in Kentucky right now," he said. "Eastern Kentucky has suffered for a long time, but now it has come to western Kentucky."

He said when coal companies fail, pensions are affected, railroad companies struggle, teachers lose jobs and restaurants have empty seats.

"It's hurting us all," he said. "It ripples through the economy."

He noted that allowing President Obama to fill the current vacancy on the U.S. Supreme Court would continue to defeat efforts to save coal in Kentucky.

"If this President gets a Supreme Court justice, we lose it all," he said.

He vowed that Republicans remain unified in preventing a vote for President's Obama's nominee, Appeals Court Judge Merrick Garland. Paul said environmental regulations are not only killing coal, but putting farmers like those in Crittenden County in the long shadow of an over-reaching federal government.

"Just cross the EPA and see what you get," he said, citing a farmer who has amassed \$16 million in fines for damming a creek for a cattle pond.

Community Easter Egg Hunt

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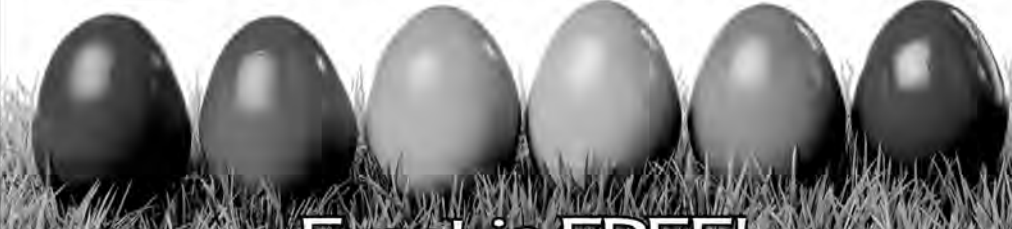
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