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Teen located 4 days after going missing

A 15-year-old Marion girl reported missing by her family Friday morning was discovered unharmed Monday afternoon in Obion County, Tenn. The Crittenden County High School freshman was found in the company of a 16-year-old boy from Illinois after a witness recognized the youth from news reports and notified police.

Authorities in three states were involved in the search for the teens. No charges have been filed in the case.

The girl returned home with her family Monday evening.



Historical museum set to open April 5

Crittenden County Historical Museum opens for the season next Wednesday, helping the local historical society celebrate its 50th anniversary.

The museum displays an array of local artifacts dating back to a time before the land was occupied by European settlers. There is a vast array of military memorabilia, items from the many schools that dotted the countryside, photos, memories from local businesses and churches and the Marion High Memory Room, relocated a couple of years ago from Fohs Hall. There are also books like "Satan's Ferryman" for sale.

The museum is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday until October. Bernice Maroney will once again serve as curator. Entry is free, but the museum is dependent upon donations to keep the doors open.

Crittenden County Historical Society, which operates the museum, was founded in 1967 by a group of local historians that included Bob Wheeler, the namesake of the previous museum, and Braxton McDonald, the namesake of a foundation established to support local history and genealogy preservation. All year long, the group will be celebrating its golden anniversary.

Public meetings

- Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce meets at 8 a.m. next Thursday at Marion Tourism Center.



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Tucker looks to honor fellow centenarians

STAFF REPORT

As she nears the century mark of a life lived exclusively in Crittenden County, Ethel Tucker is doing what she does best – planning to entertain.

On her 100th birthday, Nov. 29, Tucker plans to unveil her third book and invite other centenarians to celebrate with her at her Main Street home.

There are at least six other Crittenden County folks who are, or will turn, 100



Tucker

this year. They are Kenneth Drennan, Helen Springs, Birdie Thomas, Ida Belle Riley and Robert Lee and Ada White.

More than likely, Tucker will bake a cake and, perhaps with assistance, she'll pull out the silver trays, punch bowl and matching cups and arrange them precisely on her dining room table and sideboard.

Those are the images to which Marion folks are accustomed when it comes to Tucker and entertaining.

Rarely are paper napkins used at

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PADD honoring 100-year-olds

At least seven men and women in Crittenden County have already or will turn 100 this year, and others who have not been identified are encouraged to include their name for public recognition in May.

May is Older Americans Month, and Pennyrile Area Agency on Aging and Independent Living is honoring each centenarian in its nine-county area that includes Crittenden, Livingston, Lyon and Caldwell counties. The agency will provide a recognition plaque for those individuals who are or will be 100 years of age or older on or before Dec. 31, 2017.

To suggest someone to be honored, call Jill Collins at the Agency on Aging at the Pennyrile Area Development District office in Hopkinsville at (270) 886-9484, email her at jill.collins@ky.gov, fax the honoree's name and information to (270) 886-3211 or visit the PADD website at peadd.org for a link to access an information sheet. Submissions are requested by Monday.



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Casting cousins

Roger LaRue spent Friday afternoon giving his grandsons some casting tips at the creek at Marion-Crittenden County Park. Bentley Rushing, 5, was doing most of the rod work while his cousin, Bryce Dayberry, 3, was checking out his form. The boys are the children of Harmony and Michael Rushing and Heather and Adam Dayberry of Crittenden County.

ACA lifts CHS

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden Health Systems' (CHS) most recent financial report is a reflection of the delicate footing on

which health care in general teeters. The local hospital, like many others in rural America, is balanced on a thin edge and is ultimately buoyed by government reimbursements and an increase in private payers thanks to the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

With the country split on the merits of the ACA – also known as Obamacare – it's clear that expanded insurance coverage has had a positive effect on the local hospital's bottom line. CHS revealed details of

Our expenses are down 16 percent. I attribute that to expanded Medicaid in Kentucky and the Affordable Care Act.

- Jim Bishop
CHS CFO

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Fatal shock investigation finds errors

Franklin death investigation findings



According to the Kentucky Public Service Commission, the following violations occurred resulting in the death of lineman Josh Franklin:

- Substandard job briefing occurred
- Proper protective safety equipment not worn
- Minimum distance not maintained by victim
- Required inspection of electrical lines 6 months behind a state-mandated schedule
- No insulation installed around facilities being worked on
- Conductors not tested for voltage, grounded prior to repair
- Duties associated with first-level supervisor not followed



THE PADUCAH SUN

The Kentucky Public Service Commission has concluded its investigation into the January death of Marion native and Jackson Purchase Energy Corp. (JPEC) lineman Josh Franklin. It found requirements of the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC), JPEC's own safety code and state law were violated in several instances.

"This investigation revealed findings of statutory or regulatory deficiencies of the utility's operations, said PSC Utility Regulatory and

Safety Inspector Scott Morris in a letter to JPEC President Dennis Cannon.

The accident report listed seven violations of the NESC, seven instances in which JPEC's safety manual was not followed and one violation of a state statute that requires regular inspection of all electrical lines.

Kentucky law states, "At intervals not to exceed two years, the utility shall inspect all electrical fa-

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Atmos upgrading lines in Crayne, Fredonia

STAFF REPORT

Atmos Energy is about to begin replacing 10 miles of its lines along U.S. 641 in Crittenden County and Fredonia. The work is expected to start in early April and is part of the utility's nationwide modernization of its natural gas delivery system.

As part of Atmos' 2009 rate case, the Kentucky Public Service Commission approved a pipeline replacement program (PRP) for its service territory in the commonwealth. This program enables Atmos to replace bare steel lines and other aging infrastructure.



Currently, Atmos is replacing pipe in parts of the City of Marion, a project that began in 2012. Work inside the city is expected to be completed in early May. Now, upgrades begin to better serve rural customers along U.S. 641 and county roads off the highway.

"Atmos Energy is continuing on with another pipe replacement project," said Mike

Coleman, operation supervisor in Princeton, adding this project will enhance the utility's system in the Fredonia and Crayne service territories. "We realize infrastructure improvements may be inconvenient for some, but we will do our best to minimize the effect for our customers and the community."

The modernization of Atmos' infrastructure is part of a 15-year plan that began in 2011. Aging metal lines are being replaced with durable plastic pipes. Both mains and

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PHOTO BY DARYL K. TABOR, THE PRESS

Atmos Energy will begin replacing its natural gas lines in Crayne and Fredonia beginning next month. The utility has placed yellow flags along the roadside where the old metal lines now lay. They will be switched out for PVC lines.


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Behavior not Representative of adults

Politicians can sometimes be crass, proposing laws that seem insensitive or have no regard for others. Many have been accused of cruelly targeting certain groups or particular lifestyles simply because it goes against their way of thinking.

Take immigration, for example. Many cold-hearted Conservatives in Congress have the fiendish idea to prohibit illegals from settling in this country and receiving every benefit of the taxpaying citizen.

In Frankfort, it's no different. Earlier in the session that ends today (Thursday), one lawmaker in the House proposed a blatantly sexist



Daryl K. TABOR
Press editor
My 2¢ Worth

amendment to an election-related bill. The representative wanted to: "Create a separate filing deadline for female candidates by requiring them to wait 24 hours after the male deadline due the incapacity of the female brain to come to a decision; require the female candidate to obtain an ultrasound during that 24 hour waiting period and file it with her nomination papers to prove she has a brain."

Even as a man, I find that proposal to be downright shameful and disgusting.

Shortly after being filed, this amendment made the rounds among the state's

county clerks. Naturally, as they are the top election official in each county, this got noticed. Our own clerk, Carolyn Byford, first brought the proposal to our attention.

Unable to believe that was anything but a hoax or joke, I called the public information office of the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission (LRC) to verify my suspicions. Much to my surprise, PIO Rob Weber confirmed I was wrong.

"She's done this kind of thing before," he told me. Yes, "she."

The amendment was filed by Rep. Mary Lou Marzian, an RN who has represented Louisville-Jefferson County for nearly a quarter-century. She's a Democrat and is a standard-bearer for a Left that seems so tolerant ... until you disagree with them.

With about 45 seconds of

internet research, it wasn't hard to find that Marzian likes using her seat in Frankfort to grandstand in her battle against the Right, men and just about anything that gets in the way of her agenda.

I could not find exactly what point she was trying to make, but this is the same lawmaker who has on multiple occasions filed bills that would require men to have two in-person doctor visits before getting a prescription to Viagra. It would have also mandated the blue pill be used only with a spouse, who would have to provide written consent. This is her form of debate against Kentucky's pro-life informed consent measure signed into law earlier this year.

Her legislative career is peppered with such nonsensical, juvenile behavior. It's equivalent to someone dress-

ing as female genitalia at a women's march. (Again, elementary internet research will show that this happens.)

But I digress.

Let's point out that Marzian's silly election amendment never made headlines in any of the major media outlets. Obviously, it was hyperbole, but if that same amendment had been proposed by a man – even one trying to prove the same point – he would have been strung up at high noon on the Capitol steps.

"A man would be vilified beyond belief," agreed Rep. Lynn Bechler, R-Marion. "There's no telling the lengths she and others would go to vilify that man."

In the 30-day session that just closed, Marzian filed 54 amendments – far more than any of the other 137 lawmakers – 46 of which might be

considered frivolous. Those included wording to issue a gun to everyone at birth or when they apply for a driver's, professional or marriage license.

The LRC puts a \$30.67 cost per amendment, not including the frustration and waste of time created by silly ones like Marzian's. She cost us \$1,410.82 for her foolishness. Taxpayers love to see such government waste.

I understand hyperbole. I understand the need for exaggeration to make a point. I even see a bit of humor in Marzian's amendments. But I also understand there is a time and place for all three.

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Work still left in final 2 days of legislative session



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House: 1987-94
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With only two days remaining in the 2017 legislative session, there is still much work ahead. We had a large number of bills filed for this 30-day session. Most of those will not make it to a final vote. However, there are still good bills that have a chance to see final passage before we leave Frankfort today (Thursday).

Bills that address important topics in areas such as education, juvenile justice and criminal justice reform could come before us this week.

We have already passed measures this session that have the potential to impact people across the commonwealth. A few bills that have been signed into law in recent weeks:

- Senate Bill 10. This deregulation bill allows retail phone service to become a market-driven product.
- SB 89. This will make treatment to help Kentuckians quit smoking or stop using other tobacco products more easily accessed under health insurance plans or Medicaid.
- SB 17. This specifies that students in Kentucky's public schools, colleges and universities can express their religious and political opinions in their schoolwork, artwork speeches and clothing, and be allowed to

distribute political materials on school grounds and use school media to announce religious meetings.

- House Bill 14. This would make it a hate crime to attack a police officer, firefighter or emergency medical professional, adding them to the categories of individuals protected by law because of race, religion, sexual orientation or national origin. It is known as Blue Lives Matter. Currently only the legally protected classes of race, color, religion, national origin, and sexual orientation are covered under the state's hate crime statute.
- SB 50. This will give school districts more leeway in setting school calendars while maintaining the current requirement that they provide at least 1,062 hours of instruction per year. The bill is designed to provide more flexibility for individual districts to operate on a "variable student instructional year," choosing to provide the required number of hours without necessarily fitting them into the current mandate of 170 instructional days.
- SB 153. This will allocate state funding for Kentucky public colleges and universities based on the schools' success,



LRC PUBLIC INFORMATION
Senate Minority Caucus Chair Dorsey Ridley, D-Henderson, on March 15 comments on House Bill 520, a bill concerning charter schools. Ridley opposed the bill, but the measure passed and has been signed into law by Gov. Matt Bevin.

course completion, and school operational needs under the comprehensive funding model created by the legislation.

- HB 410. This would create a "voluntary travel ID" that could be used to board airplanes and enter certain federal facilities, including certain military facilities. The legislation is aimed at creating a form of state-issued identification that meets federal anti-terrorism standards.
- HB 269. This would allow relatives who are currently ineligible for employment in a school district to serve as substitutes for certified or classified personnel, so long as they are not employees or contract employees of the district.

Most bills that pass into law will go into effect 90 days after the session adjourns, as mandated by our State Constitution. Those with an emergency clause take effect immediately with the Governor's signature.

Although the session is quickly coming to a close, I still want your input. Please share your feedback at the General Assembly's toll-free message line at (800) 372-7181 or email me at dorsey.ridley@lrc.ky.gov.

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

Breakfast aims to grow leadership

STAFF REPORT

About five dozen people attended last week's Leadership Breakfast at the Marion Ed-Tech Center.

The event was sponsored by Crittenden County Economic Development Corp., Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce and Par 4 Plastics. The meal was catered by Conrad's Harvest Foods.

Terry Bunnell, chairman of the economic development group, predicted that the breakfast will be the first of several types of events that will aim to bring local leaders together to network and share information.

Crittenden County Superintendent of Schools Vince Clark was the keynote speaker for the event. He outlined a number of programs the school has completed or started, one of which is to soon become a paperless district. Technological advancements from administration to faculty to students will allow for such changes in the near future. Every student from sixth grade up has recently been armed with a school-supplied Chromebook.

Clark talked about how the district is a three-time "proficient" school system that strives to prepare students for life beyond the



About 60 people attended Friday's community leadership breakfast at the Marion Ed-Tech Center. The breakfast will be the first of several types of events aimed at bringing local leaders together to network and share information.

classroom.

Partnerships between the school and manufacturers like Par 4, the health care industry and other professions are allowing students get started on a career path early in their academic lives.

Clark also discussed the so-called "recallable nickel" tax that is being presented as a possible means for funding a new high school.

Tim Capps, who is the president of Par 4 and interim executive director of CCEDC,

finalized the event by discussing the momentum he sees in the community.

"I'm excited," he said.

Capps also pointed out that Par 4 is now among the top 10 plastic injection molding companies in the nation.

NEWS BRIEFS

KSP seeks leads in unsolved murder

Kentucky State Police are seeking help in solving a 33-year-old murder.

