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## 9 committed for Meet the Authors Saturday at library

Nine authors with ties to the area will take part in Crittenden County Public Library's Meet the Authors event from 10 a.m., to 1 p.m., Saturday. Featured authors are Michael D. Guillerman, author of Face Boss; Chris Evans, author of South of the Mouth of Sandy; Michael Freeland, author From Blood River to Berlin; Tom McKinney, author of Jack Hinson's One-Man War; Robert Barlow Jr., author of History Repeated: America's Next War Between the States and At the Water's Edge; Molly Harper, author of Nice Girls Don't Have Fangs; Samuel Beachy author of Guarded By God and In the Midst of an Earthquake; Jennifer Kennedy Dean, author of Life Unhindered! and Bob Yehling, author of The Write Time: 366 Exercises to Fulfill Your Writing Life and other books. The event will include panel discussions, book signings, refreshments and more.

## 2010 Census forms

Local government officials want to remind residents to take 10 minutes to fill out the 2010 Census forms, which most should have by this time. Census figures determine the amount of federal funding the county receives, said Judge-Executive Fred Brown.

## BY THE NUMBERS 2010 Census Returns

Here are return rates as of March 23 for 2010 Census forms sent to residents in area counties:

County	Rate of Return
Crittenden	11%
Livingston	18%
Lyon	7%
Caldwell	20%
Trigg	17%
Christian	15%
Hopkins	18%

Census Questions 1-866-872-6868

## Meetings & More

✓ Screening for 2010-11 kindergarten will be held at Crittenden Elementary from 1-5 p.m., Friday. Bring proof of income, state birth certificate, immunization certificate, social security card and insurance or Medicaid card. For appointments, call 965-5846.

✓ Many offices in the Crittenden County Courthouse will be closed next Friday and Saturday (April 2-3) in observance of Good Friday and the Easter holiday. Included in the closings are the clerks, sheriff and county judge's offices.

## ON THE WEB News Blog Poll

This week's poll on The Press' Breaking News Blog asked readers: "Should city residents comply with postal requests and install rural mailboxes on streets in town? Here is what 111 respondents said:

**Yes 33 (29%)**  
**No 69 (62%)**  
**I need more information 9 (8%)**

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Crittenden County Jailer Rick Riley (right) oversees work at the control center inside the Crittenden County Detention Center. The jail employs 42 workers with shifts consisting of between a half dozen and about a dozen deputies and matrons.

# Seeking black ink

## Jail spending plan inches closer to break-even mark

BY CHRIS EVANS  
PRESS EDITOR

County officials got their first look at the Crittenden County Detention Center's new spending plan last week.

The jail's preliminary budget for fiscal year 2010-11 was unveiled during the Crittenden County Fiscal Court meeting. Judge-Executive Fred Brown and Jailer Rick Riley say the financial forecast for the detention center is looking better every year.

"We're a whole lot closer to being in the black than we were," said Riley.

The jail opened in January 2008 so budget planners now have two years worth of figures with which to forecast future revenue and spending.

"We have a better idea now of what actual expenses are going to be," said Brown.

In the earliest days of operating the jail and setting a budget, Riley and Brown both admit that the speculation was like feeling around in the dark. Riley says the budget put before the fiscal court last week is by far the best set of figures he's been able to produce since the \$7.7 million jail opened more than two years ago.

Riley says revenues and spending are closer than they've ever been, partly because the jail's 133 beds are staying full and partly because he and his staff are

becoming more efficient.

"We're a little ahead of where I thought we would be going into the third year," Riley said. "Getting leveled off and into the black usually takes five years. We wanted to get here quicker so it's not a drain on the county."

Based on figures released last week, the jail anticipates holding an average of 105 state inmates per day during the coming year. That's more than budget planners had predicted for the current year. On Tuesday, the jail was holding 111 state prisoners. Those are the ones for which the county receives \$31.26 each, per day to house. There were a total of 146 inmates at the jail, slightly above its normal operating capacity. There were about 40 local inmates — those awaiting court appearances in Crittenden County and inmates from other counties.

The jail charges \$25 per day to keep inmates from other counties, but it receives no income for Crittenden County prisoners.

Based on the jail's 2010-11 budget, it will lose \$354,433 in the coming year, not including supplemental income or transfers from the county's general fund.

County officials say the \$300,000 mark

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On Tuesday, the Crittenden County Detention Center was holding 146 inmates. That's 13 above normal capacity.

# Senate drops school money

## Ridley says there's still a chance for some funding

STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky Senate passed a \$17.3 billion, two-year state budget Monday that proposes deeper spending cuts than the House version outlined a couple of weeks ago.

The Senate's spending blueprint did not include any money for Crittenden County projects such as a new middle school or water projects. Those items totalling nearly \$7 million were in the House budget unveiled earlier this month.

What's even more alarming for school leaders is the Senate's proposed cut in the base dollars — known as SEEK funds — that come from the state to local schools.

Crittenden County School Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough said that SEEK funds make up \$4.8 million or 73 percent of the Crittenden School District budget.

"Any hit in base SEEK funding is significant to our school district,"

Yarbrough said.

"Regardless of how it's framed, any reduction in SEEK funding means local dollars will be required to fill those gaps," Yarbrough said.

Sen. Dorsey Ridley (D-Henderson) says that while the Senate budget was much leaner than the House version, he isn't giving up on getting some of the line items for his district back into the spending plan before it becomes final. And, he said the Senate has proposed loosening some regulatory strings that will free up money from other school sources.

"We've just finished the third quarter of a four-quarter game," Ridley said, using a March Madness basketball analogy to explain the budgetary process going on in Frankfort.

"We still have the fourth quarter to go and I assure you that Ridley and (Rep. Mike) Cherry have their eyes focused on the ball," Ridley said.

Now that Gov. Steve Beshear and the House and Senate have laid out their spending proposals,

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PHOTO BY MIKE SUNSERI, LRC PUBLIC INFORMATION  
Sen. Dorsey Ridley (left), D-Henderson, recently introduced his pages for the day, Hannah and Lauren Berry, to his colleagues on the floor of the Kentucky State Senate. Hannah is in the sixth grade and Lauren is a junior. Both Marion girls are home schooled. They are children of Wade and Krista Berry (who is also pictured).

# Parish going strong with family by his side

BY PAMELA STRINGER  
PRESS REPORTER

Larry Parish, longtime Crittenden County farmer and tractor puller, was diagnosed with glioblastoma multiforme (GBM) on Jan. 12, 2009.

Due to his Stage IV brain cancer, which is the worst, doctors gave him three months to live.

That was more than one year ago, and today the 68-year-old is still going strong on the farm.

Parish's family never gave up when he was diagnosed. The entire clan was featured in "The Puller" magazine for its tractor pulling history and sense of family importance in the face of adversity.

"(Having his family rally around me) helps me know that together, we are going to beat this," Parish said.

After two brain surgeries, radia-

tion and several rounds of chemotherapy, Parish suffers from body chills, which has inspired his granddaughter, Cali, to create a blanket donation organization.

Cali Cares makes, embroiders and distributes fleece blankets to cancer patients in seven states.

"I'm very, very proud just to know she will help others with cancer," her grandfather said when asked how Cali starting an organization in his honor made him feel.



Parish

Parish recently underwent a routine followup on March 12 at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. That's where he had his initial surgery on Jan. 20, 2009 when doctors were able to remove all of the tumor. The cancer, which was isolated to his brain, has not returned.

Parish underwent additional surgery due to an infection at the surgery site. Now, he continues a seven-day on, seven-day off preventative chemotherapy regime due to the aggressive nature of GBM, according to Natalie Parish, Larry's daughter in law.

GBM is the most common and aggressive type of brain cancer. Usually when a patient is diagnosed with GBM, he is given a year or less to

live, according to the National Academy of Sciences Web site.

Fourteen months after his diagnosis, Parish has gotten a good prognosis from Texas doc tors. After six more chemotherapy cycles, he will be finished with the often painful treatments.

The Parish family knew something was wrong last year when Larry was unable to sign his name and had difficulty with his speech. The family assumed that he had suffered a stroke so they took him to Dr. Greg Maddux at Crittenden Hospital. Dr. Maddux found the tumor in his head and referred Parish to Centennial Hospital in Nashville. There, doctors there gave a grim diagnosis, but a

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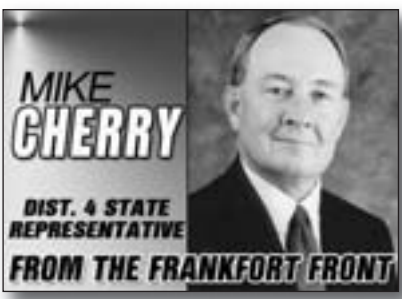


# Session winding down, but plenty left to do

I'm writing on the 51st day of our 2010 60-day session and reaching a state budget agreement in this economic climate in just nine working days may seem about as likely as a 13 seed (go Racers!) winning the NCAA. However, that is our job and we hope and expect to have a two-year spending bill signed, sealed and delivered to the governor for his own signature in that amount of time or less.

The House budget bill – which we passed March 10 – is now before the Senate where many of its specifics will surely be modified or replaced with Senate changes. If those modifications reach the House within the next week or so, there is a good chance that the two chambers will be able to go into conference committee and negotiate a final bill before the veto recess begins in late March or early April. Passing the bill ahead of the veto recess would give the General Assembly a chance to override any possible gubernatorial vetoes – something we couldn't do if we wait to pass a budget in the session's final two scheduled days after the recess. The Kentucky Constitution says we must finish by Apr. 15.

Two bills that a substantial number of you have contacted me to support are HB 540 and HB 531. HB 540 is legislation to protect



health insurance for retired teachers and easily passed the full House late last week. By increasing amounts paid into the state retired teachers' health insurance fund by active teachers, retired teachers under age 65, school districts, universities and the state, HB 540 would shore up the ailing fund and cut in half the plan's "unfunded liability." Essentially, it ensures retired teachers can depend on having health insurance.

The other bill, HB 536, also deals with teacher retirement and likewise passed the House. For several years now, the state has borrowed hundreds of millions of dollars from the teachers' pension system to cover the cost of retired teachers' health insurance, this bill would help the state repay that money with over \$800 million in authorized bonds while saving the state millions of dollars in interest rate costs.

Both bills are now in the Senate where I predict they will be favorably received.

Health insurance is not just a concern of our retired teachers. It concerns any Kentuckian who is dealing with diseases or disorders and last week, the House dedicated much of its time to these issues.

On Tuesday last week, my colleagues and I voted unanimously for legislation that would provide better insurance coverage for children diagnosed with autism. The bill's chief sponsors noted how important it is for these children to receive the proper treatment as young as possible; if reached early enough, they have an excellent chance of overcoming it. Without treatment, the lifetime cost for care could reach \$3 million.

The same day that vote was taken, the House also put its unanimous support behind legislation that would increase colon cancer screenings for those Kentuckians who do not have health insurance. Just as with autism, early detection is critical if we are to make a difference.

During testimony in committee, state Auditor Crit Luallen spoke in favor of this bill as a colon-cancer survivor. She said that a small investment can not only save lives; it can also save tens of millions of

dollars in medical treatment.

Other House bills we sent to the Senate for approval last week were:

•HB 10, which passed the House 97-0, would create a nonrefundable tax credit for businesses that hire legally blind or severely disabled persons. The businesses must contract with a Kentucky nonprofit agency or work center in order to receive the credit.

•HB 513, which passed the House 96-0, would establish a book program for preschool children statewide called "Books for Brains." The bill would provide age-appropriate books for children age 5 and under with restricted funds through local partnerships.

•HB 498, which passed the House 95-0, would create a state advisory board to advise officials on the issue of passenger-rail transportation. The board's duties would include helping the state prioritize funding for high-speed rail and other passenger-rail projects, exploring passenger-rail safety issues and reporting its findings on passenger-rail utilization and opportunities to the General Assembly each year for possible legislative action.

Two of the session's more prominent bills took a step closer to becoming law last week as the Senate moved their modified versions for-

ward, sending one back to the House while readying the other for a full Senate vote.

The first of those is known as Amanda's Bill, and it would give domestic violence victims real-time warning in certain cases if their offender is approaching. The second would hopefully curb what is known as "sexting" – teenagers sending sexually inappropriate images of themselves via cell phone – while making the penalty more age-appropriate rather than having the teens potentially face much more serious child pornography laws. The slight changes made in the Senate committee likely mean this will become law soon.

We will try to find a resolution on these bills and many others as the 2010 Regular Session wraps up its last full week this Friday. Legislators will meet for two or three days next week, and then leave for home during the veto recess. In mid-April, we will return briefly to consider any vetoes Gov. Beshear may issue.

*Rep. Cherry is a six-term Democratic representative from Princeton. He represents Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of McCracken County in Frankfort. He can be reached there by calling the legislative toll-free Message Line at 800-372-7181, or by e-mailing me mike.cherry@lrc.ky.gov.*

# From ankle bracelets to meds, bills protect citizens

With only days remaining in the 2010 Session, the legislative process is going full steam. Improvements to education, protection for victims of domestic violence and stronger drug laws are just a few pieces of legislation that have passed the Senate this session.

As a growing number of bills move through committees to come before the full Senate, we are digging into the budget plan sent to us by the House. We anticipate moving the budget bill out of the A&R Committee to the Senate for a vote early this week.

There are projects and initiatives important to our region that I am working to include in the final budget. I am looking for ways to ensure that the plan guides the State through its tough budget crisis, while protecting the programs and services Kentuckians depend on every day.

This week has been very busy, as members appointed by each chamber meet in a conference committee to work out a compromise on the budget.

In the meantime, we have passed other bills, including Senate Bill 214, which could send more than \$60 million back into our economy



through rebates to Kentucky small businesses. Kentucky Employers' Mutual Insurance Authority (KEMI), which the General Assembly created to provide workers compensation insurance to thousands of small businesses, has a surplus of more than \$150 million.

SB 214 would require that more than 40 percent of that surplus be issued as dividends to policyholders, with annual dividends thereafter. KEMI needs significant financial reserves to pay claims, but its surplus is more than enough and policyholders deserve a break. Our small businesses need every advantage they can get in this environment, and \$60 million spread among them could help our economy greatly.

