



Despite a low turnout, Crittenden County voters largely followed statewide trends, with 49.6 percent of 847 local GOP voters choosing Attorney General Daniel Cameron as the nominee to face incumbent Democrat Andy Beshear in the November governor's race. Beshear earned 91

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DRINKING WATER



Twelve-year-old Dawson Parker stops for a drink from a frost-free faucet at Marion-Crittenden County Park while his brother, Lane Curry, 14, awaits his turn.

Crews probing Lake George for answers later this week

STAFF REPORT

On Thursday, Schnabel Engineering, which is the town's new engineering firm that specializes in levees and dams, and Marine Solutions, a company with expertise in solving problems under water, will be at Lake George conducting exploratory work. Crews plan to send a camera probe into the depths of the reservoir and into the damaged pipe that most believe created the original leak last spring, tipping off a series of unfortunate events.

One year ago today, Gov. Andy Beshear issued an official declaration for a State of Emergency in Marion due to the water crisis. Kentucky spent about \$ in the early months of the crisis trying to make sure the people didn't run out of water. Then, reassurance of financial assistance has been



Marine Solutions capped the faulty pipe a few weeks ago, at least temporarily preventing Lake George from losing the last of its water.

Local leaders believe the generational answer to Marion's water woes is largely tied to Crittenden-Livingston Water District (CLWD), and

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Foster will be PD Sgt., code officer



A portrait of Officer Michael J. Smith, a man with short dark hair and a mustache, wearing a dark police uniform with a badge and patches. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression.

Foster, 42, recently rejoined the city police department after more than 15 years as a sheriff's deputy. Foster has a degree from Murray State where he studied civil engineering, architecture engineering and mechanical

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DG, CVS now accepting court-ordered payments

STAFF REPORT

When individuals get behind in court-ordered payments, a warrant can be issued for their arrest or they will be issued a summons to appear in court to explain to a judge why they are not meeting

More information is available at the circuit clerk's Facebook page on how to pay at Dollar General, CVS and other area retail outlets.

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Commentary*

You may have at some point heard Kentucky's oath of office recited by incoming elected officials. From the state capitol to Marion City Hall, there is always a chuckle for the oath's phrase regarding the prohibition of duel fighting. Defending one's character and honor was once a deadly – and quite common – proposition, which often included a cap and ball and blood. Crit-

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Deaths

Belt

Charlotte Belt, 75, died May 9, 2023 at her home in Salem.

She was born in Burna which was called Mullikin at the time. She was a certified beautician and retired from Ingram Barge Company as a cook. She enjoyed puzzles, cooking, the home shopping network, cats and her family.

Surviving are her partner of 30 years, Bobby Loveless; a daughter, Stephanie Jones (Mike) of Cincinnati, Ohio; her mother, Muriel Willbanks Dickerson; three sisters, Bonnie Hosick of Salem, Beulah Holt of Benton, and Lesia Ruschmeyer of Salem; a granddaughter, Rachel Jones of Cincinnati.

She was preceded in death by her father, Claude Dickerson; and a brother Glenn Dickerson.

Services were Wednesday, May 17 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services with Bro. Dennis Winn officiating. Burial was in Old Salem Cemetery. Paid obituary

Newcom

Carolyn A. Newcom, of Mesa, AZ, graduated to her eternal home in Heaven, May 9, 2023, after a brief illness. Carolyn Ann

was born, May 26, 1939 to Walter Ruby and Edna Kathryn (Martin) Jackson in Onton, Ky. She was the oldest of three sisters, Kathryn Clark (widow of William Clark) and Mary E. Denton (married to Donald L. Denton). Mom could drive a tractor, hoe the fields, and work the farm right alongside Granddaddy.

Carolyn met the love of her life in Crittenden County High

School in Marion. David L. Newcom had a vision and goal for his life's vocation – design tractors for John Deere. She purposed in her heart to come alongside him to aid, support and join him in a matrimonial journey that would last 59 years. Homemaking was a serious career to her, but always a labor of love. Each workday evening, she greeted Dad with a kiss and a hot home-cooked meal. Her home was always orderly, clean, comfortable and most of all welcoming.

Christmas was her favorite holiday. Plans began in January for tree decoration themes: crochet snowflakes and angels or embroidered nativity ornaments, even new Christmas stockings. Homemade frosted cookies, mounds of mashed potatoes, tender juicy ham and her famous pecan pies were in abundance for each holiday meal. The neighbors all looked forward to their personally delivered Christmas candy treats and jam bread.

But culinary feats weren't her only expertise. Carolyn and David made a great "home improvement team." David used his engineering skills to plan out patio decks, remodel bathrooms and a variety of projects for the family. Carolyn was his right-hand sidekick. She always laughed and said demolition was her favorite part: "Just hand me a sledgehammer."

Her influence extended outside the home. Faith in Jesus Christ fueled her mission to work in churches across Illinois, Iowa and Arizona. Children's ministry was her passion and focus. With scripture as her standard, she guided active young minds to discover its timeless truth. She worked in several churches as the Director of the Children's Sunday School Program and assisted associational churches with seminars and workshops even at a state level. Carolyn was not inter-

ested in recognition or a title. As a mentor, her goal was to "pass the baton" to newly trained teachers. While looking to the Lord for guidance in all matters, she encouraged each one to maximize their unique talents.

Her hands were always busy. When she was not performing the necessary homemaking skills, she was creating heirlooms. She excelled as a seamstress, but crochet was her main art and delight. Colored yarn, designs and patterns were pondered daily. She always had a project and a person in mind for a gift.

Everyone under her roof felt valued, loved, and respected. Truly, she was gifted by Heaven with the heart of a servant. She gave of her time and service sacrificially. Her seemingly small acts of kindness will long be remembered and cherished. She had a no-nonsense, commonsense approach to life and a strong stubborn streak of independence. Her listening ear, encouraging words and steady optimism will be missed. "Her children rise up and call her blessed." Proverbs 31:28. How appropriate to commemorate her faithfulness this Mother's Day. Her timeless example lives on and her children were honored to call her Mom.

Surviving are four children, Kristie (David) Ramey of Eddyville; Mark (Joy) Newcom of Forest City, Iowa; Iris (Joe) Molstead of Charles City, Iowa; and Jason (Jennifer) Newcom of San Tan Valley, Ariz.; 12 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, David L. Newcom.

A Celebration of Life for both David and Carolyn Newcom will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 3 at Enon Baptist Church in Marion with burial in Maple View Cemetery. Paid obituary

Belt

Bobby Lucian Belt, Sr., 80, of Marion, died Saturday, May 13, 2023 at Livingston Hospital. He was a founding member of Unity General Baptist Church in Crayne.

Surviving are four children, Wendy L. Belt of Marion, Bobby L. (Beth) Belt, Jr. of Marion, Shawn C. Belt of Florida and Michelle A. (Donny) Watson of Marion; four grandchildren, Kenzie McKinley, Kira Belt, Sarah Watson and Michael Belt; and four great-grandchildren, Alaina McKinley, Chloe Brandsasse, Bradison Belt and Braydin Brandsasse.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 55 years, JoAnn Belt; his father, James Ruie Belt; his mother, Ollie Mae Williams; an infant grandson, Daniel Belt; and six siblings, James Herschel Belt, Buddy Belt, Billy Belt, Doris McDonald, Faye Belt and Louise Robinson.

Services were Wednesday, May 17 at Gilbert Funeral Home with burial in Freedom Cemetery.

Ledbetter

Alice Marie (Love) Ledbetter, 86, died Thursday, May 11, 2023 at her home in Smithland.

She was of the Methodist faith.

Surviving are a daughter, Tresia Ledbetter of Smithland; two sons, Gerald Lynn (Sharon) Ledbetter of

Benton and Ewin Dwain (Ginny) Ledbetter of Ledbetter; a sister, Bonnie Radcliff of Smithland; three grandchildren, Misha, Michael and Gerald Lynn, Jr.; and a great-grandchild, David Duncan.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ewing Ray Ledbetter, and parents Calvin and Lemma Mae (Dickerson) Love.

Services were Monday, May 15 in the chapel of Boyd Funeral Directors and Cremation Services, with Bro. Maurice Dickerson officiating.

Burial was in the Hampton Cemetery.

Teachers earn '23 honors

Three Crittenden County teachers were recognized May 9 with Regional Education Partnership Excellence in Teaching Awards.

These awards are sponsored by Madisonville Community College and Murray State University. Crittenden County High School special education teacher Jennifer Gibson, Crittenden County Middle School science teacher Neal Bryant and Crittenden County Elementary School first-grade teacher Mollie Tabor were recipients of this award.



Gibson



Bryant



Tabor

Stout WKMS guest DJ May 24

Marion native Alan Stout will be a guest DJ from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Wednesday, May 24 on WKMS FM 91.3. Stout has two Marion artists eclectic selections on his playlist.

Carrsville show replaces Revue

The Rock and Roll Revue and Cruise-In scheduled for June 10 at Fohs Hall has been cancelled.

Event producer Classy & Grassy instead encourages ev-

eryone to attend Cool Connie's Memorial Carrsville Car Show on June 10, held in honor of Connie Suits, a big supporter of Classy & Grassy.

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Seven earn MCC degrees

Seven Crittenden County High School seniors earned an associate’s degree from Madisonville Community College as a result of dual credit courses taken during their junior and senior years. Each will graduate from CCHS May 26. Pictured (from left) are Alyssa Woodall, Macie Hunt, Raven Hayes, CCHS counselor Laura Poindexter, Natalie Boone and Carson Montalta. Not pictured but also earning degrees are Karsen Shouse and Seth Blackburn.