At around 1:20 p.m. on Sept. 9, 1984, Livingston County Deputy Sheriff Carnie Hopkins notified his dispatch he would be checking on a hitchhiker at the intersection of U.S. 60 and Ky. 137, just east of Smithland. The intersection where this occurred is also known as "The Monument." A short time later, Deputy Hopkins was found murdered at this location. Deputy Hopkins had been in a struggle with one or multiple assailant and died as a result of a gunshot wound.

KSP Detective Cory Hamby is actively investigating new leads received within the last week. No arrests have been made in this case, and KSP is seeking assistance from the public. If you have information related to this case, even if you believe the information is already known, you are asked to contact Hamby at (270) 856-

3721 or by email at cory.hamby@ky.gov.

Baptist Health goes through struggles

Kentucky's biggest hospital operator, Baptist Health, is going through a shakeup.

The not-for-profit firm that operates the ambulance service in Crittenden County said earlier this month that it would lay off 288 employees, most of them at its Louisville headquarters. Last week, its CEO for the last four years, Steve Hanson, left "immediately," according to Kentucky Health News.

The organization has reported operating losses for the last five quarters, including a \$28.3 million loss for the three-month period ended Nov. 30, said Chris Otts of WDRB.com. It lost \$41 million in its most recent fiscal year, which ended Aug. 31.

Baptist Health operates eight hospitals in Kentucky, including Madisonville and Paducah. In addition Crittenden EMS, Baptist also operates the ambulance service in Webster County. More than 3 million people live in Baptist's service area, and 300,000 people visited Baptist ERs in Fiscal Year 2015.



Hopkins

Kentucky jobless rate falls

STAFF REPORT

Kentucky's seasonally adjusted preliminary unemployment rate for February 2017 was down 0.1 percent from the January 2017 rate of 5.0 percent, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training (OET)

The preliminary February jobless rate was 0.3 percentage points lower than the 5.2 percent rate recorded for the state in February 2016. The U.S. seasonally adjusted jobless rate for February was 4.7 percent, according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

Labor force statistics, including the unemployment rate, are based on estimates from the Current Population Survey of households. It is designed to measure trends rather than to count the actual number of people working. It includes jobs in agriculture and those classified as self-employed.

"Over the last year, Kentucky's employment has increased by 3.3 percent," said Kentucky Labor Market Information Director Kate Shirley Akers, Ph.D.

In a federal survey that excludes jobs in agriculture and the self-employed, Kentucky's seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment increased by 1,900 jobs in February compared to January.

"Overall, nonfarm employment has increased by 26,400 positions, or 1.4 percent from one year ago," said Akers. "The largest month-to-month gain in jobs was in the construction sector."



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Pack hunters

Emarie Cox and Stevin Williams work as a team Saturday at Marion-Crittenden County Park to collect Easter eggs in a hunt sponsored by The Peoples Bank. The park was dotted with brightly-colored plastic eggs, some of which contained special prizes. Easter does not arrive until April 16, but the tradition was held in conjunction with Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce's Spring Fling.

Students saving on college debt with dual credit

STAFF REPORT

Dual credit coursework at Crittenden County High School is saving students hundreds of dollars off their eventual college education. In fact, one student has shaved more than \$10,000 off her post-secondary learning expenses and has already earned a quarter of the time she needs to graduate from the University of Southern Indiana (USI).

This year, the Commonwealth of Kentucky began offering high school students across the state up to nine free credit hours of dual learning at 24 colleges and universities in the Bluegrass State. But earning college credit through special high school courses is nothing new locally. It's a growing trend.

Three hundred eighty-seven college hours have been earned by 40 seniors and seven juniors this year, but with the state's new scholarship program, scholarships from institutions themselves and Rocket Academy Scholarships backed by local contributions, students' families have paid for only 5.6 percent of the total cost.

"It really is exciting to see our kids aspire to that," said Superintendent Vince Clark.

At \$52 per semester hour, a reduced rate agreed to by all participating institutions, the value of the college education

earned by local high school students this year is \$20,124. But families were out only \$1,144.

Diane Lusby, supervisor of instruction with Crittenden County Schools, expects the benefits to grow even larger next year.

Last year, Rocket Academy offered 10 scholarships worth \$100 to dual credit students. This year, contributions from the community have afforded the academy to foot the bill for \$4,316 in dual credit coursework.

The savings for families through dual credit opportunities is clearly significant. Undergraduate tuition at Murray State University is nearly seven times the cost of the \$52 per semester hour to earn dual credit. At the University of Kentucky and the University of Louisville, it's even higher. A freshman on campus at Murray would have to pay \$3,972 for the 12 hours it takes to be considered a full-time student. Earning those hours through dual credit coursework would tally only \$624 before any scholarships help defray the cost.

Lusby provides an example of one student who has cut an entire year of classes at USI, where she plans to attend this fall. Her family has paid only \$936 of the \$11,319 cost had she earned those 33 hours on the Evansville campus.



Clark

Recall petition for school tax would require 408 signatures

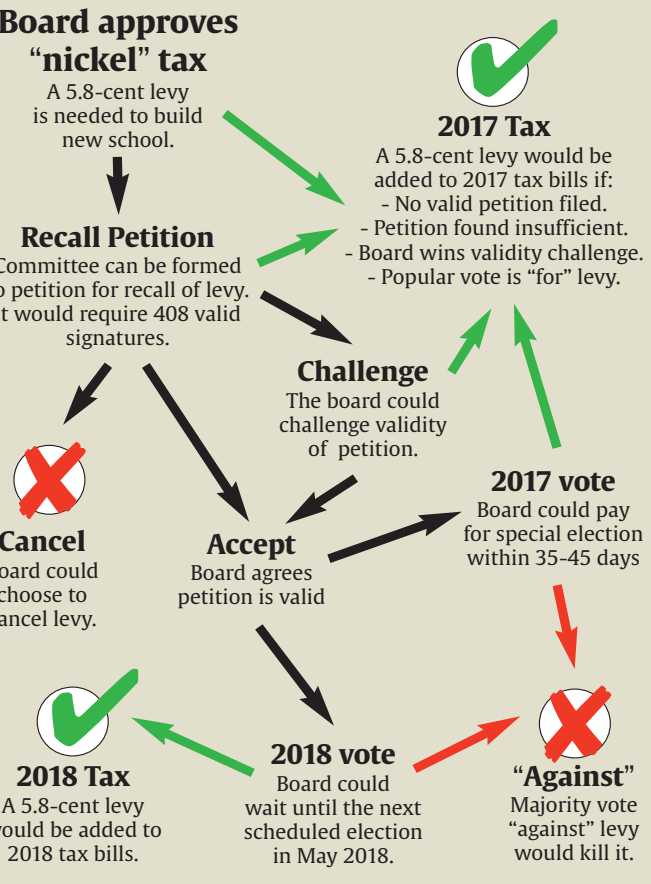
STAFF REPORT

Should Crittenden County School District approve the "recallable nickel" for school construction, residents of Crittenden County could then petition to have the measure placed on the ballot. The entire procedure is outlined in the 1,600 words of Kentucky Revised Statute (KRS) 132.017, but following are the highlights:

- The tax would go into effect in 45 days following approval, unless a petition committee of five qualified voters in the county file an affidavit with the county clerk stating they will be the ones responsible for submitting the petition to the clerk within the 45-day grace period.
- The petitioners must gather 408 signatures of qualified voters in the county. That number is based on statute, which requires at least 10 percent of the number of county voters in the most recent presidential election. Signatories do not have to have voted in the 2016 election.
- If the requisite number of valid signatures is not obtained, the 5.8 cent tax will become effective at the end of the 45-day grace period.
- If the required number is obtained within the 45-day period, the petition will be turned in to the county clerk, who is then responsible for validating the signatures. The levy will be suspended while the clerk determines if the petition is sufficient.
- If determined to be sufficient, the clerk has 30 days to verify signatures on the petition.
- If the verification process determines the petition falls short of its goal, the levy could then be enacted.
- If the petition to recall is sufficient, it may be challenged by the board of edu-

Board to ballot

If Crittenden County Board of Education chooses to enact the "recallable nickel" for school construction, the 5.8-cent levy per \$100 of assessed real property could become effective as quickly as 45 days from passage. If a petition forces the issue to the ballot, the board could choose a special election this year or piggy-back it on one of next year's two regular elections. The flow chart below summarizes the process from beginning to its eventual end.



cation in Crittenden Circuit Court within 10 days of verification or the board within 15 days could cancel the election by recalling the levy.

- If the board of education decides to move forward, a vote will be scheduled for the next regular election or the board may choose to have a special election within 35-45 days of petition verification. The cost of the special election, about \$15,000 per County Clerk Carolyn By-

ford, would be borne by the school district.

- At the polls, any registered voter could cast a simple ballot "for" or "against" the levy. The fate of the recallable nickel would be determined by the popular countywide vote.
- If the levy is not approved by Sept. 15, 2017, the board of education would bear the cost of sending out a second round of tax bills to county property owners.

ATMOS

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service lines to customers are being replaced.

In Crittenden County, contractors will be replacing 22,000 feet of pipe along U.S. 641 beginning just south of Industrial Drive in Marion to Reiters View Road at Crayne. Work in Crayne will also take place along Reiters View Road, Crayne Cemetery Road, Railroad Avenue, Stevens Drive and Stallion Drive.

Atmos contractors in Fredonia will be replacing 32,500 feet of pipe on U.S. 641 from Christopher Road to Ky. 70. Other Fredonia streets and roads involved are Cassidy Street, Grandview Road, Dorroh Street, Willow Street, Wilson Street, Cardinal Lane, Brock Meyer, Piney Road, West Crider Street, Crider Street, Jones Road, West Wyatt Street, Wyatt Street,

Miller Street, Charles Street, Graham Street, West Pierson, Bakers Lane and Aaron Lane.

Each homeowner affected by the work will be individually notified.

At this time, Atmos does not anticipate any road closures, but will work with local officials should something change as the project progresses. The anticipated date of completion is end of October, notwithstanding any un-

foreseen complications.

In a news release issued Monday, Atmos stressed safety and reliability of their infrastructure is their top priority.

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even a casual lunch in Tucker's kitchen.

"When I was a child, there weren't paper napkins, so mother would make them out of sheets or other material," Tucker said. "I didn't know there was such a thing as paper napkins until I got older."

Only fresh-baked bread comes from the two ovens that are the centerpiece of her small kitchen. Again, when she was young, there was no corner bread stores or bakeries.

Until recently, it was commonplace that Tucker host up to a dozen people for Sunday lunch, and for many years, a dinner party at her home was the social invitation of the season.

These pictures are being painted in a collection of oral history Tucker is putting into print just in time for her 100th birthday. Her penmanship isn't as neat as it used to be, and her eyesight isn't as good as it once was, but her mind can recall all the fine details of a long, full life of work, volunteerism, social events and travel.

Tucker is excited to celebrate 100 years with her friends, while passing along stories about her long life in Crittenden County to her family and friends.

"Around the time of her 99th birthday, Ethel approached me with a new project," said Allison Evans, who has known Tucker her entire life, working with her to publish two cookbooks – "From Pilot Knob to Main Street" and "Tea Time of Life."

"She wanted to preserve stories she had told family



PHOTO BY ALLISON EVANS, THE PRESS

Morgan Barnes listens as Marion resident Ethel Tucker discusses her life for her memoirs. Using the resources available through modern technology and the willingness of a half-dozen teenage girls are recording Tucker's narrative for her memoirs. Bell and Barnes are joined in the project by fellow freshmen Ashleigh Dunkerson, Shelby Cooper, Kyron Hicks and Shelby Brown.

and friends through the years," Evans said. "Knowing the best way to get those stories down on paper would be to record Ethel telling them, I turned to Leslea Barnes, hoping she could help connect us with a few teenagers in the 4-H program who might be interested in this project."

Using the resources available through modern technology and the willingness of a half-dozen teenage girls, Tucker is narrating her memoir. Freshmen Hannah Bell, Ashleigh Dunkerson, Shelby Cooper, Kyron Hicks, Shelby Brown and Morgan Barnes accepted the call by

4-H and Youth Development Agent Leslea Barnes.

Using a voice recording app on their phones, the girls spend up to an hour and a half at a time with Tucker, listening to stories from her childhood on Pilot's Knob through her married years on Main Street and life in Marion's business and social circles. In turn, the teenagers are transcribing the stories before getting them to Evans for formatting and printing.

"I was very happy that 4-H was contacted to help with this project," Barnes said. "So many of our youth don't have the opportunity to sit down with someone like Ms.

Tucker and hear about all the changes, opportunities and experiences she has had throughout her life.

"This experience will help them gain confidence to step out of their comfort zone and help them learn responsibility as this project develops. It is a lot of hard work for them, but when they see it completed, the sense of accomplishment will be something they will never forget."

Anyone else in the county turning 100 this year is also invited to Tucker's in November to celebrate. To submit a local name, contact The Crittenden Press at (270) 965-3191.

FRANKLIN

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cilities operating at voltages less than 69 KV." JPEC provided the commission with documentation that the section involved in the Jan. 6 incident had not been inspected since June 12, 2014.

"It had been longer than two years since they inspected this section of line," said Josh Lyons, director for the division of inspections for the KPSC.

Lyons explained "there is some overlap" between NESC and the company's safety code, since the internal manual is intended to interpret the NESC.

"There is an inherent duplicative violation of their own safety manual," Lyons said.

JPEC's Cannon said in response to the report, "We simply cannot comment on an ongoing investigation."

Lyons said that although the investigation report is final, "Investigation findings are not binding on any decision the commission may make."

Franklin, who graduated from Crittenden County High School in 2006, and his wife Christina have two children under the age of 5.

He was the son of Bro. Curtis and Deeann Franklin, formerly of Marion. Bro. Franklin was minister of Fredonia Cumberland Presbyterian Church before becoming pastor of New Hope Cumberland Presbyterian in Paducah a few years ago.

The fatal incident occurred around 11:15 a.m. on Jan. 6 after Franklin and Crew Leader Terry Doublin were dispatched to the Magruder Village subdivision near Kevil in western McCracken County to investigate a power outage.