Sadly, one of the most serious social problems we face in Kentucky is our ongoing battle against methamphetamines and other drugs. For obvious rea-

sons, people who cannot pass a drug test cannot get the jobs we are trying to bring to Kentucky, and cannot perform the jobs if they start using drugs. SB 211, which we also passed this week, gives us another tool against meth. We passed legislation in 2005, requiring anyone buying ephedrine or pseudoephedrine – two of the major precursors to manufacturing meth – to sign a log when they make that purchase. SB 211 would simply block anyone convicted of any drug crime from buying those two precursors over the counter for five years after conviction or court-ordered supervision, whichever is later. They could have a doctor prescribe it for them if necessary, but they would essentially lose access to the two key ingredients for meth. Drug use has one of the highest recidivism rates of any crime, and this will help prevent users from repeating their mistakes.

One of the most high-profile issues of this session has been the plight of domestic violence victims. The nation's attention was on Kentucky last fall when a Lexington woman was murdered, allegedly by a man she had dated. That tragedy

showed that domestic violence knows no economic or social boundaries. It affects all Kentuckians, and we need to do more to combat this often-deadly problem. House Bill 1, "Amanda's Bill," is a good start in protecting these potential victims.

One of the problems with our current domestic violence statutes is that they are civil, not criminal issues. If a victim decides not to continue a case and returns to her/his abuser, there is little the justice system can do. HB 1 allows a judge to work with the victim and the county attorney to pursue criminal charges when necessary. Many times, victims seek help but then back away because of the financial or physical situation they are in. Once they return home, the abuse resumes. Under HB 1, the courts would be able to still seek justice even for those who are reluctant to pursue criminal charges.

A major component of the bill involves GPS tracking devices through ankle monitors. While they are a valuable tool, they have limitations. They depend on cell phone technology, and nearly half of Kentucky counties have areas without

a signal. One of the great things about ankle monitors is that they provide real-time tracking, so victims seeking shelter can know if their abuser is too close. Without that signal, the protection is lost. This bill would require judges to inform victims of those limits, so they understand the dangers that remain.

Under this proposal, judges would statutorily have access to more information about the alleged offender, including criminal history and any previous domestic violence incidents. These are thorny situations for everyone involved, and each circumstance is different. We need fully informed public servants if they are to truly protect those in need.

Finally, we addressed another difficult situation that many Kentucky families find themselves in at some point or another. Many people know they can attach a sticker to their driver's license to donate their organs when they die, but the process is somewhat more complicated than that. The law, unfortunately, is somewhat vague as to whether the deceased will be an organ donor if the potential donor never made his or her preferences clear.

SB 4 would align Kentucky with most other states through the Revised Uniform Anatomical Gift Act, clearly stating how to make your wishes known, and who makes that decision if you never tell anyone. For the first time, SB 4 would even allow those who do not wish to donate their organs to make that declaration, thereby ensuring that their loved ones will honor their wishes. SB 4 also clarifies the long-standing medical principle that no caregiver can withhold medical attention, food or water, in order to hasten death and make organs available – a common concern among potential donors.

It was certainly a busy week, but the true rush of legislation is just beginning. With only one full week left, the budget is our top priority.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Dog problems exist on streets and from barking at night

To the Editor:

Concerning your front page article in last week's newspaper, "Leashless Dogs Raise Citizen Ire," about dogs running free in the Clark Street area: I wish I had been at that council meeting.

This is a problem in many areas and certainly on this street where there are also dogs from Bridwell Loop that roam loose.

There is also a problem with dogs that are tied. Not only do they get loose, they bark incessantly, most notably at night when I and others

are trying to sleep. At latest count there were five within yards of my bedroom window and many nights the barking continues throughout the night, subsiding near 4 a.m. Marion has a noise ordinance after a certain hour at night, but the one time police were called, the dogs stopped barking as the cruiser came down the road and the police simply turned around and left. Less than 30 minutes later the barking began again.

It is more than a mere aggravation. Extreme fatigue makes it difficult to get through the day and has caused my health issues to worsen, requiring an increase in pain medication. As the days warm, I always look forward to opening my windows to the fresh air. Getting out to tend flowers and my yard has always been such a joy, but I know much of

that is gone. Sadly, you can't legislate manners or consideration for others, but as a citizen and a homeowner I think there should be some recourse for this problem.

Jeannie Boone  
Marion, Ky.

### Football program is lining up for fight against breast cancer

To the Editor:

Crittenden County Rocket Football will be organizing a Pink Out this season to promote awareness of Breast Cancer.

In keeping with a program started last year, which included pink rib-

bons placed on the backs of player helmets, the Rockets will be wearing pink socks and wrist bands, coaches will be wearing pink shirts, boosters will be selling pink T-shirts and there could also be events such as a powder puff football game or other fundraising activities where we will raise money to contribute to the fight against breast cancer. We encourage our boosters and fans to take part in this important awareness program.

Additionally, there will be opportunities for groups or individuals to take part in this program by organizing fundraising events for specific causes, such as for someone suffering from breast cancer.

Anyone interested in participating in this worthwhile endeavor may contact me or someone on our staff.

Al Starnes  
Rocket Football Coach

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# Whitfield opposes healthcare plan approved Sunday

U.S. Representative Ed Whitfield (R-Hopkinsville) voted against the final version of controversial healthcare reform legislation Sunday, citing the negative impact the measure will have on the quality of care all Kentuckians receive, small businesses and the national debt as well as the back-room deal making which has plagued the entire process.

Whitfield's office issued a news release shortly after the vote, citing the congressman's opposition to the bill.

"It is a sad day for Kentuckians when the House of Representatives turns a deaf ear to the cries of the American people," Whitfield said. "Despite fierce opposition from citizens across the country, Speaker

Nancy Pelosi jammed legislation through Congress Sunday which will hurt Kentucky seniors, raise premiums for many citizens and only exacerbate our nation's already sky-high debt. Worse still, the bill imposes crippling mandates and penalties on small businesses which will result in job cuts. During the worst recession in a generation, the last thing Congress needs to be doing is passing legislation which will deter economic growth instead of spurring it."

Whitfield opposed the Senate version of the healthcare bill passed in December, H.R. 3590, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as well as H.R. 4872, the Reconcili-

ation Act of 2010, a package which included a number of changes to the Senate bill. The Senate healthcare bill will now be sent to President Obama to be signed into law, while the Reconciliation Act will now be sent to the Senate for consideration. The bills passed today mandate that all Americans obtain health insurance or face a penalty; increase taxes by \$569.2 billion; make huge cuts to Medicare; and will cost taxpayers nearly one trillion dollars.

The healthcare bills include \$52 billion in new taxes on employers who do not provide health coverage to their employees. The legislation will impose a \$2,000 tax per employee on businesses with more than

50 workers who do not offer health coverage to their employees.

In addition, the healthcare package cuts Medicare by \$523.5 billion. Whitfield said these cuts will have a huge impact on Kentucky seniors, particularly the 13,000 residents in the First Congressional District who are enrolled in Medicare Advantage. Also, the final healthcare package includes \$48 billion in increases for Medicaid. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) estimates that as a result of the final healthcare package, one million more Americans will get their coverage from Medicaid, which is plagued with financial problems and wreaks havoc on cash-strapped state budgets.



# Bedding donations called for

STAFF REPORT  
A slew of organizations, including AmeriCorps and Family Resource & Youth Services Coalition (FRYSC), are calling for donations of new twin sheet sets, stuffed animals and pillows for the Build a Bed project.

The statewide project has a donation drop off at Crittenden County Middle School. Donations will be accepted through April 1, according to Sharon McDaniel, AmeriCorps volunteer at CCMS.

Build a Bed project's goal is to build beds and provide items to promote safe sleep and calming bedtime rituals for 500 children in Kentucky, McDaniel said.

McDaniel is also hoping to get the CCMS student council involved in the donation awareness process.

Once all of the supplies have been collected, the assembly of beds will take place in Frankfort in a National Guard hanger on May 8 and 9.

In 2009, the project was able to send out 57 twin-sized beds.

If you know anyone that needs to receive a bed, to donate or for more information, contact McDaniel at [sharon.mcdaniel@crittenden.kyschools.us](mailto:sharon.mcdaniel@crittenden.kyschools.us) or visit [build-a-bed.org](http://build-a-bed.org).

## PARISH

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Tony Ellis, a family friend, suggested the MD Anderson Cancer Center where a friend, who was diagnosed 17 years ago, had received successful treatment.

The next morning Parish and his son, Philip, were on a flight to Texas. Parish had his craniotomy on Jan. 20 and returned home four days later. "It was so amazing, he handled the surgery so well," his daughter-in-law said.

She stayed home with the children and kept family and friends informed of her father-in-law's progress by starting a Caring Bridge Web site.

Parish's tumor and surgery have affected his speech, which makes communication very difficult for him. Even though the barrier frustrates Parish, his family remains patient.

The family stands by the motto, "When one is diagnosed, the entire family is diagnosed."

Larry and his wife of 43 years, Margaret, lived with their son and daughter-in-law during his recovery.

"It has been great for all of us because Larry will often put his best face on for his grandkids. They bring out the very best in him," Natalie said. Despite his fatigue and occasional frustration, Parish's spirits are almost always good.

"He has cancer days meaning he feels tired and is tired of being tired. However, overall he keeps looking for the positive side of cancer," Natalie said.

In addition to family, friends have played a vital role in the morale of Parish and his family.

Visits from Parish's daughter, Audra Hunt, and her family always lifts his spirits.

Neighbors, friends, and especially Parish's farming comrades and parnter, Chris Hooks, have been an important part of his recovery, his family said.

Parish is still able to get out on the farm daily, and remains very involved in the entire operation. He even gets on a tractor occasionally and runs errands for the farm.

Between his treatment and family care, Parish has been able to beat the odds against cancer.



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Ben McMican, Philip Parish, Tracy Hunt, Larry Parish, Margaret Parish, Natalie Parish, Audra Hunt, Sydney Hunt, Rhett Parish, Lauren Hunt and Cali Parish gather around a tractor at a pulling competition.



A Crittenden County Detention Center inmate sorts recycling at the convenience center on U.S. 60 east of Marion. Last year, the center sorted 27 tons of recyclables.

To recycle in Crittenden County, take recyclables to the convenience center located on U.S. 60, east of Marion.

The center hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday & Saturday - 8 a.m. - noon

For information, call Judge Executive Fred Brown's office at 965-5251 or the Convenience Center at 965-0892.

# Caps off for recycling 27 tons of materials

In 2009, Crittenden County residents took 27 tons of recyclables to the convenience center on U.S. 60. "For a county of less than 10,000, that's a pretty impressive amount," County Judge-Executive Fred Brown said. "People could probably recycle 90 percent of their waste if they wanted too."

In 1994, as part of the regional recycling effort, Crittenden County had to reduce the amount of solid waste it sent to one of the four landfills in the region. That is when the Western Kentucky Correctional Complex (WKCC) in Fredonia started to help.

Caldwell, Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall and Trigg counties form the Regional Recycling Corporation, which purchased the processing equipment and, in turn, share a portion of the revenue from the sale of recyclables. The program recycled 809 tons of materials in 2004, which saved the participating counties \$25,000 in landfill dumping fees, according to a 2005 press release from the Kentucky Justice Department.

Sales earned the program \$69,400. Combined with the landfill savings, the program saved taxpayers \$93,700 in 2004, according to the release.

The Marion convenience center, which is run by Crittenden County Detention Center inmates, operates at no cost to the taxpayers of the county.

Recycling with the help of the detention center inmates and the WKCC helps keep costs low, according to Brown.

Last year's recycling consisted of a half ton of aluminum cans, one ton of steel cans, one and a half tons of office paper, five tons of mixed plastics, six tons of cardboard and 13 tons of newsprint. Inmates sorted the recyclables once they were brought to the center, then it was shipped to WKCC, where inmates there continued the sorting process.

They have access to cardboard compactors, glass crushers and other tools, in which the recyclables can be processed and then sold.

"The recycling from the correctional facility is generally sold to different companies within a 200-mile radius," Brown said.

The crushed glass, which is as safe to handle as gravel, can be used in construction projects: anything from concrete and asphalt to water filtration.

The money made from selling the recyclables goes back to

WKCC and the convenience center for salaries, equipment and other expenses.

"There's no big money, but it's enough to keep the center running on its own," Brown said. "And about every two years we get to buy a new trailer for recycling."

WKCC was able to purchase a Bobcat dozer to help ease and quicken the sorting process.

The complex is in the process of switching all inmates to females, which should be completed by June. The switch shouldn't affect the recycling process.

"They keep telling us it won't change it," Brown said. "And it shouldn't. There's no reason females can't do what the men are doing out there."

Even used motor oil, free of other liquids, is accepted at the center. It's then used to heat the building. Motor oil can also be dropped off at the road department to be delivered to the center.

The county tried to put in recycling bins in some of the towns years ago, according to Brown. But they were taken away because people would put just about anything in the bins, he said.

Due to the failed attempt, Crittenden will be sticking with the one, central drop off location east of Marion.

Freedom Waste does offer curbside recycling pickup at a cost in addition to regular trash pickup.

The convenience center accepts most household recyclables, including scrap metal and clean motor oil. The major item not taken is televisions. The center is open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m., until 4 p.m., on Wednesday and Saturday it closes at noon. For more information about recycling, call the center at 965-0892 or Fred Brown's office at 965-5251.

### Recycling facts

- Each ton of mixed paper that is recycled can save the energy equivalent of 185 gallons of gasoline
- Disposal of waste to landfills has decreased from 89% in 1980 to 54% in 2007
- Recycling 1 ton of aluminum cans conserves the equivalent of 1,665 gallons of gasoline
- In 2007 the United States recycled and composted 85 million tons of the 254 million tons of municipal solid waste created
- The amount of recycling in 2007 saved the energy equivalent of 10.7 billion gallons of gasoline and prevented the release of carbon dioxide equivalent to approximately 35 million cars
- One ton of recycled newsprint equals 17 trees

(source: EPA.gov)

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Cali Parish, Kayla and Dylan Mendoza, Rhett Parish and Peggy Watson, RN Supervisor, pose with Rhett's Rascals, made by the remnants of Cali Cares blankets.

## Cali Cares and Rhett's Rascals

Rhett and Cali Parish have donated "Cali Cares" blankets and "Rhett's Rascals" stuffed animals to Crittenden Health Systems for children when they are in the hospital.

The Cali Cares blankets were an inspiration of Cali Parish's when she was deeply touched by her grandfather Larry Parish's recent battle with cancer.

Rhett then took the remnant pieces of fleece and created the stuffed animals now known as Rhett's Rascals.