Crittenden youth honored, board takes routine action

STAFF REPORT
Crittenden County Board of Education congratulated students and approved several measures during its April school board meeting includes the following:

- Haylee Perrin was selected as a Kentucky Governor’s Scholar. She will spend five weeks this summer at a Kentucky campus yet to be determined, undergoing rigorous studies before returning to CCHS for her senior year.
- CCHS students Aria Kirk and Carly Travis have been selected for Governor’s School for the Arts (GSA) program. Kirk is attending as a visual art student and Travis in the field of dance. GSA is a three-week summer program at the University of Kentucky.
- In her monthly report, Superintendent Tonya

Driver reported that mileage reimbursement is increasing from 44 to 45 cents per mile for district employees.

- The district is the recipient of a \$5,000 fueling station rebate program.
- The board gave Driver the authority to take necessary steps to hire a company to locate underground utilities at the site of the future CCMS addition behind the current middle school.
- The board renewed its bank contract through 2025 with Farmers Bank and Trust Company. It approved the creation of a sub account in the Vince Clark Rocket Foundation for the Fohs Hall Inc. Scholarship given annually and distributed by the Fohs Hall board of directors.
- Approved the pur-

chase of two 2024 Bluebird 72-passenger LP school buses at a cost of \$306,000 using Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds awarded the district during the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Approved an Emergency Certified Substitute Teacher application for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Increased preschool tuition rate from \$150 to \$200 monthly beginning next school year.
- Established a job coach position at the high school for the next school year.
- Approved a plan for non-traditional instruction days for next year.
- Voted to establish a post-secondary Readiness Coordinator for up to 60 days during the 2023-24 school year.

Guest of honor

White House recent stop for CCMS’ Perez

Though their paths into education were different, Kentucky’s Teacher of the Year, Mandy Perez, and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden share very similar views on teaching and its immeasurable impact on the lives of students.

This, Perez discovered, after attending the National Teacher of the Year celebration in Washington, D.C., joining other state teachers of the year from across the country as special guests of President Biden and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden.

The festivities kicked off with a White House reception, Rose Garden ceremony and Town Hall meeting, where Perez advocated for a diverse curriculum for all learners. Drawing on her own experiences and background, she used the platform to voice her desires for students across the nation.

“Every child deserves to be seen, valued, heard and loved,” said Perez, “even if he or she is the only student in the class that may be different.”

Perez, a 19-year educator, is an English Language Arts teacher at Crittenden County Middle School.

Selected first as Kentucky’s Middle School Teacher of the Year, Perez was then announced as the Kentucky Teacher of the Year in a ceremony at the capitol building in Frankfort in September 2022. While she continues her sabbatical traveling the Commonwealth to promote education and advocate for all of Kentucky’s students, Perez says the once-in-a-lifetime experience has strengthened her passion



Crittenden County educator Mandy Perez is wrapping up a one-year sabbatical as Kentucky’s Teacher of the Year.

and dedication to the profession and has reinforced to her the importance of positive relationships between teachers and students. “They have to know that you are real,” she said. “My students know that with me, what you see is what you get.”

Crittenden County Superintendent Tonya Driver calls Perez an innovator, a mentor and a leader and says that the passion and energy she brings every day is contagious.

“The connections Mandy makes with her students are authentic and inspiring,” said Driver. “We know that relationships come first and drive student growth and success. Mandy does this seamlessly, day in and day out. We are so incredibly proud of her for representing Crittenden County Schools across the Commonwealth and the nation as Teacher of the Year.”

In the famed Rose Garden, Dr. Biden shared that her journey into education had deep family roots. She followed in the footsteps of her

own grandmother who later gifted Biden with her classroom bell, a keepsake that Biden treasures to this day.

Perez, on the other hand, is a first generation college graduate and the first in her family to become a teacher. “My grandfather brought his family here from Panama,” said Perez, “to live the American dream.”

Perez said that hard work, dedication and resilience marked her journey. “I paved this way for myself,” said Perez, “and I’m proud of what I’ve accomplished.”

As a symbol of Biden’s homage to Perez and her constituents, each educator left the ceremony with a replica bell of the one belonging to Biden’s grandmother.

“To some, it may just be a bell,” said Perez, “but to me, it holds so much more value than that.”

Perez’ visit to D.C. also included attending the International Summit on the Teaching Profession (ISTP).

“This was one of the most unique experiences I’ve ever had,” Perez said.

Gym champ

Aladin Aguilar of Tolu was crowned AAU Southern Regional queen Sunday in Pigeon Forge, Tenn., winning all four competitions – vault, bar, floor and beam – with perfect 10s in vault and floor events. The nine-year-old is a third-grader at Crittenden County Elementary School and is coached by Kristen Fisher of Big Dog’s Gymnastics in Providence. She is the daughter of Anthony and Alivia Shewcraft-Aguilar of Tolu. She will compete in a national event in Orlando June 29-July 3.



Swim team organizational meeting May 21

Marion Stingrays Swim Team will hold an informational meeting at 4 p.m., May 21 at Marion Golf & Pool. The recreational swim team teaches basic competitive skills, builds self-esteem and improves strokes.

Children must be able to swim at least one short length of the pool without assistance in order to participate. Evaluations are at 6 p.m., June 5. The informational meeting will provide details about,

fees, practices, meets, and an opportunity to meet coaches and managers.

For more information, contact Kim Vince at (270) 704-1446.



Garden cash

Shannon Peek Baize (right) of Independent Stave Co. Transportation Dept., presented Salem Garden Club President Janet Glenn Hughes with a check for matching funds from the 5th annual Scholarship Fundraiser Auction. This year the Salem Garden Club will award \$3,500 to 2023 graduates of Crittenden and Livingston County. Over the last five years, the club has distributed more than \$15,000 in scholarships.



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Shady Grove to host Memorial Day event

Shady Grove Cemetery will host a Memorial Day service at 11 a.m., May 29 with lunch to follow at the nearby Shady Grove Volunteer Fire Department. Crittenden County Judge-Executive Perry Newcom will be among the speakers. Music will be provided by Lacey Duncan and Kayla Maxfield and Taps by Clay Stevens.

Mineral Museum to host annual show

The annual Ben E. Clement Gem, Mineral, Fossil and Jewelry Show will be held at the Clement Mineral Museum next to Fohs Hall on June 3-4. There will be free children's activities, hourly door prizes, a silent auction, vendor tables and museum tours during the two-day show. Show hours are 10 a.m., to 5 p.m., on Saturday and

10 a.m., to 4 p.m., on Sunday. For more information call 270-965-4236. The event is sponsored by Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission, and the children's activities are underwritten by River View Coal.

GOP meets Thursday at Lions building

Crittenden County's Republican Party will meet at 6 pm., Thursday, May 18 at the Lions Club building at Crittenden County Fairgrounds.

McDaniel inducted into Phi Kappa Phi

Kenlee McDaniel of Marion, majoring in integrated marketing communications, was among the more than 140 University of Mississippi students who were inducted into the Phi Kappa Phi honor society April 13 at the Gertrude C. Ford Center for the Performing Arts on campus. Phi Kappa Phi is one of the nation's oldest and most prestigious honor societies for all academic disciplines. "Membership into the honor society of Phi

Kappa Phi is by invitation only and is open to those who have a consistent record of academic excellence," said Jeremy Loenneke, Phi Kappa Phi chapter president and UM associate professor of health, exercise science and recreation management. "To be selected for initiation is a tremendous honor and means that you represent the very best of your class." Membership in Phi Kappa Phi is based on a student's character and academic standing. Juniors must have completed 72 credit hours and rank in the top 7.5% of their class, while seniors and graduate students must rank in the top 10% of their class.

Koerner presents at UK Showcase

Taylor Koerner of Marion and more than 500 University of Kentucky undergraduates recently met for the 17th annual Showcase of Undergraduate Scholars. The showcase allowed undergraduates to share their research discoveries, ideas and creative works with the

campus community and the public. This year's Showcase of Undergraduate Scholars April 26 at the Gatton Student Center Grand Ballroom featured 330 presentations representing 66 disciplines and 18 colleges. Koerner, a student in the UK College of Arts & Sciences, gave a presentation titled "Effect of 2-Aminoethoxydiphenyl Borate (2-APB) on Heart Rate and Relation with Suppressed Calcium Activated Potassium Channels: Larval Drosophila Model."

Milam completes doctorate at MSU

Tanya Travis Milam of Marion has graduated from Murray State University with a doctorate of education in P-20 educational leadership with specialization in agricultural education. Dr. Milam is the daughter of Newman and Bettie Travis and the widow of John Eldon Milam. Her children are Jodi Lynn Martin Bauer and Travis Justin (TJ) Martin.



She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. Her master's degree is in middle school education and her bachelor's degree is in agricultural education. She was among 1,681 degree applicants who comprised the spring/summer 2023 graduating class of degree applicants, including doctoral, specialist, master's, baccalaureate and associate degrees. A total of 37 states and 19 countries were represented in the graduating class.

Marion will host state bowfishing tourney June 10

The Kentucky State Championship Bowfishing Tournament will be June 10 hosted by Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission. Check in and weigh in will be at Crittenden County Fairgrounds. Registration is at 5 p.m. Fishing will be on public water of Kentucky from 6 p.m., to 7 a.m. There will be cash drawings at weigh in. First place is guaranteed \$1,000. Fish disposal will be provided by Aquatic Protein.