The summary report submitted by JPEC's VP of Engineering and Operations Scott Ribble said, "Terry and Joshua had a verbal job briefing laying out that Joshua was to determine what hardware would be needed to complete the repair, and Terry would walk a section of line to determine if a cause could be found for the break. As Terry began to inspect downline, Joshua went up in the bucket."

The report continued, "Terry was returning to the truck after doing his inspection, and he noticed that Joshua was not visible in the bucket. Terry stated that he waited for a few seconds, and still not being able to see Joshua he ran to the bucket, lowered the bucket and found Joshua inside. Terry then initiated a mayday call over the radio, pulled Joshua

from the bucket and began providing CPR."

Treatment was continued by personnel from Mercy Regional Emergency Medical Service who transported Franklin to Lourdes Hospital in Paducah. He was then transported via Life Flight to Vanderbilt Hospital Burn Unit in Nashville, Tenn., where he died 11 days later.

Among the KPCS findings: A substandard job briefing occurred, protective safety equipment was not worn, employees did not positively confirm that the 7,200-volt conductor was de-energized and duties associated with a first-level supervisor were not followed.

The PSC's Accident Investigation Report stated:

"From information received during this investigation, it appears as though the conductors involved were not tested for voltage or grounded prior to repairing the conductor. ... it is unclear if the recloser was opened by the employees or open when they arrived. While working at the incident site, the victim failed to use personal protective equipment (rubber gloves and sleeves), and no insulation or cover-up was installed around the facilities being worked on. The minimum approach distance was apparently not maintained by the victim."

Lyons said of the JPEC crew, "They assumed some things before starting work that caused things to happen."

In Kentucky, the Kentucky Labor Cabinet is responsible for compliance with federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) rules. Although the Public Service Commission has completed its investigation, the Labor Cabinet's investigation of whether OSHA

laws and standards were violated continues.

John Rogers, office of the general counsel for workplace standards division of the KLC, said: "The accident is still under investigation. We have up to six months to complete our investigation and issue citations. If our investigation reveals something, we issue citations for enforcement of the OSHA laws."

Andrew Melnykovich, di-

rector of communications for the KPSC, said, "OSHA generally looks at a broader range of issues related to workplace safety; we're looking at a much more narrowly focused set of regulations than they are."

He said of the KPSC investigation, "The decision as to whether any action is taken is up to the commission."

(Editor's note: The Crittenden Press contributed to this story.)

HOSPITAL

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its Fiscal Year 2016 audit last week during its annual meeting at the hospital campus. While figures included more red than a year ago, they're still strong considering the overall landscape of rural health care, said CHS Board Chairman Charlie Hunt.

"The situation we face continues to be with guarded optimism," Hunt said, pointing out that CHS has weathered some dangerous financial storms within the past five years, but has shown marked improvements over the past two.

On paper, the hospital showed a loss of \$244,000 from October 2015 to September 2016. That's a bit worse than the previous year when it actually finished in the black with a \$447,000 carry-over. Yet, the 2016 figure is sharply better than fiscal years 2012 and 2013 when the hospital lost \$2.5 million and \$1.3 million, respectively.

The latest figures would have been better, but CHS spent almost \$1 million on upgrades inside the radiology

and fluoroscopy departments.

Patient hospital stays were down 10 percent in Fiscal Year 2016, which accounted for a drop in revenue, but CHS was able to cut costs by \$679,000, partly because it had fewer indigent care cases.

"Our expenses are down 16 percent," said Chief Financial Officer Jim Bishop. "I attribute that to expanded Medicaid in Kentucky and the Affordable Care Act."

The hospital has about \$1.5 million in cash reserves, down about 5 percent from last year.

CHS CEO Lea Ann Klarner, who's been on the job for just more than two months, has plans for improving the hospital's financial position, and much of the blueprint includes selling its services to a broader base. In her first weeks here, Klarner said she has identified a number of inconspicuous services offered by the hospital. She wants to raise awareness in those by boosting the hospital's marketing.

"We have some plans from a marketing, PR and business development standpoint," Klarner added.

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Jail employees getting \$1 raise

aSTAFF REPORT

At the behest of Jailer Robbie Kirk, Crittenden County magistrates last week granted preliminary approval for a \$1 increase in jail employee pay as part of the den-tion center's Fiscal Year 2018 budget proposal.

It is the second straight year the jailer has asked for a buck increase in pay for his deputies. Last year, their starting pay went up a dollar to \$10 an hour. This proposal would take that to \$11, and all tenured employees would get the raise, too.

Kirk said employee re-cruitment and retention is among the most demanding part of his job.

"There are things that I need to be doing at the jail

that I cannot because I am al-ways dealing with this," Kirk said, explaining that other nearby detention facilities op-erated by the state offer about \$3 per hour more for new em-ployees.

Magistrate Donnetta Travis questioned whether an across-the-board increase would be more prudent than merit-based raises.

"A flat dollar raise is not a good idea to me," she said.

The jail budget must be submitted to the Kentucky Department of Corrections by the end of March. Although it's part of the county's overall spending plan, magistrates are required to act upon the jail's financial plan for the coming fiscal year a bit earlier than its own budget, al-

though both go into effect on July 1.

The preliminary budget proposal does not in-clude anticipated rev-enue.

The jail's proposed spending plan for the coming year is \$2.74 million, up about \$100,000 from last year's budget. Al-though there are a vari-ety of line-item changes in the jail's budget from last year, virtually the entire increase will go to pay for the proposed pay in-crease.

The jail's spending in Fis-cal Year 2016 was \$2.3 mil-lion. Much of the difference in the last few years is due to the addition of the nearby re-

stricted custody center.

Deputy jailer pay was right around \$800,000 in fiscal years 2015 and 2016. With an additional dol-lar for each employee, the 2018 figure would climb to almost \$1.1 million.

Kirk said about half of the jail's employees lack reasonable exper-ience in corrections.

"We have only three or four employees with more than 10 years experience and over 50 percent have less than six years," he told the fiscal court.

Magistrates have until later this spring to give a final blessing to the pay hike, but for now it appears they will support it.



Kirk

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Crittenden County FFA members recently participated in the Region 2 FFA Day at Murray State University. Pictured above are (front, from left) Hannah Bell, Jaylin Blackburn, Emily Hall, Ellie McGowan, Anzie Gobin, Bailey Barnes, Cali Parish, Alyssa Curtis, (middle) FFA advisor and agriculture educator Larry Duvall, Lily Berry, Hanna Easley, Paige Gilbert, Kirsten DeBoe, Alexis Tabor, Morgan Barnes, Cortne Curnel, Megan Chambliss, Madison Cox, FFA advisor and agriculture educator Jessica Cummins, (back) Blake Curnel, Adam Beavers, Ethan Stone, Rhett Parish, John Duvall, Will Tolley, Kenlee Perryman, Harley Wesley, Emmalea Barnes and Drake Kemper.

CCHS competes at Region 2 FFA Day

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County FFA members recently partici-pated in the Region 2 FFA Day at Murray State Univer-sity. Following are results from the March 10 competi-tion:

- Junior Parliamentary Procedure, team: Superior.
- Exempt Public Speaking, John Duvall: Superior.
- Impromptu Ag Mechan-ics, Blake Curnel: Superior.

- Impromptu Dairy, Ken-lee Perryman: Superior.
- Impromptu Fruit/Veg-etable, Alyssa Curtis: Excel-lent.
- Impromptu Greenhouse, Alexis Tabor: Superior.
- Impromptu Nursery/Landscape, Emily Hall: Superior.
- Impromptu Small Ani-mal, Megan Chambliss: Ex-cellent.
- Impromptu Swine,

Drake Kemper: Excellent.

- AIC (American Institute of Cooperation), Adam Beavers: Superior.
- Talent Contest, Madison Cox: Excellent.
- FFA Quiz, Anzie Gobin: Excellent.

The following qualified for state competition to be held in June in at Rupp Arena in Lexington:

- Impromptu Crop, Cali Parish: Superior First.

- Impromptu Floral, Paige Gilbert: Superior Second.
- Impromptu Goat/Sheep, Hanna Easley: Superior First.
- Impromptu Horse, Bai-ley Barnes: Superior Second.
- Impromptu Poultry, Em-malea Barnes: Superior First.
- Impromptu Turf/Lawn, Will Tolley: Superior Second.
- Creed Speaking, Ellie McGowan: Superior First.

Registration receipt will save \$3 on tag renewals

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford is reminding drivers and boaters they need to bring in their previ-ous year's registration re-ceipt to avoid an extra charge when re new ing tags.

Since com-puters began storing state records, many county clerks, including By-ford, have not charged cus-tomers the \$3 set by state statute for vehicle and boat renewals not accompanied by the receipt. The fee is to cover additional office work required to match plates with the correct vehicle. Du-plicate registration must be printed at the time of re-newal, and owners must at-test the information is correct.

Byford said clerks across Kentucky have been advised to strictly follow the long-es-tablished statute.

The receipt is the letter-size paper given to drivers and boaters in the clerk's of-vice with their plate decal at-tached. It is the same document asked for by law enforcement during a traffic stop.

Byford reminds drivers they should also bring in their proof of insurance when renewing plates, just in case the computer in-dicates proof is required. No proof of insurance is needed to renew boat tags.



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Understanding the wrath of a loving, caring God

Many people, in reading the Old Testament, find it hard to reconcile the God of love that David spoke so often of, and the God whom not only killed many people in several actions, but also commanded His people to not only wipe out wicked adults but demanded their wives and children to be destroyed also.

The New Testament is replete with statements of God's love, causing some of the misunderstanding of many of God's acts in the Old Testament.

First, let us be clear that in the New Testament we also see an act of God's swift judgment in Acts Chapter 5 when Ananias and wife Sapphira lied to the Holy Ghost and instantly fell dead.

In the same Testament, Jesus speaks more of the awful judgment in an eternal burning Hell for those who die disobedient to God's laws, than He speaks of the wonderful eternal joys of Heaven for the obedient.

We must always remember God

is Creator and Owner of us all, therefore His laws are supreme and eternal.

Let us look at a few of the instances people refer to in the Old Testament.

The first one was Eve, then Adam, disobeying God, after He had given them the world and all therein.

That disobedience dumped every person born from then on cursed with their disobedient nature, but in His love for the human race God made a plan for our redemption by giving His Son's life for us.

The immediate death for that crime against God was their first son killing their second son.

The next judgment on disobeying God's laws is seen in the Flood



Rev. Lucy TEDRICK
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some 1,500 years later when: "God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

So He killed all His human inhabitants except the eight who found favor in His sight.

In Exodus He killed all the Egyptians' first born because the Egyptians had been killing the Hebrews among them, and would not let them go free.

Then God demanded the delivered Hebrews to kill the many groups of humans who had completely turned their backs on Him, such as the Canaanites, Perizzites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, as they came against the Hebrews.

In the cases of Sodom, Gomorrah, Korah, and Achan, with God demanding the men, because of their wickedness, to be killed along with their wives and children, applies to the law Jeremiah refers to saying: "Thou shows loving kind-

ness unto thousands, and recompense the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them; the Great, the Mighty God, the Lord of hosts, is His name." 32:18

God charges parents with the care of their children and when they live a life of sin, in most cases so do their offsprings.

The parents then see their children suffer for their disobedience, as the order comes to destroy even their children.

Taking their children shows again a God of mercy, knowing if they live to adulthood they too will follow what they have been taught and end up in hell with their parents. But taking them under the age of accountability, they will go to Heaven.

God stated, while knowing He was going to order the death of thousands, that He would have "people in Heaven from all the nations of the world."

God told Adam and Eve from the

very beginning that sin would cause death, but Eve listened to the Devil, and Adam listened to Eve, and the proof of God's Word was proven with the death of their second son, Able, because sin put murder in the heart of their first son, Cain.

Parents take warning, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap." Gal. 6:7

God metes out punishment for two reasons; one for disobedience, and also to warn against disobedience.

God wants sin out of the camp, because it is so deadly and so catching, and because of His love for all: "God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." 2nd Peter 3:9.

Editor's note: Rev. Lucy Tedrick shares her views periodically in this newspaper. Her opinions are her own and are not necessarily those of this newspaper.

UPCOMING

- A cemetery meeting will be held at Sugar Grove Presbyterian Church on April 2 after the worship service.
- Maundy Thursday Service will be held at 6 p.m., April 13 at Marion United Methodist Church.
- Good Friday Service will be held at 6 p.m., Friday April 14 at Cumberland Presbyterian Church and there will be a 6 a.m., Sunrise Service on Easter, April 16 at the church on West Bellville Street.
- Sugar Grove Church will have Sunrise Service at 6 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 16.
- First Baptist Church of Fredonia will present the second weekend of its 11th annual Forgiveness House Friday, April 14 and Saturday, April 15 from 6-8 p.m., each night. The drama will be held at the church's Family Life Center located next to the church at 208 Cassidy Avenue in Fredonia. The production will portray the last days of Jesus Christ on earth. Walk-ins are welcome, but reservations are recommended, especially for larger groups. For more information, call Rena Hillyard at (270) 625-3837 to make reservations.

What's happening to the church?

If so many people claim to be a Christian when asked, why are so few of them an active part of the church? One part of that answer is that there is a lack of understanding as to just what a Christian is. Acts 11:26 gives the definitive answer: "... the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." So a Christian is a disciple, a learner, a follower, of the Lord Jesus Christ. This leads to being like Christ. Paul called Christians ambassadors for Christ, His representatives. So another part of the answer may be that too many of us in the church are not doing a very good job of representing the Lord Jesus.

The church at Antioch was the first church in the book of Acts known to include non-jews in its congregation. There was a lot that this church got right. Therefore, it serves as a good role model for the church today.

From what I've seen, too many people have had bad experiences with churches. I say this as someone who loves Christ's church and is an active part of it, but who also sees there's much room for improvement.

Perhaps the greatest area needing improvement in the church is to understand, embrace and extend to others the grace of God. There's far too much legalism and judgmentalism going on. Those who have sincerely received Jesus as Savior and Lord of their life are new creatures in Christ, as Paul put it in II Cor. 5:17.