Cali and Rhett's parents, Phillip and Natalie Parish, are very proud of what they are doing and the lives they have touched.

This is Rhett's letter that goes with each stuffed animal:

*Rhett's Rascals has been created out of left over fleece and donated filler from blankets made for my sister's project "Cali Cares." I have been in the hospital 10 times over the last few years and loved receiving teddy bears while there! I thought you might enjoy them too! The doctors and staff of Crittenden Health Systems always take good care of me!*

*Get well soon!*

*Love, Rhett*

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Obituaries

LaRue

Jamie K. LaRue, 38, of Dycusburg died at 6 p.m., Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at a residence in Crittenden County.

He was of the Methodist faith.

Survivors include two sisters, Vanessa Shewcraft of Marion and Starla LaRue of Texas; three brothers, Eric Smith of Dycusburg, Darren LaRue of Marion and Michael LaRue of Kansas City, Mo.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Wanda June Peek Smith.

Funeral services were Sunday, March 21 at Dunn's Funeral Home with Michael Wimberly officiating. Burial was at Dycusburg Cemetery.

Jones

Phillip Jones, 66, of Freedomia, died at 2:01 p.m., Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at Crittenden Hospital.

He was retired from SKW in Calvert City and was a former logger for Stinnett Logging in Dycusburg. He was a member of Dycusburg Baptist Church.

Surviving are two brothers, Randall and wife Barbara Jones of Merrillville, Ind., and Robert Jones of Lawrence, Kan.; two nieces and two nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Riley B. Jones Jr., and Virginia Ray Chandler Jones.

Funeral services were Friday, March 19, at Lakeland Funeral Home Chapel in Eddyville with Rev. Benny Chandler officiating. Burial was at Dycusburg Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1083, Eddyville, KY 42038.

**Online condolences** may be offered at [gilbertfunerals.com](http://gilbertfunerals.com) [boydfuneraldirectors.com](http://boydfuneraldirectors.com) [myersfuneralhomeonline.com](http://myersfuneralhomeonline.com)

BUDGET

Continued from page 1 the budgetary process goes to conference committee where it will be hashed out and finalized.

"The final budget will be a culmination of the three," Ridley said.

Still, Ridley concedes that \$6.4 million budgeted for a new Crittenden Middle School might be a hard sell. The House has proposed selling state bonds to pay for that and other projects. House leaders say that despite the sluggish economy, now is a good time to take advantage of historically-low interest rates. Construction, House members said, would put Kentuckians back to work.

Ridley agrees that the House approach has some merit.

"Hopefully the conference committee will come up with some things that need to be done and will put those in, but I doubt it will be the full amount," he said, referring to water and school construction projects proposed by the House.

Ridley said the Senate's plan is to ease restrictions on school funds normally earmarked strictly for construction or reserves. By freeing up those dollars for other expenses, it could lessen the burden on local tax districts. Putting more control in the hands of local school boards is the Senate's philosophy, Ridley said.

"We're taking away some of the strings attached to most money, snipping those away for two years," Ridley said. "People at home know where they can best use their limited resources."

Yarbrough says that the Senate's plan to trim 1.5 percent from the SEEK formula in the first year of the state budget and another one percent in the second year would put a tremendous burden on the local school district.

"Those dollars have to be captured from somewhere else," she said.

The most likely place to raise funds to meet a shortfall in the local school budget is through increased property taxes. The local school board raised the tax rate from 42.7 cents per \$100 of assessment to 44.2 cents less than a year ago.

Riley

James "Jay" E. Riley, 63, of Marion died Friday, March 19, 2010 at Owensboro.

Surviving are his wife Reta Riley of Marion; a son, Todd Riley and his wife Sarah; his mother, Gladys Riley; a sister, Dolores Travis; and grandchildren, Paxton and Payton Riley, all of Marion; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Roy E. Riley.

Riley was a member of Marion Baptist Church and a former member of the National Guard.

Funeral services were Monday, March 22 at Gilbert Funeral Home with Rev. Mike Jones officiating. Burial was at Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Sharp

Leon "Toby" Sharp, 81, of Smithland died Saturday, March 20, 2010 at Western Baptist Hospital in Paducah.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Mary Margaret Sharp; five daughters, Shirley Buford, Essie Lindsay and Kay Sharp all of Smithland, Betty Wren of Ledbetter and Leona Hardison of Paducah; a sister, Mallie Hargis of Henderson; two brothers, Wesley and Allen Sharp of Henderson; a sister-in-law, Judy Bass of Smithland; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Susie Wood Sharp; a brother, Perry Sharp; a grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were Monday at McMurray Chapel Cemetery with the minister of the Jehovah faith Don Wren officiating.

Bradley

Dorothy Helen Barnes Bradley, 93, of Burna died Saturday, March 20, 2010 at Superior Care Home in Paducah.

She married Louis Bradley in 1934 and together they raised Margie Helen Barnes, a niece.

She was a member and pianist of Central Baptist Church in Burna and a member of the class of 1936 Salem High School. Alongside her spouse, she served in the U.S. Postal Service starting in 1949 and was a postmistress from 1979 until 1988.

Bradley is survived by several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Louis Bradley; parents, Crawford and Pearl Barnes; brothers, Boyce, Joe Neal and Billy Barnes; and a sister, Louise Barton.

Funeral services were Monday, March 22 at Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem with Joe Barnes and Brian Hodge officiating. Burial was at Birdsville Cemetery.

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Marion PD investigating vandalism at Mapleview

STAFF REPORT

Marion Police Department is investigating vandalism at Mapleview Cemetery in Marion.

Police Chief Ray O'Neal said that a grave was desecrated sometime between Sunday afternoon and 8 a.m., Tuesday.

"We seldom have trouble there, but it looks like someone had a party at the cemetery this time," O'Neal said.

Police found several Bud Light beer cans near a cemetery bench where the vandals had apparently spent some time.

A wreath on a headstone was burned, the chief said.

Relatives of the damaged grave have been notified, O'Neal added.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or who sees suspicious activity at the cemetery may call police at 965-3500.

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# LIVESTOCK REPORTS

MARION & LIVINGSTON REPORTS WEEKLY BY -USDA MARKET NEWS

## MARION LIVESTOCK SALE

Monday, March 22, 2010, KDOA-USDA Market News  
West Kentucky Livestock Market, Marion Auction (cattle  
weighed time of sale).

**Receipts:** 528 head  
**Compared to last week:** Slaughter cows and bulls 3.00  
higher. Feeder steers and heifers 4.00-6.00 higher.

Slaughter cows:	Percent Lean	Weight	Price	Hi-Dress	low-dress
Breaker	75-80	1050-1615	51.00-56.00	45.00-47.00	
Boner	80-85	900-1235	44.00-50.50	53.00	42.50
Lean	85-90	760-1100	33.00-41.00		

Slaughter Bulls:	Y.G.	Weights	Carcass	Boning	Percent	Price	low-dress
1	1580-2055	77-78				66.00	
2	1865-1355	75-76				56.00-63.00	

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	200-300	271	120.00-137.00	130.46	
34	300-400	372	126.00-136.00	129.57	
24	400-500	441	118.00-130.00	120.82	
10	500-600	515	113.00-122.00	118.33	
3	600-700	623	105.00-109.00	107.01	
4	700-800	755	97.00-98.00	97.50	
13	800-900	867	88.00-92.50	91.05	

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	200-300	252	115.00-117.00	115.75	
6	300-400	355	109.00-117.00	112.66	
14	400-500	462	113.00-117.00	114.13	
6	500-600	532	104.00-107.00	105.66	
2	600-700	682	95.00	95.00	

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	100-200	188	95.00-104.00	99.32	
2	200-300	265	102.00-103.00	102.49	
30	300-400	358	109.00-120.00	116.22	
51	400-500	448	102.00-113.50	109.73	
11	500-600	522	100.00-110.00	104.59	
9	600-700	671	90.00-94.00	92.43	
9	700-800	757	86.00-93.00	91.56	
7	800-900	818	85.00-88.50	87.51	

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	200-300	283	102.00-107.00	105.29	
6	300-400	346	98.00-106.00	100.99	
3	400-500	488	80.00-84.00	82.72	
2	500-600	545	95.00-97.00	95.94	
1	800-900	800	75.00	75.00	

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	300-400	356	115.00-130.00	124.13	
3	400-500	420	109.00-123.00	118.22	
9	500-600	524	101.00-111.00	108.72	
7	600-700	617	94.00-98.00	97.41	

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	300-400	323	110.00-111.00	110.62	
4	500-600	575	75.00-95.00	86.16	

**Stock Cows:** Medium and Large 1-2: Cows in the herd sold  
out 3 to 5 years old and 1 to 5 months bred 700.00-1020.00  
per head. Cows 2 to 8 years old and 4 to 7 months 500.00-  
660.00 per head. Heifers 2 to 5 months bred 770.00-810.00  
per head.

**Stock Cows and Calves:** Cows 5 to 10 years old with baby  
calves at side 600.00-1080.00 per pair.  
**Baby Beef Calves:** 50.00-150.00 per head.

## LIVINGSTON LIVESTOCK

Tuesday, March 23, 2010, Livingston County Livestock,  
Leadbetter Auction (cattle weighed at time of

sale). **Receipts:** 794 Head.  
**Compared to last week:** Slaughter cows 2.00-3.00  
higher. Slaughter bulls 3.00-6.00 higher. Feeder steers  
and heifers 2.00-5.00 higher.

Slaughter cows:	Percent Lean	Weight	Price	High Dress	Low Dress
Breaker	75-80	1100-1650	48.00-55.00	56.00-60.00	47.00
Boner	80-85	950-1220	42.00-49.00	50.00-53.00	
Lean	85-90	750-1050	34.50-42.00		
Lean	90+	700-1025	25.00-31.00		

Slaughter Bulls:	Y.G.	Weights	Carcass	Boning	Percent	Price	low-dress
1	1580-1995	77-78				66.00-72.00	
2	1490-2000	75-76				60.00-64.00	55.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	100-200	175	151.00	151.00	
5	200-300	264	123.00-141.00	131.64	
19	300-400	357	121.00-131.00	124.75	
32	400-500	427	117.00-124.00	121.10	
26	500-600	555	110.00-120.00	115.03	
15	600-700	646	99.00-104.00	103.65	
52	700-800	731	91.00-103.50	101.99	
10	800-900	894	92.00	92.00	

Groups: 41 head 734 lbs 103.50 BLK/RD

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	200-300	255	101.00-128.00	113.29	
6	300-400	365	110.00-118.00	115.09	
4	400-500	478	108.00-115.00	112.00	
2	500-600	552	100.00-101.00	100.51	
1	600-700	610	94.00	94.00	
3	700-800	740	85.00-89.00	86.38	

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	200-300	282	112.00-122.00	117.77	
31	300-400	339	114.00-126.00	120.43	
43	400-500	431	107.00-117.00	112.11	
30	500-600	544	102.00-113.00	104.08	
11	600-700	631	92.00-99.00	95.44	
5	700-800	744	83.00-85.00	84.20	
1	800-900	800	80.00	80.00	
1	900-1000	910	70.00	70.00	

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	200-300	272	106.00-112.00	109.25	
15	300-400	371	100.00-113.00	109.02	
22	400-500	460	95.00-106.00	103.10	
19	500-600	536	90.00-102.00	98.67	
7	600-700	644	86.00-88.00	87.59	
1	700-800	795	78.00	78.00	

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
14	300-400	376	115.00-123.00	121.12	
27	400-500	452	110.00-122.00	114.48	
30	500-600	553	100.00-114.00	107.59	
16	600-700	644	92.00-103.00	96.24	
4	700-800	776	80.00-89.00	85.75	
1	900-1000	900	75.00	75.00	

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2	Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	400-500	460	104.00	104.00	
2	500-600	508	84.00-94.00	89.02	
2	600-700	635	84.00-88.00	86.00	

**Stock Cows:** Medium and Large 1-2: Cows 5 to 9  
years old 5 to 8 months bred 500.00-860.00 per head.  
**Stock Cows and Calves:** Cows 2 to 8 years old with  
calves at side 820.00-950.00 per pair. Aged cows with  
calves at side 500.00-810.00 per pair.  
**Baby Calves:** Beef Breeds: 100.00-200.00 per head.

# Wildlife officials say turkey season will be another great one

When Kentucky's spring  
wild turkey season opens  
April 17, hunters can expect  
to find a bounty of gobblers.  
"It's looking like one of  
the best seasons in the past  
eight to 10 years," said  
Steven Dobey, wild turkey  
biologist for the Kentucky  
Department of Fish and  
Wildlife Resources. "There  
will be lots of 2-year-old  
birds, and they do most of  
the gobbling."

Kentucky's 23-day spring  
wild turkey season closes on  
Sunday, May 9. The youth-  
only weekend, for hunters  
under age 16, is April 3-4.

Record reproduction in  
2008 is the reason for all the  
optimism for the upcoming  
spring season. "It was a  
great hatch," said Dobey.  
"The conservation officers  
and wildlife biologists who  
took part in our annual  
brood survey observed an  
average of 3.7 poults (turkey  
chicks) per hen, and the  
highest ever total number of  
poults."

Kentucky's wild turkey  
flock now numbers about  
220,000. Approximately  
90,000 people hunt turkeys  
in Kentucky.

Last year, hunters took  
29,007 bearded turkeys  
during Kentucky's spring  
season, a new record. That  
represents an increase of  
10,764 birds over just a  
decade ago.

"We have a very stable  
percentage of adult gobblers  
in the harvest," said Dobey.  
"That's something turkey  
managers like to see."

During the 2006-08 sea-  
sons, the average percent-  
age of adult gobblers in the  
harvest was 84 percent. It  
dropped to 76 percent last  
spring because hunters took  
advantage of the large num-  
ber of one-year-old male  
turkeys – hunters call these  
birds jakes – available from  
the reproductive boom of  
2008.

"Over time, the percent-  
age of jakes in the harvest  
has decreased, due in large  
part to Kentucky hunters  
becoming more selective,  
preferring to take older  
birds," said Dobey.

Since wild turkey restora-  
tion began about 25 years  
ago, Kentucky's flock has  
grown to become one of the  
best in the region.

"Of the seven states sur-  
rounding Kentucky (Mis-  
souri, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio,  
West Virginia, Virginia and  
Tennessee), we tied for first  
place in 2009 (with Ten-  
nessee) in the number of  
birds harvested per square  
mile," said Dobey. "That is  
quite an accomplishment  
considering Tennessee has  
a much longer season and  
(hunters can take) double  
our bag limit."