Show & Shine Car Shows return

The Show and Shine Car Show series will return to Marion on Thursday, May 25 on the courthouse square. The event is sponsored by Marion Tourism and Recreation Commission. There will be subsequent shows each fourth Thursday of the month on June 22, July 27, Aug. 24 and Sept. 28. Register for each show and earn a chance at a \$500 giveaway.

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Jean Claude Duvall of Marion was commissioned as a second lieutenant recently on the Murray State University campus where he completed the ROTC program. Duvall also graduated from Murray State last weekend with a degree in agribusiness. He plans to serve as a National Guard reservist. Pictured during the pinning ceremony are his mother and father, Tammy and Larry Duvall.

PRIMARY

Continued from page 1 percent of the votes of Crittenden County Democrats, matching the rate of votes from Hickman to Pikeville. Statewide, Cameron earned 48 percent of the GOP vote for governor, followed by Agriculture Commissioner Ryan Quarles (22 percent) and businesswoman Kelly Craft (17 percent). Local Republicans nearly matched the same percentages for each candidate with the same 1-2-3 order. A crowded field of nine other Republican candidates shared the remaining 13 percent statewide and 9.5 percent locally. In other races, local and state voters liked incumbent Secretary of State Michael Adams by a wide margin over two

Republican challengers, as they did current Treasurer Allison Ball for the GOP nomination for Auditor of Public Accounts over one opponent. Mark Metcalf received just over half of the local and statewide votes over two other contestants for treasurer. The only place Crittenden County conservatives differed from state results was with Commissioner of Agriculture, favoring Mayfield's Richard Heath nearly 2-to-1 over Jonathan Shell, who beat Heath by 12 points statewide. Democrats in Crittenden County agreed with statewide support for their party's nominee for Agriculture Commissioner, Sierra J. Enlow, who handily defeated her only opponent. Just over 200 Democrats voted in the county.



10 YEARS AGO

May 16, 2013

■ The woman who killed 89-year-old Jim Roberts at his home in July 2012 admitted to the crime at a pretrial conference in Crittenden County Circuit Court. Cindy L. Hutchison, 52, of Marion did not disclose any details of the murder but pleaded guilty and wiped away tears as Judge Rene Williams read aloud each of the charges. Hutchison, who could have faced the death penalty if convicted at trial, was sentenced to life without parole for 25 years. ■ Renovations of and addition to Crittenden County Elementary School were underway. One area specifically targeted by the renovation was the front entrance and administrative offices. The existing front portico would be enclosed to include a re-configured administrative suit. A canopy would also be installed at the school's front entrance. ■ For nearly 25 years Ginny Tinsley had been a dispatcher at the Marion Police Department. On May 13 a retirement luncheon was given in her honor. Tinsley said she enjoyed her tenure as a dispatcher. She cited advancements in technology as a great help to the job. Upon her retirement, she planned to enjoy spending time with her husband, Don, their three children and five grandchildren. ■ Tiny Tot Daycare held its annual Trike A Thon to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital. The preschool class rode bikes to receive donations and raised \$897.75. Some of the children who participated were Jordyn Hodge and Josie Taylor who rode alongside their preschool teachers Karla Hodge and Lathan Lynch. ■ The Crittenden Press visited the Final Four. Charles Cook and Neil Guess, two former Crittenden County residents, enjoyed a night at the Final Four last month. The two Louisville fans got to see their Cardinals win a semifinal game live at the Georgia Dome on April 6 in Atlanta and took The Crittenden Press with them.

25 YEARS AGO

May 21, 1998

■ Murray State University explored the idea of putting a small, satellite campus in Marion. The university signed an option to purchase the old school building on South College Street across from the Marion Post Office. The building was owned by Marion resident Tommy Wright and was formerly a high school and later a junior high. Murray State University President Kern Alexander first introduced the idea of offering college courses in Marion during a meeting with the Western Kentucky Industrial Foundation earlier in the year. ■ Brothers Don and Roy Cothran won the two-man golf championship at Marion Country Club. The two longtime educators were the last to arrive and first to finish the tournament. The pair, which had won

three previous titles, were a late entry and almost overlooked the tournament. They shot 15-under par to win the title. ■ Students at Tolu Elementary School said their final goodbyes as the school would close its doors for the upcoming school year. In the fall, all elementary students would attend Crittenden County Elementary School. ■ Crittenden County graduates Allie Turley and Nathan Howton each decided where they would play college basketball. Turley signed a letter of intent with South-eastern Illinois College at Harrisburg, Ill., while Howton inked with Bethel College at McKenzie, Tenn. ■ Lady Rocket sophomore Patti Johnson received baptism by fire, getting her first varsity start in an opening-round loss to Livingston Central in the district tournament. The Lady Rocket softball team fell to Livingston for the second time in five days by a score of 14-4. Crittenden County went into the contest without its top pitcher Christina Napper. Johnson got the call and pitched her first varsity game against a strong Lady Cardinal club.

50 YEARS AGO

May 24, 1973

■ Hick's Dollar Store put the finishing touches on its new store by stocking the shelves of their newest location in downtown Marion. The new store building was formerly occupied by Sureway on South Main Street but would now be the home of the town's dollar store. Previously the dollar store was located across from the courthouse but the new location gives the business over three times the space as their old store. ■ A crowd of approximately 700 people watched as 79 entrants in 12 classes competed for silver, ribbons, cash and floral trophies at the 11th Annual Town and Country Riding Club Spring Horse Show. During the three shows, more than \$1,600 was awarded in silver and prize money. Crowned queen of the 1973 show during opening festivities was Mary Jo Arflack. Her escort for the evening was Steve Eskew. ■ Five residents at Best Care Nursing Home in Marion who had birthdays during May had a party to celebrate. The five residents were Nellie Busby, Ila Hodge, Beula Paris, Herman Miller and Iris Ward. ■ Dennis Porter of Marion was named "Rider of the Month" by the West Kentucky Competition Riders Association. The CCHS graduate began riding in 1971. He was the President of the Crittenden County Cycle Club and a Representative to the WKCR. At the time, Porter was employed at Salem Hardware and worked as a part-time salesman and repairman for Hodge Cycle Sales of Marion.

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We need wisdom, accountability

Every new technology has great potential for good or ill. Every blessing can be abused to the point of becoming a curse. Every form of government is dependent upon its citizens. Any reputable workplace can be a joy or a misery depending upon management. It is always about the heart.

Bad situations change over time when people with good hearts and skills are left to lead. Good situations are made awful and damaging when self-seeking people use others to serve their ends. Any system, organization, or team rises or falls on the character and accountability of those who make up the group.

Technology has always brought out the fear in us. Rightly so, because there are always people, businesses, and nations who will use that technology in ways that do great harm and not bother their conscience at all. It is also easy to blame those who do so while we forget that they would not be as likely to do great harm if they were not in some way rewarded for it.

The barriers to publishing written material and producing video content have been dropping ever since Gutenberg's Printing Press in the middle of the 15th century and moving pictures just before the

turn of the 20th. So much so that today they are nearly non-existent. We have become inseparable from our electronic devices still called "phones" by many for some reason.

There are so many ways for well-known persons to get their messages out now that there is practically no vetting or accountability. The newsroom was at one time a place of integrity that prided itself on accuracy among reputable publishers. This is still the case, thankfully, for local newspapers and TV news stations. The reason for that is because getting it wrong will get a response. There is local accountability.

However, since the advent of social media and the editorializing of national news outlets, accuracy has often been set aside for "likes" and ratings. For the past decade or so we have become more "silenced" in our thinking. We tend to only listen to those with whom we agree. We mistake indoctrination for thinking.

The failure of integrity at Fox News lately has

brought to light that it is ratings that are much more important than truth. This is not new. Tabloid journalism is as old as journalism. What has developed lately is the ability of anyone to publish anything and gather enough attention to live. It is no longer about truthful or healthy content for many. It is about money and attention.

The most dangerous aspect of the low bar of accountability today is that the worst offenders go out on their own totally untethered from any organization. Some accountability is surely better than none. The only accountability is to their audience who follow them religiously - giving them more honor than to God.

Technology today makes it possible for people to do more good things than we could ever imagine just a few decades ago. Giving, organizing, getting messages out, travel, and efficiencies have changed the world for the better. There are hundreds of good, informative, and helpful podcasts. The technology

is never the problem, it's always us.

We need wisdom to know who and who not to give our attention. We need wisdom to teach our children that "influencer" is not something to aspire to do. Rather it is what may happen if they get exceptionally good at something worthwhile. We need wisdom to change the things that we put on the news and what we talk about. Newscasts have become anxiety sinks for our society, which has the effect of making us all nervous all the time. Newscasts and editors should not play on our fears and anxieties but inform us in ways that allow us to think and solve problems.

In the book of Judges in the Bible we read, "In those days, there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in their own eyes." It was not freedom. It was violent chaos. Whether one is a believer or not, I believe that it is still possible for all of us to seek common good. We cannot do it if everyone does what is right in their own eyes. We can do it if we are willing to sacrifice just a little for the good of our neighbors.

Dr. Sean Niestrath is a minister in Madisonville, Ky. He holds a doctoral degree in ministry. You may contact him at sean.niestrath@outlook.com.