We don't need any modern day Pharisees in the church, but rather, we need to think of the church as a hospital for sinners.

One thing you find in a hospital is

an emergency room. The church has the privilege to minister to the hurts and problems of people in crisis. Just a few verses after the statement about disciples first being called Christians at Antioch, we see that the church there took a collection for the relief of the brethren in Judea.

Another thing we find in a hospital is a maternity ward. The main purpose of the church is to assist in the birthing of sinners into the kingdom of God. Jesus said Himself in John 3:7 that "You must be born again." He said this, oddly enough, to a religious leader. You see, it's not about religion, but about having a right relationship with God through Jesus.

One other very important thing about a hospital, is that it has a nursery, a place where babies can be nurtured and cared for. We see in Acts 11:25-26 that Barnabas, the "Son of Encouragement," went to find Paul and bring him to the church in Antioch for the purpose of teaching new converts. The result was that these "disciples were first called Christians in Antioch, the "Christ-like ones."

This is the Great Commission given by Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20, in action through the church in Antioch: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to ob-



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serve all that I [Jesus] commanded you..." Did you catch that last part? Teaching them to observe all that Jesus commanded!

Are we doing that in today's church?

What's wrong with the church today? Too many naming the name of Christ but failing to realize who they are (disciples, learners, followers of Christ) and what they are to be (embodiments of His grace, ambassadors for Him and His Kingdom).

God, through the Apostle Paul, gives us a picture of what Christ's Church should be in Eph. 4:11-16: "And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, for equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part [church members], causes the growth of the body for building up of itself in love."

Note the part of this passage that says, "...speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up..." The failure of

the church today often lies in its failing to speak the truth, based on God's word, because of ignorance of His word or cowardice, or failing to love sinners compassionately as Jesus would. This does not mean condoning sin, but proclaiming God's truth in a compassionate way. Jesus gives a great example of this in His treatment of the woman taken in adultery. He does not condemn her, but also tells her to "go and sin no more."

What's wrong with the church today? Too often, it's trying to be like the world and failing to live in grace and truth with compassion. Each of us, called by the name of Christ, and a part of His church, need to change that. As the Apostle Peter put it, we need to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."

It's time to stop playing church and be the church....as He designed it. It's not here to entertain, but proclaim...in word and deed. It's not here to condemn, but to show compassion, even as it shares God's truth.

Then the words of II Peter 3:18 will come to pass: "To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen." As D. Martin Lloyd Jones has said, "When the church is absolutely different from the world, she invariably attracts it. It is then that the world is made to listen to her message, though they may hate it at first." Sounds like just what the doctor ordered.... if the doctor is the great physician, the Lord Jesus.

(Editor's note: Rev. Mark Girtten of Marion is a local minister. He holds a Master of Divinity degree.)

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growing in grace 2 Peter 3:18

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Area Deaths

Smith

Martha Henshaw Smith, 82, of Sturgis died Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at Baptist Health in Paducah.

She was a member of Bethany Baptist Church in Sturgis and had worked in the cafeteria at Sturgis Elementary School and Union County Middle School.

Surviving are two daughters, Connie McCann of Marion and Dianne Marshall of Salem; a son, David Smith of Marion; four grandchildren, Jessica Cummins of Marion, Amanda Guess of Paducah, Heath McCann of Marion and Dava McCann of Boise, Idaho; and five great-grandchildren, Case, Hudson, Tyler, Hailey and Taryn.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Will and Beulah Henshaw; and husband Bill Smith.

Services were Friday, March 24 at Whitsell Funeral Home in Sturgis with Bro. Chris Cummins officiating. Burial was at Pythian Ridge Cemetery in Sturgis.

Memorials can be made to St. Anthony's Hospice.

Jones

Mildred Lavan Jones, 94, died Saturday, March 25, 2017 at Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services.

She was a member of Deer Creek Baptist Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Sheila (Sam) Brown of Marion; a son, Roger (Debbie) Paulson of Marion; granddaughters, Shelley (Jason) Singleton and Tommi Paulson, both of Marion; a sister, Blondia Minner of Benton, Ark.; brother, Doyle Sherer of Marion; and great-grandsons, Cutter Singleton and Cash Singleton, both of Marion.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Morris Jones; and her parents, Dallas and Pearl Sullenger Sherer.

Services were Tuesday March 28 at Myers Funeral Home in Marion. Burial was at Deer Creek Cemetery.

Croft

Frankie Mae Croft, 92, of Marion died Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2017 at Crittenden County Health and Rehabilitation Center.

She was born in Hamilton County, Ill., on May 18, 1924 to William Hayes Easley and Lillian Nation Easley. She was a homemaker.

Surviving are her daughters, Carolyn Martin of Henderson and LaNaye Croft of Tampa, Fla.; sons Rickey (Brenda) Croft and Jerry Croft both of Marion; grandchildren, Chuck Martin, Kim Green, Phyllis Martin and Cindy Meredith, all of Henderson, Chad Croft of Lexington, Kristee Croft Shoulders of Marion, Jeremy Croft of Mississippi and LaTosha Smith of Cordon; eight great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Croft; sisters, Augriete Easley, Muriel Wright, Anna Hayes Sherer and Louise Loftis; a brother, John William Easley; and her parents.

Services were Thursday, March 2 at the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremations Services with Bro. Jimmy Porter officiating. Burial was at Pleasant Grove Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Pleasant Grove Cemetery Fund, c/o Roger Hearrell, treasurer, 43 SR 838 W, Marion, KY 42064.



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Reed

Louise (Agent) Reed, 84, of Evansville died Saturday, March 25, 2017.

She was born Jan. 16, 1933 in Marion to Joseph and Velma Moore.

She spent her last few years at Willow Park, a longterm care facility in Evansville. She was a member of Bethel Church.

Surviving are a son, Ted Poe (Beki) from Mission, Texas; daughters, Debbie Hast Rhoads (Mike) of Evansville, Pattie Lyons Williams (Lee) of Newburgh, Ind.; a stepson, Steven Reed (Sarah) of Maryland; grandchildren, Cara Hast, Robert Hast (Rachel), Courtney Lyons, Elizabeth Poe and Bryan Poe; great-grandchildren, Jada Compton, Karlie Compton and Ryder Hast; and a great-great-grandchild, Kaesin Stewart.

She was preceded in death by her parents; first husband, William E. Agent; and their son, Jeff Agent.

Services were Wednesday, March 29 at Boone Funeral Home East in Evansville with Rev. David Schwambach officiating. Burial was at Park Lawn Cemetery.

Services were Friday, March 24 at Whitsell Funeral Home in Sturgis with Bro. Chris Cummins officiating. Burial was at Pythian Ridge Cemetery in Sturgis.

Memorials can be made to St. Anthony's Hospice.

Workman

Izabella Dawn Workman, 19-month-old infant of Jesse and Jennifer Workman, died Thursday, March 23, 2017 at the Russell Hospital in Russell Springs, Ky.

Surviving are her parents, paternal grandparents, Gary and Sue Paris of Salem; maternal grandparents, Greg and Darlene King of Burna; uncles, Dylan Paris, Brian King and Jamie King; and an aunt, Denise Workman Wayne.

Services were scheduled for 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 29 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremations Services. Burial was at Salem Cemetery.

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Chittenden White

Connie Denise Cosby Chittenden, 55, of Marion died Sunday, March 26, 2017 at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center in Paducah.

She was a long time caregiver for the elderly.

Surviving are her husband, Micky Chittenden of Marion; three children, Stephanie Koon (David) of Grand Rivers, Justin Lawless of Lola, Michelle Lawless of Burn; two step-children, Crissy Chittenden of Benton and George Chittenden of Marion; grandchildren, Tristin Arflack of Smithland, Emilee Arflack, and Dathan Terrell of Grand Rivers, Isabella, Colton, Kenien and Marcus Wilson of Burna, Colton James and Travis Lawless of Lola; five sisters, Helen Ray of Smithland, Shirley Pipes (Harvey) of Texas, Earlene Rice of Hopkinsville, Martha Wallace and Brenda Joyce of Paducah; an aunt, Doris Cosby of Paducah; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Lourena Stewart; a brother, James Allen Cosby; and her parents, James Hubert and Thelma Louise Woods Cosby.

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Edwin White, 80, of Kingsport, Tenn., passed away peacefully on Wednesday morning, March 22, 2017 surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Salem, Mo., he spent his youth in Crayne, Ky., and over the years resided in Virginia, Indiana, Colorado and Iowa before taking final residence in Kingsport in 1998.

Edwin is survived by his wife, Martha White of Kingsport; two daughters, Connie Colgrove and husband Dale of Kingsport; and Marsha Brooks and husband Jim of Kingsport; two sons, David White and wife Karen of Urbandale, Iowa and Timothy White of Kingsport; eight grandchildren, Daniel Brooks of Urbandale, Iowa, Olivia Colgrove of Arlington, Va., Jonathan Brooks of Kingsport, Seth White of Urbandale, Nicole Colgrove of Lexington, Ky., Zachary White of Urbandale, Michael Brooks of Urbandale and Julia Colgrove of Long Island, N.Y.; a sister, Wanda Eli and husband David of Hopkinsville, Ky.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Vernon White.

Edwin loved reading God's Word and sharing his thoughts with family and friends. Throughout his life, he was blessed to preach in churches around the country and as far away as Nairobi, Kenya. His hope in the resurrection inspired and sustained him in his walk with the Lord.

Edwin's love for God was expressed in his willingness to follow wherever God led him, including 19 years in Des Moines, Iowa under Rev. Lloyd Goodwin's ministry. His countless hours working on the church property testified of his dedication.

Edwin was dependable, hard-working and a strength to those needing encouragement. He had a way of coming into a room and leaving with new friends. He was a faithful, loving husband to Martha, his wife of almost 59 years. His eyes lit up every time she walked into a room.

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The family of Maurice Woodall would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, calls, food, visits, gifts and outpouring of love during our time of loss.

A special thanks to Chris and Sue McDonald, the staff at Crittenden Health Systems, Baptist Health and Air Evac. Your care for him and our family was greatly appreciated. Gilbert Funeral Home, you were so helpful and caring. Thank you.

God bless each and everyone.

Mary Jo, Stacey,
Zach, Seth, Beth,
Lacey and Brianna



Fritts earns high rating for prose

At the middle school state speech tournament, held March 24-25 at the University of Kentucky, Leah Fritts was awarded a certificate for excellence in Prose Interpretation. Fritts is an eighth grade CCMS speech team member who finished 17th out of 67 competitors in her event.



Fritts

Calendar

– **Woman's Club of Marion** will meet at 5:30 p.m., March 30. Program will be Gary and Marie Dawson, missionaries in Venezuela for the past 37 years. Update on city government will be given by Adam Ledford, Marion City Administrator. Prospective members are invited.

– **Book signings** at the Crittenden County Public Library will be held April 15 and May 27. At 10 a.m. April 15, Library Director Regina Merrick will be presenting her first book, a Christian fiction novel. Then, at 10 a.m. May 27, Crittenden County native John M.L. "Mike" Brown will return home to visit and sign his book, "The Kentucky Way," a murder mystery set in Crittenden County in the 1930s and 40s.

– The third annual **Lace Up for a Cure 5k** will be held Saturday. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the race at 9 a.m. at Marion City-County Park. Entry is \$20 dollars. Contact Chad Bell for more information at (270) 969-0385.

– West Kentucky Regional Blood Center and Crittenden Health Systems will hold a **blood drive** from noon-5:30 p.m., Monday at the education building at Crittenden Hospital. Donors will receive a t-shirt, and donations will be made to the Crittenden Health Systems' Relay for Life team for each unit of blood collected.

– **Shady Grove Cemetery Association** will hold its annual cemetery meeting at 10 a.m. April 8 at the Shady Grove station. Everyone is welcome to attend.

– **Former Moore Business Forms employees** and guest will have a reunion at 1 p.m. April 8 at Glenn's on Main in Marion.

– A **card-making workshop** led by Michele Hodge will be held from 10 a.m. to noon April 8 at Crittenden County Public Library.

Extension events

– Learn **"Unique Uses of Canning Jars"** at 10 a.m., March 30 at the Extension Office. Call (270) 965-5236 to reserve your spot.

– **4-H Sew Much Fun** will meet after school March 30 at the Extension Office.

Recipe file-----

Members of Crittenden County's After Hours Homemakers Club share this recipe from the Mediterranean Diet.

Baked Honey Granola
2 c rolled oats, uncooked
¼ c brown sugar
¼ tsp cinnamon
1 pinch salt
1/3 c slivered almonds
¼ c honey
¼ c light olive oil
½ c raisins or dried fruit

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. In a large bowl, combine the oats, brown sugar, cinnamon, salt and almonds. In a glass measuring cup, warm honey in microwave for about 30 seconds. Add olive oil to the honey and stir. Drizzle the honey-oil over the dry ingredients and mix to combine. Spread the mixture on a baking sheet sprayed with non-stick cooking spray. Bake granola until golden and crunchy, stirring once, anywhere from 15 to 25 minutes, depending on your oven and pan. Pour onto a sheet of wax paper or parchment paper to cool. Stir in the dried fruit. When cool, store in a sealed container. If it clumps, just give it a toss.



Fruits of their labors

Crittenden County Extension's Quilt Club members Debbie Cox, Nancy Saavedra and Rose Eldridge present lap quilts and fiddle pads the club has been making in recent months for residents of Crittenden County Health and Rehab. This project was a service project of the club, which meets next April 24. This will be a hands-on meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m., to create a charm bag. The supply list includes: 1-charm pack or 12-5"x5" squares (front and back), 1-8"x14" rectangle of coordinating fabric (bottom), 1-15"x25" piece of fabric for the lining (approximate, trim to fit), 1-4" strip of fabric cut the width of fabric (handles), 1-covered button or closure for the bag, 1-3" square of fabric for covering the button, 1-1 ½"x5" piece of fabric for loop (to close button) and 1-piece of batting (or fusible fleece) a few inches bigger than your outside bag piece, about 27"x16". For more information, contact the Extension Office at (270) 965-5236.

Senior Menu

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

– Thursday (today): Menu is pulled pork with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, corn-

bread and tropical fruit.