High-quality populations  
of wild turkeys are present  
in all 120 Kentucky coun-  
ties.

Wild turkeys flourish in a  
mix of open land and forest.  
They need large timber for  
roosting, and depend on  
acorns and other hard mast  
as a seasonal food source.

"Landowners often over-  
look the importance of nest-  
ing habitat," said Dobey.  
"Good nesting areas are  
stands of hardwood trees,  
with moderate understory,  
or overgrown fields that  
provide concealment and cover  
from the elements."

Although most hunting  
occurs on farms and wood-  
lands owned by individuals

## NWTF EVENT

## Hunting Heritage

## Banquet is April 10

The 19th annual National Wild  
Turkey Federation Hunting Her-  
itage banquet will be held Satur-  
day, April 10 at the Crittenden  
County High School multi-pur-  
pose room. The NWTF banquet  
committee will meet at 6 p.m.,  
Friday at the Crittenden County  
Public Library. Everyone inter-  
ested in turkey hunting and con-  
servation is encouraged to  
attend.

## Wild turkey seasons

Youth Turkey	April 3-4
Spring Turkey	April 17-May 9

– about 95 percent of the  
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agement Area (WMA) offer  
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The season limit during  
the spring is two bearded  
turkeys a hunter, but  
hunters can only take one  
bird a day. Any wild turkey  
with a visible beard may be  
taken, including bearded  
hens.

Hunting over bait, such  
as grain, seed or manufac-  
tured animal feed, is illegal.  
Feeding wildlife outside the  
curtilage of the home, basi-  
cally the area immediately  
surrounding a home or  
group of homes, is illegal  
from March 1 through May  
31.

While using a locator call  
such as crow or owl call is  
legal prior to the season, it  
is illegal for hunters to  
mimic the sounds of a wild  
turkey from March 1 until  
opening day of the spring  
season, when within earshot  
of birds.

For complete regulations  
regarding Kentucky's spring  
wild turkey season visit the  
Kentucky Department of  
Fish and Wildlife Resources  
website at fw.ky.gov, or pick  
up a copy of the spring  
turkey hunting guide where  
ever hunting licenses are  
sold.

## Notice of Public Meeting Crittenden Health Systems

APRIL 7TH, 2010 • 12 NOON  
EDUCATION BUILDING

A public meeting will take place on April 7 at noon in the  
Education Building of Crittenden Health Systems for the  
purpose of providing general information to the public  
regarding the proposed renovation and addition to the  
surgical department of Crittenden Health Systems.

The public is invited to attend and comment on such  
issues as economic and environmental impacts, service  
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## Reece, Beckner win coyote contest

A bag of three coyotes won  
the second annual coyote  
hunting contest sponsored  
last weekend by Hodge's  
Outdoors Sports and Marion  
Tourism Commission.

Twelve two-person teams  
participated in the contest.  
Winners were James Reece  
and Teddy Beckner of Fredo-  
nia. Their coyotes were the  
only ones checked in.



What would Mom say...



Junk in the trunk

Sometimes cars hold ugly stuff

Everyone's got a little junk in their trunk. And I do mean vehicle.

I'd venture to say that many of us could live out of our car for a short period of time.

That's both a sad and encouraging thought, I suppose.

Have you looked in your trunk or "far back" of the SUV or van? It's a relatively small space that can hold a myriad of good, bad and sometimes ugly.

There's the common – umbrella, jumper cables, extra blanket perhaps. And the uncommon – baseball glove, doll, old newspapers. The uncommon has the potential of being ugly, trust me.

True story... A stench overtook my vehicle once that became almost breath-taking over a two-day period. It was the middle of summer, the time we're all craving about now when you bead up with sweat when you sit down in a steaming hot vehicle.

Time and again, a search ensued for the origin of the smell, even looking down under the hood expecting to find a dead bird lodged in the grill of the car. Nope.

I looked under the seats, thinking it was a sippy cup of milk that had turned into a white paste and began growing mold.

When I traded vehicles with my friends who were watching my only child at the time, they were determined to locate the source - a pound of ground beef that apparently had tumbled out of a grocery sack and lodged between some of the good and bad thus creating the ugly in the far back of the SUV.

Why wouldn't a pound of meat get lost in a vehicle that was packed for summer? Isn't it normal to have flotation devices, beach towels, flip flops, soccer cleats, a change of clothes and other general provisions a family has on hand for soccer practice and trips to the pool stashed in the trunk?

Taught me a good lesson. If nothing else, make sure everything you purchase makes its way into your cupboards.

Careful, moms. Those Pull Ups and extra half cases of bottled water are handy in the event of a minor catastrophe, and we'll be quite pleased when soccer season rolls around and we've got camp chairs for a family of five, ready to flip out on the sidelines. But be aware, too, there's reason to be a little cautious with some of the junk in the truck.

Higher education is possible in any economic environment



Education is very important, both for teens and for society. Many students graduate high school, attend college and then get a professional job. However, too many young people today are high school dropouts, and many others do not plan to attend college or technical school upon graduating. Without further education or training, and lacking advanced knowledge or skills in a specific field, they will fall behind in life. As a result, they will struggle financially.

For some the decision not to pursue education beyond high school is largely a result of parents or other family members who have not attended higher education. The lack of such a role model, familiar with navigating the application process for college or financial aid, can be a hindrance. If this is the situation, students can talk with a school counselor, teacher, Marion Ed-Tech Center, role model in their church or local business person to learn about various opportunities for education and training beyond high school. A school counselor or teacher also can help students with their school or financial aid applications.

Some teens believe they cannot afford to attend college or technical school, so they never take the first step to further their education and training. Lack of money should not prevent anyone from attending college or technical school because scholarships such as the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship (KEES), the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and other student loan services are available.

The County Extension Of-

fice as well as the public library and the school system receive an annual book listing of all Kentucky scholarships listed by location, interest, educational institution, etc. Many scholarships go unclaimed each year because students don't know about them. Local scholarship applications are distributed by the school counselor. Read the guidelines closely to see if a student can qualify. Parents should make sure their student fills out the application to the best of their ability. Think of it as applying for a job because if the student receives it, he or she will be paid. This helps both the parent and the student.

KEES is funded by Kentucky Lottery proceeds, and is available to students who earn at least a 2.5 GPA each grade year in high school. The better a student's grades, the more he or she can earn toward college or technical school. At the end of every year of high school, money based on the GPA is calculated toward a KEES-eligible student award while attending college or other accredited postsecondary programs. In addition, KEES-eligible students can earn bonuses based on their ACT score. Receiving KEES money beyond the first year of higher education is contingent upon maintaining good grades. Scholarship money may be

reduced or eliminated for the next school year if grades are not maintained. KEES money can be reinstated by improving grades.

In addition to KEES, other scholarship money and low-cost financial assistance is available. Be sure to find out what other options, such as scholarships, fellowships, and other grants may be available. These can save money that must otherwise be repaid after college.

Young people decide to pursue education and training beyond high school for a variety of reasons. Improved career opportunities are clearly a major goal for many people. With the right type of degree, graduates can earn thousands of dollars more each year. Many also enjoy the creative learning environment, learning new things and the opportunity to become independent.

Going away to school especially helps young people broaden their horizons. However, not all students are ready for life on their own after high school and will do better to attend a local community college and take classes through the Marion Ed-Tech Center before transferring to a four year program. Depending on career choices you may be able to obtain your undergraduate degree through a community college.

Education beyond high school is not easy and requires an investment of time and money. However the benefits are tremendous and can last a lifetime.

Contact me at the Crittenden County Extension Office, 112 W. Carlisle Street if you would like to check out the scholarship book or need other information.



Brad and Ginger Boone and Lee Ann and Mike Keller took The Press to St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands in February for the National Community Pharmacists Association conference.



Cousins Donald Guy Thomas, Nancy Easley Prescott and Virgil Cook enjoyed reading The Crittenden Press at Punta Gorda, Fla., in February.

ROCKET Role Models



Crittenden County Elementary School's March Rocket Role Models for the lower level are (front from left) Olyvia Lanham, Keifer Marshall, Jacey Butts, Destiny Autry; (middle) Isabelle Holloman, James Crider, Daylynn Hogan, Kayden Tidwell, Jade Matthews, Cassius Jackson, Tyler Pigg, Shyanne Smith, Hailey Belt, Christopher Clark; (back) Chloe Daniels, Zack Weathers, MacKenzie Dennis, Alex Marshall, Todd Michael Kirk, Danielle Pigg, Brady Smith and Lynzee Lynn. Not pictured are Chase Wesley, Logan Young, Aliyah Frutiger and Holden Cooksey.



CCES March Rocket Role Models for the upper level are (front from left) Marcus Manns, Mary Tinsley, Brianna Elder, Chris Haire, Danny Vasquez, Ashton Binkley; (middle) Justice Duncan, Nathan Haire, Nicole Gray, Danielle Vasquez, Leah Eggleston, Kylie Weatherspoon, Robert Guffey, Landon Brooks; (back) Jessi Brewer, Charlie Johnson, Terrianna Johnson, Anthony Harris, Sage Winterheimer and Morgan Gerhardt. Not pictured are Austin Janus and Evan Stone.



Woman's Club of Marion's speaker Anne Aubrey (left) installed the new officers Nancy Hunt, president; Barbara Myers, treasurer; Cindy Davidson, recording secretary; Roberta Shewmaker, corresponding secretary; and Susan Christiansen, vice president (not pictured).

Woman's Club of Marion

Submitted by Sharron Belt

The Woman's Club of Marion met on March 3 for the 2010 Annual Meeting.

The club room was decorated in green for St. Patrick's Day.

The speaker for the afternoon was Anne Aubrey, President of Kentucky Federation of Woman' Clubs.

Aubrey gave a color leadership personality quiz to help members discover what leadership skills they possess.

After department and committee chairmen reported on events and programs for the last year, the slate of officers

for the coming two years was presented.

Aubrey installed the new officers: President Nancy Hunt, Vice President Susan Christiansen, Treasurer Barbara Myers, Recording Secretary Cindy Davidson and Corresponding Secretary Roberta Shewmaker.

Each new officer was presented a gift appropriate for her office. Thank you to Nancy Paris for her leadership of the last two years.

After receiving the gavel from Nancy Paris, new President Nancy Hunt adjourned the meeting.

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# God’s word, prayer and Holy Spirit guide in decision making

“Choose this day whom you will serve.” Joshua 24:15.

Today, we hear a lot of talk about “freedom of choice.” Joshua asked the Israelites to choose between God and the false god, Baal. He did not wait for their answer, but said, “as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.”

From the very beginning, God enabled all of mankind with the ability to make choices. They will either result in our enjoyment or perhaps suffer difficult consequences. Adam and Eve chose to disobey God and sin came into the world. Abraham was called by God to leave his homeland and family. He chose to obey and became the father of many nations. Ruth was a young widow and she chose to leave her county and her people and came to Bethlehem with her mother-in-law. She is listed in the genealogy of Jesus.

The Bible says, “Moses chose to suffer with the people of God.” and God chose him to lead the Hebrew people out of Egypt. Jonah chose

Lula Mae Gostley Devotions

Crittenden Press guest columnist

to disobey God and took an unusual cruise.

William Carey chose to take the gospel to India. David Livingston chose to answer God’s call and took the gospel to the jungles of Africa. Lottie Moon chose to spend her life sharing the gospel in China.

Every day each of us are faced with choices we have to make. Some are more difficult than others. But we have God’s word, prayer and the Holy Spirit to help us make the right choice. The most important one that any of us has to make is the one where we will spend eternity. That decision will determine our destiny.

# Forum on drug abuse in congregations tonight

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community (CCDFC) and KY-ASAP Champions are sponsoring a pastor’s forum for substance abuse in congregations at 6:30 p.m., tonight (Thursday) at the Marion Ed-Tech Center.

Cheyenne Albro, director of the Pennyryle Narcotics Task Force, and Mike Chambers, chaplain from CCDFC, will be leading the forum.

Pastors, youth ministers and other faith-based counselors are invited to attend to learn about drug abuse and how to recognize substance abuse signs and how to help.

For more information, call 965-4807 or 704-0715.

# Churchnotes

- The Gage Boys will provide gospel singing at 6 p.m., Sunday at Hopewell Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Lola. Pastor Larry Buchanon invites everyone to attend. Refreshments will be served after the singing.
- Mexico Baptist Church will be holding a revival at 7 p.m., Sunday. Evangelist Bro. Bill Patterson will be preaching, and music will be provided by Mike Crabtree. Nursery will be provided.
- Pleasant Grove General Baptist Church is having Spring Revival service at 7 p.m., Monday.
- Revival Services will begin at Barnett Chapel General Baptist Church at 7 p.m., Monday with Evangelist, Bro. Chris Brantley. Services are nightly at 7.
- Jimmy Porter and the congregation invite everyone to attend.
- The Sanctuary Choir of the First Baptist Church in Sturgis will present an Easter musical at 6 p.m., Sunday.
- The Basement at Marion Baptist Church will be open at 7 p.m., Friday for youth grades six – 12.
- Marion Baptist Church will have a Night of Worship service at 6:30 p.m., Sunday.
- Marion Baptist Church Family Life Center is not open at night right now. It can still be used from 9 a.m., to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday.

- Angel Food orders for March can be picked up at noon on Saturday at Marion Baptist Family Life Center.
- Hurricane Church will host its monthly Friday night singing at 6:30 p.m., April 2. A white bean and cornbread supper is planned.
- McMurray Chapel Easter egg hunt will be at 1 p.m., April 3 at the church.
- McMurray Chapel sunrise service will be at 6 a.m., April 4. Breakfast will follow.
- Hurricane Church will celebrate Easter with an Easter service at 6 a.m., April 4. Bro. Steve Tinsley will be the speaker. Breakfast will follow.
- Cave Springs General Baptist Church will be having a sunrise service at 6 a.m., April 4. Bro. David Bumpus will be preaching, and the Missionary Society will present a play entitled "From Darkness to Light." There will be no Sunday night service that day.

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☐ A. One that had just opened and never managed a life saving account?

☒ B. One that had invested hundreds of accounts over the previous 8 years?

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2009 OFFICE ACCOUNT SETTLEMENT

I, WAYNE AGENT, SHERIFF OF CRITTENDEN COUNTY DO HEREBY CERTIFY THESE AMOUNTS FOR THE 2009 TAX YEAR.