Sean NIESTRATH Faith-based columnist Guest Columnist

Faith ensures that all your needs are met

Question: My wife and I are retired and live on a low fixed income. High inflation is eating into out buying power. Groceries and our utilities are costing us more each month. I know God has promised to help us through everything, but disbelief is beginning to set in. Will God really meet our needs if we keep relying upon Him?

Answer: Yes, God is able to meet your needs if you trust in Him for them. The Bi-

ASK the PASTOR

By Bob Hardison



ble has promised, "My God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:19).

Ask God to give you more faith. The Bible teaches, "Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see" (Heb. 11:1). Corrie Ten Boom ex-

plains faith this way, "Faith is like radar that sees through the fog—the reality of things at a distance that the human eye cannot see."

While trusting God for help, use good judgment in how you spend your income. Shop at discount stores. Use coupons to buy more for less. Look for a community senior center that offers a hot meal daily at a deep discount and for places that distribute surplus groceries that are free

to people.

God may provide an opportunity for you to gain extra income through a part-time job. Also, He may work in mysterious ways through church people, family, acquaintances, and even strangers to help you and your wife. Be open to all help. God supplies the need of those who put Him in the center of their lives (Mt. 6:33).

Send your questions to: bob@bobhardison.com

Community Events & News

- Sugar Grove Cemetery Association will meet after morning worship on Sunday, May 21.
- Sugar Grove Cemetery is accepting donations for upkeep. Mail checks to Jayne Ann Head, 10880 KY 120, Providence, KY 42450.
- Maranatha Baptist Church will have Homecoming Sunday, May 21. Service is at 11 a.m. featuring the Stone Family followed by singing and a meal.
- Old Salem Baptist Church has a Blessing Box located next to the church at 117 Old Salem Church Rd. Everyone

is welcome to take items or place them in the box for others to enjoy.

- Suicidal thoughts? Stop! Email dbrantpc@tds.net and request a video link that hopefully will change your mind.
- Cave Springs Baptist Church between Lola and Joy in Livingston County offers food 24 hours a day, 7 days week at its outdoor Blessing Box in front of the church.
- Fredonia Unity Baptist Church's clothes closet is open from 9 a.m. to noon on the second and fourth Saturday of every month.

TYNER CHAPEL CEMETERY

Anyone having family buried at the chapel is urged to donate to cemetery for maintenance.

Thank You

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The Stone Family



May 21

11 a.m. Service followed by singing and meal

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Freedom General Baptist Church

87 Freedom Church Rd., Marion

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Sunday, May 21

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CHOIR PRACTICE: 6:45 p.m., PRAISE TEAM: 7:30 p.m.



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Pastor: Tim Burdon
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Sunday Bible Study: 9 a.m.
Sunday Discipleship Training: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship Service: 7 p.m.



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Crayne Cemetery Road, Crayne, Ky.

Bro. James Driver, Interim Pastor

Sunday Worship 9 a.m.



Frances Community Church

Bro. Butch Gray

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Sunday school: 10 a.m.
Worship service: 11 a.m.



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David LeNeave, Pastor



Hurricane Church

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Wed. Evening services, 7 p.m.



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Fires strike Dycusburg causing destruction

Fires have caused a great deal of destruction in our county's history. Their greedy flames have sent quite a lot of history up in smoke, destroying historical buildings and the contents housed in them. The river port town of Dycusburg was one of the local communities hit hard by devastating fires through the years, and many of her buildings and historical documents were lost in these fires. From the archives of The Crittenden Press we can read of the destruction that these fires caused.

Dycusburg In Ashes

Crittenden Press June 7, 1906

Last Thursday morning at 3:15 a.m., disastrous fire broke out in the residence of Mrs. Clifton, widow of the late J. H. Clifton and mother of our townsmen, Will, Lewis and Tom Clifton, and on account of the early hour and the dry weather, was soon beyond control.

Mrs. Clifton's residence and her store room and all her furniture were consumed, her loss being about \$6,000 with only \$1,250 insurance.

She and her two daughters Mrs. F. F. Charles, of Brazil, Tenn., and Miss Nelle, and her grandson, Emmet Clifton, barely escaped with their lives, losing most of their wearing apparel. Mrs. Charles also lost all of her household goods, which were stored there preparatory to their removal to Tennessee.

Other losses caused by the fire.

■ Brown & Dalton's loss on stock was about \$1,000 with \$500 insurance.

■ E. M. Dalton's loss on house was \$1,000 with \$350 insurance.

■ S. H. Cassidy & Co., tobacco factory, loss \$3,500, no insurance.

■ S. H. Cassidy, residence and contents, loss \$4,000, with \$1,300 insurance.

■ Brasher & Campbell, general merchants, loss \$4,000, insurance \$2,600.

■ Decker's Livery stable, loss \$500, no insurance.

■ J. B. Wadlington's residence, loss \$1,000, no insurance.

■ Obe Simmons residence, loss \$800, no insurance.

■ Griffin & Wells, warehouse, loss \$500, no insurance.

It is said that the citizens are undaunted and that a new and better town will take the place of the old.

Dycusburg Community Items:

The Dycusburg Press reporter sent this report to the paper. Between three and four o'clock on Thursday, morning, May 31, our peaceful village was awakened by the cry of "fire."

After making a hasty toilet and running in the direction of the fire, they found it to be the large

two-story building owned by Mrs. J. H. Clifton wrapped in flames. The fire is supposed to have started in the room in which Brasher & Campbell carried a line of groceries. They also had dry goods, and the post office kept by G. Y. Steele was in the same building

The hungry flames were not satisfied with devouring this so they next consumed the grocery owned by E. M. Dalton and E. J. Brown. They were then fanned northward by a gentle south breeze, burning a tobacco factory, S. H. Cassidy's residence and a cooper shop, Bud Wadlington's residence, Obe Simmons residence, a stable belong to J. A. Decker,



Brenda Underdown
County Historian

Forgotten Passages

also one vacant house and the coal house. The coal burned for several days, thus adding to the horror of the scene.

Several other buildings caught fire but were saved by the brave efforts of the men and boys, many of whom risked their lives to stop the fire.

This was decidedly the most disastrous fire that has ever visited Dycusburg, and had not brave efforts been put forth to hinder its progress, Dycusburg would surely have been "a thing of the past."

Fire Strikes Again In July 1907

A little over a year later, the town was once again hit by a devastating fire.

July 18, 1907 - Dycusburg Destroyed, almost the entire business portion of the city together with three dwellings go up in flames. Loss \$55,000.

On Tuesday morning about 1 o'clock our little neighboring city, Dycusburg, was practically wiped off the map by fire.

The fire is supposed to have originated in the general merchandise store belonging to Griffin & Wells, but the cause is unknown.

The loss is estimated at \$55,000, while the insurance in only \$11,000. The following business houses went up in flames.

J. I. Hill, grocery; Owen Boaz grocery; Will Dycus, grocery; Will Lowery, grocery; Geo. Decker, grocery;



An artist's drawing done in 1895 depicts the J. H. Clifton home and business house in Dycusburg. The disastrous fire of May 1906 started here and destroyed the building plus several other businesses and homes in Dycusburg.

W. L. Bennett & Co., general merchandise; Griffin & Wells, Gen. Merchandise; Dr. Phillips, drug store and office; Gregory's livery stable, Post Office, Peoples Bank; Rhodes hotel, Yates hotel and residence; J. R. Glass, hardware store.

Three residences were burned belonging respectively to J. B. Bennett, Ed Lowery and T. J. Yates.

We have not been able to secure the full particulars concerning the fire, the loss and etc., but it is thought that S. H. Cassidy & Co. is the heaviest loser. We understand Dr. Phillips and the bank will rebuild soon.

Another Devastating Fire In 1954

On Nov. 23, 1954, yet another fire struck the town of Dycusburg. The Marion Reporter reports the news.

Nov. 24, 1954 - Fire Strikes Dycusburg; Five Buildings Destroyed.

This makes the third major fire since 1906 swept through Dycusburg early Monday morning, leveling five of the town's buildings and threatened the rest of the community. Losses were estimated at over \$50,000. Only the prompt and relentless ef-

forts of a bucket brigade and assistance from Marion's Fire Department prevented the entire town of Dycusburg from being consumed.

Answering the wail of the fire siren at about 12:30 a.m., Monday morning, Marion's fire trucks raced at speeds up to 70 miles per hour over the 16 miles of curved highway to Dycusburg to find the stricken buildings already blazing furiously.

Attempts to raise water from the nearby Cumberland River by the fire truck pump were fruitless. The bucket brigade, although unable to quell the blazing structure, did prevent further spread of flames to other buildings. As wind-blown sparks ignited their roofs, nearby trees and telephone poles, they were quenched with water.

Serious danger threatened the firefighters and saddened onlookers when gas pumps ignited. Gasoline storage tanks in the ground, however, did not explode. Canned goods, exploding from the intense heat, nearly struck spectators on occasions when they plummeted through the air.

Lost in the blaze were a general merchandise store

operated by Fred Joyce, a grocery store operated by Margarite Bennett and three vacant buildings owned by Molly Graves, Don Carney and W. Long. It was thought that faculty wiring caused the blaze.

Most extensive loss was the Joyce building, which was valued, with its merchandise, at \$2,000. Interviewed amongst the smoldering ruins Tuesday morning after the blaze, Fred Joyce sadly commented on his losses. "See that showcase? I just bought that two months ago, and paid \$1,680 for it," he said.