– Friday: Menu is beef chili with beans, pimiento cheese on wheat bread and mandarin oranges. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

– Monday: Menu is . Ladies' exercise with Full Body Fitness Studio begins at 9:45 a.m.

– Tuesday: Menu is green pepper casserole, buttered new potatoes, tropical fruit and whole wheat roll.

– April 5: Menu is hashbrown

with ham casserole, lima beans, whole wheat roll and ambrosia. Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m.

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

The center is a service of Pennyryle Allied Community Services. Aging Coordinator Jenny Sosh is director of the center.



Sweet success

College student Taylor Belt conducted a fundraiser for the family of Crittenden County infant **Atler Perryman** last week. Belt, a 2016 graduate of Crittenden County High School, baked 1,944 cupcakes in a variety of flavors and sold them to local residents. In total, her efforts netted \$1,670 for the Perryman family, who remains at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville with 6-month-old **Atler**. **Atler** was born with a congenital heart condition and received a heart transplant March 3. However, due to complications, his name was returned to the transplant list. **Atler** is the son of Travis and Ali Shuecraft Perryman of Marion.

CCES 3RD NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

3rd Grade

Ashley Frederick

All-A Honor Roll: Che Campbell, Allison Day, Georgia Holeman, Amelia Johnson

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Aiden Curnel, Grayson Davidson, Taylor Davis, Kate Kerley, Audrie McKinney, Bristyn Rushing, Levi Sudboth, Junior Vasseur, Landon Woodall

Ramey Payne

All-A Honor Roll: Mollie Blazina, Lacey Boone, Macie Conger, Gavin Grimes, Caleb Riley, Quinn Summers

A-and-B Honor Roll: Kaily Bivin, Breylen Clifford, Andrea Federico, Jaisen Lineberry, Elle McDaniel, Erika Poston, Cheyenne Starkey, Emme Lynch

Mandy Perez

All-A Honor Roll: Gracie Orr, Chloe Rushing

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Devon Carr, Alivia Caudill, Ella Geary, Aubrey Grau, Billy Hazel, Hunter Kirk, Cheyenne Lowe, Rianna Maness, Trae Taylor

Kinsee Potts

All-A Honor Roll: Anna Boone, Braydin Brandsasse, Elliot Evans, Hadley Myers, Brayden Poindexter, Hailey Rose, Lilah Sherer, Katelyn Tabor, Brianna Walker, Madison Walkeranna Walker

A-and-B Honor Roll: Jared Jones, Ethan Thomas

Summer Riley

All-A Honor Roll: Jacob Carder, Kodi Stoner, Aly Yates, Chloe Hunt, Josie Young

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Makayla Harris, Nai Zayah Bell, Bobby Hazel, Addison Hendrickson, Hannah Morris, Jordyn Potter, Kiersten Smith, Mason Tramel

4th Grade

Becky Bryant

All-A Honor Roll: Paityne Buckman, Madisyn Switzer

A-and-B Honor Roll: Will Jarvis, Danielle Riley, Trinity Parrish

Johnna Fitch

All-A Honor Roll: Kaitlyn Wood, Caden Howard

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Aliyah Maraman, Brady Belt, Jayden Cotton, Jayden Duncan, Christopher Gernigin, Hayden Hildebrand, Anastazja Ingalls, Seth Henry, Hannah Mott, Mary Rachel Stephens, Rien Tabor, Avery White, Brooke Winstead

Victoria Lee

All-A Honor Roll: Jaylea Bivens, Piper Certain, Taylor Haire, Carly Porter, Carson

Age change for kindergartners

Beginning with the next school year, children entering kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before Aug. 1. Until now, the cutoff was Oct. 1.

Yates

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Jayson Ford, Ethan Long, Hattie Hatfield, Austin Martin, Riley Kirby, Asa McCord, Connor Reynolds, Curtis Smith, Tallyn Tabor, Kayleigh Weathers, Chaun Tramel

Ashley Roberts

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Donaven Allison, Hunter Duncan, Jenna Maxfield, Rachel Mundy, Kaiden Travis, Ally Weaterspoon

5th Grade

Heather Bloodworth

All-A Honor Roll:

Gabe Keller, Addison Mundy, Karsyn Potter

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Noah Atchison, Jaylee Champion, Travis Champion, Hannah Long, Hurst Miniard, Joey Myers, Gabe Rushing, Conner Simpkins, Jaylen Tapp

Cindy Crabtree

All-A Honor Roll:

Emily Adams, Gattin Travis, Mad-die Travis

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Haley Barnhart, Jaycee Champion, Allie Combs, Aubre Conyer, Lucy Haire, Jaxon Hatfield, Laycee Lynn, Payton Maness, Cutter Singleton, Abbey Swinford, Jasmine Wooley

Sara Omer

All-A Honor Roll: Jeremiah Foster, Sophia Madden, Marley Phelps, Tristan Yates

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Lizzie Campbell, Keira Chaney, Ckylil Corriveau, Brandon Derkert, Lexie Hughes, Tristan Long, Ashayla MaDowell, Levi Piper, Tia Stoner, Ethan Torres Abbott, Keifer Watson

Sarah Riley

All-A Honor Roll:

Kiley Croft, Caden DeBoe, Micah Newcom, Riley Smith, Kailyn Stokes, Carly Travis

A-and-B Honor Roll:

Allyson Bradham, Casey Cates, Hayden Cavanah, Jayden Conner, Mason Crider, Kaylee Hewitt, Triston Martin, Bennett McDaniel, Samantha Parrish, Katie Perryman, Turner Sharp

Mandy Winders

All-A Honor Roll: Ava Henry, Aria Kirk, Jessenia Medina, Haylee Perrin

A-and-B Honor Roll: Allie Beard, Tyler Belt, Mia Hackney, John Rose, Tyler Smith, Lane West

**Names are supplied to The Crittenden Press directly from Crittenden County Elementary School.*

Submit your calendar item

Community calendar is designed for individuals, non-profit organizations and government entities to publicize meetings and events. Call (270) 965-3191, email press-news@the-press.com or stop by 125 E. Belleville St.

Cox's entry in contest heads to next level

Crittenden County Extension Homemakers participated in the Pennyryle Area Cultural Arts contest March 7 at Princeton. Nine counties participated in this competition.

Crittenden County was represented with three participants and eight entries. First place ribbon winners are eligible to head on to the state competition that will take place in Owensboro in May.

Local participants were Nancy Lanham, Debbie Cox and Sarah Ford.

Nancy Lanham's entries and results were fabric wall hanging, participation; yarn crochet, participation; cloth doll/toy making, third place; miscellaneous, second place; and appliqued apparel, second place.



Debbie Cox is pictured with her winning entry in the crochet category.

Debbie Cox's entries included thread crochet, first place; and winter holiday decorations, second place.

Sarah Ford received a participation ribbon for her project in the recycled clothing art category.

Club talks diet, plans Backroads

Extension Homemakers in the After Hours Club learned about the Mediterranean Diet at their March 21 meeting. Debbie Padgett explained this diet is plant-based, built around fruits, vegetables, whole grains, nuts and seeds with animal products thrown in occasionally. The foods in this diet utilize fresh foods so the nutrients are maintained better.

Instead of vegetable oil, this diet uses olive oil – which like nuts and fish – exerts an anti-inflammatory effect that can protect against heart disease and improve both glucose metabolism and insulin sensitivity. Most Americans need to increase their consumption of fruits and vegetables so the Mediterranean Diet is a way to do this. For more in-

formation on this diet, call (270) 965-5236.

Club president Darl Henley welcomed Nancy Saavedra as a new member. All members answered the roll call with their favorite way to eat pasta. Alfredo was the most popular answer.

A mini-lesson was given on "Saying No to Negative Stress." This is a skill one has to learn. Everyone received a list of nine skill builders to help them deal with negative stress.

The Backroads Quilt Show April 29 was discussed and everyone was encouraged to bring a quilt. Quilts will be displayed for one day in city hall and spectators will vote for the show favorite.

The club will meet at 5 p.m., April 18 with a lesson on Unique Uses of Canning

Jars taught by Jerrell James. Visitors are welcome.

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Sun. 1:20, 4, 6:45
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Ghost in the Shell

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Sun. 1:20, 4, 6:45
Mon.-Thurs. 3:45, 6:30

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Remember this? Forgotten items recalled

As I go through the Presses of the past, I find interesting articles that are too small for a single article on that one subject, but still interesting and fun to look back on and remember what an impact they had in their day. This article is a collection of some of those interesting things I have saved.



June 18, 1959 Water-ski to take place
Millikan's Water Ski Thrill Show featuring water champions of Marion, Ky and Pinckneyville, Ill., will be staged at Easley's Lake 2.5 miles west of Marion.

The show is sponsored by the Marion Rotary Club, and the proceeds from the program will be used to support its Little League and Pony League summer baseball program.

The troupe of performers will include people who have put on acts over a wide section of the U.S., some with the famous Tommy Barlett group and elsewhere.

Marion natives include Mrs. Joy Millikan, Otis Millikan and Douglas Millikan. From Pinckneyville are Paul Mathis, Joe Dean Mathis, Larry Mathis, Cliff Gunther and Phyllis Stanton.

Many thrilling and exciting stunts are promised. Among them are: The Pyramid, two people riding skis while another climbs topside to a standing position; Flying saucer ride. Also a man riding this tricky disk riding on his head; Double act, where the girl rides on the man's shoulders in a sitting and a standing position, just to name a few. The performers are all highly skilled professionals, and a topnotch show is promised.

June 29, 1971 Catfishing for fun

"You should have been here yesterday" is a saying commonly associated with fishing of any sort, and it was used frequently at Ken Beavers' catfish lake Saturday afternoon.

About 30 people lined the banks of the 7-acre lake which is located south of Marion on U.S. 60. This number remained fairly constant with the places of those who tired and left being filled by others.

Despite tales how people had been dragging 'em in, the whiskered fish just weren't cooperative Saturday evening.

This is the third year that the lake has been open for fishing. It is stocked with hybrid catfish that sell for 60 cents a pound when caught. There is no charge for fishing at the lake if no fish are taken.

The lake is open from 5 to 10 p.m. five days each week. No fishing is permitted on Wednesdays or Sunday.

Beavers said the largest fish he remembered being taken from the lake was caught last year and weighed in at six and one-fourth pounds. He said when the lake opened in 1969 two fishermen took a total of slightly more than 100 pounds of fish from the lake in one afternoon.

He and Grady Sisco, who helps him see after the lake, feed the fish a preparation of commercial catfish food. The amount of feed used each day equates to about

three percent of the total weight of the fish in the lake.

The fish gain about one and one-half pounds during their 180-day growing year, which extends from May through October.

October 1981 The space age has come to Dycusburg

Dycusburg businessman Bobby Stinnett ushered it in with a bit of fanfare last week as he ordered the area's first receiver dish to pick up satellite television programming.

The 10-foot fiberglass antenna parked on a trailer at his residence at the top of a hill overlooking the Cumberland River has been drawing in nearly as many neighbors and friends as it has TV programs.

As he spread the word about what it was, folks have been stopping in at Stinnett's combination business residence to satisfy their curiosity. When he's not busy pumping gas or trying to sell a used car, Bobby is only too happy to illustrate how the antenna is able to pull in some 200 television stations.

The antenna allows Stinnett and his guests to enjoy programming typical of what they would receive if the quiet hamlet in the southwestern portion of the county had cable television available.

Stinnett gets his programming from the same source, a grouping of geostationary satellites placed in stationary orbit over the earth's equator. Of the 12 satellites currently in orbit, three provide most of the usable programming.

People are just starting to realize what they are, Brown said. He predicted that in the not too distant future most all television programming would be received in a similar manner.

The Federal Communications Commission currently has before it proposals which could lead to the development of smaller – 1 meter or so – dishes that could be attached to home roof tops much like regular antennas now are. For that to happen, the current satellites, which have been in orbit for several years, would have to be replaced with new higher-powered models that could utilize the smaller receivers.

Now, many people even if



Back in its day, this large monster of an antenna dish (left) was the envy of many folks. A futuristic device to enable your TV to receive up to 200 channels, the dish cost about \$4,500. The fiberglass dish and electronic gear were a dream come true for the avid TV watcher. An Alaskan totem pole (right) once had a home in the Mexico community. After several years, it found its way back to Alaska. People in this 1982 picture who owned this unique piece are (from left) Mitizi and Harold Martin and his uncle, Bud Martin.

they could afford to spend \$4,000 to \$6,000 for a satellite dish, do not have the room to place one, since it must be able to rotate in order to zero in on the various satellites.

Before installation of the dish, Stinnett said he could receive only four local channels, but with the satellite dish he is able to pull in shows literally from around the world.

Some companies that own or utilize the satellites object to individuals receiving programming, since it is sold to cable subscribers or networks. To prevent people with home dishes from being able to use the signals, some shows are "scrambled" when they are transmitted. Without a special decoder, such programs appear only as lines and slashes on the TV screen.

Stinnett said he invested in the dish because of the large selection of sporting events available.

November 1982 Alaskan totem pole in Mexico, Ky.

Sitka, Alaska, might seem a "far distance" from Crittenden County, but a Tlingit (pronounced Klinket) Indian totem pole has found its way from there to the front yard of the Bud Martin residence in the Mexico community.

The 15-foot pole was erected in Martin's yard over Labor Day weekend. His nephew, Harold Martin, and wife, Mitzi, had the pole shipped to the area for storage until he retires next year and locates here.

But Bud said "Go ahead and put it up," Mrs. Martin said. I like it here, he added. Since the pole's been up, Martin said a number of his

neighbors have stopped by to view it more closely.

According to Martin's nephew, he and his wife became attached to the pole during their first residence in Alaska. Martin worked there in 1976 as an electrical supervisor on construction of a new dam. He spent a second stay there in 1981 while working on a powerhouse.

"It was in the front yard of the place we rented," Martin said. "We got accustomed to watching it. When they moved to Sitka a second time, Martin said they were fortunate enough to rent the same place. "But the pole was gone."