AUTO INSPECTIONS .....	\$2,785.00	SHERIFF SALARY .....	\$68,796.33
DELINQUENT TAXES .....	\$702.00	DEPUTY SALARY .....	\$30,358.00
INTEREST EARNED FROM BANK .....	\$55.28	OFFICE DEPUTY SALARY .....	\$24,377.60
SUBPONEAS & SUMMONS .....	\$18,330.00	BAILIFF .....	\$0
SECURITY SERVICE FEES .....	\$6,118.19	CELL PHONE .....	\$2,885.24
ARREST FEES .....	\$12,549.38	JUROR MEALS .....	\$384.38
STATE ADVANCEMENT .....	\$56,315.00	LEASED EQUIPMENT .....	\$783.28
TAX COMMISSIONS .....	\$101,661.33	MISC .....	\$6,551.67
GUN PERMITS .....	\$2,653.00	GUN PERMIT .....	\$415.00
FISCAL COURT LOAN .....	\$15,351.98	OFFICE SUPPLIES .....	\$1,773.98
PENALTIES .....	\$1,145.00	POSTAGE .....	\$641.26
TRANSPORT PRISONERS .....	\$156.45	UNIFORM .....	\$407.78
STATE FEE CLAIMS .....	\$2,413.39	TRAINING .....	\$40.00
COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS .....	\$0	AD COST .....	\$865.76
FEES FOR SERVICE .....	\$5,618.12	FISCAL COURT LOAN .....	\$0
MISC. INCOME .....	\$5,700.00	ASSOC. DUES .....	\$352.00
	\$987.71	BOND/INSURANCE .....	\$441.53
TOTAL .....	\$862.50	COMPUTER EXPENSE .....	\$4,651.13
	\$1,060.00	OFFICE HELP .....	\$1,354.63
	\$233,764.33	ADV. REPAY .....	\$56,315.00
		SHERIFF INCENTIVE .....	\$3,528.24
		TOTAL .....	\$204,922.81

APPROVED THIS 16 DAY OF MARCH 2010

I, MANDI HARRISON, COMMISSIONED BY THE CRITTENDEN COUNTY FISCAL COURT TO MAKE SETTLEMENT FOR WAYNE AGENT, SHERIFF, DO REPORT THE ABOVE AMOUNTS TO BE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Wayne Agent

WAYNE AGENT, SHERIFF

FRED BROWN, JUDGE-EXECUTIVE

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Wednesday Bible Study at 7 p.m.

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Sunday school - 10<sup>AM</sup> • Worship service - 11<sup>AM</sup>  
Sunday evening service - 6<sup>PM</sup>

**Emmanuel Baptist Church**  
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Captured by a vision...  
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Sunday School 9:30 a.m. • Morning Worship 10:45 a.m. • Sunday Evening 6 p.m.  
Wednesday 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study - Children and Youth Activities

**Sugar Grove Cumberland Presbyterian Church**  
585 Sugar Grove Church Road • Marion, Ky.  
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Worship 11 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.  
Gary Carlton, Pastor • www.sugargrovecp.org

**Harvest Pentecostal Church**  
Pastor Daniel Orten and family invite everyone to come and worship with them at...  
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Children's church provided  
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Thursday night | 7 p.m.

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Sunday Night Bible Study 6 p.m. • Brian Hayes, Pastor

**Marion Baptist Church**  
College and Depot, Marion • 965-5232  
Sunday school: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m.  
Mission Possible (Grades 1-12):  
Wednesdays 3:10 p.m.  
Pastor Mike Jones

**Crayne Presbyterian Church**  
Crayne Cemetery Road  
Marion, Kentucky  
Wednesday night Bible study, 7 p.m.  
Sunday school, 10 a.m. | Sunday worship, 11 a.m.

**Pleasant Grove General Baptist Church**  
State Route 723, 4 miles north of Salem  
Sunday School 10 a.m. • Sunday Worship 11 a.m.  
Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.  
Herbert Alexander, Pastor

**Second Baptist Church**  
730 E. Depot St., Marion  
Sunday Bible study and coffee 10 a.m.  
Sunday morning worship 11 a.m. • Sunday night study 6 p.m.  
Children's TeamKID and Youth's LXVI (66) Ministries at 6:30 p.m.  
Bro. Danny Starrick, Pastor • Bro. Chris O'Leary, worship leader

**Mexico Baptist Church**  
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Minister of Music Mike Crabtree  
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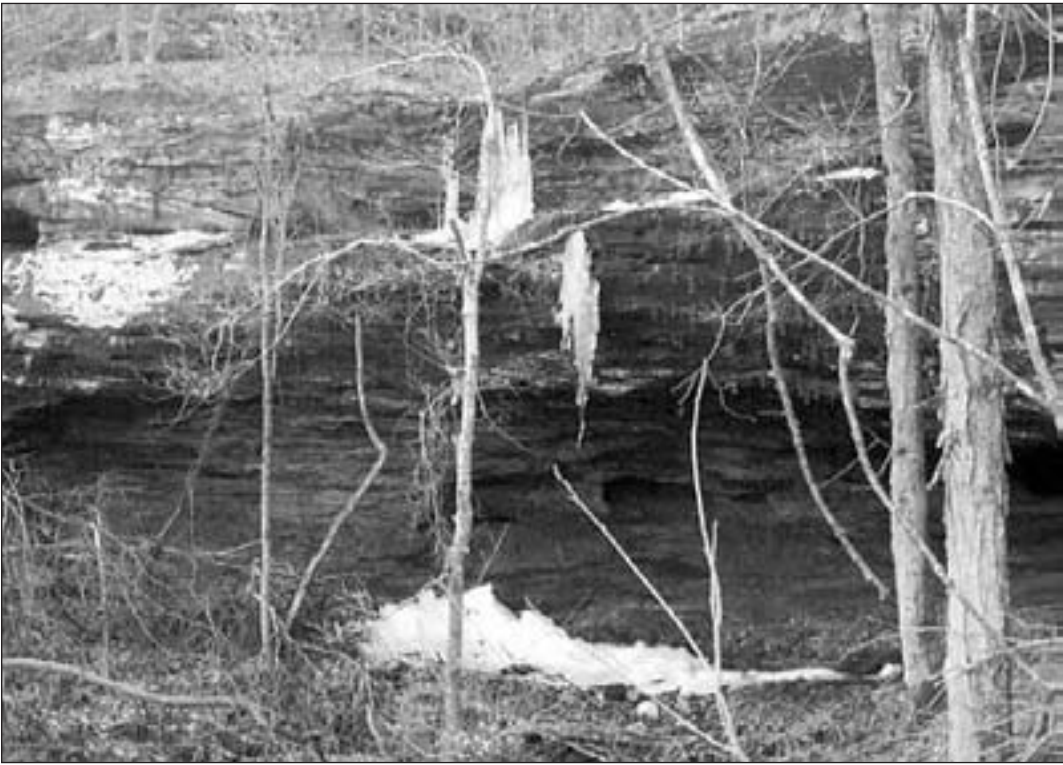
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Sunday Evening 6 p.m. • Wednesday Night Service 7 p.m.

**Burna Missionary Baptist Church**  
727 Burna Church Road, Burna, Ky.  
Sunday School 10 am • Sunday Worship 11 am  
Sunday Evening Prayer Band 5 pm • Sunday Night Worship 5:30 pm  
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Clockwise from left, the Ora Murray Cave is located right next to the Indian Fireplace shelter. It is a small, one-room cave perfectly formed by the rocks. Ice hangs on the top of the natural shelter made by nature and known as the Indian Fireplace shelter. The memorial marker to mark the location of the first Sugar Grove Church, organized in 1840, reads "original Sugar Grove Church Site 1840-1881." The first Sugar Grove Church built in 1840. The log structure served the people until 1881 when it was torn down and new church built.

# Sugar Grove area filled with important history

This is a two-part article on some of the historical and beautiful sites in the Sugar Grove area of our county.

All sections of our county have many aspects of historical interest and beautiful scenery. Some areas we have more information about, as the earlier generation took the time and interest to record some of the knowledge they had of the area.

Through these writings of many years ago, we have more information about some areas of the county than others. Such is the Sugar Grove, Deanwood and Piney Bluffs areas. Some of the earliest history we have was written by Mr. Joseph N. Dean. Here is some of the history around the Sugar Grove Church area that he took the time to record.

Ruebin Bellah was born in 1776 in Rowan County, N.C. His father, Samuel Bellah, moved from North Carolina to Oglethorpe County, Ga., about 1792. Ruebin married Barbara Whatley in 1802.

A year or more later they moved to Crittenden County and probably lived with his aunt, Comfort Lamb, until he could build a cabin home. Ruebin's home was built a few yards from the place where Sugar Grove church house now stands.

The Lambs, his uncle and aunt, lived one half mile east of his place. Ruebin cleared a number of acres of ground here, which for many years afterwards was called the Old Bellar Field. A part of this old field is now the Sugar Grove Church ground and church cemetery.

A little way from this on the west side is a deep hollow that has been known for many years as the Beller

Brenda Underdown

Forgotten Passages

Area historian and genealogy

Holler and in the basin of this hollow is a spring that was called Beller Spring.

The church cemetery was first used in 1885, when Harvey Lamb was buried there. He died on March 27, 1885. The next person to be buried in the cemetery was Elizabeth Murray Hodges, wife of Littleton J. Hodges.

She died Jan. 24, 1886. Since then the number of mounds have increased rapidly. And many who sleep beneath the mounds are descendants of the pioneers, John and Comfort Bellah Lamb.

Ruebin and Barbara Bellah had several children, but this story is about two of them, a little boy and girl. There is a story of a tragedy that befell them while they lived at the Beller field place.

At the time, the Ruebin Bellah family lived at the old Beller field place where the church is now. Most of the Indians had left this section and gone to regions beyond the Ohio and Mississippi rivers; however, there were a few who pretended to be friendly with the white people and roamed about and hunted and the new settlers expected no harm from them.

But when two of the Bellah children were found some distance from the house, going to the spring for water, they were seized by one or more Indians and scalped,

but it seems that they did not try to kill them.

When the little boy and girl, in some way, reached their home and told their father what had taken place, he immediately started in pursuit with his rifle. He overtook them several miles from home and shot and killed one of them.

Then a battle started and Ruebin killed the second one, the third one escaped, by then the father felt that he had avenged the brutal deed and was satisfied to turn his face towards home as no doubt darkness would soon overtake him.

The boy and girl were about seven or eight years old at that time, and they recovered from their wounds. As the family moved away a little later, we have no further account of them.

As to the facts, there is no doubt of the scalping of the children by the Indians at that time and place. The story has been told the writer (J.N. Dean) by many old people who were told about it years and years ago.

More history lies not too far from the present site of Sugar Grove Church.

The first Sugar Grove Church was built in a narrow thickly wooded valley near a beautiful spring, which flowed from the hillside among countless maple sugar trees, from which the church took its name.

The windows were made seven or eight feet from the ground and formerly had heavy wooden shutters for protection from Indians. Sugar Creek flowed in its banks not too far from the site of the church. The church was built on a small

incline that looked over the meadow and creek.

In 1884 the church members, with the help of the community, built a new frame church about three-fourths of a mile northwest of the old church on higher ground, which was more convenient to get to.

When the old white oak hewn logs were taken down, they were found to be perfectly sound, and if they could have spoken would probably have protested against being moved, as they could render service for another century.

When the new church was built, the congregation marked the old historic location with a monument and an engraved marker. It marks the location today, although partially covered by a fallen tree and its limbs, which probably fell during the ice storm of 2009.

This area is well blessed with many natural caves and rock overhangs, or shelters as they are called. Indians and probably the first pioneers found shelter under many of these when they arrived in this area.

One of these scenic views is located across Sugar Creek not too far from the old church location. To the local families that lived in the area, this was known as the Ora Murray Cave and the Indian Fireplace overhang, named by the young boys that loved to roam and explore these exciting natural wonders.

On the day I was there it had been well above freezing for several days, and it was in the 50s that day. The excess water in the ground above was still running over the top of the shelter. The water was still frozen and made an

amazing and uncommon sight on such a sunny morning. At the base of the rock was a large pile of frozen ice that had accumulated from the previous days of dripping water.

It was a most beautiful and wondrous site to this visitor's eyes. But I'm told by my guide, Carlos Travis, that this is common around the shelters and on some of the larger ones, huge icicles have been seen dripping and freezing from the top and meeting with the bottom layer that is frozen, still reaching upward, like stalactites in a cave. One would be fortunate to have seen sights such as these.

In next week's article we will continue our visit through this interesting and beautiful part of our county, learning about Sugar Grove School, Allen Phillips graveyard, Graveyard Knob and a lost Crittenden County landmark.

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

From The Press Archives

### News from 1985:

•Six fire departments responded to a fire at Salem Elementary School just as classes were beginning. The 140 students missed three days of school due to the blaze.

•Ernest and Edna Mae Jones were pictured holding a mysterious farm tool that Ernest found in his barn. The tool had been hanging on the wall for nearly 40 years when Ernest pulled it down to examine.

•Jeff and Kathy Allen and Edna Thurmond were pictured organizing merchandise in their newly opened store, Sport It.

•Members from the Church of God of Prophecy were pictured in rocking chairs on the courthouse square for a rock-a-thon. The rocking, which took place from 9 a.m., to 5 p.m., was to raise money for the building fund.

•Elmer Kimberlin was pictured fishing in the rain on the bridge on Smithland Dam Road. He said he was doing well until a beaver swam out and spooked the fish.

### News from 1960:

•The following 4-H king and queen candidates were pictured: Sue Gillespie and John Murray (Mattoon), Teddy Davidson and Phyllis Tucker (Green Clover, Marion), Larry Taylor and Marilyn Minner (teen-age), Patsy Stone (Frances), Jackie Easley and Mary Ruth Andrews (Shady Grove), Mary Ann Lowery and Roger Paulson (Tolu), J.D. Grimes and Jessica Grimes (Forest Grove) and Linda Tabor and Ronnie Mott (Crayne).

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**Robert Edwin Hackney**

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Daddy, springtime has finally come this year. We miss you so much and wish you could be here.

The birds are so pretty as they sing their sweet tunes. The Easter flowers... gosh, how pretty as they reach their fullest blooms.

The fields are still greening, the ones you loved to see. Your barn will soon be raised the way it used to be. We love and miss you Daddy.