Mrs. Bennett, owner of the grocery store, estimated her losses at over \$2,000. Carlton Howard, owner of the store operated by Mrs. Bennett, phoned the Marion Fire Department then hurriedly notified local residents the instant the blaze was discovered.

The fire apparently started at the Howard-owned

grocery store then spread rapidly to the three adjoining buildings. The Joyce building was the last to be burned.

For a while it was feared that one person had been burned to death in the Bennett store. Charley Peek, sleeping in a room in the rear of the building, was thought to have been trapped, but he earlier had managed to flee the structure.

Joyce and Howard said that they did not intend to rebuild their leveled buildings immediately.

So much history lost in these fires. But the archives of The Crittenden Press has preserved some of the lost history.

(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).

FISH FRY

for the upkeep of

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South Yandell Street, Marion, Ky. 42064.

The foregoing settlement is to be heard at the regular session of Crittenden District Court on June 21, 2023 at 9 a.m. All persons having exceptions to said settlements are to file same at once. Melissa Guill, Clerk Crittenden District Court (1t-20-c)

Cooper Towing of 3425 Mott City Rd., Marion, KY 42064 (270) 704-0943 is hereby notifying Brance Cain of 1961 S.R. 189 S. Greenville, KY that a 1996 Chevy S-10 with a Vin#1G-CCS1448WK234846 will be sold June 2, 2023 to recover towing and storage fees. Vehicle was picked up at Food Giant in Marion Feb. 24, 2023. (3t-22-p)

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY CRITTENDEN CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION 21-CI-00061 STEVEN WAYNE HAIRE, PLAINTIFF vs. BARBARA ANN HAIRE, DEFENDANT. By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the 18TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023, I will on MAY 25TH, at the hour of 11:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Crittenden County, Kentucky, to-wit: Property Address: 5955 US 60 East, Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky

Crittenden County School Food Services is currently accepting sealed bids for a new serving line, subject to conditions. Sealed bids will be accepted by Crittenden County Schools, 601 West Elm Street, Marion, KY 42064, until Friday, May 26, 2023 at 2 p.m. at which time bids will be opened. Crittenden County Schools reserves the right to accept or reject portions of the RFP and negotiate with the offerors regarding the final fixed contract. Board decision will be made at the regular scheduled December Board meeting Thursday, June 2 at 5:30 p.m.

The bid must contain the following components:
SERVING COUNTER, COLD FOOD (2 REQ'D)
Low Temp Industries Model 74-CFMA-L Dimensions: 36(h) x 50.38(w) x 30(d)
SpecLine TempestAir Cold Serving Counter, 74-3/8"W x 30"D x 34.5"H, 14ga stainless steel top with (1) 38"W x 20"D x 9" deep stainless steel cold well, accommodates (3) full size 6" deep food pans, forced air refrigeration with (1) fan, specify base, rear storage opening, 5" casters all with brakes, 1/3 HP, UL, cUL, UL EPH

- 2 ea 120v/60/1-ph, 7.6 amps, NEMA 5-15P - Base unit voltage subject to change based on options
- 2 ea (DD) Daisy chain electrical to hot food unit for single point connection
- 2 ea Laminate over steel body
- 1 ea Model PASS THRU dedicated countertop space and sneeze guard accommodation to pass food tray to student.
- 2 ea Standard color
- 2 ea (AA) Line up lock
- 2 ea (A) Solid tray slide with (2) inverted "V" ridges on surface, stainless steel
- 2 ea (D) Cutting board, stainless steel
- 2 ea (GAG) Sloped front protector, adjustable, glass top shelf
- 74" adjustable front protector with 1/2 height front glass at pass thru section.
- 2 ea (RR) LED lights
- 2 ea Sheet pan recess
- 2 ea 5" Casters (standard)

- ITEM 3 - HOT FOOD SERVING COUNTER / TABLE (2 REQ'D)**
Low Temp Industries Model 74-EFS5-CPA-L Dimensions: 36(h) x 84.38(w) x 30(d)
SpecLine Hot Food Serving Counter, 74-3/8"W x 30"D x 34.5"H, (5) 12" x 20" hot wells, wet & dry operation, individual digital controls, 14ga stainless steel top, specify base, rear storage openings, (6) 5" locking swivel casters, UL, cUL, UL EPH Classified
- 2 ea 120v/60/1-ph, 31.3 amps, 3755 watts, NEMA 5-30P - Base unit voltage subject to change based on options
 - 2 ea (DD) Daisy chain electrical, cold into hot food unit for single point connection
 - 2 ea Laminate over steel body
 - 2 ea Standard color
 - 2 ea (Z) Hot food drains
 - 2 ea (AA) Line up lock
 - 2 ea (A) Solid tray slide with (2) inverted "V" ridges on surface, stainless steel
 - 2 ea (D) Cutting board, stainless steel
 - 2 ea (GAG) Sloped front protector, adjustable, glass top shelf
 - 2 ea (RR) LED lights
 - 2 ea (2-(V) 28" stainless steel insert storage shelf
 - 2 ea Sheet pan recess
 - 2 ea 5" Casters (standard)

- ITEM 4 - CASH REGISTER STAND (2 REQ'D)**
Low Temp Industries Model 60-CSS Dimensions: 36(h) x 60.38(w) x 30(d)
SpecLine Cashier Station, side type station, 60-3/8"W x 30"D x 34.5"H, 14ga stainless steel top, specify base with storage area, 5" casters all with brakes, UL, cUL, UL EPH
- 2 ea 60" Laminate over steel body
 - 2 ea Cashier liner
 - Cashier tubular foot rest
 - 2 ea (AA) Line up lock
 - 2 ea 3" Knock-out on top with cord grommet for cashier cord
 - 2 ea (HH) Locking cash drawer
 - 2 ea (A) Solid tray slide with (2) inverted "V" ridges on surface, stainless steel
 - 2 ea (DD) electrical outlet in cabinet with wiring
 - Data Box for cashier stand
 - 2 ea (V) 14" stainless steel insert storage shelf
 - 2 ea 5" Casters (standard)

- ITEM 5 - DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION (1 REQ'D)**
Custom Model INSTALLATION
Equipment Dealer Scope of Work:
-confirm electrical requirements with school prior to order
-receive, un-crate, inspect for freight damage and stage for delivery
-schedule lift-gate delivery with school
-remove and haul away old serving line
-set in place new serving line equipment and interconnect, made ready for service
-train staff on operation
-Work to be completed during normal business hours, Monday thru Friday

For bid specification questions or more information, please contact Bailey Guess at 270-965-5052 or email bailey.guess@crittenden.kyschools.us.

42064 PVA Map #: 078-00-00-031.01. Subject to all restrictions, conditions, covenants, and to all legal highways and easements. The current year's property taxes will be paid by the purchaser of the property. Purchaser may pay cash or said property will be sold upon payment of 10% deposit, with the balance upon credit of 30 days, the purchaser shall execute a good and sufficient bond with approved surety thereon for the purchase price, the bond to bear interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date thereof, until paid, and to have the force and effect of a judgment, but a lien shall be retained on said property to further secure the payment of the purchase price. At his option, the purchaser may pay cash or pay the bond with accrued interest at any time before its maturity. Said sale to be made free and clear of any and all liens, claims, rights, title, and interest of any and all parties to this action. The purchaser will be prepared to promptly comply with these terms or the said property will immediately be offered again for



sale. GIVEN under my hand this the 2nd day of May, 2023. STEPHEN M. ARNETT, Special Master Commissioner. (3t-21-c)

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The Public Service Commission of Kentucky issued an order on April 10, 2023, scheduling a hearing to be held on May 31, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Richard Raff Hearing Room of the Commission's offices located at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of cross-examination of witnesses in Case No. 2022-00371. This is in the Matter of an Electronic Tariff Filing of Kentucky Utilities Company for Approval of an Economic Development Rider Special Contract with Bitiki-KY, LLC.

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

Public comments may be made at the beginning of the hearing. Those wishing to make oral public comments may do so by following the instructions listed on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov.
Kentucky Utilities Company 220 West Main Street Louisville, Kentucky 40202

BID FOR HVAC

The Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office in Smithland, KY is accepting bids to replace the current HVAC system. Bids will be accepted until June 3, 2023.

Job can be seen/assessed on-sight at the Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office located at 803 U.S. 60 East, Smithland, KY 42081 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Job must be started within 15-30 days of the time the bid is accepted and agreed upon by both parties. Detailed, itemized bids should be delivered in-person or by mail (Livingston County Extension District Board, P.O. Box 189, Smithland, KY 42081) no later than June 3, 2023 by 4:30 p.m. For questions, please call 270-928-2168 or email Joni Phelps at jkbarr3@uky.edu.

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CRITTENDEN		LIVINGSTON	
Harvest Figures		Harvest Figures	
Year	Harvest	Year	Harvest
2000	351	2000	197
2001	394	2001	221
2002	544	2002	348
2003	424	2003	328
2004	505	2004	332
2005	517	2005	357
2006	511	2006	410
2007	412	2007	325
2008	503	2008	390
2009	487	2009	341
2010	513	2010	401
2011	519	2011	329
2012	566	2012	384
2013	525	2013	367
2014	396	2014	313
2015	390	2015	266
2016	375	2016	305
2017	374	2017	296
2018	288	2018	226
2019	344	2019	239
2020	341	2020	233
2021	397	2021	261
2022	307	2022	267
2023	413	2023	341

Turkey study to examine populations

KENTUCKY TODAY

Many states across the country are experiencing a decline in wild turkey populations, so the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) and state agencies are looking to better understand what is happening to America's favorite game bird. This includes Kentucky and Tennessee, where the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, Tennessee Tech University and the NWTf are engaged in a collaborative, multi-state research project.