Dr. Charles Bover, chief administrator of nearby Sheldon Jackson College, owned the house and out of curiosity Martin asked him what had happened to the pole. "He said it had fallen over and instead of erecting it again, he gave it to the college. Mitzi had always said she would like to take it to Kentucky when we retire."

Dr. Bover said that the pole had never been put up on the campus and if it was still there, they could have it. Martin said he went and got it, had it crated and sent to his Uncle's for storage until they moved here.

The Martins said that totem poles are quite common in Alaska, especially among many of the coastal

tribes. Stitka is located on an island off the southeastern part of Alaska.

The poles have great religious symbols carved on them. This one is all carved from one piece of wood except for part of the whale's fin. It's made from a yellow cedar. The Martins' totem pole was carved by Al Brookman. The characters depicted on the poles are common to the area and signify something about the tribe's ceremonies.

The Martin's pole contains a bear with a frog painted on its back, a whale, figurehead, and two face masks, they represent Tlingit Clans. The figurehead at the top of the pole represents the tribe's chief. The larger and lower masks stand for the medicine man.

Update

I asked Nancy Martin Tabor if she knew what hap-

pened to the totem pole, as Bud Martin was her uncle. She said when Harold and Mitzi returned to Kentucky, they took down the totem pole from Uncle Bud's yard and placed it where they had come back to live, on the old Martin homelace. The home place was later sold to John and Marge Tinsley. John then sold the totem pole to some friends that owned a novelty shop in Murray. A couple from Alaska eventually purchased the Totem pole and so the totem pole made its long journey back home to where it originated.

(Brenda Underdown is chair of Crittenden County Historical Society and a member of Crittenden County Genealogical Society. Much more local history can be found at OurForgottenPassages.blogspot.com.)



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Crittenden Circuit Court
Civil Action 15-CI-00096

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vs.
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Defendants

Notice of Sale

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 9th day of March, 2017, I will on **Friday, April 14, 2017, at the hour of 10 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible** at the Courthouse door in the City of

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The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on February 6, 2017, scheduling a hearing to be held on April 18, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examining witnesses in Case No. 2017-00003, which is An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Kentucky Utilities Company from November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2016.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

A public hearing will be held on April 18, 2017, at 9: 00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at the offices of the Kentucky Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky, to examine the application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Kenergy Corp. for the period November 1, 2014, through October 31, 2016. Individuals interested in attending this hearing shall notify the Public Service Commission in writing of their intent to attend no later than April 14, 2017. If no notices of intent to attend are received by that date, this hearing will be cancelled and the matter shall be considered submitted for decision based on the evidence in the record. Written notice of intent to attend this hearing should be sent to: Executive Director, Kentucky Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602.

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The Kentucky Public Service Commission will hold a hearing on April 18, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the case of In the Matter of: An Examination of the Application of the Fuel Adjustment Clause of Big Rivers Electric Corporation from November 1, 2014 through October 31, 2016, Case No. 2017-00006, for the purpose of examining the application of Big Rivers Electric Corporation's Fuel Adjustment Clause from November 1, 2014, through October 31, 2016. The hearing will be held in Hearing Room 1 of the Commission's offices at 211 Sower Boulevard, Frankfort, Kentucky. This hearing will be streamed live and may be viewed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.

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Time in Lexington what Diallo expected

At times he might have wondered what it would be like to be playing at Kentucky now, but Hamidou Diallo insists he never lost track of his plan.

He enrolled at Kentucky in January intending to redshirt the rest of this season and then have a head start on the 2017-18 season where he figures to be a starting guard for coach John Calipari's team.

He's a five-star recruit with the length and athleticism that Calipari loves — and will need with the expected back-court departures of Dominique Hawkins, Mychal Mulder, De'Aaron Fox, Malik Monk and Isaiah Briscoe.

Diallo recently shared a variety of insights on what the past few months have been like for him since he arrived in Lexington.

Question: What has the learning experience here been like for you so far?

Diallo: "I mean, it has been great. Ever since I have been here I have been picking up on better habits. So it has been great."

Question: Has it been harder than you expected?

Diallo: "No, it has been just about what I expected. I have got a lot of work and I am not scared to work. Just continuous work and business."

Question: Does it help that you already knew several of your teammates?

Diallo: "I would say definitely knowing these guys did not make it as difficult. They just took me in and showed me the ropes. Ever since I have been here, they treated me like family."

Question: Does being here now give you a huge advantage over incoming freshmen next season?

Diallo: "Definitely. I have been here, so those guys coming in it will basically be my job to show them the ropes. For our team to be successful next year, I will have to go out there and be the best I can be."

Question: What is game day like for you?

Diallo: "Definitely been hard. For anybody that wants to play, sitting on the bench is hard. It has been tough but was something that I planned. Great but tough."

Question: Do you catch yourself thinking how you could be helping the team in games?

Diallo: "Yes. It's tough not playing."

Question: What have you spent the most time working

on in practice?

Diallo: "Just being consistent in everything I do. Try to be a professional and be consistent every day. Definitely working on the shot. Just be efficient. Working on strength, shot, stuff like that."

Question: Can you stop these guys in practice?

Diallo: "Definitely. Everybody knows I defend pretty well. I just come in there and compete with them and make sure they are prepared for games."

Question: Are you an emotional player?

Diallo: "I always have been. I just want to go out there and leave it all on the floor. That's how I see it."

Question: Do you consider yourself an unselfish player who likes to pass?

Diallo: "That has always been me. I have never really been selfish. I feel like if the team is winning, then I am winning. That's how I see it."

Question: How are you and Calipari bonding?

Diallo: "Just great on and off the court. He is trying to teach me things to do and getting me out of my high school habits. It has been great the whole time here."

Question: Do you still talk to signee Quade Green, a point guard from Philadelphia, a lot?

Diallo: "Yes. We talk a lot on a daily basis. He is ready to be here. He wants to get here and start working. He is like my brother. I can't wait for him to get here."

Question: Are you two still trying to get Mohamed Bamba to sign with Kentucky?

Diallo: "Yes. Hopefully we do get him. I say there is a strong chance."

Question: What is the best part of Green's game?

Diallo: "Just how unselfish he is. Great point guard and he can do it all. That is how I see it."

Question: What about signee Nick Richards, a center from New Jersey?

Diallo: "I have played with him, too. He is just a great defender. Catches lobs, blocks shots, great defender. Very athletic player."

One-and-done myth

Kentucky's season did not end the way any UK fan, coach or player wanted with the bitter 75-73 loss to North Carolina Sunday in the South Region final. However, don't forget UK won 32 games, won the SEC regular-season championship and also won the SEC Tourna-



De'Aaron Fox and Bam Adebayo showed their pain in the locker room Sunday after UK lost to North Carolina in their bid for a trip to the Final Four Saturday in Phoenix.

ment.

But let's also put one myth to rest — or at least try.

How many times do you read or hear that Kentucky's one-and-done players only care about the NBA and becoming millionaires? It happens all the time.

For anyone that believes that, I hope they got a look at video from the UK dressing room after Sunday's loss. It was pure heartbreak watching freshmen Bam Adebayo and De'Aaron Fox embrace and cry at the same time and certainly showed just how much these players do care about winning and UK.

"The fans followed us everywhere we went. Some away games felt like home games," Fox said after the game. "Today was like that. They had our back all year. I love this program."

Same for Adebayo.

"I love this team to death. They are all family to me. We fought together. We just came up short," Adebayo said. "I saw him (Luke Maye) shoot that last shot and I was praying he missed it. It was like all our life got sucked out of us when that shot went in."

Fox wants the team to be remembered for the way it fought. He knows some questioned the team's attitude when it lost three of four games in January.

"Some people said we didn't care. Look around this locker room. We care," Fox said. "Everybody is heartbroken. After Cal talked to us, we broke it down one last time and talked about it. I

just wish I could have done more for these seniors."

Fox said Calipari didn't say much after the game.

"It was sinking in with him (that UK's season was over), too. There was not much said in here because there was not much to say," Fox said.

That included about what might lie ahead for freshmen Fox, Adebayo and Malik Monk, all projected as likely lottery picks in the June NBA draft.

"Ain't none of us thinking about that right now. We just took a loss," Adebayo said. "We are going to stick with each other and then talk with family. I am going to worry about my teammates for the rest of this week and nothing else."

Clevan Thomas Jr.

Count freshman receiver Clevan Thomas Jr. of Miami as one who is thankful Kentucky had very little snow this winter.

He didn't own a heavy coat when he got to Lexington and was used to wearing sandals — he said he bought some "furry shoes" — because even a cold day in Miami was about 60 degrees. The first time there was a light snow in Kentucky in January he almost slipped on the ice and fell down stairs.

"I tried to build a snowman one time but it was harder than everybody thinks. On movies you just roll it up but in real life it's no joke. I haven't even been in a snowball fight," he said.

"But I am not disap-

pointed that we really didn't have any snow. I was disappointed when it was 30 degrees and I was freezing. But recently I have enjoyed the weather. It's real nice. I went back to Miami for spring break and it was scorching hot. I am actually liking the weather here now."

Kentucky offensive coordinator Eddie Gran is also liking what he's seen from Thomas.

"I'll tell you what he does, he battles. He reminds me a little bit of (running back) Benny (Snell) in terms of his mentality and how he's going about it as a freshman. Now, lot of time left and all that, but I sure do like where he's at," Gran said.

Thomas said he's been playing both slot receiver positions and that suits both him and Gran.

"He's actually learning both, which is pretty good for a true freshman. He's getting in there and mixing it up. I do like his toughness. He's got a mental toughness about him," Gran said.

Makayla Epps

Makayla Epps might be the most popular UK women's basketball player ever. She just had a connection with UK fans that loved her.

She finished her career fifth on UK's scoring list and eighth in total assists.

Kentucky coach Matthew Mitchell said there was no one thing that made the former Marion County standout so popular.

"One is the person she is, and she just connects so well with people. She has a beautiful spirit about her. She has a great heart for people," Mitchell said. "She, I think, takes that extra few seconds maybe to connect with a fan that might be the only interaction they ever have but she takes the time to connect with people because she cares and she has a caring heart. I think that's a big part of it."

"I think her lineage is important. I think her dad (Anthony Epps) having success here on a really important team (1996 national championship team) in our men's basketball history and people are very excited about our men's team. His success, and then you have a daughter that comes along and signs with Kentucky and goes to Kentucky, I think that adds to that and then the success our program's had."

"She's had some incredible moments here as a player. I think all of that wrapped into one. But I don't think any of that would matter if she weren't the person that she is and have the heart that she has for people. I think that's the most important part of why people connect with her."

Quote of the Week

"I think he'll do a great job there. I mean, it's not an easy job. None of these jobs are easy, but that's not an easy job, either, and you have to walk in there wanting that challenge, kind of like wanting Kentucky," John Calipari on Archie Miller being the new coach at Indiana.

Quote of the Week 2

"I look up to Dom. I'm always going to him for advice, especially when I first got here. He waited his turn. He put the work in. He's probably quiet to you all, but when he's around us, he's laughing, joking, and it's just funny because he's so quiet," Isaiah Briscoe on UK teammate Dominique Hawkins.

Quote of the Week 3

"We know how good Isaac is. In practice he shoots the lights out. We have a drill where we shoot for five minutes and he makes at least 80 shots. For him to step up in that moment, I'm proud of him, and I knew that he had it in him," Dominique Hawkins on teammate Isaac Humphries scoring 12 points against North Carolina.

(Larry Vaught, a former sports writer at The Advocate-Messenger in Danville, Ky., now covers UK sports on VaughtsViews.com blog and his weekly column appears in many newspapers across Kentucky.)

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Last Week: 705
Last Year: 905

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Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	200-250	230	190.00	190.00
2	250-300	270	175.00-185.00	180.00
7	300-350	331	171.00-181.00	177.19
10	350-400	376	169.00-175.00	171.37
6	400-450	403	163.00-166.00	165.50
15	450-500	481	151.00-158.00	152.03
13	500-550	507	142.00-150.00	144.12
6	550-600	576	130.00-135.00	131.00
4	600-650	641	130.00-132.00	131.51
5	650-700	676	127.00-129.00	127.40
4	700-750	720	122.00	122.00
1	750-800	750	118.00	118.00

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	200-250	240	158.00	158.00
4	250-300	290	170.00	170.00
5	300-350	313	140.00-154.00	145.73
2	350-400	360	140.00	140.00
2	400-450	437	158.00	158.00
2	450-500	485	139.00-146.00	142.57
1	650-700	695	117.00	117.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	250-300	255	166.00	166.00
3	300-350	303	160.00	160.00
2	350-400	372	149.00-150.00	149.51
12	400-450	410	139.00-145.00	141.30
14	450-500	470	131.00-136.00	133.60
7	500-550	505	126.00-134.00	131.98
8	550-600	574	122.00-134.00	130.27
3	600-650	618	117.00-121.00	119.32
1	650-700	660	108.00	108.00
2	750-800	770	109.00	109.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	250-300	285	144.00	144.00
6	300-350	344	142.00-144.00	142.66
3	350-400	395	141.00	141.00
8	400-450	440	125.00-136.00	129.91
1	450-500	450	120.00	120.00
3	500-550	501	115.00	115.00
1	550-600	565	120.00	120.00
1	700-750	710	95.00	95.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	300-350	323	164.00	164.00
8	350-400	377	163.00-171.00	167.93
7	400-450	433	155.00-165.00	156.78
3	450-500	468	144.00-147.00	145.65
4	500-550	530	140.00-141.00	140.50
5	550-600	580	130.00	130.00
7	600-650	629	120.00-126.00	122.80
2	650-700	655	116.00-118.00	117.00
1	750-800	780	109.00	109.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2-3

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	400-450	440	144.00-151.00	148.31
1	500-550	545	126.00	126.00
2	550-600	585	124.00	124.00
1	600-650	645	108.00	108.00

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1	800-1200	1070	62.00	62.00 HD
1	800-1200	905	54.00	54.00 LD
11	1200-1600	1435	53.50-60.00	55.60
1	1600-2000	1870	55.00	55.00

Slaughter Cows Boner 80-85%

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
6	800-1200	1090	58.00-62.00	59.69
1	800-1200	1140	67.00	67.00 HD
5	1200-1600	1356	55.00-60.00	57.71

Slaughter Cows Lean 85-90%

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
17	800-1200	1071	50.00-58.00	54.42
7	1200-1600	1287	53.00-60.00	56.32

Slaughter Bulls Y.G. 1-2

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	1000-1500	1255	75.00	75.00
2	1000-1500	1090	70.00-77.00	73.77 LD
4	1500-3000	1785	75.00-80.00	77.76
1	1500-3000	1885	95.00	95.00 HD
2	1500-3000	1525	72.00	72.00 LD

Bred Cows Medium and Large 1-2 Young

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	800-1200	1032	860.00-1020.00	947.94
1-3	Mos Bred			

1	800-1200	985	1060.00	1060.00
7-9	Mos Bred			

Bred Cows Medium and Large 1-2 Middle-Aged

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	800-1200	1055	920.00	920.00
4-6	Mos Bred			

Bred Cows Medium and Large 2 Middle-Aged

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	800-1200	905	700.00-740.00	720.77
1-3	Mos Bred			

Bred Cows Medium 1-2 Young

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	700-800	765	850.00	850.00
4-6	Mos Bred			

Bred Cows Small and Medium 1-2 Young

Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	700-800	675	710.00	710.00
1-3	Mos Bred			

Stock Cows and Calves: Cows 5 to 10 years old with baby calves at side 750.00-1250.00 per pair.