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### Crittenden County Detention Center Budget

REVENUE	2009-10	2010-11	Change
Freedom Waste Subsidy	\$18,000	\$18,000	\$0
Franchise Fees solid waste	\$8,000	\$9,000	\$1,000
Federal Prisoner Payment	\$13,000	\$32,000	\$19,000
Transcore Federal Prisoners	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
Litter Abatement	\$20,000	\$19,500	-\$500
Bed Allotment State Fees	\$51,500	\$55,000	\$3,500
Medical Allotment	\$4,600	\$5,000	\$400
Court Cost Circuit	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0
Board-Housing Jail	\$80,200	\$60,000	\$0
Contract with other Counties	\$156,000	\$130,000	-\$26,000
DUI Fees	\$2,100	\$2,000	-\$100
State Prisoner Payment Community Service	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000
Class D Felony Prisoner Payments	\$1,100,000	\$1,200,000	\$100,000
Court Cost Supplement	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
Convenience Center/Garbage Collection	\$60,000	\$70,000	\$10,000
Work Release	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
Jail Bond Acceptance Fee	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Reimbursement for Prisoners	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000
Booking Fees	\$53,500	\$30,000	-\$23,500
Inmate Phone Fees	\$8,000	\$0	-\$8,000
Receipts Recycling	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
Contribution/Mowing Expense	\$13,500	\$15,000	\$1,500
Interest	\$3,600	\$2,000	-\$1,600
Miscellaneous	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
REVENUE SUB-TOTAL	\$1,596,500	\$1,755,000	\$158,500
Supplemental Income			
Coal Severance Funds	\$0	\$278,000	\$278,000
City Contribution	\$350,000	\$100,000	-\$250,000
TOTAL SUPPLEMENTAL	\$350,000	\$378,000	\$28,000
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,946,500	\$2,133,000	\$186,500
EXPENSES			
Jailer Salary	\$63,475	\$64,000	\$525
Deputy/Matron salaries	\$408,500	\$783,000	\$374,500
Dental Services	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Building Repair	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$500
Equipment Repair	\$1,000	\$12,000	\$11,000
Vehicle Maintenance	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000
Pest Control	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Home Incarceration	\$1,000	\$500	-\$500
Trash Service	\$1,500	\$0	-\$1,500
Cleaning Supplies	\$2,500	\$20,000	\$17,500
Meals	\$75,000	\$140,000	\$65,000
Jail Linens-Bedding	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000
Office Supplies	\$2,500	\$8,000	\$5,500
Petroleum Products	\$3,500	\$10,000	\$6,500
Prisoner Hygiene	\$1,500	\$8,000	\$6,500
Prisoner Clothing	\$2,000	\$1,000	-\$1,000
Bank Charges	\$0	\$400	\$400
Medical Service	\$115,000	\$109,000	-\$6,000
Telephone	\$5,500	\$5,600	\$100
Transporting Inmates	\$8,500	\$2,000	-\$6,500
Utilities	\$98,000	\$80,000	-\$18,000
Miscellaneous	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0
Furniture and Fixtures	\$2,000	\$500	-\$1,500
Juvenile Housing	\$3,000	\$1,000	-\$2,000
Juvenile Medical	\$1,000	\$500	-\$500
Juvenile Transport	\$400	\$200	-\$200
Deputy/Matron Uniforms	\$6,000	\$4,000	-\$2,000
Solid Waste Expense (Convenience Center)	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000
Jail Debt - Principal	\$105,000	\$105,000	\$0
Jail Debt - Interest	\$420,468	\$420,468	\$0
Property Insurance	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0
Staff Travel	\$4,000	\$2,000	-\$2,000
Association Dues	\$750	\$750	\$0
Reserve for Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$0
Social Security Match	\$36,000	\$61,800	\$25,800
Retirement Share	\$73,000	\$131,900	\$58,900
Unemployment Insurance	\$9,500	\$9,925	\$425
Workers Compensation Insurance	\$35,000	\$35,800	\$800
Training Incentive	\$3,400	\$3,600	\$200
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,515,993	\$2,109,443	\$593,450
REVENUE minus EXPENSE (including supplementals)	\$430,507	\$23,557	-\$406,950
REVENUE minus EXPENSE (without supplementals)	\$80,507	-\$354,443	-\$434,950

### JAIL

Continued from page 1

is its first target. That's what the county was spending to operate its much smaller jail before closing it and building the new one. Magistrates and other leaders who supported building the bigger jail have said all along that the main mission was to freeze the county's costs.

Riley and Brown said that the jail is within sight of that goal. Including supplemental revenue from the City of Marion and coal severance taxes, the jail will actually show a \$23,557 carryover on June 30, 2011.

The jail would have had a carryover this fiscal year, but its payroll overshot predictions by about \$300,000. Last year's budget included just \$408,500 for deputies and matrons who work inside the jail and oversee work release programs. In actuality, that figure will be closer to \$700,000 when the budgetary cycle ends in three months. Planners have put \$783,000 in next year's budget for labor, which includes a three-percent pay increase for all non-elected county employees. Magistrates approved the pay hike last week. The county payroll had been frozen the past two years.

"The new budget should be awfully close," said Judge Brown. "There is more income, but there are also more expenses."

Among the new revenue sources is a contract with the Kentucky Department of Transportation. The jail will receive \$80,000 for providing inmates to clean up trash along state highways. Additionally, the jail is earning a handsome

Inmate Census	Crittenden County Detention Center	Inmate Category	Male	Female	Total
		Federal	0	0	0
		State	100	11	111
		County	15	5	20
		Other county	15	0	15
		Total Inmates	130	16	146

WORK RELEASE: According to information provided by the jail, work release inmates provided 1,368 hours of labor over the past week saving the county \$9,918, based on minimum wage.

sum for operating the Crittenden County Convenience Center. Its expenses, excluding labor, are about \$55,000 and its income is forecast at \$97,000. Those two programs alone are bringing in an extra \$122,000, helping the jail move closer to operating in the black.

Despite legislative efforts to lower corrections costs, Riley sees no reason for immediate concern in the number of prisoners the jail can expect to hold in the coming year. Although state-sponsored plans are advocating early release initiatives, Riley says jails are still filling up, partly because those being released are coming right back into the system due to the fact that they can't stay out of trouble.

Riley and Brown say the jail has provided a number of benefits to the community, mostly in cheap inmate labor and because it provides more than 40 local jobs.

"If you look at the painting, the mowing, asbestos encapsulating and other work that's been done around the county, you can see what the work release program is doing for us," Brown said. "And the economic impact of those 40-something jobs means something."

The jail's fiscal stability is very important to the county because its budget of more than \$2 million

makes up almost 30 percent of the county's overall spending plan.

Riley says he has a plan that will actually turn the jail into a money maker. Right now, it's surviving on supplemental income from the city, county and coal severance taxes – part of which may not be available in the future.

Putting a Restricted Custody Center in the former museum next to the county fire department on Carlisle Street could be the answer to future financial questions, Riley said. He has long been an advocate of such an operation, which would mean the county could, for what he calls minimal expense, keep another 25 low-risk state inmates at a gross annual increase of \$285,250 on the revenue side.

"These would be community level one workers," Riley says, explaining that the former museum would be merely a bunkhouse, empty in the day and locked down at night. During the day, the inmates would be out on work release. That would free up room in the main jail for more prisoners.

"If we do that, I think it would take us well beyond the \$300,000 (threshold) that they always talked about," Riley said. "But we're not going to get there overnight. It's going take a couple of years."

### Area News Briefs

#### Medical examiner rules Darnell death accidental drowning

An investigation by the state medical examiner's office has determined that William G. Darnell, 48, of Tolu died Jan. 22 as a result of drowning.

Darnell's body was found before daylight lying in a shallow creek off Ky. 723.

The cause of his death had been a mystery until the final autopsy results were received by Crittenden County Coroner Joe Myers.

The medical examiner's report found that Darnell had the anxiety drug Alprazolam in his system, which may have contributed to his drowning. He also suffered head trauma.

Darnell's scooter was found along the highway a few hundred feet from where he apparently fell into the creek.

Kentucky State Trooper Darron Holliman investigated the incident.

The death was officially listed as an accident, Myers said.

#### Crittenden man, former pastor faces charges in Virginia

Local residents who know Tommy Shelton say they're shocked and find it difficult to believe the charges leveled against him in Virginia.

Shelton, who formerly was pastor of a Fairfax County, Va., church in the 1990s, was arrested last week by Fairfax police for allegedly molesting two boys in the mid-1990s.

Reports in the Washington Post said Shelton, 64, was the pastor of Community Church of God in the Dunn Loring area near Fairfax, from 1995 to 2000.

According to published reports, two men approached Fairfax police in 2008 and reported that they had been sexually assaulted by Shelton. One man said he had been molested when he was 12 to 14 years old, and the other man said he was eight to nine years old when he was molested, police told the Washington Post.

There is no statute of limitations on such crimes in Virginia, reports the newspaper.

According to the Post, police obtained warrants in February charging Shelton with two counts of aggravated sexual battery, two counts of indecent liberties with a minor and sodomy.

Shelton now lives on Ky. 91 North in the Hebron area of Crittenden County. He has been affiliated with various churches and religious organizations in this area for many years. He was instrumental in



Shelton

founding the Marion Christian School in 1981. It has been closed for three years.

Although never charged, Shelton has faced multiple allegations of inappropriate contact with young men from a church he pastored in West Frankfort, Ill., to the religious television network 3ABN where he was a production manager. Those incidents were outlined in an article released a few years ago by the Seventh Day Adventist Church's Adventist Today news magazine.

Local authorities had no knowledge of the Virginia allegations.

Shelton surrendered last week to Fairfax police, and was being held in the Fairfax jail Thursday in lieu of \$80,000 bond. He has a court appearance in May.

#### Cave In Rock plans variety of music to revive weekends

A restoration committee has formed in Cave In Rock, Ill., in an effort to return it to the bustling little town it was once. Those plans include the resurrection of musical variety shows.

June McDowell, one of the owners of Gee Jay's Restaurant in Cave In Rock, is a member of the committee. She said Crittenden Countians likely remember the busy weekends in Cave In Rock, and the restoration committee hopes to attract that attention again at the Cave In Rock Opry House.

The Restoration Committee is purchasing the Riverfront Opry House, and by the beginning of April will begin inviting talent for weekly shows.

"It's almost time for tourists to begin coming our way, so let's get together and show them Nashville and Branson have nothing on Marion and Cave In Rock," McDowell says. "We are really getting excited, we are wanting to make plans on getting our first show together."

Anyone who is interested in performing at the Opry House should submit their name and phone number at Gee Jay's Restaurant.

Plans are to have shows as often as possible throughout the tourist season.

#### Livingston fireman hurt in accident

A volunteer fireman from Livingston County was seriously injured in an accident Friday while responding to a field fire on Hampton Road near Burna.

Paul Birk, 35, of Burna was responding to the fire about 12:30 p.m., Friday when the accident occurred. He was operating his personal pickup, a 1995 Chevrolet 1500, with emergency lights and siren ac-

tive. While negotiating an east bound curve on U.S. 60, Birk attempted to pass a slowing vehicle he was overtaking. The fireman did not immediately observe the approach of a west bound vehicle, and attempted to cross back into the east bound lane.

Birk ran off the right shoulder of the highway, missing both vehicles and over corrected. His pickup continued across the roadway and ran off the west bound shoulder. Continuing down an embankment, the pickup struck a tree, rotated and crossed a deep ravine, according to state police.

The truck then struck a second tree before coming to rest.

Birk was trapped inside the vehicle and subsequently extricated by Smithland and Burna Volunteer Fire Departments. He was flown to St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville and was listed in serious condition. The Paducah Sun reported that he suffered back and neck injuries.

Crittenden County volunteer firemen responded to help fight the field fire. Salem, Smithland, Burna, Grand Lakes and Ledbetter fire departments and the Kentucky Division of Forestry were also involved in fighting the 125-acre fire.

#### Water district meets, still no word on rates

Crittenden-Livingston Water District met Monday night and discussed the possibility of funding its short-term debt through a long-term, low-interest loan from the Kentucky Association of Counties.

The district has been looking at ways to retire a two-year note that is coming due later this year for \$2.6 million. It had considered raising rates in order to up its bond rating so that bonds could be sold to cover the debt.

Now, the district appears to be leaning toward the KACo loan, but will meet again with its bonding company to find the least expensive option.

It's still unclear if rates will need to be raised in order to help satisfy the loan payment. There had been some discussion of a major rate increase, but district officials say that's off the table for now.

In other business Monday, the board voted to make Ronnie Slayden the permanent district superintendent. He was appointed interim superintendent a few weeks ago when Donnie Beavers left, citing medical reasons. The board also made Clyde Church chief plant operator.

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### Three Rivers Quarry earns fourth award

The Three Rivers Quarry earned the Sentinels of Safety award for the fourth time, a feat unearned by any other company, the quarry management said.

The quarry has earned the safety award in 1991, 1996, 2004 and 2009 for logging the most man hours with the lowest number of accidents.

The award, which is co-sponsored by the National Mining Association and the U.S. Department of Labor's Mine Safety and Health Administration, has been given annually since 1925. Companies have to log at least 4,000 injury-free hours to be considered.

### Pvt. Collins finishes basic combat training

Army National Guard Pvt. Catlin D. Collins of Burna has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the nine weeks of

training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values and physical fitness. He received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare, bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches and field training exercises.

He is the son of Tina Lawless of Burna.

The private is a 2007 graduate of Livingston Central High School.

### Holland Medical plans April benefit

During the month of April, Holland Medical Services in Marion will hold a shoe drive to benefit Soles4Souls, Inc.

Soles4Souls provides gently worn shoes to people in need, including victims of natural disasters or those living in extreme poverty.

Holland Medical is serving as a drop-off site to assist the

Nashville-based Soles4Souls charity. Since 2005, the organization has given away over 7 million pairs of new and gently worn shoes, and is currently distributing one pair every nine seconds.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Floyd at 965-5808 or email efloyd@rotech.com.



Preston Driver and Dougie Conger show off their winning trash sculptures.

### Trash sculpture winners named

Regional Recycling Corp. recently announced Crittenden County Elementary School winners for the annual trash sculpture contest.

Dougie Conger and his Santa's Train made from coffee containers and other recyclable items won in the lower elementary division. Conger won first place in the school, county and regional contests. He won \$210.