A collaborative banding project is in the second year of its four-year duration, gathering data that will lead to a better understanding of the biological (i.e., mating phenology or timing), landscape (i.e., habitat quality) and regulatory factors (i.e., season timing, bag limits) that influence male harvest and survival rates across the two states.

Harvest rates can influence populations in two ways: the direct removal of juvenile and adult gobblers, and the removal of dominant males from the population.

"In the first case, harvesting too many adult males can shift the population balance to younger males, which makes the gobbler population highly dependent on annual recruitment and could negatively im-



pact populations, not to mention hunting satisfaction, if too few adult males remain," said Roger Shields, Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Wild turkey program coordinator. "The latter may affect the reproductive rates of females and lead to a population decline."

Unlike other upland game birds in North America, wild turkeys are hunted and harvested during their breeding season, making spring turkey season's timing, duration and bag limits critical for population management.

With dozens of study sites across both states, on both public and private land, the areas encompass varying landscapes in Kentucky and Tennessee. The data between the two agencies is being combined to paint a comprehensive picture of wild turkey harvest and survival information.

"Our goal is to capture more than 300 male wild turkeys annually within each state, broadly distributed on public and private properties," said Zak Danks, Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources wild turkey program coordinator. "Four years of trapping is necessary because our analyses require at least three years of capture-recapture-recovery data."

OFFICER

Continued from page 1 engineering. He previously was employed as the city's code enforcement officer before becoming a policeman in 2007.

CRITT

Continued from page 1 tendon was involved in a duel on the floor of the House of Representatives in which a man was killed. Actually he was a second (which I assume to be an assistant), and it is said that Crittenden later regretted his actions.

This duel took place just a few years before Crittenden County was formed and while Crittenden was a prominent figure in U.S. politics.

In 1841, when Crittenden County was being formed, John J. Crittenden resigned from politics and returned to Woodford County where he was gifted his boyhood home. His removal from public office didn't last long. He was later suggested as a presidential candidate, but instead was elected Kentucky governor in 1848.

Crittenden was a slave owner. Interestingly, one of his sons became a general in the Confederate Army, another was a general in the Union Army.

Crittenden's biography is interesting and extensive. He was married

and unsightly areas of the community. The move to put Foster in charge of those efforts is the first step of a campaign commitment, Browning said she made during the election last fall.

three times, and died in Louisville after complaining of shortness of breath and hiding out in the Galt House during the Civil War. He is buried in the State Cemetery overlooking Frankfort.

Thanks to Wikipedia (not everyone's most trusted source, but which I find quite useful), we can go back and read some of the history the late Harold Grace taught thousands of us while we were writing notes to our boyfriends in high school.

Letter to the Editor

The following letter was originally written by Victor Hill, a pastor at New Harmony Baptist Church in Eddyville. Randy Manley of Marion presented the letter for publication in The Crittenden Press and with Hill's permission it's printed below. Hill had written it after an experience with a U.S. military veteran.

I recently heard a veteran respond when thanked for his service, "Oh, it was really no big deal." I have heard it expressed by others along with "Well, I only served one term," or "I never actually fought in any war," or "I never even served on foreign soil, I was always stationed stateside." But I would like to say, "It Is a Big Deal!"

You wore our country's uniform. You stood at the ready to defend our flag. You answered the call of our nation to stand on call, ready in a moment's notice to be willing, if necessary, to lay your life on the line for freedom. Because... That is what the American soldier's uniform represents. The defense of freedom! Soldiers of other nations have through the course of history fought for lands, power, ego and many other less noble causes, but the American soldier has always fought for freedom. We live in a nation "dreamed

of," "established in," and "birthed by" freedom. Under the ideology that every man has the God-given right to be free!

I was born in 1966. I drew my first breath in a free land. I took my first steps upon free soil while men wearing that uniform fought far from their homes, as many men had also done before them, so that I could grow up in this land of freedom. I made my own choices, right or wrong, because I was afforded that right by men and women who served wearing that uniform.

I raised my son, and he is raising my granddaughters in that same freedom, and every generation that follows will do the same as long as brave and honorable men and women continue to wear the uniform of the nation, dedicated to that freedom.

That uniform is a long-standing and ever-enduring message to any foe who would seek to destroy the foundation of freedom built by this great nation.

The uniform represents a wall of strength, built brick by brick by those individuals who wear it. A wall no enemy can push over.

The uniform of the American soldier is seared into the conscience of every would-be tyrant who would fashion thoughts of evil toward those who live behind

its protective walls. The American soldier's uniform invades the thoughts of any dictator who might seek to tear up the fabric of the blanket of freedom under which we rest. That uniform is a reminder to any who should need such reminding that you will not find this nation unwilling to defend this freedom. For they will stand, always ready, to meet the enemy at every charge. To repel the enemy at every gate. To continually guard the threshold so that those who live in this great nation may find rest behind its Great Wall of security, represented by those who wear that uniform.

So for the veteran who thinks his or her service was "no big deal," as a husband, as a father, as a minister, as a pastor who treasures the freedom to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, please let me say...

I know that the willingness of you and men and women like you to wear that uniform and defend the ideals of the nation that inspired the American flag is what has given me the privilege today to preach the Lord and Savior who inspired this Christian flag.

And it is a big deal. It is a very big deal.

Beshear commits water money

STAFF REPORT

While in Livingston County Monday to dedicate the new Smithland bridge, Gov. Andy Beshear announced the commitment of \$275,899 in funding to the Crittenden-Livingston County Water District for two projects. These projects will replace old water filters and support waterline extensions.

The governor also awarded \$150,000 to the City of Salem for water main replacements, as well as \$114,000 to the City of Smithland for the Smithland Lagoon

Rehabilitation Project.

Funded by ARPA and administered by the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority, \$500 million has been appropriated through a bipartisan agreement with the General Assembly to provide clean drinking water and wastewater grants to fund projects across Kentucky since 2021. The 2022 funding will be allocated based on each county's proportion of the state's population.

As the projects progress, the utilities will be reimbursed with Cleaner Water Program funds.

Bridge named for Smith

The new bridge at Smithland crossing the Cumberland River was opened and dedicated on Monday during a ceremony presided over by Gov. Andy Beshear and other state transportation leaders.

Named in honor of the late Jim R. Smith, a Livingston County native, the new bridge replaces the Lucy Jefferson Lewis bridge built in 1931. It will be torn down in August.

Smith was founder of Jim Smith Construction, which was the lead contractor in building the new bridge. His son, Rex, a former Kentucky statesman, now runs the company.

City council proposes FY24 budget

STAFF REPORT

New Marion City Administrator Diane Ford-Benningfield said the town's budget for next year will be tight due to anticipated expenses with regard to its ongoing water crisis. However, she pointed out during Monday's regular monthly city council meeting that Marion will finish the current fiscal year in the black despite unanticipated costs of dealing the drinking water situation.

The city's budget for the coming fiscal year beginning July 1 shows anticipated revenue and expenses of \$8.3 million, including about \$740,000 for administration. The largest expense will be \$5.3 million for completion of the new sewer plant. That project is delayed due to material

acquisition issues. Work will stop on the project in Industrial Park North this summer and will not resume until electrical materials can be procured, perhaps in the fall. Marion will finance much of the cost to pay for the new wastewater plant. Marion's budget is about \$450,000 higher than last year.

Much remains unknown about actual expenses that will be incurred to solve the water problem. The budget was given first reading on Monday. It will require final approval later.

In addition to putting

aside money to deal with anticipated costs for repairing the Lake George levee, the city will also allocate funding for certain training and certifications, including the maintenance department.

Mayor D'Anna Browning said anticipated rent for city hall by the Administrative Office of the Courts will generate almost \$5,000 a month. The courts are going to occupy city hall's chambers for legal proceedings while the new courthouse is being built.

Also in the budget for next year is a 6.5-percent

pay increase for non-elected city employees. Employee health insurance is going up 27 percent.

In other business, during this week's council meeting, Eddie Lee Belt was chosen to serve on the Marion Code Enforcement Board for a three-year term.

Also, the mayor said plans to move into Phase 1 of the city's creek clean-up project will begin on Tuesday with the first location between Curve Inn on Sturgis Road and the Crittenden County Food Bank on North Walker Street.

WATER

Continued from page 1 whether it can secure funding and create momentum to increase capacity at its plant on the Cumberland River in Livingston County at Pinckneyville south of Salem. The two-county district already provides wholesale drinking water to Marion and other communities such as Grand Rivers, Smithland, Salem and Ledbetter – in addition to its own residential and commercial customers. Data show that CLWD is operating so close to capacity that expansion is necessary for continued reliability and any further growth in the communities it serves.

On Friday, there will be a meeting in Frankfort between local representatives and leaders with the Kentucky Public Service Commission to further review some of the initial plans for solving long-term water needs for residents and businesses in Livingston and Crittenden County. Marion's water consultant Tim Thomas and CLWD's longtime engineer Robert Stegall of

Nashville will be among those attending the gathering.

Thomas, who was at the capital just a few days ago for consultations with Kentucky Emergency Management and Department of Local Government officials, said the primary focus of current efforts is to ensure Marion survives the summer without a disruption in availability of normal amounts of drinking water. That same task, he added, will be replayed summer after summer until a long-term solution comes to fruition. So long as Marion gets normal rainfall, keeps its distribution system leaks to a minimum and continues to receive supplemental water from CLWD, the risk of serious jeopardy is mitigated. Mayor D'Anna Browning recently lifted some of the stricter water conservation orders, but has pointed out those could be reinstated at a moment's notice if conditions deteriorate.