Baby Calves: Beef 160.00-240.00 per head.

Legend: VA=Value Added, Low Dressing-LD, HD-High dressing, BX-Brahman X.

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SCHEDULES

Spring Sports Events

THURSDAY
Baseball at Webster County
Softball hosts Lyon County
Track at Union County
FRIDAY
Freshman Baseball at Calloway Co.
Baseball at Lyon County
SATURDAY
Softball at Trigg County
SPRING BREAK SCHEDULES
Lady Rocket Softball in Tennessee
April 7-8 Lady Rockets in Clarksville
TN Coaches Assoc. Tournament
Rocket Baseball in Florida
Sunday
Rockets vs. Campbellsville
Monday
Rockets vs. Owensboro
Wednesday
Rockets vs. Warren Central
Thursday
Rockets vs. Spencer County
Friday
Rockets vs. Boyle County

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Coyote Night	Feb. 1 - May 31
Goose Conservation	Feb. 16 - March 31
Youth Wild Turkey	April 1-2
Spring Wild Turkey	April 15 - May 7
Coyote	Year Round
Groundhog	Year Round

Youth turkey hunt

The annual youth turkey season is this weekend. Hunters 15 and under who are properly licensed and equipped may hunt wild turkeys as long as an adult is nearby, close enough to take control of the youth hunter's weapon. Hunters under 12 do not need a license; however, those 12-15 must have a \$10 turkey permit and annual youth hunting license which is \$6. The resident youth sportsman's license is good for two turkeys. Youth hunters must also have a Hunter Safety Course certification, follow statewide bag limits and Telecheck their turkey if successful using their Social Security number when calling the check-in number, which is 1-800-CHK-GAME.

BASKETBALL

Hardins seek history

Seventy-eight-year-old Stan Hardin of Fairdale, Ky., and his son, Brian, visited Crittenden County Monday looking for some historical artifacts from the Tolu Class B State Basketball Championship in 1931. Hardin's father, the late Harry Hardin, was a star on the much-heralded Tolu team. Stan Hardin is a hall of fame high school basketball coach, winning two KHSAA state championships at Louisville Fairdale in 1990 and 1991. His father went on to play college basketball at Western Kentucky and became a successful high school coach for almost 20 years at Drakesboro, Fairdale and Louisville Southern.



SOFTBALL

10u team assignments

Crittenden County Dugout Club has made assignments for the 10-under girls' fastpitch softball league, which are listed below. The recreational league will make further team assignments for kickball and Co-ed Rookie baseball. Those teams will be selected and announced in the coming days. Practice in the older divisions is now under way. For regular updates, see the Dugout Club's Facebook page.

10-under Softball

Team-1	Team-2
Coach Shawn Holeman	Coach Stephen Smith
Elliot Evans	Cheyenne Starkey
Karli Beavers	Kaylee Hewitt
Kayleigh Weathers	Riley Kirby
Leauna West	Addison Wood
Anna Boone	Jaylea Bivins
Kendyl Drury	Chloe Hunt
Aubrey Grau	Taylor Jones
Taylor Haire	Hannah Mott
Georgia Holeman	Riley Smith
Makayla Harris	Layla Winn
Jaycee Champion	Adrea Federico
Rachelle Stahigren	Aubre Conyer
Katie Perryman	Sofie Watson
Bristyn Rushing	



On Track

Crittenden County eighth-grade hurdler **Jessie Potter** (above) had pigtails flying in last week's track and field meet at Marion-Crittenden County Park. She finished second in the event. At left, Crittenden sophomore sprinter **Devon Nesbitt** blasted into the lead on the first half of the 100 meters and never looked back en route to a first-place finish. **Dawson Springs, Union County and Hopkins Central** were the other participants in Thursday's Quad Meet.

PHOTOS BY CHRIS EVANS

Softball girls blast tourney foes

STAFF REPORT

Stifling pitching and a powerful offense lifted Crittenden County's softball team to a championship at the Trigg County Invitational Tournament last weekend. The girls won all three of their games, outscoring opponents 36-1.

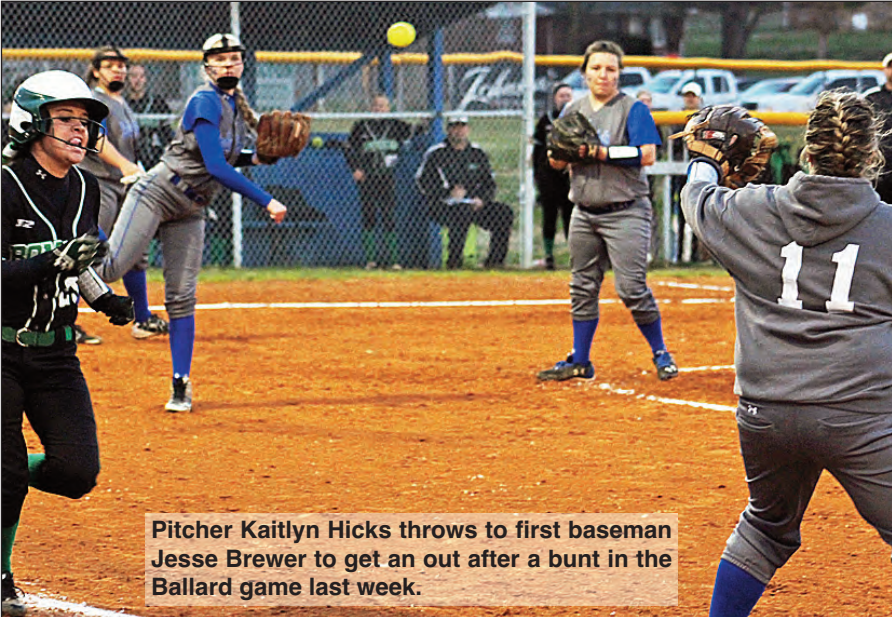
Behind a no-hit pitching performance by senior Cassidy Moss, the Lady Rockets (6-1) defeated Murray 11-0 in Saturday's title game. Each of Crittenden's wins came by the 10-run rule. Moss fanned 10 batters and walked one in a dominating performance. It was her second time this season with double-digit strikeouts, bringing her season total to 56 in 27 innings of work.

The flood gates opened on Murray when Crittenden sophomore infielder Brandy Book hit a grand slam to center in the first. Book's explosive batting continued in the bottom of the fifth inning when she hit a liner to center, scoring eighth-grader Ashlyn Hicks and Moss for the final two runs, giving her six RBIs in the game.

Hicks also had multiple hits in the contest, driving in one run and scoring one.

For the season, Book is leading the team with two home-runs and 23 RBIs. She is 12-for-23 at the plate with a .522 batting average.

The combination of Moss' pitching and Book's hitting led Crittenden to a 10-0 shutout victory over McLean County Friday in the second game of



Pitcher Kaitlyn Hicks throws to first baseman Jesse Brewer to get an out after a bunt in the Ballard game last week.

a double-header at Trigg County.

Moss allowed just one hit in four innings, striking out nine of the 15 batters she faced. In the first inning a single by Moss drove in Hicks for the first run. A pair of doubles by Book and senior Courtney Beverly scored three more. At the plate, Book, Beverly and Moss each went 2-for-3 with Book driving in four runs, Beverly two and Moss one.

The Lady Rockets collected 11 hits for a 15-1 drumming of Caldwell County Friday in the opening game of the Trigg Tournament.

Moss allowed just one hit in a three-inning, mercy-rule affair.

Crittenden scored seven in the first inning and secured the victory with eight in the second. The big inning featured three singles by eighth-grader Chandler Moss and freshman twins Emmie Smith and Ellie Smith. A three-run home run by Book capped the inning.

Book went 3-for-3 and Ellie Smith 2-for-3, driving in four each. Emmie Smith scored twice and drove in three. Hicks and Chandler Moss each drove in a run.

Crittenden loses district showdown at Lyon County

STAFF REPORT

The losing skid continued for the 0-5 Crittenden County Rocket baseball with a lopsided 9-1 loss at Lyon County Friday.

Sophomore Ethan Dossett was responsible for the Rockets' only score, driving in senior Maeson Myers on

a single in the first inning to give Crittenden its only lead of the game. The Rockets managed eight hits in the contest, but left nine runners stranded.

Myers started the game on the mound for CCHS, but didn't make it past the first inning when the Lyons

retook the lead, scoring five runs on three hits. Sophomore Pate Robinson came on in relief in the second frame and pitched three innings, giving up two runs and three hits with one walk. Freshman pitcher Jayden Carlson made a brief appearance allowing

two runs. Freshman hurler Hunter Jones pitched 1½ innings, striking out two batters and walking two.

Myers and senior outfielder Taylor Yancy collected a pair of hits for the Rockets.

The boys had two games rained out this week.



Crittenden County High School's freshman baseball team is (front from left) bat boy Colt Bailey, Ben Evans, Logan Bailey, Hayden Adamson, Tanner Beverly, Trace Derrington, Coleman Stone, Jimmy Newland, Maddox Carlson, (back) coach Chris Evans, coach Devin Belt, Gabe Mott, Ian Ellington, Braxton Winders, Preston Turley, Caden McCalister, Tyler Boone, Trace Adams and coach Brian Bailey. The team started the season 4-0 and has a 34-game schedule.

CCHS Track & Field Results

Girls Results

Team Totals: Hopkins Central 85, Crittenden 62.5, Dawson 52.5, Union 49
100 meter hurdles: 2. Jessie Potter (20.45); 4. Kenlee Perryman (21.85); 5. Ryleigh Tabor (22.53)
300 meter hurdles: 3. Ryleigh Tabor (1:01.4)
100 meters: 4. Shelby Wallace (14.78); 7. Ally Newman (16.44); 8. Emma Herrin (16.49)
200 meters: 5. Shelby Wallace (31.41)
400 meters: 3. Trinity Hayes (1:16.06); 7. Emma Herrin (1:32)
800 meters: 7. Southern Pate (3:30); 8. Cameron Howard (3:31)
1600 meters: 2. Kate Keller (6:26); 3. Jaelyn Duncan (6:56); 5. Ashley Wheeler (7:24); 6. Cameron Howard (7:53)
3200 meters: 3. Kate Keller (15:19); 4. Jaelyn Duncan (15:32); 6. Ashley Wheeler (16:35)
400 relay: 3. Crittenden (Jessie Potter, Cortne Curnel, Kenlee Perryman, Shelby Wallace) 0:59; 5. Crittenden (Emma Herrin, Abby Kirk, Katie Mathieu, Lauren Gilchrist) 1:07
800 relay: 1. Crittenden (Ryleigh Tabor, Trinity Hayes, Ally Newman, Cortne Curnel) 2:14; 3. Crittenden (Hailey Mathieu, Briana McDonald, Audrey Croft, Katie Mathieu) 2:40
1600 relay: 4. Crittenden (Lili Newcom, Lauren Gilchrist, Emma Herrin, Ally Newman) 6:08; 5. Crittenden (Abby Kirk, Hailey Mathieu, Audrey Croft, Briana McDonald) 6:39
3200 relay: 2. Crittenden (Jaelyn Duncan, Cameron Howard, Ashley Wheeler, Kate Keller) 12:18
Long Jump: 2. Trinity Hayes 11-11; 5. Ryleigh Tabor 11-8
High Jump: 4. Ally Newman 3-6
Triple Jump: 1. Kenlee Perryman 25-2; 2. Jessie Potter 24-10; 4. Trinity Hayes 24-8; 5. Southern Pate 23-3
Shot Put: 4. Alexis Tabor 22-1
Discus: 2. Alexis Tabor 67-4; 3. Lauren Gilchrist 61-2.5

Boys Results

Team Totals: Crittenden 104, Hopkins Central 61, Dawson Springs 56, Union 30
110 meter hurdles: 1. Will Perkins (18.61)
300 hurdles: 1. Will Perkins (47.69); 3. Zack Weathers (53:30)
100 meters: 1. Branen Lamey (11.70); 3. Devon Nesbitt (11.86)
200 meters: 1. Devon Nesbitt (24.63); 2. Gavin Davidson (25.46); 5. Eli Moss (26.45)
400 meters: 1. Will Tolley (56.40); 5. Eli Moss (1:03.50); 8. Joseph Estes (1:05.50)
800 meters: 1. Aaron Lucas (2:11)
1600 meters: 1. Aaron Lucas (4:52); 2. Sawyer Towery (5:17)
3200 meters: 1. Aaron Lucas (11:49); 2. Sawyer Towery (11:57)
400 relay: 1. Crittenden (Devon Nesbitt, Gavin Davidson, Will Tolley, Branen Lamey) 46.80; 4. Crittenden (Xander Tabor, Noah Perkins, Tristan Davidson, Eli Moss) 54.40
800 relay: 2. Crittenden (Will Perkins, Zack Weathers, Joseph Estes, Eli Moss) 1:47; 3. Crittenden (Noah Perkins, Lance Kayce, Jordan Long, Caleb McDonald) 2:09
1600 relay: 1. Crittenden (Devon Nesbitt, Gavin Davidson, Branen Lamey, Will Tolley) 4:04; 4. Crittenden (Zack Weathers, Xander Tabor, Noah Perkins, Tristan Davidson) 4:44; 5. Crittenden (Dalton Wood, Caleb McDonald, Jordan Long, Lance Kayce) 5:29
3200 relay: 1. Crittenden (Will Tolley, Chris Perez, Sawyer Towery, Aaron Lucas) 9:28
Long Jump: 2. Gavin Davidson 17-2; 6. Noah Perkins 12-3; 7. Dalton Wood 11-6; 8. Lance Kayce 10-11
High Jump: 4. Will Perkins 5-4; 6. Chris Perez 5-4; 8. Tristan Davidson 4-8
Triple Jump: 2. Branen Lamey 34-6



Hayes’s 8-pointer scores big in youth buck contest

Thirteen-year-old Jada Hayes has been hunting deer with her dad since she was two. Last fall, she bagged a big eight-pointer that qualified as the youth champion in the annual Big Buck Contest sponsored by Hodge Outdoor Sports and Marion Tourism Commission. “I love being in the woods right before the sun rises and waiting for the chance to see a deer come out of the trees. There’s nothing like it,” said the young hunter who bagged her trophy on the last weekend of the rifle season.