Preston Driver, with his project know as The Uptown Mice made from laundry detergent bottles and decorated with various recyclable items, won the upper ele-



Crittenden County FCCLA members are (front from left) Brittany Lemon, Laressa Melton, Corey Berry, Nikki Conger, Emily Bruns, (back) Amanda Collins, Kristin Nannie, LaDonna Herron, Brittany Phillips, Dominique LaPlante, Madison Travis and Abby Mills.

mentary division in the school, county and was the overall county winner. He won \$110.

### Bruns elected as president of FCCLA regional group

Crittenden County High School's Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) organization was recently honored with a gold medal award during the Re-

gion 2 spring meeting at Hopkinsville.

Additionally, two Crittenden County students were elected as regional officers.

Grasp Greatness was the theme for the spring FCCLA meeting held at Hopkinsville Community College.

Emily Bruns and Nikki Conger were elected among their regional peers to serve the region as officers during the 2010-11 school year. Bruns was elected Region 2 president and Conger was elected

vice president of peer education.

All members attending had a great time communicating with the other chapters and experiencing the FCCLA event, said group sponsor Dawn Holloman.

What's going on with people you know in Crittenden County? Do you have an item for Spotlight? Please, let us know. Email the office at thepress@the-press.com or call us at 965-3191.

### Crittenden FFA Regional Competition

Crittenden County FFA members travel to Murray State University recently to compete in Region 2 FFA Day. Results are as follows:

Student	Event	Rating
Brennan Cruce	Chapter Talent	Excellent
Taylor Davis	Chapter Talent	Excellent
Jacob Hunt	Chapter Talent	Excellent
Chad Taylor	Chapter Talent	Excellent
Jake Woods	Crop Impromptu	Excellent
Joseph Tedford	Dairy Impromptu	Excellent
Cory Shuecraft	FFA Quiz	Excellent
Stacia Snow	Fruit & Vegetable Impromptu	Excellent
Derek Burris	Greenhouse Impromptu	Excellent
Angelic Singleton	Horse Impromptu	Excellent
Rachel Jennings	Turf & Lawn Impromptu	Excellent
Ashlee Collins	Beef Impromptu	Superior
Jake Tinsley	FFA Creed Speaking	Superior
Courtney Todd	Sheep Impromptu	Superior
Alyssa Qualls	Small Animal Impromptu	Superior
Matt Papineau	Poultry Impromptu	Superior
Kari Buntin	Goat Impromptu	Superior 2nd
Corey Bruns	Parliamentary Procedure Team	
Kari Buntin	Parliamentary Procedure Team	
Taylor Davis	Parliamentary Procedure Team	
Matt Papineau	Parliamentary Procedure Team	



Crittenden County FFA members earned an excellent review with their music at the annual Murray State University Region 2 FFA Day. Pictured are (from left) Brennan Cruce, Chad Taylor, Taylor Davis and Jacob Hunt, participating in the chapter talent contest.

Daniel Patton  
Alyssa Qualls  
Stacia Snow  
Chad Taylor  
Courtney Todd  
Jake Woods

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### AREA UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES December 2009

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Jan. 2010	Dec. 2009	Jan., 2009
Statewide	2,058,438	1,818,256	240,182	10.7%	10.4%	9.5%
MCCRACKEN	31,308	28,147	3,161	10.1%	9.0%	7.8%
CALDWELL	6,862	6,096	766	11.2%	11.4%	11.0%
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CRITTENDEN	4,119	3,614	505	12.3%	10.3%	10.0%
HOPKINS	23,203	20,826	2,377	10.2%	9.2%	8.9%
LIVINGSTON	4,994	4,260	734	14.7%	10.5%	9.4%
LYON	3,495	2,995	500	14.3%	12.8%	11.5%
TRIGG	6,675	5,613	1,062	15.9%	16.5%	15.7%
HENDERSON	23,491	20,578	2,913	12.4%	10.6%	11.2%
McLEAN	4,629	4,089	540	11.7%	10.1%	10%
UNION	7,612	6,721	891	11.7%	10.1%	12.2%
WEBSTER	6,481	5,757	724	11.2%	9.7%	9.3%

### Crittenden jobless rates up 2%

Crittenden County's unemployment rate jumped a full two points from December to January, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Crittenden's rate went from 10.3 percent in the last month of 2009 to 12.3 percent in the first month of this year.

Livingston County's rate also jumped markedly, from 10.5 percent to 14.7 percent.

The jobless rates rose in 116 Kentucky counties be-

tween January 2009 and January 2010.

Fayette County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the Commonwealth at 8.5 percent.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate at 23.5 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work.

### Community Calendar

#### Thursday, March 25

- ✓Crittenden Elementary SBDM will meet at 3:30 p.m., today (Thursday).
- ✓Arts Extravaganza will be held at 6 p.m., today (Thursday) at Crittenden Elementary. Second graders will perform international dances; fifth graders will perform a dramatic program titled "I am an American." Fourth graders will perform along with chorus and 4Rs. All students in grades K-5 will have art samples displayed.
- ✓Bro. Brian will be at the Senior Citizens Center at 10:30, today (Thursday).
- ✓The hospital will be presenting the program 'The Seven Step Cleaning Process' at 11:30 a.m., today (Thursday) at the Senior Citizens Center.
- ✓Crittenden County Elementary School PTO is accepting nominations for PTO officers for 2010-11 school year. A nomination box will be in the lobby of CCES from 7:30 a.m., until 3 p.m., until April 2.

Monday, March 29

- ✓Crittenden County Republican Party will meet at 6 p.m., Monday at the courthouse.

#### Tuesday, March 30

- ✓A C-PAP clinic will be held

from 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday at Holland Medical, 252 Sturgis Rd. Bring your machine for free cleaning, maintenance and compliance downloads. Refreshments will be served.

#### Wednesday, March 31

- ✓PACS Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center will be hosting a free tax service from 9 a.m., until 1:30 p.m., March 31.
- ✓Letterman jackets may be ordered from 5-6 p.m., Wednesday, March 31 in Rocket Arena.

#### Thursday, April 1

- ✓The regular Park Board meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 1 due to spring break.

#### Upcoming

- ✓Crittenden Health Systems Auxiliary will sponsor a pre-Easter bake sale from 8 a.m., to 2 p.m., in the hospital lobby.

### Fugitive arrested on Depot Street

STAFF REPORT

Local authorities arrested a Missouri man Monday night who was wanted in connection with a rape charge.

Marion policemen Jerry Parker and George Foster and special deputy Eddie Myers went to a home on East Depot Street at 8:30 p.m., following a tip regarding a fugitive wanted on a bench warrant in Barry County, Mo.

When officers knocked on the front door, the suspect ran out the back where Myers was waiting. The suspect went back into the house, but later emerged without incident after being ordered out by the police.

Arrested on a fugitive warrant was Lawrence Davis Jr., 69, of Monett, Mo. He faces a charge of first-degree rape of a girl under 14. He was lodged in the Crittenden Detention Center awaiting extradition proceedings.

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Members of the Rocket baseball team are (front from left) Taylor Champion, Brenden Phillips, Travis Gilbert, Devin Belt, Grant Gardner, Bobby Knox, Zack Knight, (second row) Bryce Willis, Justin Lee, Colin Belt, Jesse Highfil, Casey Oliver, Brian Berry, Dyllan Thornton, Eli Bebout (back row) head coach Vince Clark, coach Jeff Porter, coach Cody McDonald, Alec Pierce, Alex Porter, Joey Pluskota, Dylan Clark, J.D. Gray, coach Nathan McDowell and coach Tommy Baker. Not pictured is Taylor Davis. The boys first home game is at noon on Saturday against Paducah Tilghman.

## Boys look to a successful season under new coach

BY CHRIS HARDESTY  
PRESS SPORTS WRITER

After winning 33 games over the previous two seasons, capturing back-to-back Fifth District titles and advancing to the Second Region Tournament semifinals two consecutive years, new Crittenden skipper Vince Clark will try to keep that string of success going this spring.

But the veteran Crittenden coach is no stranger to the Rocket baseball program.

From 1992-95, Clark compiled a 48-46 record, winning the school's second district championship in 1993.

After Crittenden coach Denis Hodge stepped down at the end of last season after a 14-year tenure, Clark agreed to take the reins for one season.

"I was excited about agreeing to do the job one year. I was glad to come back," said Clark.

With five position starters back from last year, the Rocket skipper believes the squad has the makings to continue the success that Hodge and veteran assistant Bryce Winders established.

His team's solid defense is what has pleased him the most to this point of the preseason.

Since Crittenden lost starting pitchers Alex Wood, Ronnie Howton and spot starter Cody McDonald to graduation, he knows being strong defensively will be a huge key in order to keep winning.

Simply not being able to practice outside on a regular basis due to rainy weather is what has displeased him the most. Since the beginning of preseason practice on Feb. 15, Clark said they have only gotten one week of outside practice due to the wet conditions.

While some may think the Rockets are the favorites in the Fifth District race, the new coach knows they must go out and prove it on the field.

"I don't take anything for granted," he said.

Crittenden was tested right out of the chute, opening the regular season at Henderson County Tuesday. The opening week remained tough as they faced Hopkinsville. The Rockets match up against Webster County and Paducah Tilghman tomorrow and Saturday, respectively.

New opponents on the schedule this season include First Region foes Hickman and Graves counties, as well as Third Region opponent Russellville.

After being upended by University Heights in the Class A Second Region Tournament last year, Crittenden will get a chance at revenge when they face them again in the small-school affair at Gordon Blue Guess Field on April 13.

Clark hopes his club will be gelling at the proper time as they attempt to capture their second Class A Regional crown in three years.

After suffering a wrist injury dur-

ing basketball season, senior pitcher Joey Pluskota has recovered and is throwing the ball well in practice.

"He seems to be a little more focused," said the Rocket skipper. When not on the mound, the veteran will be a regular in the outfield.

J.D. Gray returns at shortstop and will be a starting hurler. Gray has been starting at the varsity level since the eighth grade and is a great base stealer.

Junior Casey Oliver has claimed the starting catcher's role left by the graduation of Anthony Aguilar. While serving as the Rocket starting second baseman the previous two years, Clark likes the way Oliver has looked behind the plate.

Although not a big fan of using his catcher as a pitcher, the Rocket skipper said Oliver will still see some time on the mound.

Eighth-grader Travis Gilbert has already impressed Clark from the mound and will see some time there at the varsity level. When not on the mound, Gilbert will be a reserve infielder.

Brian Berry, Alex Porter and Dylan Clark also give the Rockets plenty more options in the pitching department and the new coach is glad to have such a deep staff.

Dylan Clark also returns as the starting first baseman. Like Gray, Clark is a fifth-year varsity starter and will provide strong senior leadership for this year's club.

With Oliver going behind the plate, senior Alec Pierce will start at second base and Clark has been very pleased with his work ethic. The Rocket coach said he is looking forward to seeing the middle infield duo of Gray and Pierce turn a lot of double plays during the spring.

Gilbert, Berry and Dyllan Thornton have been battling for the third baseman position, which was vacated by the graduation of Cody McDonald.

Porter will once again anchor the center field position and has developed into one of the best at that position in western Kentucky over the last two seasons.

Justin Lee, Berry and Thornton will all prove to be capable outfielders. Lee is one of the best base runners on the squad and always gives maximum effort every time he gets on the field.

Sophomore Bryce Willis will serve as the backup catcher and can also pitch if called upon.

After sitting out last year, senior Taylor Davis rejoins the team and has been working hard during preseason drills.

Clark lists pitching and defense as the two keys for another winning year for the Rockets.

"We have to command the mound. We have to be solid on defense," he said.

Clark will be assisted by Nathan McDowell, Jeff Porter, Cody McDonald and Tommy Baker this season.

### CCHS

Letterman jackets may be ordered from 5-6 p.m., Wednesday, March 31 in Rocket Arena.

### Dugout Club

The Crittenden County Dugout Club will hold a work day at the City-County County Park to get the facilities ready for baseball and softball season. Anyone wishing to volunteer to work on fields, dugouts, fences, concession stand, etc., is encouraged to arrive at 9 a.m., Saturday. Coaches or parents with children in the program are encouraged to attend.

### Baseball Schedule

March 26 at Webster County, 5:30  
**March 27 v. Paducah Tilghman, noon**  
March 30 at Union County, 5  
April 1 at Central Hopkins, 5  
April 2-10 - spring break tourney, Florida  
April 13-17 - Class A Tournament  
**April 13 v. UHA, TBA**  
April 16 at Trigg County, 5  
April 17 at UHA, noon  
**April 19 v. Caldwell County, 5**  
April 20 at Lyon County, 5  
**April 22 v. Union County, 5**  
April 23 at Livingston County, 5  
April 24 at Hickman v. Ballard County, 12:15  
April 24 at Hickman, 2:30  
**April 26 v. Livingston County, 5**  
**April 27 v. Trigg County, 5**  
**April 29 v. Christian County, 5:30**  
**April 30 v. Lyon County, 5**  
**May 3 v. Central Hopkins, 5:30**  
May 4 at Hopkinsville, 5:30  
May 7 at Caldwell County, 5  
May 8 at Murray v. Graves County, 3:45  
**May 11 v. Webster County, 5:30**  
**May 13 v. Madisonville, 6**  
May 15 at Russellville, noon  
**May 17 v. Ballard County, 5:30**  
May 20 at Madisonville, 6  
**May 21 v. Dawson Springs, 5**  
\*bold denotes home game

### V & JV Baseball Roster

#### Seniors

Dylan Clark - 1st base, pitcher  
Taylor Davis - outfield  
J.D. Gray - pitcher, infield  
Justin Lee - outfield  
Joey Pluskota - pitcher, outfield  
Alec Pierce - 2nd base, outfield  
Alex Porter - outfield  
Dyllan Thornton - outfield  
**Juniors**  
Colin Belt - outfield  
Brian Berry - pitcher, 3rd base, outfield  
Casey Oliver - catcher, pitcher  
Jesse Highfil - outfield  
**Sophomores**  
Bryce Willis - catcher, pitcher  
**Freshmen**  
Eli Bebout - 1st base, pitcher  
Grant Gardner - pitcher, infield  
Zac Knight - 1st base, outfield, pitcher  
Bobby Knox - infield, pitcher  
**8th Graders**  
Devin Belt - pitcher, outfield  
Taylor Champion - infield  
Travis Gilbert - pitcher, infield  
Brenden Phillips - catcher, pitcher, 3rd base  
  