Thomas said the short-term mission is shoring up Lake George so it doesn't leak and can store what rainwater it

collects. To help that happen, it is likely that a coffer dam will be built around the damaged pipe at Lake George. A coffer dam is basically a watertight fence made of sheet piling, which would cordon off the leaking area and allow for repair or replacement of the pipe. A solution could be as simple as filling the broken pipe with grout.

If you recall, the levee was found to be weeping badly around that pipe last April, prompting local officials to take action by cutting a breach in the earthen dam to relieve pressure on it in order to prevent complete failure.

That pipe allows water from Lake George to flow into Old City Lake from where Marion draws raw water that can be treated and distributed to customers. The old lake does not provide enough volume in a year's time to meet local demand for drinking water so it's imperative to shore up Lake George so it can continue as a secondary source of raw water.

ELECTED COUNTY JUDGE-EXECUTIVE | MAGISTRATES

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SPRING SPORTS

CCHS upcoming events

SATURDAY
Track at Class A 1st Region, Mayfield
Softball at 2nd Region Tournament

District Tournaments

Fifth District Softball
Monday's Semifinals
Crittenden 7, Livingston 1
Lyon County 3, Trigg County 2
Tuesday's Championship
Crittenden 10, Lyon 1

Fifth District Baseball
Monday's Semifinals
Lyon County 11, Livingston Central 1
Trigg County 6, Crittenden Co. 3
Tuesday's Championship
Lyon 7, Trigg 1

Girls at 2nd Region

Crittenden County will play in the 2nd Region softball tournament at Hopkins Central on Saturday. The tournament draw will be held later this week.

3 on All District Softball

Three Crittenden County freshmen have been named to the All Fifth District Fast-Pitch Softball Team. They are Anna Boone, Elliot Evans and Elle McDaniel. Victoria Joiner of Livingston Central was Player of the Year in the Fifth District and the following other players were named to the all district squad: Maddie Norton, Livingston; Veyda Grinols, Trigg; Emersyn Ramage, Livingston; Courtney Collins, Lyon; Hadley Hargrove, Livingston; Rylee Hendricks, Trigg.

3 earn All District Baseball

Juniors Tyler Belt and Jeremiah Foster and freshman Quinn Summers were chosen to the All Fifth District Team. Eli Baker of Lyon was Player of the Year in the Fifth District and the following other players were named to the all district squad: Luke Vinson, Livingston; Brady Belt, Lyon; Aiden Butts, Trigg; Aaron Despain, Trigg; Austin Spears, Lyon; Matthew Leeper, Trigg; and Peyton Williams, Lyon.

OUTDOORS

Hunting Seasons

Here are some of the key hunting opportunities currently in season or coming up:

Spring Squirrel	May 20 - June 16
Bullfrog	May 19 - Oct. 31
Coyote	Year Round
Ground Hog	Year Round

SOFTBALL / I BASEBALL

Babe Ruth registration

Any boys ages 13-15 interested in playing Babe Ruth baseball this summer should contact Devin Belt at (270-704-3034) or Adam Dayberry at (270) 836-3971. Cost is \$60 per player.

Fredonia registration

On every Saturday in May, Fredonia will continue registering youngsters for its summer baseball and slow-pitch recreational leagues. Registration will be from 9 a.m., to 11 a.m., each Saturday this month at Buddy Rogers Park. No signups will be accepted beyond May 27. There will be divisions for T-Ball ages 4-6, Minor League Baseball ages 7-9, Major League Baseball ages 10-13 and slow-pitch softball ages 14-18. All leagues are co-ed and baseball is coach pitch. Cost is \$40 and there is a discount for multiple children in a family. Cost includes a T-shirt and cap. Practice begins in early June and games begin June 12 and end at the Fredonia Festival weekend Aug. 12. Coaches and umpires are needed.

COACHING

Embrey is leaving

Jeff Embrey, a veteran coach of the Fifth District, has turned in his resignation after coaching two sports over three years at Crittenden County. Embrey had previously been head basketball coach at Lyon and Trigg cournties before coming to Crittenden as an assistant basketball and baseball coach. He plans to return to his native area in southern Indiana.

Denny Crum dies

Denny Crum, the Hall of Fame coach who led the Louisville Cardinals basketball team to six Final Fours and two NCAA championships, died on May 9, 2023. He was 86.



The Lady Rockets allowed just 4 hits and 2 runs in the district tournament and won their first championship in five years on Tuesday.



Crittenden County junior Jeremiah Foster leads off second in the Rockets' final regular-season game against Union County.

CRITTENDEN COUNTY SPRING SPORTS WRAPUP

TOP5 Batting Average	
Lady Rocket Softball	
Player	Avg.
Anna Boone	.487
Elle McDaniel	.419
Elliot Evans	.402
Hannah Jent	.324
Jaycee Champion	.276
Through District Tourn., Min. 25 ABs	

SOFTBALL

Lady Rockets are champs
The Lady Rockets beat Lyon County 10-1 Tuesday to claim Crittenden County's first Fifth District championship in five years. CCHS scored five runs in the first inning to take command of the game and lefty pitcher Anna Boone threw a three-hitter to keep Lyon at bay for seven innings. Elliot Evans, Anna Boone, Hannah Jent and Jaycee Champion had two hits apiece. Elle McDaniel drove in three runs and Jent and Champion knocked in two each.

Boone struck out four and walked one. Lyon's only run was unearned, but Crittenden played nearly flawlessly in the field. Crittenden will play Saturday in the regional tournament at Hopkins Central. The tournament draw was scheduled for Wednesday afternoon.

Crittenden upsets Livingston
Ellie McDaniel and Andrea Federico hit back-to-back home runs in the first inning and Crittenden went on to upset top-seed Livingston Central Monday in the Fifth District Tournament opener at Marion. Anna Boone and Jaycee Champion had two hits apiece for the Lady Rockets. McDaniel scored three times and Boone and Federico twice.

Boone and Elliot Evans pitched, combining for a one-hitter against Livingston (17-8), winner of the regular-season district crown.

Lady Rockets beat Union Co.
The Lady Rockets closed out the regular season with a dramatic walk-off in the last of the seventh Thursday at Marion. Crittenden beat Union County 7-6, knocking off the Bravettes for the first time in four years.

CCHS led 2-0 until the fourth inning when Union took command by one. The Lady Rockets tied the game at 3-3 on Jaycee Champion's RBI single to score Anna Boone in the sixth. However, Union erupted for three runs on two hits and an error in the top of the seventh to retake the lead 6-3.

In their final at bat, CCHS got singles by Andrea Federico and Aubre Conyer to set the table. With one out, Taylor Guess drew a free pass

TOP5 Batting Average	
Rocket Baseball	
Player	Avg.
Quinn Summers	.375
Tyler Belt	.328
Chase Conyer	.311
Case Gobin	.302
Jeremiah Foster	.283
Through District Tourn., Min. 25 ABs	

after being hit by pitch to load the bases. Elliot Evans followed with a two-RBI double and Anna Boone hit a sacrifice fly to score the tying run. Evans scored the game winner on the same play after the ball got away from the Union defense on the infield. Evans started the game in the circle, going three innings. Boone closed it out and earned the win as the Lady Rockets finished with a regular-season record of 11-15.

BASEBALL

Rockets fall to Trigg in 5th
For the second straight season, Trigg County knocked Crittenden County out of the Fifth District Tournament in the first round. The Wildcats beat CCHS 6-3 Monday in Marion.

Trigg scored four in the fourth to take a 5-0 lead, but the Rockets got three in the fifth to close the gap.

Crittenden managed just three hits against the Trigg hurler. Tyler Belt, Chase Conyer and Seth Guess each singled.

Three fielding errors defined the game for CCHS as Jeremiah Foster allowed just two earned runs, striking out five and walking none in a complete game.

The Rocket season ended with a 10-13 record.

Rockets close out vs Union
Crittenden closed out its regular season on Friday with a 6-4 loss to Union County at Marion.

Union scored five runs on five walks, a hit batsman, sacrifice fly and a single in the fourth frame.

The Rockets closed the gap in the fifth with two runs on singles by Seth Guess, Jaxton Duncan, Tyler Belt and Evan Belt.

The Braves tacked on another run in the sixth then CCHS got two more in the bottom of the seventh on some walks, an error and a single by Chase Conyer.

Other hitters in the game for CCHS were Jeremiah Foster, Casey Cates and Case Gobin.

The Rockets used four pitchers. Asa McCord went the first three innings without allowing a run. Gobin and Guess followed, allowing six runs and Foster closed it out with a scoreless 1.1 innings.



Frshman Quinn Summers led the Rocket baseball team in hitting this year.



Senior Nate Faith won the high jump last week in a meet at Marion.

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Results from Marion Quad Meet
Here are Crittenden County results from last Thursday's quad meet at Marion-Crittenden County Park.

GIRLS
Team Totals: Crittenden 71, Trigg 71, Lyon 17, Dawson Springs 16, Livingston Central 4.

Kylie Bloodworth was 5th in the 100 meters at 15.74; and Kodi Stoner was 7th, Payton Hall 8th and Callie Rich 10th.

Payton Hall was 8th in the 200 meters at 33.18.