Last fall, fewer hunters registered for the Big Buck Contest, according to Marion Tourism Director Michele Edwards. Only a handful of youth hunters signed up and about 100 adults were registered. All of the net proceeds from the contest go to Community Christmas, a local effort to help underprivileged families during the holidays. In 2006, \$447 went to Community Christmas. One year, the contest sent almost \$900 to the holiday program. Since the Big Buck Contest was started in 2005, more than \$7,500 has been contributed to the holiday project.

The contest has a unique scoring system. All animals must be checked at Hodge Outdoor Sports where they are weighed and measured. The formula is weight plus two times the number of points plus the inside spread.

Reluctant contestant, upstater wins buck prize

STAFF REPORT

It is safe to assume that the number of 40-something-year-old bachelors coming to Marion for excitement is quite low.

But then, there are always exceptions to the norm. That’s where Ryan Bulle fits in.

An upstate New Yorker, Bulle has found a second home in Crittenden County. It’s a place where he’d like one day to retire. But for now, he satisfies his thirst for western Kentucky with a two-week hiatus from his landscaping business every fall.

“I take the first two weeks of November every year and come down there to deer hunt,” he said by phone earlier this week.

Bulle, 41, is the latest winner of the Marion Tourism/Hodge Outdoor Sports Big Buck Contest.

He will be the first to tell you that his idea of hunting is much purer than a contest. In fact, he wouldn’t have registered had Barbara Hodge at the sporting goods store not encouraged him to do so because the money goes to a good cause. Proceeds from entries go to Community Christmas, an effort to make the holiday special for under-privileged families.

“I have never been a fan of buck pools. That’s not why I hunt,” he said. “But since this helps people I registered.”

Bulle said the buck he took last fall with his bow was nothing special. The mainframe eight-pointer grossed around 130 inches.

“When they called me I thought Britt (Wright) or some of the girls at Hodge’s had put them up to it.”

Still, Bulle is tickled to win the \$1,000 cash because it will pay for his trip this coming fall. It takes several gallons of gas to drive 17 hours from the Catskill Mountains to Marion.

“I’ve tried it every which way and it still works out to about 17 hours,” he said. “On the way down you’re excited and it feels so great to get there. But that drive home is tough.”

Since 2008, Bulle has been making the pilgrimage to bow hunt the early rut.

“That’s just a great time to be in the woods. You see a lot of activity and the weather is usually good,” he said.

Ironically, poor weather kept him at bay last fall. It was so hot and dry when he and a hunting buddy arrived in Marion they decided to do other things instead of hunt. He’s spent so much time in Crittenden County, Bulle has made lifelong friendships



Ryan Bulle hails from Upstate New York, but he’s fallen in love with Crittenden County’s rolling hills, warmer climate and big bucks.

with everyone from the ownership at Hodge’s to Todd Lucas at the taxidermy shop and many others. Janette Brantley, who was a server at Marion Cafe, and her husband, Brent, have befriended Bulle, who now stays in their cabin and hunts nearby.

“I have just fallen in love with the place,” he said. “Everyone is so kind. I just have a ball.”

With the weather less than cooperative last fall, Bulle loafed around until a cold front came through. The first day out, he missed a big buck with his bow. A couple of days later, he was able to take the eight-pointer that won the contest, but it wasn’t as nice as the one he missed.

“It was just before 8 a.m., when I saw a doe being chased by a pretty good buck. She finally made her way across the field with the buck close behind her. She stepped through the hedgerow toward me, he followed and presented me with a broadside shot at 30 yards. The buck literally stood in the exact same spot as the previous deer I’d missed a couple days earlier,” Bulle said.

This time, the arrow flew true and he bagged the buck. While the harvest was nice, it was nothing akin to the first buck

he took in Crittenden County which was just over 150 inches, and he’s bagged another that topped 160. Still, the hunt was memorable and was made even more eventful by learning a few weeks ago that he’d won the contest.

Bulle says most people in Crittenden County consider him a yankee, but he’s quick to point out that he isn’t a city slicker.

“The town where I live (Windham) is 1,300 people. It’s smaller than Marion,” he says with a chuckle. “I’m not from the city.”

Bulle has been hooked on archery hunting since he bagged his first deer at age 12 while growing up in Minnesota. He has hunted all over the Midwest, but finds Crittenden County more appealing than the plains of Iowa or riverbottoms of southern Illinois.

A hunting guide in Pope County, Ill., first mentioned to him the opportunities in Crittenden County. Now, he’s hooked.

“Eventually I’d like to purchase a small farm there one day and perhaps retire. It’s a place I hold extremely dear to me and I’m truly blessed to have the opportunity to be a guest there each fall,” Bulle said.

Youth turkey season starts Saturday; general season April 15

Kentucky Afield

Spring turkey hunting is slipping into position before daybreak and sitting still as the sun eases over the hills.

It is breaking the silence with a call and getting a response that sends a shock of excitement down your spine. It is coaxing a love-struck gobbler closer and keeping your wits as it struts into range.

“There’s something about that drumming, spitting, gobbling turkey in front of you that makes the ground shake,” said Jason Lupardus, Midwest Conservation Field Supervisor with the National Wild Turkey Federation who has regional biologist duties in Kentucky. “I live for those moments. Favorite time of year, by far. You can’t beat it.”

The spring turkey season is something of an obsession among hunters who have experienced those magical mornings many times over

or dream about it happening their first time out this year.

In Kentucky, the 2017 season is right around the corner. Hunters ages 15 and younger are first up. The youth-only season is this weekend. The general statewide season opens April 15 and runs through May 7.

“I’ve got high hopes,” said Zak Danks, wild turkey program coordinator with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

The state’s turkey flock numbered fewer than 2,400 birds when restoration efforts began in 1978. The restoration continued until 1997, and today turkeys can be found in all 120 counties. The statewide turkey flock is estimated from 200,000 to 240,000.

Kentucky Fish and Wildlife monitors turkey reproduction through annual brood surveys conducted every summer.

A wet spring and early summer affected nest success and brood survival in 2016. The number of turkey poults per hen averaged 1.6 across the state, down from 2.3 the year before. What that means for this spring is fewer jakes but a strong crop



Crittenden Harvest Figures	
Year	Harvest
2000	351
2001	394
2002	544
2003	424
2004	505
2005	517
2006	511
2007	412
2008	503
2009	487
2010	513
2011	519
2012	566
2013	525
2014	395
2015	390
2016	375

of older, more experienced gobblers.

“We should have plenty of 2-year-old birds out there

gobbling and providing good opportunity for folks,” Danks said. “I’m pretty excited about it. Of course, we’re going to cross our fingers and hope for good weather. The early season weather really impacts things. If we get good weather, people will get out and should have some good action.”

Lupardus is even more bullish about the upcoming season.

“We may have our banner year,” he said. “There were reports last spring of lots of jakes running around. That tells me that banner production from two years ago was still in place. Therefore, we should have a lot of 2-year-old birds out there gobbling this year. I’m thinking this could be our 10-year high.”

Kentucky’s spring turkey harvest has remained stable since the 2010 season when hunters took a record 36,097 birds.

The average spring harvest for the six years before

2010 was 26,887. In the six years since, the average spring harvest was 31,600. Hunters checked 31,047 birds last spring.

Kentucky times its spring season to give gobblers ample opportunity to breed hens before subjecting them to hunting pressure. The mild winter and subsequent early green up this year has ramped up anticipation.

“I’m sure people have been seeing a lot of birds strutting, hearing some gobbling, and that may have them wondering why we don’t start hunting them sooner like some other states,” Danks said. “But we really feel like we have a good handle on our season. We’re trying to strike a balance between hunting opportunity and protecting the resources.”

A strong mast crop this past fall combined with the mild winter should translate into hens being in tip-top physical condition for the

breeding season.

“Which hopefully could bode well for their clutch sizes,” Danks said. “When hens are in better condition, they lay better eggs with more yolk reserves and hopefully that leads to better poults. We would like to think that we’re coming into a really good spring in that respect.”

Hunters are allowed a limit of two bearded birds during the spring season. Any combination of male turkeys, or female turkeys with visible beards, may be included in the season limit. No more than one bird may be taken per day.

Shooting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset, but hunters may be in the field before and after shooting hours.

Hunters are encouraged to consult the 2017 Kentucky Spring Hunting Guide before the season or going afield.

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Traffic stop leads authorities to mobile meth lab

STAFF REPORT

A traffic stop on Sturgis Road Saturday night led authorities to a mobile methamphetamine lab that had been used to cook at least three batches of the illicit drug.

Marion Police Chief Ray O'Neal said local authorities stopped a pickup truck shortly after 8 p.m. that had been reportedly taken without permission from a residence in Marion. The police

chief said two individuals were inside the vehicle, and both were later charged with drug offenses. They were not charged with stealing the truck because the investigation found that one of the vehicle's two owners had given consent to use it. Still, the traffic stop led to a sizable drug bust.

Stephen Austin Adams, 26, of Princeton was charged with second-offense manufacturing methampheta-



Adams Martin

mine, a Class A felony; first-degree possession of a controlled substance, a Class D felony; and possession of

drug paraphernalia, a misdemeanor. He was the driver of the vehicle.

A passenger in the truck, Kelsey Martin, 24, of Boaz was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

The police chief said Martin told investigators that she and Adams had recently been using meth with a friend and staying at a Marion residence. She told police where to find ingredients for making meth inside a duffle

bag at the residence where she and Adams had allegedly been staying.

When officers went to the address, the homeowner was cooperative and allegedly unaware of the duffle bag or its contents, O'Neal said. There, they found what O'Neal characterized as a complete meth lab, methamphetamine and hypodermic needles.

Adams and Martin were both lodged in Crittenden County Detention Center.

Guill: Expired license costly

STAFF REPORT

Crittenden Circuit Clerk Melissa Guill reminds drivers that Frankfort no longer mails license renewal reminder cards to drivers. The move is saving the state about a quarter-million dollars annually. Operating on an expired license can be costly for Kentucky's 3.6 million drivers. The fine is \$250, plus \$143 for court costs.

Rogers attends family court justice training

STAFF REPORT

Local Family Court Judge Brandi H. Rogers learned more about how drug addiction is affecting Kentucky families at the Judicial Symposium on Addiction & Child Welfare in Louisville Jan. 26-27. The intensive two-day conference was for the state's family court judges and district court judges in counties that don't have family court. Some circuit court judges also attended.

"Substance abuse is among the most common factors identified in child welfare cases before the courts," said Chief Justice of Kentucky John D. Minton. "Court dockets are full of cases involving parents and guardians who are putting themselves and their children at risk. How judges handle these cases impacts families and children throughout Kentucky. This symposium gave judges the opportunity to explore solutions they can take back to their communities."

The Department of Family and Juvenile Services of the Administrative Office of the Courts hosted the program in conjunction with Casey Family Programs and the U.S. Court Improvement Program. Family and District Court judges developed the agenda with input from child welfare

and treatment professionals.

Most of the judges who attended the symposium also participated in the Kentucky Opioid Summit on Jan. 25 in Louisville. Minton hosted the summit, which was the court system's first statewide program dedicated to the escalating opioid epidemic.

Judges were asked to invite child-welfare partners from their jurisdictions to create a local team. The teams included representatives from the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services and the Department for Community Based Services. The teams collaborated on plans to improve outcomes for children and families affected by drug addiction.

Classroom sessions covered the impact of substance use on parenting, treatment planning and child safety; case planning for children of parents with substance use disorders; and culturally appropriate methods for helping minority children who have substance use disorders in their families. There were also sessions on the role of the court system with child welfare and addiction, family participation in treatment and recovery, treatment through Medicaid and successful strategies piloted in some Kentucky courts.



Rogers



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Rocket Role Models

Rocket Role Models at Crittenden County Elementary School were recognized in January for the character trait of tolerance. Pictured are (front, from left) Matthew Counts, Colton Allen, Mykenzie Latham, Landon Belt, Autumn Lynch, Candace Vassuer, Taryn McCann, Callie Rich, (middle) Preston Conner, Aalina Henry, Holly Curnel, Winston Lynch, Autumn White, Audrie McKinney, Andrea Federico, Alivia Caudill, Brianna Walker, Kodi Stoner, (back) Jantzen Fowler, Chris Gernigin, Asa McCord, Jonah Reddick, Sofie Watson, Elijah Shewcraft and Caden DeBoe. Not pictured are Maddie Miniard, Tyler Belt and Jordyn Hodge.

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