Vince Clark - head coach  
Nathan McDowell - assistant coach  
Jeff Porter - assistant coach  
Cody McDonald - volunteer coach  
Tommy Baker - volunteer coach

### Softball Schedule

**March 25 v. Mayfield, 5:30**  
March 26-27 at Lone Oak Lady Flash Tournament  
**March 29 v. Caldwell County, 5:30**  
March 30 at Murray, 5:30  
April 1 at Trigg, 5:30  
**April 13 v. Union County, 5:30**  
April 15 at Livingston, 5:30  
April 16 at Fulton County, 5:15  
April 19 - Class A Region  
**April 20 v. Trigg County, 5:30**  
April 22 at Webster County, 5:30  
**April 24 v. Fulton County, TBD**  
**April 24 v. Todd County, TBD**  
**April 24 v. Hickman County, TBD**  
**April 26 v. UHA, 5:30**  
**April 27 v. Hopkinsville, 6**  
April 29 at Lyon County, 5:30  
May 3 at UHA, 5:30  
**May 4 v. Livingston County, 5:30**  
**May 6 v. Lone Oak, 6**  
**May 7 v. Caldwell County, 5:30**  
**May 10 v. Hopkins County Central, 5:15**  
May 11 at Todd County, 6  
May 17 at Carlisle County, 6  
**May 18 v. Murray, 5:30**  
May 20 at Dawson Springs, 5:15  
**May 21 v. Webster, 5:30**  
\*bold denotes home game

### V & JV Softball Roster

#### Seniors

Torey Baker, 1st base  
Hannah Brantley, 2nd base  
Elizabeth Kirby, 3rd base, outfield  
Sammie Jo Quisenberry, pitcher  
Kelly Williams, outfield  
**Juniors**  
Laiken Chambliss, outfield  
Talaney Werne, 3rd base  
**Sophomores**  
DeDe Hinton, pitcher, 2nd base  
Taylor Keister, outfield, shortstop  
Jenna Odom, outfield, shortstop  
Emily Owen, pitcher, 1st base  
Jessica Tinsley, shortstop, outfield  
Shannah Williams, catcher, outfield  
**Freshmen**  
Stacie Hearrell, 2nd base, outfield  
Whitney Kinnis, catcher  
Kayla McDonald, outfield, 3rd base  
Whitney Williams, outfield  
**8th Graders**  
Brittney Buell, 1st base  
Alyssa Claycomb, outfield  
McKenzie Hewitt, catcher  
Hayli Hill, outfield  
Abby Whitney, 2nd base  
Haylee Young, 2nd base, pitcher  
**7th Graders**  
Chelsea Oliver, shortstop  
  
Glenna Rich - head coach  
Andy Keister - assistant coach  
Keith Quisenberry - assistant coach  
Reese Baker - assistant coach  
Carol West - assistant coach



Members of the varsity Rocket softball team are (front from left) Kelly Williams, Hannah Brantley, Sammi Jo Quisenberry, Torey Baker, Elizabeth Kirby; (back row) coach Andy Keister, coach Keith Quisenberry, coach Reese Baker, Jenna Odom, DeDe Hinton, McKenzie Hewitt, Stacie Hearrell, Jessica Tinsley, Emily Owen, Taylor Keister, Shannah Williams, Taleny Werne, Whitney Williams, coach Carol West and coach Glenna Rich.

## Girls look for redemption after dismal '09 season

BY CHRIS HARDESTY  
PRESS SPORTS WRITER

Despite going a disappointing 6-15 last season, the Lady Rocket softball team did not lose any players to graduation and the returning group is anxious to make amends for last spring.

After third-year coach Michael Gibson resigned last June to take a teaching position in Somerset, assistant coach Glenna Rich took the top spot and will try and get the Crittenden program back on the winning track.

"Its been very nice," said Rich, when asked about making the transition to the head coaching position.

She was also quick to thank her coaching staff, softball boosters and hard-working players for making the transition a smooth one.

Simply the commitment to the team and good organization is what has pleased the new skipper the most during preseason practice.

Conversely, not being able to get enough practice time outdoors due to rainy weather is what has displeased her the most.

During the first month of preseason workouts, Rich said her squad has practiced outside about two weeks.

Three major problems last year

were bad defense, striking out too much and not being able to get clutch hits with runners in scoring position.

The Crittenden coach hopes with every returning player having gone through that experience, it will build character and make them hungry to win more this spring.

"I think we have a really good team this year," she said.

Along with playing an always tough Second Region schedule, which includes Madisonville, Webster County, University Heights and Hopkinsville, the Lady Rockets will face seven First Region foes this spring.

Some of those include Mayfield, Murray High, Lone Oak and Hickman County.

Rich believes the Fifth District race is wide open this season and thinks every game will be a tough battle.

"I think its anybody's race this year," Lady Rocket assistant Keith Quisenberry said.

She would love to be the first coach to lead the school to its first ever Fifth District title in late May and believes that it is possible if the team continues to gel throughout the year.

Crittenden will have plenty of opportunity to be battle-tested on the

road as they do not have consecutive home games until a weekend tournament on April 24 when they host Todd County Central and Hickman County.

The Lady Rockets will face league foe Lyon County in the opening round of the Class A Second Region Tournament on April 19 and Rich would love to make a deep run in the small-school tournament.

The Lady Rockets return a strong senior class led by veteran hurler Sammie Jo Quisenberry, who will sign to play college softball at Rend Lake.

Rich commended the hurler for her hard work during the off season and her tremendous attitude that spreads throughout the team.

Senior Torey Baker returns at first base and is already being courted to play college softball. She is one of the best hitters on the squad and also possesses a strong arm.

Senior Hannah Brantley returns at second base and always gives maximum effort while on the softball field.

According to Rich, senior shortstop Elizabeth Kirby is the most improved player on the team and also has a tremendous work ethic.

Senior Kelly Williams, who returns as the starting centerfielder,

has a strong arm and can also do damage with the bat.

First-year senior player LeAnna Riley has been working hard in preseason drills and should help the team as the season progresses.

Junior Talaney Werne is a very versatile performer as she can play left field, third base and shortstop.

Junior Shannah Williams returns as the starting catcher and has proven to be one of the most consistent players over the last two years for the Lady Rocket program.

The sophomore quartet of Emily Owen, Jenna Odom, Taylor Keister and Jessica Tinsley all saw varsity playing time last spring. They will again be key cogs when Crittenden opens the regular season next Monday hosting Madisonville.

Rich has been impressed with her squad during preseason drills and believes the fruits of their labor will show when the regular season begins next week.

The first-year head coach believes the team gelling and being dedicated are the two keys for a successful season.

She praised her coaching staff, team and all the softball boosters for making her feel welcome as the new Lady Rocket skipper.

"I cant commend them enough for their hard work," she said.



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I, Madeline Henderson, Clerk of Crittenden County District Court, Marion, KY do certify that the following has filed Periodical Accounting: Gina Louise Hunt of 9263, U.S. 60 W., Salem, KY 42078, guardian of Autumn Madison Hunt, of 9263 U.S. 60 W., Salem, KY 42078. The foregoing is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on April 21, 2010. All persons having exceptions to Settlements are to file same at once.

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**For more information, contact the City Administrator at 270-965-2266.**

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## Notice Of Sale

The following tax bills for the year 2009, being unpaid, I will offer for sale on the 5th of April 2010 at 1:00 p.m. to the highest bidder, for cash. The following delinquent tax claims upon which a real assessment appears (the amount includes penalty, interest, and advertising costs). The claims sold become a lien upon the face of the tax bill and are subject to 10 percent per annum.

Tax Year Range 2009 To 2009 Calculated As Of 03/22/2010		
Bill Number	Account Name	Unpaid Tax
2009 8	Adams Clint .....	\$7.05
2009 48	Asbridge Patrick .....	\$8.55
2009 49	Asbridge Vicki & Jeffery .....	\$76.54
2009 71	Baxter Healthcare Corp .....	\$29.22
2009 113	Benson Randall & Lisa .....	\$197.41
2009 115	Benton George R. ....	\$143.02
2009 152	Boyd James A. ....	\$11.57
2009 154	Bradford Charles .....	\$17.62
2009 179	Bryant Caroline .....	\$218.57
2009 228	Clements Charis .....	\$68.98
2009 239	Coffield Louise Et Al .....	\$4.02
2009 258	Conner Melburn & Melissa .....	\$91.65
2009 276	Corne Larry .....	\$67.48
2009 279	Cosby Jack E & Marcella .....	\$35.15
2009 333	Curnel Ricky & Karla Reed .....	\$158.13
2009 362	Day Bruce .....	\$136.98
2009 368	Deckert Ronald & Bonnie .....	\$81.99
2009 371	Dennis Johnnie & Roxanne .....	\$83.32
2009 373	Deutsche Bank National Trust C. ....	\$117.33
2009 441	Farley Elizabeth .....	\$7.05
2009 455	Fetterole Thaddeus Thomas Jose .....	\$73.52
2009 488	Fox Shirley .....	\$20.03
2009 498	Frazier Ellen .....	\$91.65
2009 522	Ge Capital Information Tech So .....	\$133.25
2009 525	Geno Fredrick .....	\$167.20
2009 528	Gerhardt Craig .....	\$13.09
2009 529	Getz Serrina & Scott .....	\$28.19
2009 537	Gilland Sandra .....	\$136.98
2009 541	Gipson Kevin E or Tanya .....	\$53.88
2009 563	Grisson Charles .....	\$4.02
2009 573	H & D Inc .....	\$138.79
2009 596	Hardin Bobby & Crissy .....	\$73.52
2009 604	Harris Michael H & Kathy .....	\$182.00
2009 660	Hill Charles E & Eva M .....	\$7.95
2009 690	Holloman Kenneth Ray & Ann .....	\$68.98
2009 795	Jones Norris & Helen .....	\$50.26
2009 797	Jones Robert Joseph & .....	\$23.65
2009 819	Kinney Violet .....	\$7.05
2009 840	Lake Productions Llc .....	\$9.58
2009 853	Lewis Jerry & Sherri .....	\$32.72
2009 881	Maness Michael or Stephanie .....	\$31.21
2009 882	Maness Michael or Stephanie .....	\$91.65
2009 900	Hummel Robbie Ellen .....	\$72.00
2009 917	Maxfield Bernadine Roberts & .....	\$116.73
2009 922	Mayo Richard S .....	\$7.05
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2009 957	Middleton Eurie B 1/2 .....	\$50.10
2009 994	Moss Dennis Et Al .....	\$133.74
2009 996	Movies To Go .....	\$224.50
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According to City Administrator Mark Bryant, Kenny Templeton should not have been included in the City of Marion's Delinquent Tax List published in the March 18 Press.





The playground area, flag pole and picnic pavilion were added by the Riverview Park Development Committee, which was formed in March 2006.

# 10 Questions

A Q and A session with community leaders

with Pamela Stringer

## Park committee working hard to improve Dam 50 recreation area

Tommy Hughes, member of the Riverview Park Development Committee, gave an interview via e-mail on March 22 about the park at Dam 50. Dam 50 is located off of Ky. 91 North on Ky. 387, about 12 miles north of Marion.

Hughes' answers have been edited for brevity.

**1. What's the main purpose of Dam 50?**

The old Dam 50 site was developed into a park to provide a camping and picnic facility for the local as well as regional public. It is a picturesque location on the Ohio River that we, on the Development Committee, felt would be an excellent location for a recreational area in Crittenden County. We started this project about four years ago and now have completed seven camping sites with concrete pads, water and electricity, three picnic pavilions, bathrooms, two gym sets for the kids, a hiking trail and road improvements within the park.

**2. How often does maintenance and cleaning occur and who does it?**

County inmates provide maintenance and clean-up for Riverview Park on a weekly basis throughout the year.

**3. Can you explain what coal severance money is?**

Coal severance money is appropriated to each county in Kentucky that produces coal by the Kentucky General Assembly. Magistrate Dan Wood and Judge Executive Fred Brown requested Mike Cherry and Dorsey Ridley to earmark some of this money for the Riverview Park development.

**4. What is the coal severance money going toward?**

It is being used to blacktop the roads in the area where the seven improved camping sites have been developed.

**5. What's the role of the park attendant?**

At this point we are undecided on exactly how we will address the issue of a park attendant.

**6. Where does the money for upkeep and improvements come from?**

Federal grant money for recreational park development was obtained to develop

Riverview Park. Electricity and water usage is covered by camping site rentals. Future development will be based on future grant monies.

**7. How many people use the park?**

As one would expect, the park is used primarily in the warmer months of the year with peaks on holidays, Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day, but the number of people camping and having picnics is substantial and increasing each year. Family reunions are common on weekends during the summer. Of course, having the boat ramp access to the Ohio River in Crittenden is a big draw for local fisherman and recreational boat owners.



Tommy Hughes

**8. What's the history of the park?**

The Corps of Engineers built 53 dams on the Ohio River between 1885 and 1929. These dams increased the depth of the river to accommodate the increasing use of barge transportation. Dam 50 was in use from about 1926 to 1978. During this time several people lived and worked at the Dam 50 site. New and larger dams were built to replace the original dams (the Smithland Dam and Uniontown Dam being the closest) and these old dams were removed from the river. The Power House, maintenance garages, employee housing and other structures were removed

from the "reservation," as it was called. The Corps of Engineers sold the property to Crittenden County and some improvements were made including the installation of a boat ramp and a large parking area. In the last four years, with Federal Grant money becoming available for recreation development, we have made the improvements that you now see.

**9. When did the committee start?**

The Riverview Park Development Committee came together in March 2006. The present members are Tommy Hughes, Michele Edwards, Dan Wood, Helen McConnell, David Travis, Joyce Travis and Percy Cook.

**10. Are there any long term improvement plans for the park?**

Our immediate plans are to plant some trees and make some landscaping improvements. Improvements to the walking trail that leads a hiker through some truly majestic trees are also going to be addressed in the short term. Long term plans will be based on future grant money availability, but will include the development of more camping sites as the need arises.

Have specific questions for specific people? E-mail [pressnews@the-press.com](mailto:pressnews@the-press.com) with suggestions.

## Preschool screening day



Top, Aiden Myers counts with blocks during the preschool assessments on March 19. Above, Micah Hardin builds a tower of blocks while Maggie Collins, his student guide, watches. Preschool applicants underwent mental and physical tests to evaluate their readiness for school. There is another preschool screening on May 26. The kindergarten screening will be from 1-5 p.m., tomorrow (Friday).

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