Presley Potter was 4th in the 400 meters at 1:14.66; and Karsyn Potter was 6th and Payton Maness 7th.

Ella Geary was 1st in the 800 meters at 2:44; and Mary Martinez was 3rd, Aubrey Grau 6th and Presley Potter 8th.

Mary Martinez was 2nd in the 1600 meters at 6:07; and Ella Geary 3rd and Aubrey Grau 4th.

Susana Suggs was 3rd in 100 hurdles.

Crittenden was 2nd in 4x100 relay (Kylie Bloodworth, Payton Hall, Callie Rich and Kodi Stoner) at 1:05.99.

Crittenden was 3rd in 4x200 relay (Bloodworth, Rich, Stoner and Layken Gilchrist) at 2:24.08.

Crittenden was 1st in the 4x400 relay (Maness, P. Potter, Martinez, K.Potter) at 5:07.58.

Crittenden was 1st in 4x800 relay (Martinez, Grau, P.Potter, Geary) at 11:34.43.

Payton Maness was 1st in high jump at 4-10; and Payton Hall was 3rd.

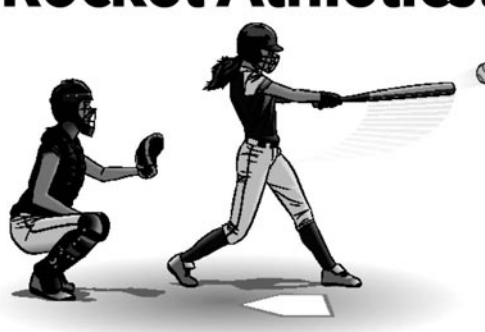
Karsyn Potter was 1st in the shot put at 26-08; and Leauna West was 2nd, Emily Mattingly 5th, MaciBelle Hardesty was 8th and Layken Gilchrist was 9th.

Karsyn Potter was 1st in discus at 80-0; and Leauna West was 4th, Emily Mattingly 5th, MaciBelle Hardesty 6th and Aubrey Grau 8th.

BOYS
Team Totals: Trigg 68.5, Dawson Springs 41.5, Crittenden 41, Livingston Central 26, Lyon County 8.

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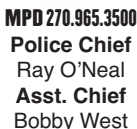
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Data below provided by Marion Police Department compare police activity for the month of April 2023 to the same month in 2022. The chart also includes the previous month's totals, year-to-date police activity totals and last year's monthly average.

CATEGORY	APRIL 2023	APRIL 2022	MARCH 2023	2023 YR TO DATE	2022 MONTHLY AVERAGE	 MPD 270.965.3500 Police Chief Ray O'Neal Asst. Chief Bobby West On Facebook Marion Police Department Marion-KY
Miles driven/patrolled	1,473	4,192	2,189	9,240	3,320.3	
Criminal investigations	10	7	10	47	12.2	
Domestics	5	7	4	20	6.2	
Felony Arrests	3	4	3	23	5.2	
Misdemeanor arrests	10	15	9	31	8.3	
Non-criminal arrests	11	8	6	37	10.1	
DUI arrests	2	0	0	3	0.5	
Criminal summons served	4	2	2	13	2.6	
Traffic citations	9	20	14	57	16.8	
Other citations	26	23	21	108	27.7	
Traffic warnings	3	0	6	18	2.6	
Parking tickets	0	0	0	0	0.1	
Traffic accidents	6	8	4	21	5.6	
Security checks/alarms	86	46	63	238	39.8	
Calls for service	222	182	209	778	176.6	



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STAFF REPORT

Six local individuals are facing new grand jury indictments.

The Crittenden County Grand Jury returned six true bills last week in cases ranging from drugs to fleeing from police.

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

Here are the indictments handed down last Thursday.

• **Danielle C. Davis, 33,** of Marion was indicted on felony charges of first-degree wanton endangerment involving a police officer and first-degree fleeing or evading police in a motor vehicle, plus other misdemeanor charges stemming from a Feb. 15 incident where she is alleged to have nearly run a police cruiser off the road.

Davis faces misdemeanor charges for fleeing or evading police on foot and driving on a revoked license, and traffic violations for speeding and reckless driving.

According to the citation, Assistant Police Chief Bobby West was on Weldon Road traveling east when he met a Ford pickup with Davis behind the wheel. The police report said West had to take evasive action in order to avoid a head-on collision with the speeding truck. He pursued the vehicle and it turned onto a driveway near the operator's residence. The report said Davis then left the truck and fled on foot. Records indicated that she had three outstanding warrants at the time she eluded the patrolman. Davis was later located and charged.

• Christopher Freeman, 53, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of second-offense, first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine); misdemeanor charges of second-degree fleeing or evading police in a vehicle and possession of drug paraphernalia; and traffic violation for not wearing a seat belt, improper turning and operating on an expired driver's license.

Freeman was arrested after Sheriff Evan Head observed him operating a vehicle on US 641 and attempted to make a traffic stop, knowing that there were active warrants for Freeman's arrest. The citation says Freeman sped up to more than 80 mph, leaving the federal highway and turning onto Campbell Lane before he was eventually stopped by the sheriff. In the vehicle, the sheriff's report alleges were drugs and paraphernalia.

Another active case against Freeman involving theft, burglary and a weapon charge was continued to the June grand jury term.

•Arianna Page Hagan, 24, of Maceo, Ky., was indicted on a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. The charges stem from a traffic stop by Sheriff Evan Head on April 16 when Hagan was a passenger in the vehicle. Court records say Hagan took responsibility for the drugs and paraphernalia found in the automobile.

•David Kirk, 54, of Marion was indicted on a felony charge of first-offense, second-degree pos-

session of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Court records indicate that Sheriff Evan Head had gone to a residence on US 60 West on March 30 to serve a warrant on an unrelated case when he found Kirk. In the same room was a pipe and what is alleged to have been meth.

•James Ralph Perryman, 61, of Marion was indicted on felony counts of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and tampering with physical evidence; and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Court records indicate that on April 14 Sheriff Evan Head was attempting to serve a warrant against Perryman. The citation says Perryman threw something into the grass when confronted by the sheriff. Later discovered in the suspect's pocket or vehicle were what was believed to be meth, pot, a syringe and pipes.

•Ocotlan Cole, 67, of Marion was indicted on a Class C felony count of knowingly exploiting an adult in an amount greater than \$300. Court records indicate that state police investigators believe Cole during four months in 2022 made withdrawals or negotiated checks on an account of an elderly resident, who due to physical dysfunction, was unable to manage her own resources or carry out normal daily living activities without assistance. The amount of money in question was about \$50,000, court records allege.

STAFF REPORT

Circuit Judge Daniel Heady last week ordered a former deputy jailer to serve 30 days of a one-year prison sentence in a state prison for first-degree promoting contraband in the Crittenden County Detention Center. Nicholas Crosby was involved with introducing a cell phone and mail matter containing the drug Suboxone into the jail last fall, according to court records.

Crosby told the judge he had gotten a new job since being terminated by the jail. The judge will allow Crosby to serve an alternative sentence that will allow him to keep his job. Crosby will serve two days a week for 15 weeks.

Following are final dispositions of other cases heard by Judge Heady during the May session of circuit court last Thursday.

•Christian B. Darling, 23, of Salem pleaded guilty to third-degree rape for having sexual intercourse with a minor in April of 2021. He was sentenced to one year, but has already served almost half the sentence while being held in custody awaiting final disposition of the case. Darling will be required to register as a sex offender for at least 10 years after he completes his sentence and a sex offender rehabilitation program.

•Chad E. Glasspoole.

30, of Marion was given the opportunity to be assessed for drug court in lieu of a prison sentence on felony drug and forgery charges stemming from an incident in November in Marion. Glasspoole has completed a three-month in-house program at Kentucky Christian Recovery in Morgantown and will be allowed to transition into drug court if accepted.

•Dalton Pryor, 25, of Marion pleaded guilty in two felony cases and was sentenced to a total of 10 years, but all of it was probated as long as he makes court-ordered restitution and completes an in-patient rehabilitation program.

Court records say that Pryor took \$5,740.20 from a victim for a replacement engine for a vehicle without paying for or providing the engine. He pleaded guilty to failure to make requested disposition of property and was given five years in that case.

In a second case, Pryor pleaded guilty to four counts of a Class C felony charge of possession of a forged instrument. Court records say Pryor passed forged \$100 bills in November at Five Star Food Mart and Dollar General Store in exchange for retail items and receiving back change, and to a local individual in exchange for four-wheeler parts. He was sentenced

to five years.

• Dakota Ryan Owen, 30, of Marion had his pretrial diversion set aside from a 2019 felony drug charge and was formally sentenced. Court testimony indicated that Owen stopped reporting to his probation officer as required by terms of his diverted sentence. Judge Daniel Heady ordered Owen to complete his original three-year sentence. Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Wes Hunt indicated that the prosecution might be open to entertaining shock probation at a later date, but opposed it at this time.

• Susan Binkley, 49, of Marion had her probation revoked on a 2019 felony drug trafficking charge. The court ordered her to complete the balance of an original five-year sentence.

• Arianna Page Hagan, 24, of Maceo, Ky., pleaded guilty to a felony charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and misdemeanor charges of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Hagan was indicted last week on the charge, which stemmed from a traffic stop by Sheriff Evan Head on April 16 when Hagan was a passenger in the vehicle. Court records say Hagan took responsibility for the drugs and paraphernalia found in the automobile.



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